

MERRY CHRISTMAS ***** HAPPY NEW YEAR



Jan. 1, 1919

Dec. 25.
1918.

Mandres, FRANCE.

*Old Nick's here
with greetings to you
While we're raising Nick with the Huns*



JACQUES
PARIU

For Y.M.C.A.

Devambe Paris

Dec. 6. 1918.

My dear Herbert,

It is 2 a.m. & I am taking
my shift at the switchboard.
There are 4 of us. We work 4 hrs.
on duty + 12 off. My hrs. are
from 12 mid-night - 4 a.m., 4 p.m. -
8 p.m., 8 a.m. - 12 noon. So you see
I get a good nights sleep every other
night. It is very quiet on this mid-
night & gives me a splendid opportu-
nity to redeem myself in letter
writing. Just wrote a letter to Ruth
Preston. I thanked for the good
time they gave you + mama last
fall. Love to mama + Papa see you
Best wishes to all soon
lots of love + kisses from W. Preston
Herby.