

Hi Mom and Dad

Today is Christmas, I woke up this morning at 6:00 after four hours of sleep, to take film to the airport. The film I took the airport was film of ^{the} Pueblo crew. We were the only Photographers allowed in 121st Evacuation Hospital, where the Pueblo crew were kept for two days. We have been on alert ~~for two~~ since last Wed. I had 800 Ft of the crew sent to Japan and beamed to the states by Satellite. The sequences I shot were The crew as they arrived in the Hospital and were taken to the wards, Cpt Buchers arrival & his visits with men, and The men as they relax in the wards and are checked over by the doctors. I really got some fantastic footage. All the men were real cheerful, some had beards and scars on them. I was so happy to see and be able to enjoy a small bit of their freedom & happiness with them and that was the best Christmas Present I ever had. We really had to work our Butts off. I think I've had six hours of sleep in the last three days & nights.

After we finished shooting we had to type our captions, package and ship the film. If you saw anything shot in the Hospital it was my footage.

I hope you and Dad are enjoying Christmas, and I hope you liked the presents I sent. I didn't know if you had an electric knife or not I sure hope you didn't.

Last Wed we went to the Bob Hope show, I was main cameraman and had the best position in the House. I got meet everyone on the show just about. I really had a nice conversation with one of the Gold Diggers. Ann Margret is a real phony she sure puts on. Bob Hope is really a great guy. Before the show we were allowed back stage and that's how we got to meet everyone. We were suppose to be there on an official job but we weren't, we were there for ourselves, I shot 2400 FT of film that I will get processed in Hawaii.

I got two Critiques back yesterday or last night an Excellent and ~~and~~ a very good.

I went on the counter infiltration mission for the North Koreans that came down South. We caught Five of them and they were killed. I got this on film and it is being presented to General Bonesteel (who is the commander of the United Nation forces), on Friday I saw the footage tonight. I also shot a broadcast of a North Korean Defector. I only got a very good on that one. All my work over here has been getting excellent critiques except one very good. I really have enjoyed this trip and to top it really off I got to film the Pueblo. I should be getting the Film ~~from~~ from the Bob Hope show back in two weeks and I'll be sending you some prints. Right now our dog is nibbling at my feet. Its 11:00 P.M. and I only caught an Hour nap so I'm signing off for now and hit the Hay. I'm sorry for not sending a Happy Anniversary card I meant to.

Happy New Year
Love
Ted.