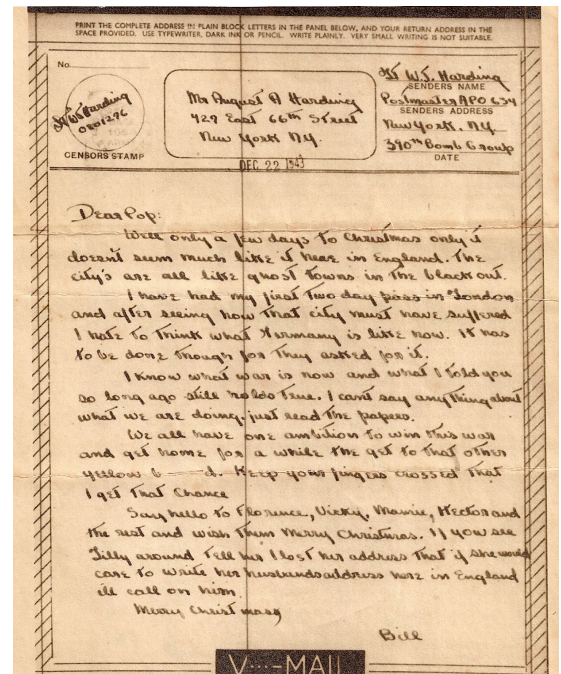


V-Mail

V-Mail, or Victory Mail, was used to speed up mail delivery and keep more space available for war supplies.

- ◆ V-mail worked by shrinking letters down into thumb nail size microfilm reels and then shipping those reels which were then blown up at their overseas destination.



- ◆ V-mail was much easier to ship than regular mail since 2,575 pounds of *regular mail* only weighed 45 pounds in *V-mail*!
- ◆ Everyone knew how important it was to write your loved one when he or she was overseas since they were far away from home and often in danger for their lives, and a letter from home was a great boost for morale.

- ◆ Delivering letters to the front was not an easy task, but it was the only way to contact loved ones fighting the war.
- ◆ The government promoted V-mail, which used film reels that were smaller for shipping than bulky paper, because it was cheaper, while families liked it because of its speed.

