

Camp Hosp. no 24  
A.P.O. 714

Dear Halline.

July 3-1918

Today is the first day I have had my clothes on since Sunday so I will just write a little letter.

We have had an epidemic of Influenza here for some time and to make a long story short I got it or I should say it got me. I think to me that French Grippe is worse than our American variety or I may think so because I have had it in France last, every one was very good to me and I had a nice cute little nurse to give me medicine and give my back alcohol rubs and I really took salts and did not say a thing. The reason was the nurse is Irish and I had seen some of the patients get contrary and I decided to take medicine and say nothing.

Well I am feeling pretty good tonight and will go back to work in the morning and the fact is I was not very sick any time only felt a rattle as La Guppy only can make one feel and Capt. Hawkins made me go to bed and I was not hard to make. A whole bunch of letters came yesterday they were all ones that had wandered all over France for a month and finally located me down here.



One of them contained a picture of R.K.  
and the key and is very cute of her.  
I am glad you are having such a  
good time at Ogland City and some time  
this summer I hope you can go to  
Cumbland Gap and visit Aunt Vic and you  
can visit Lucile also.

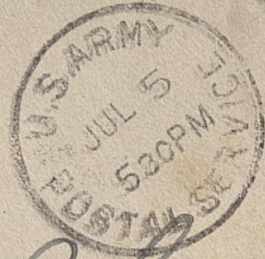
I am not going to  
write any more tonight but will do  
later better next time I am just a little  
bit tired. Love to all.

Your Barbara  
N. C. Richmond  
1st St. N. C.



H.C. Richmond  
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Officers Mail



Mr. H.C. Richmond

~~Lancaster Ky 59 Keats Ave~~  
~~Lafayette Ky~~

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H.C. Richmond  
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J. A. Arnold

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Camp Hospital No 24  
A.P.O. 714

Dear Hallie:

A.E.F. July 5th 1918

I must tell you of the 4th of July celebration in France and our city especially. As I wrote you on the 3rd I was just up from a spell of Grippe but I felt quite gay yesterday and took in the whole week and the hardest thing I had to do was to keep from getting more Champagne than you would want to see me carry & than I would want you to see me carry.

The whole city was decorated in the tricolor of France and old Glory and all speeches were full of Washington, La Fayette and Woodrow Wilson and then in the afternoon the French Prefect gave a lawn festival, at his most beautiful home for the American Officers and to get down to what a lawn festival is in French it is a race to see who can drink the most Champagne. I have tried to live up to the teachings of your self and my Mamma but believe me with a Frenchman on your neck and insisting that you have not had a drop after you have consumed at least he guesses you simply can't say no and get away with it.

There was a magnificent garden and at every turn



of the waen was a table and plenty  
of Joy water and sandwiches and a  
French officer on hand to see that  
you got yours as you came by and  
The French officer won in every instance  
Two or three of us, who had resolved  
to stay sober at any cost, went off into  
a nook in the garden and sat down  
and pretty soon we heard something go  
pop and there stood a wait with  
a quart of Champagne and we  
had to go to it. Well the end of  
the matter is we had to leave or get  
"pinned" and we left but it was some  
party and I was able to get home  
without assistance.


I am busy again  
two of the other doctors are laid up  
with the Grippe and I am looking  
after the entire medical side of the  
house and am quite busy most of  
the time and am certainly seeing  
plenty of interesting stuff.

I has a letter  
from Aunt Kate so did I tell you of  
that before, I have had lots of mail  
lately and I certainly enjoy getting letters.  
I would like to see you all mighty well  
but at that I am certainly satisfied  
to have such a good place and such  
agreeable words Love to all

Your Husband  
W. C. Richmond  
1st Lieut. M.R.C.



H.C. Richmond  
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1st Lt. MRC  
A.E.F. 



Mr. H.C. Richmond  
Lancaster Ky 159 Keats Ave  
Lawrence Ky  
John Arnold  
U.S.A.  
MRC







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Camp Hosp. No 24  
July 9 1918

Dear Halline: Have been so busy lately that I was forced to neglect writing for a few days. We have been very busy here and because among the doctors has had some of us doing double duty, I was in bed 34 days and got up and took the bulk of the medical service and have it yet. I don't stop from morning until noon and in the afternoon I manage to get a little rest and after supper I am bound to get outside or I will not sleep well.

I have been a little homesick for you and the Lamb the last few days but I just keep going to it. You are no doubt back from Oakland City and I know you must have had a good time. Some time when I get back we will go see them again.

We are getting a little more money beginning from all married men here. Commutation for quarters, will mean about 40 per month more for me after I get me another suit of clothes. I will send some more money home every month. My suits I had in the States are all gone and I have had one new one over here and need two suits on hand all the time.



We have had some very beautiful days lately but today its raining again and "O You French Rain" its certainly cold.

I know you folks are glad to see how well our boys are fighting over here and its no hot air talk "They are some fighters" and want to fight but they dont like the trenches, they want to be up and at the other fellow all the time. Their work in their first good fight at Cantigny certainly made all doubtfull parties load up, they are ready for a fight any time and all they ask is to let them fight and not keep them in a trench, thats the only kick you ever hear them make.

Mother tells me Jim Hawell is talking of getting in the service after peace is over but I hope he forgets it, he is not fit for live work and theres very little else he can do. He had better stay at home. The family is fairly well represented in France so far and he and my wife are staying out.

I had a letter from Aunt Kate and got Wendells address and have written him and hope to hear from him soon. She also said Ed Jim was on Long Island ready to come over.

I must close with love to all


Your Husband,

W. E. Richmond

1st Lieut MRC

A.P.O. 7141



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1st St & MRC  


Office mail  
JUL 5 1918  
U.S. POST OFFICE

Mr. H.C. Richmond  
Lancaster ~~177 Keats ave~~  
~~by~~  
~~Louisville Ky~~  
Mt Pleasant ~~Mo~~ ~~Dr Arnold~~ ~~U.S.A.~~





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1918  
K.Y.





Camp No 24  
July 13 1918.

Dear Wallace

I seem some time since I have written you a letter and today I will just take time to do so.

I still keep busy and like it. The pneumonia ward was giving me and that alone keeps me on the job and then I have two other wards to visit twice daily and see how things are going.

I had with all this a large Convalescent ward but another doctor arrived and that was turned over to him, I have some very bad pneumonias and I find myself just as bad as when in Civil practice. Not able to sleep much when they are very bad and I wander around in bath robe and slipper half the night looking them over.

I has a letter from Wendell and intended to send it to Jim Howell but failed to put it in his letter I will enclose it in your letter and you can give it to Jim Howell.

The little picture of you and Roberta in the edge of the wheat is fine and I have shown it to many of my friends and every one compliments you both of course the lumber gets most of the notice.



Tonight we entertain the French  
officers in return for their Fourth of  
July entertainment and we expect a fine  
time. I am going to take a  
bathing suit along for Champagne  
will flow freely and I may have to  
swim out.

My friend Lieut. Conely  
was down here one day last week  
and he and I went to a nice little  
French restaurant and had dinner, you  
would enjoy the French meals and  
their very meticulous method of  
service they have one way of doing  
things and are hard to change.  
The Americans have taught them  
"Ham and Eggs" for breakfast, it  
was hard for them to learn to  
have it for breakfast but the Americans  
were insistent on that point and  
carried the day; otherwise the French  
have one method of sewing and a  
certain routine that is hard to get  
them away from.

I am due a  
vacation of 7 days but will pass  
it up for the present. I would  
not want to leave here even on a  
short vacation at this time and  
I will wait until fall and then  
go to Nice and Monte Carlo;  
"O you Monte Carlo" some joint  
do I hear.



I am very anxious to have  
the pictures you are to have made  
and hope they are on the way here  
now.

I must close now with lots of  
love to all.

Your husband  
W. C. Richards  
1st Lieut MRC  
Camp Hosp. No 24  
A. P. O. 714



H.C. Richmond  
1st. Lieut M.A.C.  
A. & F.

Officer mail



OK  
H.C. Richmond  
1st Lieut M.A.C.

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



Camp Hop. No 24  
July 16 1918.

Dear Wallace:

Today is a real hot  
Summer day, one of the few such  
days that we have had this summer  
and I am in my shirt sleeves this  
afternoon and taking a much needed  
rest.

There is beginning to slow up  
a little, the Grippe epidemic is about  
over and it looks as tho we may  
have a little lull for a short time.  
I lost one of my own squad with  
Pneumonia yesterday and feel all  
broke up today over his death, he  
is one of the boys that I brought  
from Camp Greendale and its like losing  
a member of the family to see him  
die.

I have received the pictures of you  
and Roberta and the McGowan's and  
six and they are fine, also the one  
of Roberta in her gown on the steps.  
I like the Kodak pictures they are  
like seeing you all for a few minutes  
and I certainly enjoy them very much.  
I met some of the Nurses from Base  
Hop. No 18 today on the street, I have  
been around all over this section of  
France. Until I have quite a wide  
acquaintance in the area and rarely  
go out in the City unless I meet  
some acquaintance of another part of  
France.



We have 20 new Nurses and tonight  
there is a dance in their honor  
and I have been to the Barber Shop  
had a shave, hair cut, and shampoo  
and am now all dalled up and ready  
for the performance and have a date  
for a one step with a fair "Blond  
blauzel". I am reaching my second  
youth. Next pair. I am ready.  
We had quite a party here the 14th  
of July. The 14th is a holiday for  
the French and the American officers  
entertained the French officers at the  
Club in return for the party they  
gave us the 4th and it was a  
regular party and Champagne flowed  
freely. We all went home in  
a good humour and good condition.  
You may think from the amount of  
talk that I am mentioning that  
the war is one round of parties  
but it is not so, we work and  
then we play and it keeps us going  
to have something to relax us and  
get our minds off of our work.  
I had another letter from Jim a few days  
ago and he seems to be enjoying  
France very well.

It seems to me  
that I am a native of France & can't  
realize how ~~long~~ <sup>long</sup> I came over and it will  
be some pleasant sensation to get  
started back to the old U.S.A.



We are watching this new drive  
with great interest and we hear  
good reports from the U.S.A. Boys  
and I think before very long we  
will see the result of our presence  
in this war.

I have been having  
plenty of mail lately and hope it  
keeps up.

Lots of love for all

Your husband

St. G. Fishburn

1st Lt. M.R.

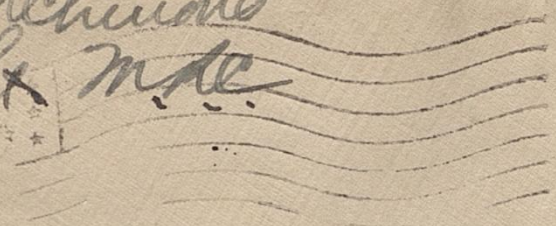
Camp Hosp. No 24

A.P.O. No 714




W.C. Richmond  
1 St. Louis, Mo.

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W.C. Richmond  
1 St. Louis, Mo.

A circular purple ink postmark with the text "A.E.F. PASS" around the perimeter and a central emblem featuring an eagle with wings spread.

Mr. W.C. Richmond  
159 Keats ave  
Louisville Ky  
U.S.A.



Dear Halline:

Camp Hop No 24  
July 19 1918

More time to myself in the past few days and am enjoying a little recreation.

We have been having lots of parties lately and two nights ago we had a dance here at the Hospital in honor of 20 new nurses who has just arrived and I did my best to give the fair damsels a good reception.

We played in door base ball with the officers of Ft. Depinaud and I played first base for our team they beat us one score I am damn to say.

The news from the front is very good today and I hope it true for it means we are beginning to turn the tide of affairs, it certainly is good to see the American boys make good in that show up there and they are doing so all along the line.

Did you go to Cambes Gap? I hope you did open I wish I could have been there also.

We have had some "Boche avions" come over the last few nights but they have not done us any damage but we can get out and look at



them and catch glimpses of them  
as they go by, we are located in  
a pretty good place here, even if  
they should decide to leave their  
cars as they pass by, so we should  
worry.

I am looking for those pictures  
of you and Roberta Katherine, they should  
not be very long now, bring if you  
sent them when you expected to.

I will try to go to a photographer  
and have some pictures made if I can  
find one here that's any good if  
not I will have some made when  
I go to Paris.

I am a little short  
of news right now and am going  
to close with love to all

Your husband  
W. C. Rahmond  
1st Lieut. M. A. C.



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1st Lt MRC

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1st Lt MRC

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JUL 20 1918  
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Mr. W. C. Keats  
157 Keats Ave  
Lansville Ky  
U.S.A.



Camp. Hsp. No 24

July 21 1918.

Dear Halline: Today is Sunday and it's  
4 p.m. and my first chance to beat  
myself and write you a letter.  
I don't know whether it's a case of  
trying to work me real good or  
what, but I am getting my share  
I have had "Beaucoup" work and  
had more turned over today, when the  
Medical Chief takes a notion to lay  
off, which is often, I get the  
Medical receiving ward which is some  
job but the best medical service in  
the Hospital, today that was turned  
to me again and I have four  
wards now and am losing some of  
my stomach as a consequence but  
I am getting a medical experience  
to be envied by any one and  
our Medical Chief is a New York  
man and ~~is~~ a good one and  
lets me go it and sends lots of  
good stuff to my wards.  
Most every one in the A.E.F.  
wants Surgery consequently a man  
who asks for general medicine and  
can deliver can get his fill.  
There is really only 2 internal medicine  
men in this Hsp. The Chief and  
myself. The rest are Surgeons and  
consequently when surgery is split  
between them none of them



get very much and Capt Harris  
and I get 18 hours a day and  
some times more, if the work is  
heavy we relieve each other and  
so keep going. I am more than  
fortunate to be placed with such  
a bunch of good men professionally  
we were in Spain, our C.O. is  
a N.Y. Surgeon and a very  
delightful man to know and I  
feel that I am really blessed in  
more ways than one, I am known  
here as "Pop" just how the name  
fell to me I am not certain  
except that most of the officers are  
very much younger than myself  
and Capt Harris and Maj. Ricall  
so I am "Pop".

I am going to  
"La Hotel Charval Blanc" for dinner  
tonight, we grow tired of "Carm  
Nellie Stark" and "Lum" and go  
out and eat once in a while.  
Attended a dance at the Officers  
Y.M.C.A. last night but they stayed  
long enough to dance with a few of  
our nurses and come back and  
turned in early.  
Listen, if my inquiry is made you  
are supposed to reside permanently at  
157 Keats Ave, I turned in for  
Commutation of quarters for you and



Roberta and if inquiry is made  
which will not be made, keep that  
in mind and do inform them  
all at 159 Keats.

I have had another  
letter from Jim and its possible he  
may be located near me soon and  
I hope he may. Much love with  
Lots and Lots of Love

Ann Douglas  
1st June 1962



Mr Richards  
1st Lt MRC  
A. E. J.

Office Mail



Mr Richards  
Lancaster Ky 159 Kents ave  
Lansville Ky

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Mr Richards  
1st Lt MRC



of J. A. Arnold, SA.



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Camp Hosp. No 24

Apo 714

July 23 1919

Dear Hattie:

Last night I attended  
a Masonic Banquet and on  
my arrival found myself in  
the first "Guy" lines for a  
speech and I managed to  
speak a fair amount of

"Bull" for about five minutes

We had a very pleasant

evening - good food - good

music and some Y.M.C.A.

entertainers gave us a very

good performance following

the banquet. I mailed you

a package two days ago



Containing a dress for the  
"Laut" a waist for you  
and handkerchiefs that I  
could not send for Christmas  
I send a handkerchief each  
for our oldest neighbors on  
Kata are Mrs Kelly - Mrs Bulez  
and Mrs Thomas, The initials

will identify which belongs  
to who.

I will pick a few  
more little things for you  
and my daughter before I  
return for I may not have  
the opportunity or the  
money again soon



We are doing very little  
work these days and live  
from day to day on the  
hopes of coming home soon  
Maj. Nicoll expects orders  
soon and we plan some  
"Blow out" in New York

on our arrival there I  
hope it will be so you can  
come to it.

I go Paris again  
soon for a three day leave  
we get three days as often  
as our duties permit and  
I am a little fond of



Paris she looks like a  
Million dollars these days.  
I am anxious to hear  
of those first school days  
of Robertas and I surely  
hope to reach home before  
school closes this spring  
and can see some of

her first days at school.  
Look around for a house  
we can rent in Clefton  
one on Frankfort ave as I  
can have an office at home  
I hope to have an uptown  
office also if things look



Encouraging but I must have  
one in Clepton on Quicut  
Hill also.

Write as soon as the package  
reaches you as I am very  
anxious to hear of its  
safe arrival. Your husband  
W. C. Richardson  
Care me



H.C. Richmond  
Capt MC

Office mail



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



Camp Hoop No 24

July 26 1918

My dear Halline:

Have not had a letter for some days and am beginning to look for mail again.

I am still at work and getting a very interesting medical device, could not be better from a medical standpoint and I am seeing a great deal of surgery also. We send men to the evacuation Hosp. to get some emergency surgery and our C.O. has promised to let me take my turn at it and I hope to get up and see some work right hot off the bat.

I met an Eng. Lieut. Col. last night who has been in the war from the beginning, has been in all the big battles of the war and is one of the few who are able to be here and tell about it. The British are very interesting, their apparent simplicity and peculiar sense of humour to me is very attractive and I like the British very much.

Did I tell you that one of my patients here is from Laminile and told me he had a girl up on Hite ave. I don't know the name of the girl.

Will I guess Rabuta is beginning to think of going to school this fall and I am very



anxious for her to do so.  
It is probably a good idea to put her  
in kindergarten until the first of the  
year write me what you have decided  
upon. Jim Howard wrote me he wanted  
her in his school but you have not  
said yet what you thought of it.  
Write me in your next letter what you  
are planning to do about it.

We are having some very delightful  
days now but I have not had much  
opportunity lately to get out until after  
supper but we have long twilight and  
one can get a long walk after  
supper.

I am sending you an invitation  
I have from Madame Simonson to a  
Charity Bazaar for the the Wounded and Sick  
the is the wife of the Sov Prefecture  
You may enjoy reading it.  
Must close now with love to all

Your Husband  
W. J. Richards  
1st Lt MRC



Richmond  
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JUL 27  
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To J. A. Amos  
R. F. D. Lancaster

MR. M. Richmond  
~~159 Nats ave~~  
~~Lanville~~  
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