

My dear Hallie:

Camp Hop. No 24

Aug 4 1918

Today being our anniversary

I must write you a letter even if its over
a very short one, I am officer of the day
today and as such have numerous and varied
duties to perform and may perhaps be ^{interrupted} ~~interrupted~~
~~in~~ in writing this letter before finishing it.

Its a very beautiful Sunday afternoon and
reminds me very much of the same date
8 years ago which I recall was a very
bright and beautiful day.

The 8 years have passed its seems almost
too rapidly and when I think of the
many things that have happened in that
time it seem incredible, the most important
event of the 8 years of course was
the coming of our baby and even she is
out of her baby hood and growing
into a big girl.

The picture of her is fine not so good
of you but I like it very much and
have shown you folks to the doctor
and nurses and every one has some thing
nice to say, one of the dentists told
me what he thought of a man that would
come to war and leave that at home.
Well I am glad I am here and sorry
to have you folks so far away but the war
will not last forever and "Home again I guess yes".
I am planning my vacation for Sept & Oct
and am going to Niece and expect a good
time, Mr. Mc Cune a Va. man is going with me.
I must close now, this is just a little
remembrance of a very happy day.
Love to all

Your Husband
V. C. Richmond
120th L. I. C.

Dear Harkin:

Camp Hrs No 24
A.P.O. 714

Aug 10 1918.

I has a letter from you and
one from Mother today and very glad to get
them both.

I have not written either of you for some
days for the same old reason that I have
given before I have been busy, it really
sounded strange to me at first to say I
was busy for I had not done any thing
for so long ~~time~~ until I came here.

Capt. Harkin the medical chief leaves on
his vacation Monday which means that I
will be very busy for a couple of weeks
as I take over his work on the occasion
of his going, my vacation will come in
Sept. or Oct. 1st and I expect to put on
a show or picnic, the season is on there
about Sept 15th so I will make my request

for leave after that date.

Roberta is evidently developing some wonderful
powers of reasoning, I get very anxious
to see you both and I tell you the present
drive by the British in Flanders makes
us hope for an early termination but
we are not getting our hopes too high.
America has done great things in
this last Battle of the Marne and soon
and when the history of the offensive
between Rheims and Soissons is written
we of America will feel justly proud of
the U.S.A. soldiers, they have set standards
for the soldier who has spent years in
this game and they have put the "Fear
of God" in the heart of the Boche
and the Kaiser takes a good look at his
"Hole Card" before making any false moves
at the American soldier.

I will have you a picture made as
soon as I can, the one you sent me
was very good, our head nurse
Miss Rainbow asks quite often to
see that picture and I always am glad
to show it.

I am now wearing my Service stripe
for 6 months Service with the A. E. F.
its a gold Chevron on the left sleeve
and looks very good on the O.D. Uniform
Must close now love to all

Your husband

H. C. Richmond

1st Lt MRC

Mr. Richmond
10th St. MRC
A.E.A.



1918

Mr. Richmond
Lancaster Pa
U.S.A.



Camp Stop. No 24

A.P.O. 714

Aug 15 1918

My Mamma

Dear Mamma:

I have finished
work and while waiting for lunch & write
write you a little letter and say hello.

Last night Luito, Brady - Lutz and myself
went a little lake near the city and
had a good swim, there is a very nice
beach and we enjoyed it very much.

I enjoy my work more and more each
day and sincerely hope that so long as I am
in the army that I may keep at it, I
am afraid to let any one here know I am
satisfied for when you make it known in
the army that you are satisfied you are
changed at once; & some times think that
gospel truth.

Have you finally decided where Roberta
will go to school. I had hoped the
Cores have the advantage of Miss Drazier's
methods especially right in the beginning,
she Cores go to kindergarten until January
and then begin her real school.

Think it over carefully and then decide.
Regarding living in the house with Mr B-
I realize that disadvantage but as the
French say; "C'est le Guerre", which means
'It is the war', and lets try and
forget things past and endeavor to make
things better. You do as you think
best and I am satisfied, you are
there and I am here and its up
to you to run that end of the family
and I am leaving it to you but am

at the same time expressing a little
personal feeling and desire.

Today I found a man in one of my
wards who came in during the night
who I knew as a boy of 10 or 12 years
he recognized me some way and I remembered
him very well his name is Carson
funny how you will run into people
here that way.

Things are breaking for us these days.
and each day finds us going better and
better all the time, The battle cry is
Hell-Heaven or Hoboken by Xmas.

I had a letter from Dr Cronk in which
he mentioned Dr Smith as being on his way
abroad and also said Ethyl Maude and
Selma has both married, some war for
weddings. (Next pas?)

So you lent them & am writing nice
letters, will let analyze the situation.
I admit its hard to write when one
realize that probably 2 or 3 people may
read the letter enroute and yet it may
be that none of my letters are opened
by the Base Censor, but we know they
may be.

The officer censor their own mail
as you observe & sign my full name
and rank at the bottom and at
the envelope on the left lower corner
but the Base Censor also may decide
to read that letter, how many of them
has been opened by the censor?

But if I leave any thing unsaid its
not an over sight, & just think it.
I have lost a lot of my stomach
and presumed I has lost weight.

but when I got on the scales recently
I knocked the eye out of 195 pounds
and its all man.

Mother writes me Sugiata has a Captaincy
dont it make a fellow here to realize that
a man just entering the service can
do that when I am serving in my
7th month of Foreign Service and had my
training in the States, good clean record
and satisfactory Service all along the line
and yet a Lieut.

My recommendation is in for
promotion but God only knows how soon
it may come thru. probably by Oct 1st.
and if it comes it will represent
Satisfactory Foreign Service and a
recommendation from one of N.Y.S best
doctors and an absolute strength 60 days
ago, there is some satisfaction to that

Lunch time draw near and a
good soldier is always ready at mess
time so I will close.

Love to all and lots of kisses for
you and the "Little Flower".

Your Husband

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

J.C. Richmond
124 W. MRC
A.E.F.

Off mail



Mrs J.C. Richmond
Lancaster, Ky.
~~to J.C. Richmond~~
% J.C. Arnold. R.F.D.
Lancaster Ky
U.S.A.



Camp No. 24
Apr 7 14
Aug 18 1918.

My dear Stavin

Stave has lunch &

before I go back to work for the
afternoon I will write you a little
letter, I have a good afternoon worn
ahead and then I know a nice little
French restaurant that I am going to
visit and have a real "honest to God"
dinner and meals are all right but they
grow monotonous and this French cooking
is pretty fine and I generally eat out
on Sunday evenings we have two or three
places where the food is fine and we
visit them regularly.

I had a letter from Jim today and he
may be in this area soon so he writes
and I will be very glad to see him if
he comes.

I started to write you right after lunch

but do not get to finish them.

I am pretty well worse most of the day
but in the evenings if possible I leave
the hospital and don't come back until
bed time its about the only chance to
rest.

Had a letter from Jim Stouwe asking if I
could tell my present location, you might
enlighten him on the subject.

You asked me in one of your letters
about Joan d'Arc. Get a French history if
possible and read her up you will find a
very interesting little story of one of the
most famous characters in French history
and some time I will tell you of her little
home and the Baraque built by the French
Government on the spot where she saw the
vision, I have visited the place and been
all thru the Baraque and her home
and there are some wonderful paintings.

in the Chapel of the Basilique.
She was born in 1412 and was burnt
at the Stake in 1431 and at the age of
19 led the French army to victory at
the Battle of Orleans against the Britons
who were invading France and defeating
the French armies.

I would like very much to see you faces
I tell you its getting to seem a long time
since I saw you and if it were not
for the fact that I am at work all
day and deal tired at night and have
no time to get real lonesome I would
be pretty home sick I am afraid.

I told you once before that I had had
I was recommended for promotion; well
The Major called me in his office a few
days ago and said he had sent in my
recommendation and that it had gone thru
The Chief Surgeons office approved

which means that beyond a doubt I
will wear Pip's boots before many
weeks have passed, I may have to cable
the good news when the Commission comes
through

Mum close with love to all

Love Hubert

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c/o J. A. Arnold

Camp Hosp No 24
A. P. O. 714
Aug 22 1918.

Dear Harriet:

Just I could answer the question
You asked in your last letter.

A. P. O. means American Post office and
by using an A. P. O. we have our mail much
more promptly than otherwise, My mail is
coming through in about 3 weeks which is very
good some mail is a month old but,
most of it is 3 weeks.

I am still very busy a thing which I
desire and hope continues so long as I am
in the A. E. F., I have a wand full of
pneumonia again and am doing very well.
I will probably be in Paris about the 15th
of Sept. and from there to Nice and Monte
Carlo I had expected to go on leave about
Oct. 1st. but find it will be more convenient
about Sept 15th to have leave on that date.

So can you have loaned me up etc?

I wish I could send you some pictures of our city its very beautiful up on a very high hill surrounded by an old Roman wall and gates at every street entrance it takes ones mind back a number of years yes hundreds of years to look at the walls. Caesar had part of the walls and gates built and the Roman style of architecture is very perceptible in the construction of them. For a change we have had quite warm weather here but it will not be very long now until cold rainy weather will begin for good but I mean to see the rain begin to come it never knows when to quit.

I will have the pictures made in Paris next month. The photographer here is not very good so I will ~~do~~ have them made there and can no doubt do better there also.

You did not send me the Marshall paper you
spoke of or at least I did not get it.

Jim Hoover sent me the Courier Journal with
the account of "Bastille Day Celebration" at
Laurieville, they did not have a thing on
us we had the Celebration here and the
Champagne to go along with it, so we
had some thing on them.

I was very much amused at Roberta trying
to ride the calf and can imagine just how
she would promptly draw a good hard face.
I wish every day I could be home and see
you all and then I don't want to leave
France until the thing is over, I am here
and I feel am usefull in my present
Capacity and want to see the thing through
we continue to push the Boche back and
it is to be hoped we can keep them

on the line until we reach Berlin and
do it in a hurry.
Must also have been handed a notice
from the nurse of some new admissions
Love to all.

Your husband
W.C. Richards
P.S. Love M.R.

100 Richmond
12th mcs
A.E.F.

Officer mail



100 J. a. Arnold
R.F.D.

100 Richmond

~~159 Water Ave~~



~~Laurie by~~

U.S.A.



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MISSISSIPPI
POST OFFICE
MEMPHIS
TENNESSEE

Camp Hosp No 24

APO. 714

Aug 31 1918.

Alan Halline:

I received a letter from you today saying you had not heard from me in nearly 2 weeks; there has been times when several days passed without my writing you but not that length of time.

I get very busy at times and don't neglect that just don't get time. I have had a very full service since coming here and my hours at times are very long, last night I got to bed at 3 AM and was up this morning 7:30 as it again. Two weeks from tomorrow I leave on my vacation and will have the pictures made in Paris but you need not worry over the mustache it has vanished long ago and I did not even get a picture of myself with it on. I am glad to hear that a tree was made a Lt. Col. he surely deserves it if any one does.

Tell Roberta I have lots of friends in France but would love to be at home to be at home with my family but better than with my friends here.

Looks like the breeze is on the run for help for the allies are cutting them on the top at all points of the compass.

So it was decided that Arnold didn't have
diphtheria, well as far as that concerned
you, don't need to see a membrane to have
diphtheria and they cones have made a
throat culture and decided his trouble; who
saw him in Louisville?

I am having lots
more pneumonia these days as well as various other
ailments and most of them getting along first
rate.

We had a very nice dance here last
week and all had a good time, we had a
6 piece orchestra from an infantry band and
they made some swell music, danced all of them
did not miss a single step and was not ready to
quit when taps blew.

I am trying to get permanently transferred
to this hospital and the P.O. wants me and
I feel that I will get located here and if
so I will certainly get good work and be
associated with very good men.

I will close now and with a long letter
tomorrow or next day.

Love to all
your husband

W.C. Richmond
1st Lt. M.C.

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