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Morning Kiddie.

At ten I have reserved for my own use and purposes one of the towers four or five bathrooms. My orderly stands in line, and rings me up whenever there is an opportunity. I think of that and we read in the papers of the Pennsylvania Hotel in New York with 2200 bath rooms - more than there are in all Germany - or at least in all France - because France has even less than Germany.

Yesterday - Washington's Birth-day was a holiday for us - just as if everyday is not a holiday - for there's little to do. Well by way of entertainment we went to a Division horse-show and it was a good one, only it rained all day. Just the same we stood out in the rain to watch it and it was well worth the wait. We saw lots of beautiful horses in the Division and

they sure showed to good
advantage. We - the Signal
Battalion have only 26 horses
but ~~at~~ entered six of them.
In one event - wire carts -
with six entries we capped
2nd and 3rd prizes so had
fair cause for celebration.
Wish we had some riding
horses to show - but all
our good riding horses were
killed or wounded in the
Argonne - lost 17 in that
scrap.

We have an officers club
here now - did I tell you
before. Yesterday we kept open
to open house and had a
mighty good time. I sang
nearly all day - feeling just
like it - and not having
sung except among a few
intimates. They seemed to en-
joy it too. Expect I'll be get-
ting some music from you
pretty soon - yes - no.

Now it's ten and time for
the adulations - see you later.

All sweet and clean and
heavenly. Here I come again.
A fellow sure appreciates a

scrubbing after a year of
mud and dirt and hard work
with even a canary bath in
a common wash basin a
rare treat.

Got two fine letters from
you yesterday the last Feb. 5th
that's pretty good time isn't it?
17 days. Were getting closer to-
gether every day. Got one from
Tom Crook too - mighty glad to
hear from my old man. He's
all right - I'll tell you.

So you're liable to go to De.
troit jies soon. I have all
right - not very far away
and you'll know of my coming
in time to come to meet me.
absolutely no indication of when
my chance will come - when it
does it will be sudden - and
then probably a long time
before I land in N.Y. Yes it
does take a long time - but
now that the Huns are taken
down anew with the last
armistice terms things look
more bright. They were pretty
cocky for a time, but we've got
what it takes to keep 'em in
place.

I may go in the theatrical
business for a time. The
1st Division show is being
made up of the best acts in
the Division - and will go on
tour soon. I have been spoken
to about taking it. Heard yes-
terday that there's a \$1000 in
the job beside salary. The show
will tour the A.E.F. with a
chance to do Broadway. I'm
not too keen for it - unless I
can pass up the job when
the chance comes to go home.
Also there are more in the
field so think it unlikely
that they'll call on me. It
would be a pretty good detail
at that - and an honor to
represent the best Division in
Europe - but - - - there are other
considerations - right wahn?

The Stars and Stripes just
came. I'll look it over and
send it along with this
letter. Do you get em all
right?

So long sweetheart - lot of
love to you and hugs and
kisses a million
(over)

XX XX Love, Tom XXXX

Am sending the Times editorial back. It was published to the Division in the news bulletin and very well received. The Division thanks you.

Oh and about the trip to Berlin - Only Signal Officers make that trip and the 1st Division's turn comes in a couple of weeks. Sure we go when it does come. It's a three day trip - about 24 hrs. there - stay 24 hours - then 24 hrs. back. I'm keen for it too. Some there?

L.T.