

A.E.F.

May 3 1918

Dear Halline: It's been the most beautiful day today, one can imagine how I have thoroughly enjoyed. We are still at the same place and no prospects of leaving altho I had expected to move soon any time.

I am quite pleasantly located and am not worrying very much, only since Max is very active and that is very trying on ones temper to be so quiet.

You are evidently in Lausanne and I wish I was there also and then I would of course want to be in France so guess I will stay so long as Uncle Sam needs me here.

It's been such a nice spring day I am reminded of the "old swimming hole" and would just like to go in best kind.

I received the Easter card from
my daughter and was tickled
to get it and she certainly is
doing fine to write so well
I will be looking for a letter
from her before very long.
When she starts to school she
will have to write her first
letter to her daddy in French.
Has his returned from French Sea
and how did she do up there?
I have been looking for a paper
from some of you but to date
none has reached me. Send me
a Courier, Times or something like
home. No matter if the news is old
when I read it, I will enjoy it
any way.

I will write the Putter one of these
days? Does Bob think he will get
over here any way soon?

Would like to see him as much
as any one I know of that
may come over.

In a letter from Gordon Ingle he
mentioned several of the Marshall bays
that are already over, haven't seen
any of them if course.

I am awfully sorry about your
table scarf being lost, I was
afraid you might never receive the
package but for the package to
come and the scarf be gone
is doubly disappointing. I will
not try any more packages
from source.

I am going to make this a
real short letter.

Lots of love to all

Loveingly Yours

W. T. Richards

1 St. Louis M.R.

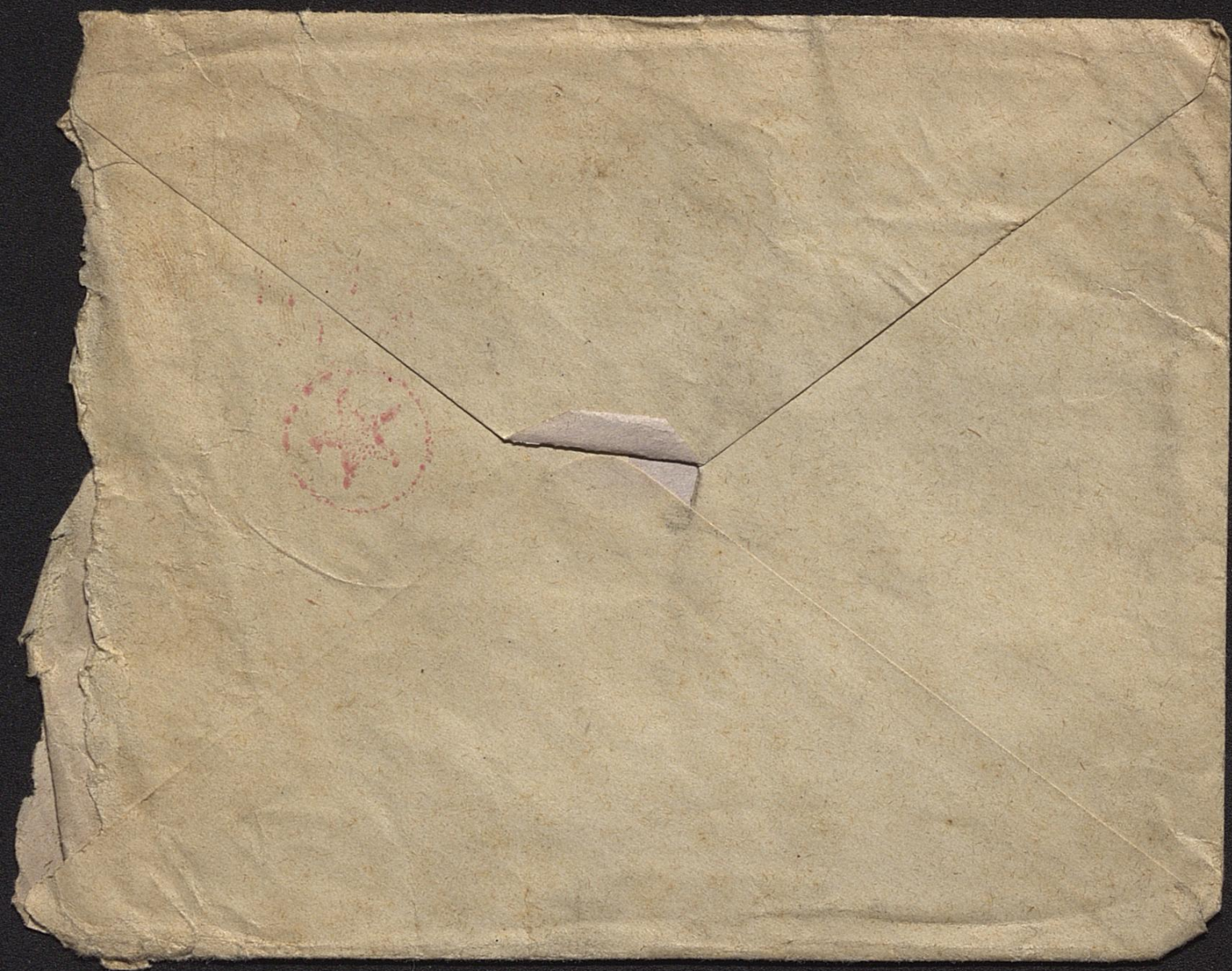
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Mr. W. C. Richmond
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W. C. Richmond
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May 7th 1918.
V.C.F.

Dear Halline:

I think its been about three days since I wrote you a letter and while there is nothing else happened to write about I will try and write another letter any way. The last few days have days have been real spring days and have put a little touch of spring fever in me.

I am told that the weather is never any warmer here than at present and if that is true a summer in France is very much to be desired pleasure. It gets quite warm in the middle of the day and at present we have plenty of rain but the nights are ideal you need blankets every night. I am still at Base Hospital # 117 but have been expecting orders to move any time, I would like to stay with the crowd here but will be glad to get away and get to work. I have done very little here the hospital

is not receiving patients yet so we
have just been marning time and doing
odd jobs here and yonder.

I had a letter from Garfield saying he
was leasing Ala. it was written
in July. and mailed to me at Oglethorpe
and mentioned that he would be
in Chattanooga in a few days and
was coming to see me.

Have you heard where they went
I think she has some people near
Chattanooga and he had mentioned
going to Tenn and go in the Cats
Skutumpah.

Write me what you know about
them where they go and what
you know about it.

He mentioned that the oil lease was
in his opinion a loser and I
am of the same opinion; "He
thone wany".

I like the picture of
Roberta with the pup but I am
looking for some good pictures of

You both; Cant you have them mounted
in a leather case of some sort that
I can carry easily. If you have
not had them made do so at once
and fix them in a good leather
folder for me.

Do you remember meeting a
Lieut. Gardner at Agelharpe? He was
in Co 13 with me and was sent
to Hoboken and assigned to the Port
Surgeons office, and was the last
person I shook hands with in the
U.S.A., I saw him on the pier
just as I started up the gang
plank; well what I started out
to say was I have seen an
account of his death which
took place in his home in
Brooklyn from pneumonia; you
dont have to come to France
to meet disaster.

I have not seen or heard from
Le Master since the day we landed
in France, in the Army we
make friends today, leave tomorrow

and make more friends, I will
be like a Methodist preacher if
I stay in the Army very long
only I will be moving more often
than they do.

Write no more today. I will close
with lots of love to all.

Your loving husband

V.C. Richmond

1st Lieut M.D.C.

H.C. Richmond
1st Lieut mrc
U. S. A.

Hullo - Roberta
and Hullo - all
the folks -
Wahonapa

MR H.C. Richmond
159 Keats ave
Laurinelle Ky U.S.A.



H.C. Richmond
1st Lt mrc

A. E. F.

May. 9th 1918.

Dear Wallace:

I will write again today but I have had no letters for nearly two weeks now so I have nothing to answer. I am enclosing a menu of a dinner I attended last night as the guest of Lieut McDonald whose birthday it happened to be and it was a delightful dinner prepared by a French family and believe me they can cook.

There is one item you probably will not recognize and I will name it for you; Escogots, or in English, Smails, just the ordinary snail that you know of and they are great, when I first heard that the French ate snails I revolted but I am a convert now, they are fine. Don't worry over the liquors you see at the foot of the menu

I confined myself to a very moderate portion of Champagne. Have you ever heard from Mrs. Hoax and do you know what Mr. Hoax was assigned to, let me know when you hear from her.

I have been looking for the Marshall paper you said you would send me but nothing doing it has not arrived yet, send them to me regularly.

How is the lamb, has she the same her daddy was mighty nice and the picture of her and the pup I carry it in my hand case and can see her any time during the day.

When is she going to school next fall or is she going this fall? I hope you start her this fall and I know she will learn very fast.

Write me some nice long letters
and plenty of them, I am letters
are nice and long but they dont
come often enough.

Give my love to every body.

Your loving husband

W. C. Richmond

St. Louis, Mo.

Albenu



May 8, 1918
Hors d'oeuvres variés
Escargots de champagne
Asperges sauce Béchamel

Veau rôti

Petit pois à la française

Salade lettuces aux œufs

Desserts

Tartes aux fruits

Bombe au chocolat

Gaufrettes

Fruits confits

Café

Liqueurs

A. E. F. th
May 10th 1918

Dear Halima:

Just a little letter this
A.M. to reassure you and all the
folks that I am still on the job
right side up and no complaints to
make.

I have had no mail for some time
but am sure that its about time for
me to receive a whole pack of letters
and I will thoroughly enjoy them
when they come.

I wrote of a birthday dinner I
attended and also sent you the menu
and I hope you get it all right.

My social activity is very pronounced
lately for yesterday Lieut Connelly and
I had an invitation to a dance
at Barr. Hosp. 116 and we went over
last night and had a very good time
Yes Connelly is a married man also
but we washed our faces and put
on a white collar and took our
elves over, told our dinner to fall

for us at 945 as we thought
by that time we would be ready
to go home; to make a long story
short we stayed until the "last cat
was killed" and made a firm and
steadfast resolution to attend the
next dance if we were invited.

It did us worlds of good & things;
we danced with all the good looking
nurses and some that were not so
fortunate and there was over 100
nurses there consequently we were
kept pretty busy during our 3 hour
sojourn.

You will no doubt think this
is not such a cruel war after all
but a little play mixed in with
the work makes the work go along
better and the nurses need the
amusement for their is a hard and
rocky road when the sea and
wounds begin to come into the
hospitals.

Every thing is going on
about the same way as since I

Came over I think that one must be
content to wait for some time before
they get down to real work and I am
sure anxious to get at my work
Whatever it is I am afraid I will
get lazy with no more to do than
I have at present.

How are the Lancaster folks? Has your
dad gotten over that cold you said
he had all winter?

How Roberta and the doll family?
I'll bet the wife have to wait till
I come home and bring that French
doll, it might get lost and that
would be mighty bad to lose the doll,
but I will love all words of
love to you and Roberta & and
lots of love to all the folks

Your husband

J. C. Richmond

1 St. Louis M.R.

H.C. Richmond
1st Street
A. E. A.



MR. H.C. Richmond
~~159 Keats Ave~~

~~Louisville Ky U.S.A.~~
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AM PASSED
H.C. Richmond
1st Street

Dr J. W. Mc Brown

D. E. J.

Dear Mr. Buchanan:

May 10th 1918

I had two letters from you today and found them very interesting. We are always tired to death to get mail and today I had 9 letters in all and had quite a nice afternoon reading mail all of which came from you, Haeinn, Mother and Jim Hawee.

Your garden is no doubt well under way by this time, we are getting quite a lot of green things to eat now, radishes, lettuce, onions and sack things, yes Carrots also, I have one on you I ate some snails a few nights ago at a dinner and they were fine. Snails are considered a delicacy over here and they are beyond a doubt fine when fixed up right. I am glad the oil industry looks promising and hope things keep going well.

We find time over here to relax as well as work, I went to a dance last night a few kilometres from our camp and had a very enjoyable time and if Fitz Phoeni have dropped his calling card in our midst he would have gotten some very attractive American girls, I went with the intention of making a very fashionable stay in fact Lieut. Connelly and I being single married men decided 945 would be our time to make our bow and go home but we danced the last dance and was among the stragglers leaving, it seemed so good to see a real live American woman that I did not have the heart to make them unhappy by leaving early. Don't think I could be blamed very much for that could I?

You no doubt see all my letters and know all their contents and the one consequently will contain

Very little news, as I have said before even if allowed to write concerning the fighting I could not tell you any thing you dont already know, the near the front you get the less you hear of the war and we are as eager for such news as you folks at home.

We of course see things that look very war like very often their destination or origin are never known to us and their movements when in the front are known as soon at home as we know them here, so you see I have very little advantage of you there.

We look for the Base Ball score and, then the war news as second choice, look like the Giants are making sport of the rest of the National League this year.

I have been writing quite a few letters tonight and will close.

Yours

W.C. Richmond

1 St Louis Mo

A. E. J. ^{III}

May 12th 1918

Dear Mother:
Today is Mother's Day
and I will answer your letter
I received yesterday.

I had nine letters yesterday all from
home folks and I had a fine time
reading mail all of one afternoon.
I have nothing of real interest that
I can write but this will at least
remind you that I did not forget
to think of you on Mother's Day.

There are very few days that I don't
think of you all at home.

I am not working very hard
and have plenty of time to look
around over this country and there's
plenty of interesting things to look
at.

One of the other officers and
myself went to a dance at another
hospital a few nights ago and
we had a very ~~rough~~ nice time.
It's the first time I have gotten

away from the place, to any
thing and enjoyed being there
very much.

It's getting to be spring here now
and it's beautiful, looks like Fairy-
land in some places.

Jim Howe wrote me some very
interesting news a few days ago
in fact his letter came the same
day I received yours, I wrote him
and advised him along some lines.
He shows he's in touch with a
good doctor right along and every
thing will go all right.

Jim Howe seems to be doing
quite a bit of running around
and speaking and I am glad
to see him getting so much
recognition, he is bound to make good
in time.

I was surprised to hear Jim was
at New Orleans let me know when
he moves.

I am not going to write a long
letter but just wish you lots of
happy and pleasant days.

Write me a long letter often

Your Son

H. C. Richards

1 St Louis Mall,

W. C. Richards
1st Lieut MRC
A. E. F.

(Mother's Letter)



Mrs C. H. S. Buckalew
159 Keats Ave
Louisville Ky U.S.A.

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W. C. Richards
1st Lieut MRC

A. E. J.

Dear Halline:

May 14 1918

Have let a few days pass
without writing hoping each mail
would bring me some letters so I
could have something to answer.

I don't like this thing of receiving
all my mail at once but since
I can see no way to prevent doing
so I presume I will submit and
say no more.

I really feel that all the letters I
can write will be just a recap
of what has gone before.

Since I will say I had to have me
a new uniform made and had
my measure taken today cost me
\$5.50 but I think it will be a very
beautiful outfit, a whip cord
piece of goods and I feel quite
certain it will be very nice
when its finished.

So you thought the picture
was good. Well I had a very
different idea of it.

we have to have a photo
for identification purposes
over here and that is one of
the bunch of 6 I had made
to go on my identification
Card.

I continue to do very little
we are still at a Base
Hospital being fixed up for
patients and all I feel done
is hauling rock for roads and
ditching and general class of
labor and when the Hospital
is really ready for business I
will be moved ~~on~~ on to some
other place. Since I am not
a member of the Unit that
to occupy the Hospital,
what I am expected to do
the sergeant knows I can't
find out but I presume continue
to build roads and dig ditches.
I hope to be relieved from the
Sanitary Squad some time though
and do some thing that I really

know some thing about and
not back a game that new to
me.

How the Little Girl tonight, did
she ever receive the violet her
maddy sent her in a letter?
I am very sorry that I are
not be able to send her that
daisy but at present the regulations
on packages will prevent me
doing so, I may be able to
send one lat- however.
I would like to be with you
for a while these days, I get
very lonesome some times for
my family but the time goes
rapidly, I only wish I had
some thing to do but Maddy I
have done less in France than
I have ever done in my life,
I have simply lived here and
that all and I looked forward
to having some work when I
come over.

I'm nearly time for lights out
but I must close
Lots of love to all
Lovingly yours

H. C. Richmond
St. Louis, M.R.C.

Officers

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Mr. W. C. Richmond

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Louisville Ky, U.S.A.



W. C. Richmond

1st Lieut M.R.C.

Sanitary Squad #6

W. E. F.
11/18/18

Dear Nellie;

I wrote you a
letter last night but another
tonight will not matter will
it.

I had a letter from Jim Howard
today saying you had gone
to Lancaster so I will
address this letter to you
there Howard says the folks
there?

I get out the picture
of you and Roberta Katherine
several times each day and
just see how you both
look and wish I could
see you both for a little
while then I would come
back and fight 'Old Kaiser
Bill' all the harder,

I'm Jim Howes letter he
said my letter had reached

home and I am more
than glad to hear that
they had however you
should have heard sooner
than that for I had been
in France nearly a
month before the date of
your letter which was
dated March 18th.

I know my letters have
been very short and

unsatisfactory heretofore
and I am sorry but
being unsettled and to
a certain extent limited
to certain things about
which you can write and
no mail from home
makes writing ^{letter} a very
hard thing to do.

I am glad to be here
I hope I can do some
thing worth while and
am getting fat on Uncle
Shaw's ration.

We have all one Coned
want to eat, tonight for
supper I had ham,
asparagus on toast,
jam and good bread and
Coffee, Can you beat it?
Send me a Marshall
paper when you have one
I would just like to read
it no matter if there
nothing in it.

So Louisa wrote Roberta
a letter; she is quite a young

body to be getting a
letter from Young gentlemen.
I will have to investigate
the matter.

Hoping I may have many
letters and also hoping you
are all well I am

Your loving husband

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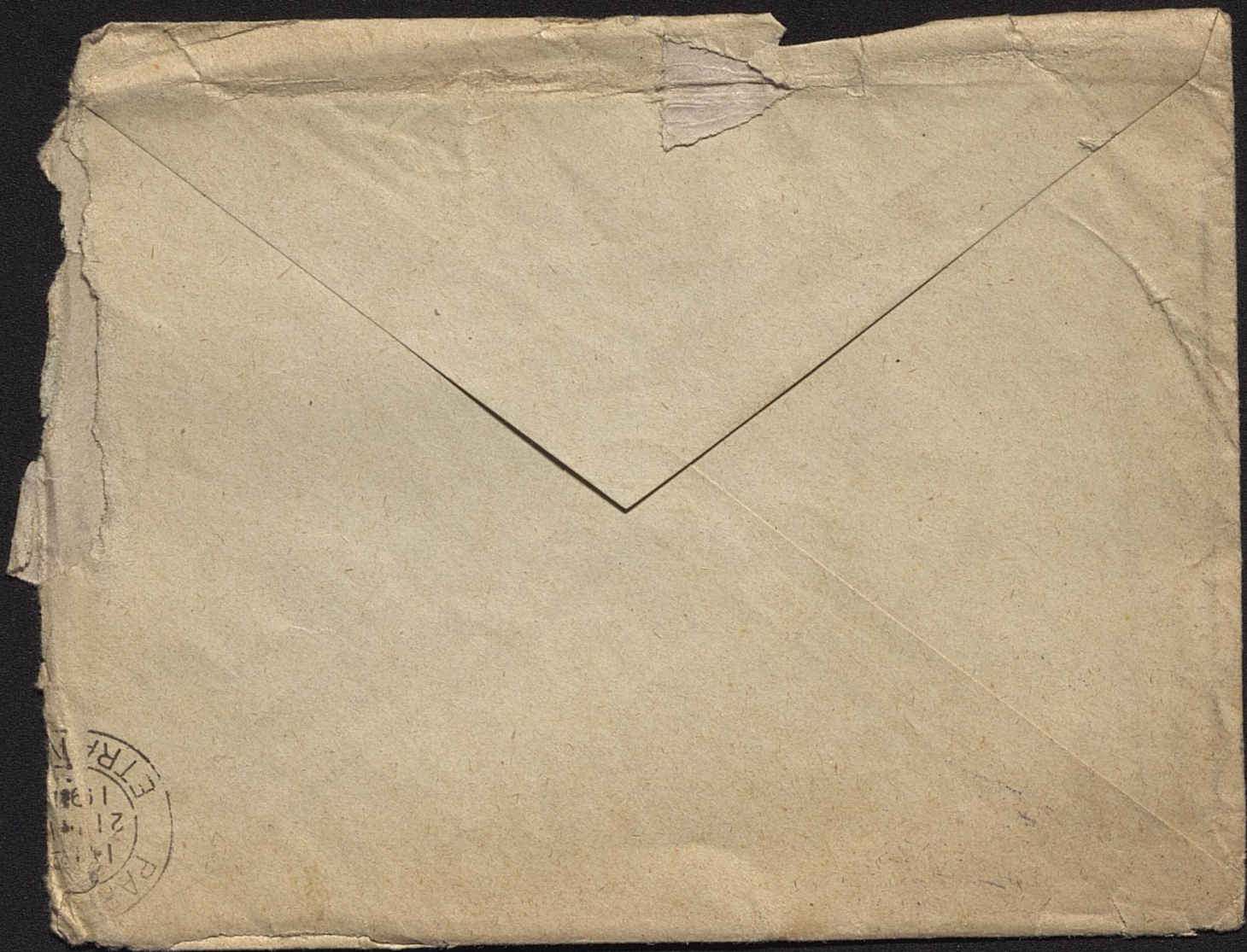
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1st Lieut M.A.C.
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Mr. H. C. Richmond
Lancaster Ky U.S.A.
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1st Lieut M.A.C.



W.E.F.

My dear Wallace:

May 19 1918.

I to Sunday evening
and I am back from a long
walk and feel pretty good.

We had quite a ball game
today between Base Stop 117 where I am
located and Base Stop 66 - 66 beat us
9 to 0 but they had a pitcher from
The Phila. American League team Shelton
by name.

Our boys talked me into umpiring for
them and if any of the men
had a grudge they had a good
chance to stir it the umpire of
course being the official goat.
The weather has been very delightful
for nearly a week and every thing
is out green and fine.

I had a letter from the Hollenbaecks
today and Mr. Hally told me all
the gossip and Hally said
they were on the farm
again and seemed happy about it.

They told me lots of things about
Marshall but you no doubt
get all the news from some
of the people here so I will
not repeat it here.

I am glad Roberta did not have
to have her tonsils removed
and hope she can make it until
I come home.

Jim Howell told me some very
interesting news in his last letter.
You no doubt know of it though
I hope Pearl is getting along all
right though and am sure
she will do so.

Your folks at home seem to be
doing some great things now
Liberty Loan over subscribed and
from all paper reports you
are speeding up quite a bit
which is good news to every
American in France.

I have had occasion to do
some medical work for some

of the French Civilians lately
and they seem very appreciative
of every thing one does.

There are very few French
doctors except in the large
cities and the civil population
in many cases really suffer and
I am glad to do what I can.
The Red Cross looks after them
when they find them but in
many cases the Red Cross don't
know of them.

Holly told me Leafjunt was tried
by these home guards for Pro-
German utterances but was
cleared. I am not surprised at
him its characteristic of Leafjunt.

I am glad he was cleared of it tho.
Holly told me Mr Bryson has been
operated did not state the trouble however.
Have you heard any thing about it.

You mentioned you had sent me several
Pathfinders, I have not received them
and any way what are they?

I have not received a papers or any
thing except the letters, I have not
had any of the "Time" that Jim House
said he sent me.

I started on this letter about 9 o'clock
and now its 10:30 but Conroy and I will
write 15 mins and then talk an hour
and that kills plenty of time you know.
I must close now with lots of love
to all and lots of love and kisses
to you and the famb.

Your loving husband
H. C. Richmond
1st Lieut M.A.R.
A.F.F.

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L'Hotel M^{rs}
A. G. F.

Officer Mail



M^{rs} J. C. Richmond
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Sausville, Ky. U.S.A.

~~and for Sausville devant Nancy~~
~~at M^{rs}~~
~~at M^{rs}~~

LANEUVILLE A BAY
1900
21-5
18
L'ETE MARINE

LANEUVILLE A BAY
1900
22-5
18
L'ETE MARINE

LANEUVILLE A BAY
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St. Jeanne & Lanouville à Bayonne
de St. Jeanne
à Bayonne
de St. Jeanne
à Bayonne

A. E. A.

May 19 1918

Dear Halline:

I had a letter from you one or two days ago which has been all the mail I have received for some time. You suggested that I attend Church regularly but probably you don't know the temporaryness of that as the only Church available is the French Church and I could not get much out of that of course there are American Chaplains in each regiment but not being so connected I lose the spiritual comfort of the aforesaid Chaplains. I will attend Church when the opportunity is afforded me and regularly also.

We have had no rain for several days and the sun has been out and it real warm. The trees are out in all their glory and France is more beautiful than ever which is

Saying quite a lot.

I had a letter from Mrs Howe
Watt who once lived near Marshall
but who at present lives in San
Diego Cal., she saw my address in
the Marshall paper and wrote
me that her son was over here
in the Artillery.

My orderly has informed me that
my bath was ready and that being
the case I will have to cut this
short, he insists that I bathe at
least once a week and I take it,
So Roberta would come and see
me if she loved eat and I sleep
I wish it was possible that
she would come.

Yes I am studying French
and doing fairly well, I have a
French Grammar and Dictionary
and then learn lots talking to
the people.

You have never mentioned having
received \$50 I sent you through
the Farmers Loan and Trust Co

Did it ever show up?
I will close now and write more
later.

Your Loving Husband

H.C. Richmond

1st Lieut MRC

P.S.

You mentioned no stamps on my
letters we are not required to
stamp our letters

H. C. Richmond
1st Lt MRC
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Offices mail



Mr H. C. Richmond
159 Keats ave
Lawrence Ky U.S.A.

H. C. Richmond
1st Lt MRC

A. E. F.

May 27 1918

Dear Alice:

I received a
whole pile of letters today
3 from you 2 from mother
1 from Pearl 1 from Sanford
1 from Gordon Ingle and 1
from Garfield.

I had some leisure reading
them all and enjoyed it very
much.

I hope to be free from
The Sanitary Squad soon
I have made a good friend

of a maj. from St Louis
and a maj. from N.Y. and
they are at work on it now
and I hope to be transferred
before very long, I am glad
I drew the Sanitary Squad
if I can get out of it now
for it got me to France
sooner than I ever have
been in any other assignment
I hope to see Holst but France
is quite a big place, and
I may never see him
I know where Harry Pelle is

but were not be likely to
see him altho he is in
60 Miles of me right now
unless he has moved lately
I wrote him but have not
heard from him yet.

I was glad to hear ~~you~~

Roberta had received the
violets I was sure she
would be tickled to have
them come from France
Keep them for they came
from a place that has

a very prominent place
in French history and
some time I will tell
you all the old legends
that I hear regarding the
neighborhood.

I have not received the
picture of Robuta with
the muffs in fact many
of your letters do not
reach me I am sure
don't forget to have the
good pictures made and

Send me when you go
back to Linnville.

Saufores letter was very
newsy said he had been
to Washington D.C. and
said his home and lots
of other gossip that you
probably know already
Gordon as usual wrote a
very nice letter and
told me how much they
missed me and how the
Lodge needed me all of

which I appreciated very
much.

I hope you can go see
Mother Grimm give her
my regards but you will
be there and been before
you get this letter.

Give all the folks my
love and write later

Your loving husband

J. C. Richmond

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Laurel Ky U.S.A.

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1 St Louis MRC

A. E. F.

Dear Halline:

May 30 1918

Today has been
as holiday as far as
holidays go in France at
present and I visited our
nearest large town and
France was celebrating our
Memorial day with us.

At a point near here where
many of our American boys
are buried services were held
I did not attend the service
but some of my men went

I came very near getting
a trip to Paris but things
changed and I was denied
that privilege at this time
after the 10th of June I
will have 10 days leave

coming to me and will
take advantage of it as soon
as I can and either visit
Paris or Marseilles, the
latter is the preferable place
at this time as the season
is on there and people

me visiting Southern France
more now for very obvious
reasons.

I have me a nice whip
and suit that will be
ready next Wednesday and I
fear its badly will need an
extra suit later on as my
present stock is in bad shape
The one I am getting is
costing me about \$55 but I
think its will be very
serviceable and good wear.
How are you and the

little lady, I look the
pictures often and wish
I could see you both very
much.

I have a perfectly beautiful
mustache now and I am
sure you would fall in
love with it if you could
see it ~~me~~ on me. Next pair

I will send you a photo of
myself and the aforesaid
attachment if I can.

I have not heard of Jim
Howes a while since.

Worn until Please wrote
me of it, I am glad he
got it.

I am close now with
love to all.

Your loving husband

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