



YOU HAVE A VOICE MAIL (AND IT'S ONLY 1943 !)

It is World War II, and the American Red Cross provided many ways for the servicemen to send word back home, only this time its figuratively not literally. At selected hospitals, military bases and Red Cross hospitality clubs, soldiers were able to record voice messages on a machine which created a shellac-coated 6 1/2 inch heavy paper disc. These were mailed home by the ARC to family and sweethearts of the men in uniform and replayed at 33 rpm on the old record player. Only no wi-fi or hi-fi.



POSTMASTER
This is a Recordiogram Record
Please cancel carefully
Do not fold

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By the circular impression on the envelope, these instructions were disregarded !

TO Miss Beverly Schoen
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Cedar Falls



Postmark: 23 Sept 1943
US Coast Guard Station
Curtis Bay / Baltimore