

December 25 -

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Believe it or not its Christmas. We left for Buffalo at 8:15 this morning ~~and~~ <sup>we</sup> crossed over to Canada to ride down to Buffalo. Buescher entertained me with his rudo on the train until it ran out of juice. Before breakfast the players presented NeSmith with a present (billfold) to show their appreciation for all the things he has done for the team - a true friend of the players if there ever was one. The show in Buffalo was swell, but short, Fitzpatrick, Kissell, and McSpodden had to be different and go to a burlesque. That turkey dinner was great but I could go through another one just like it - ditto for the team. Jack "Sho-nuff" Ballard made quite a hit with the girls in Buffalo with his southern talk. Skinner Buescher fell sick today cause he left his new skis in Detroit.

McSpodden and a few of the boys played a trick on short and hid his pants, and short thought he left them in Detroit also. Dean is giving the boys a sub. dinner now so I guess I'll go to bed, good night - Oh hummmmm.

December 26 -

Up at 9:30 and feeling fresh as a daisy. The air raid sirens here in Buffalo were buzzing all morning - just a test. But NeSmith jumped for cover - he really thought the japs were coming. We had a heck of a time pulling him out of the closet. Buescher felt pretty tough so he went a round or two with a few of the boys - ask him how he came out. (on the bottom)

I made a few of the boys jealous of the scrubline I got from the Statler Hotel Cocktail lounge - pretty nice.