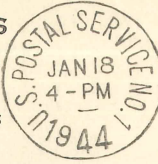
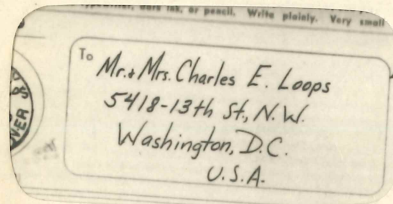
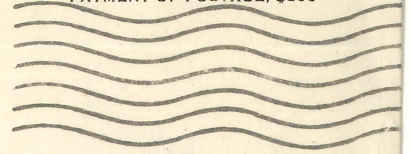


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Hiya, folks,

Just another V-mail coming your way with not a thing in it. - seemed to me I ought to be writing you - so here it comes.

Lately been on a project called something like "Keeping the Chaplain Happy". - It seems we have a new chaplain and as the so called chapel is near our area, he is associated closely with us and usually dines with us, too. - Poor fellow - his rather likable, but newly overseas, quiet, & retiring sort of. Our officer's mess isn't quite big enough to accommodate all at one time, so usually we start congregating early - those late, eat second mess. - Well, we got tired seeing the chaplain always making the second mess so some of us went over to see him - welcoming him to join us and putting him wise about getting to church early! - (Usually the chaplain comes to cheer us up!) And yesterday when I went walking - I invited him to join me. But never again! - He is from the wilds of Georgia, America, and damn near walked me to death! - See what happens when I try to be good?

Am to be airborne officer again day after tomorrow - so maybe I'll find more time and material to write about!

V--MAIL

By: Lots & Lots of Love,  
Frank