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## Bangor Soldier Says Mail Most Important Overseas

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According to Cpl. Harry Hess, husband of Mrs. Ruth Hess, 453 Broadway, Bangor, who is serving with an Army postal unit at the Headquarters Advance Section, Communications Zone in Belgium, mail is one of the most important things in a soldier's life.

"The mail is one of the most important things in the soldier's life, especially overseas," he said, "even if it's only a postal card or a one-paragraph letter. Most folks think they have to write long letters, hence they only write now and then, but what they should do is make them shorter and more frequent. That's easier to do, I guess, and mail builds morale among all troops."

Cpl. Hess was formerly employed for eight years as a postal clerk in the Bangor post office. He also worked as a reporter specializing in sports for the Bangor Daily News, Allentown Morning Call and Easton Express.

He was inducted into the Army in May, 1943, at New Cumberland, Pa., and took his basic training at Camp Lee, Va. He was oriented in Army postal work at West Chester, Pa., and later served at Camp Breckenridge, Ky. He went overseas to England in December, 1943 and arrived in Normandy July 2, 1944. He has served in the military mail service across France and is now assistant money order clerk in Belgium.

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