Maximillian Joseph Tournade Collection

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Letters written by Maximillian Joseph Tournade to Mrs. J. E. Rockhold, his mother, and Miss Roberta Tournade, his sister, in Lyndon, Kansas. He wrote the letters while serving in World War I. He was born in Ocala, Florida, October 13, 1895 and came to Kansas in 1901. At the time Tournade was inducted, he was living in Lyndon, Osage County, Kansas. During the war, he was a member of the Supply Co, 353 Inf., 89 Div. The photograph is part of the Kansas Soldiers of the Great War Collection.

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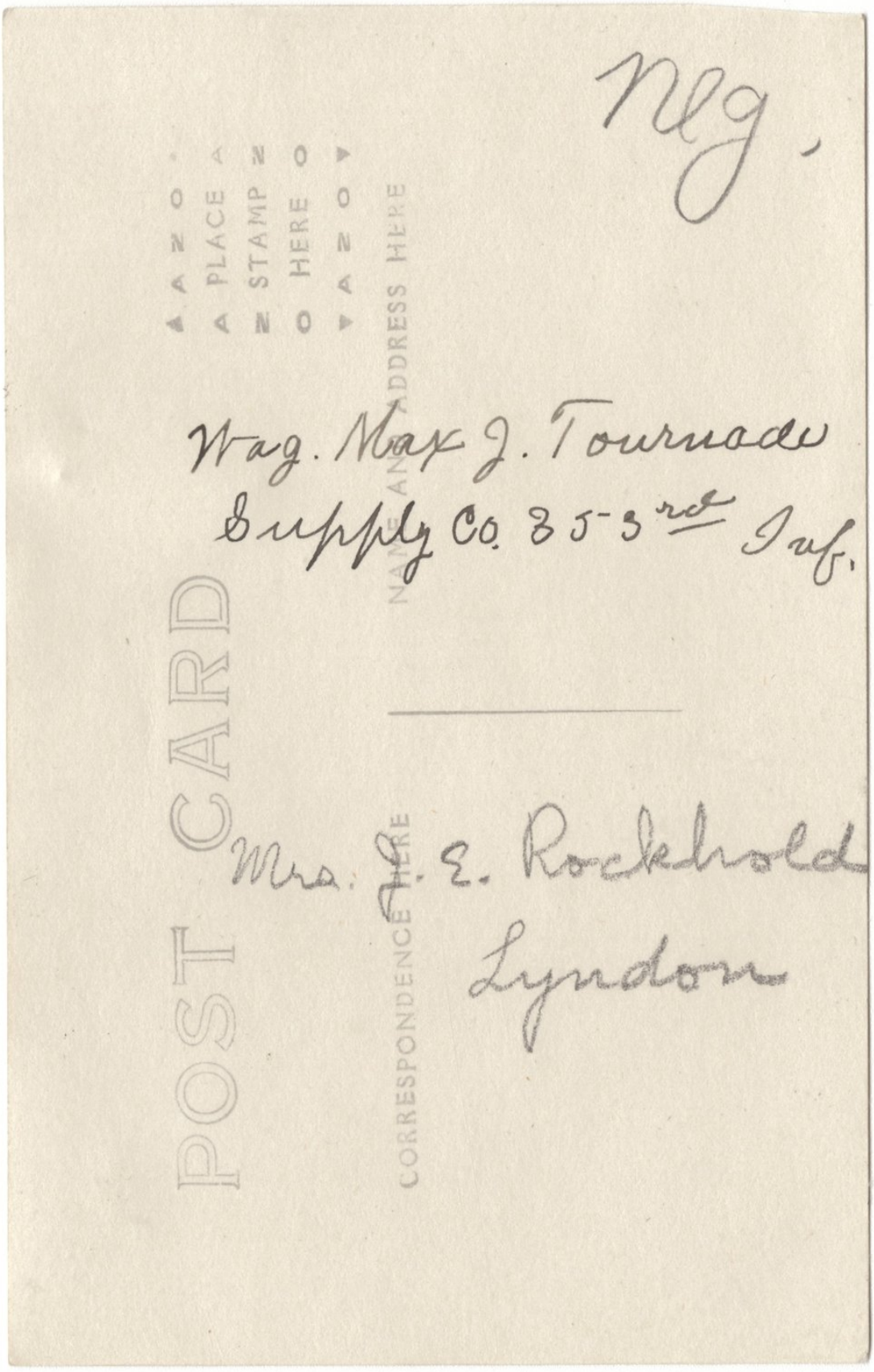
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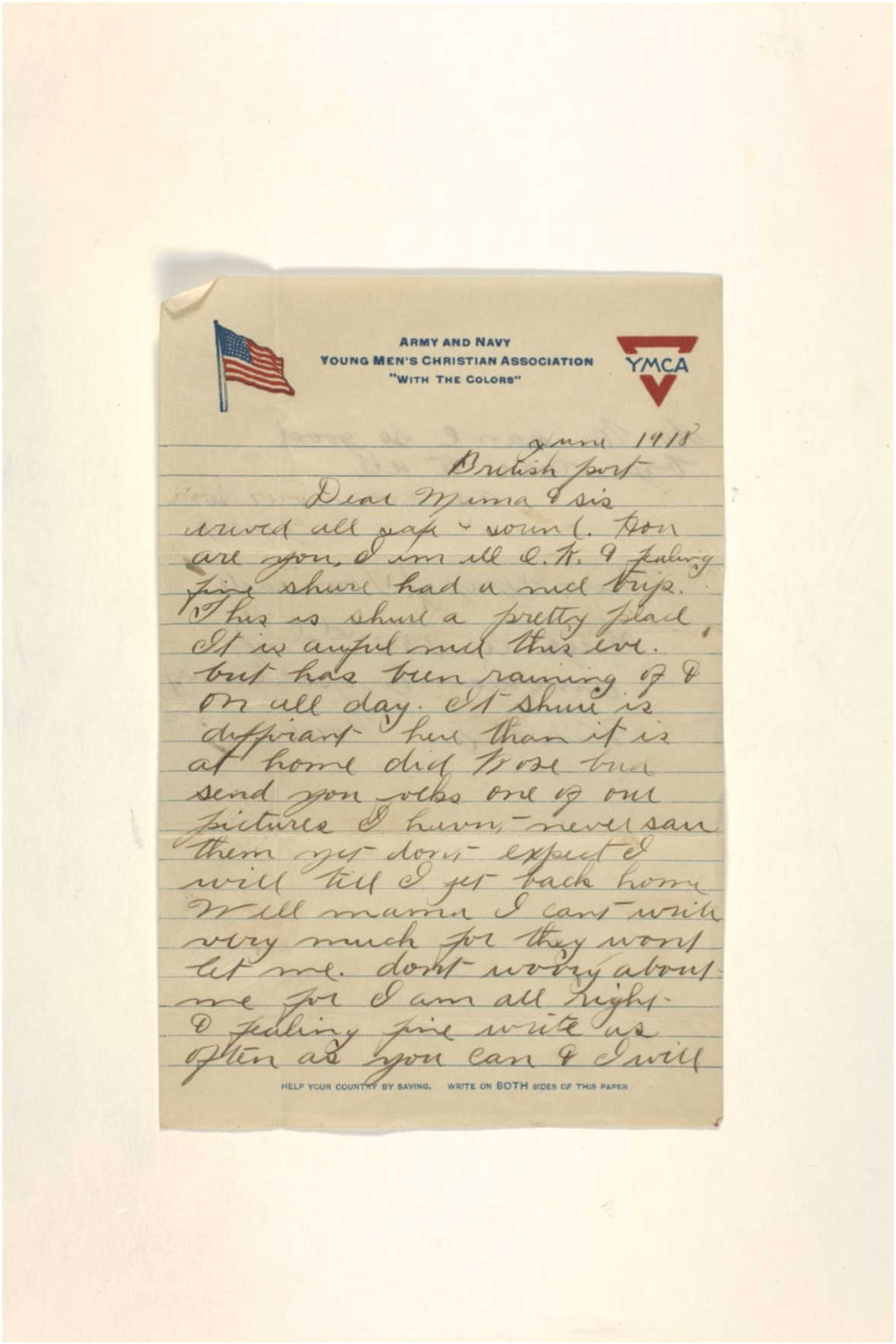


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Wag. Max J. Tournade
Supply Co. 35-3rd Inf.

Mrs. H. E. Rockhold
Lyndon



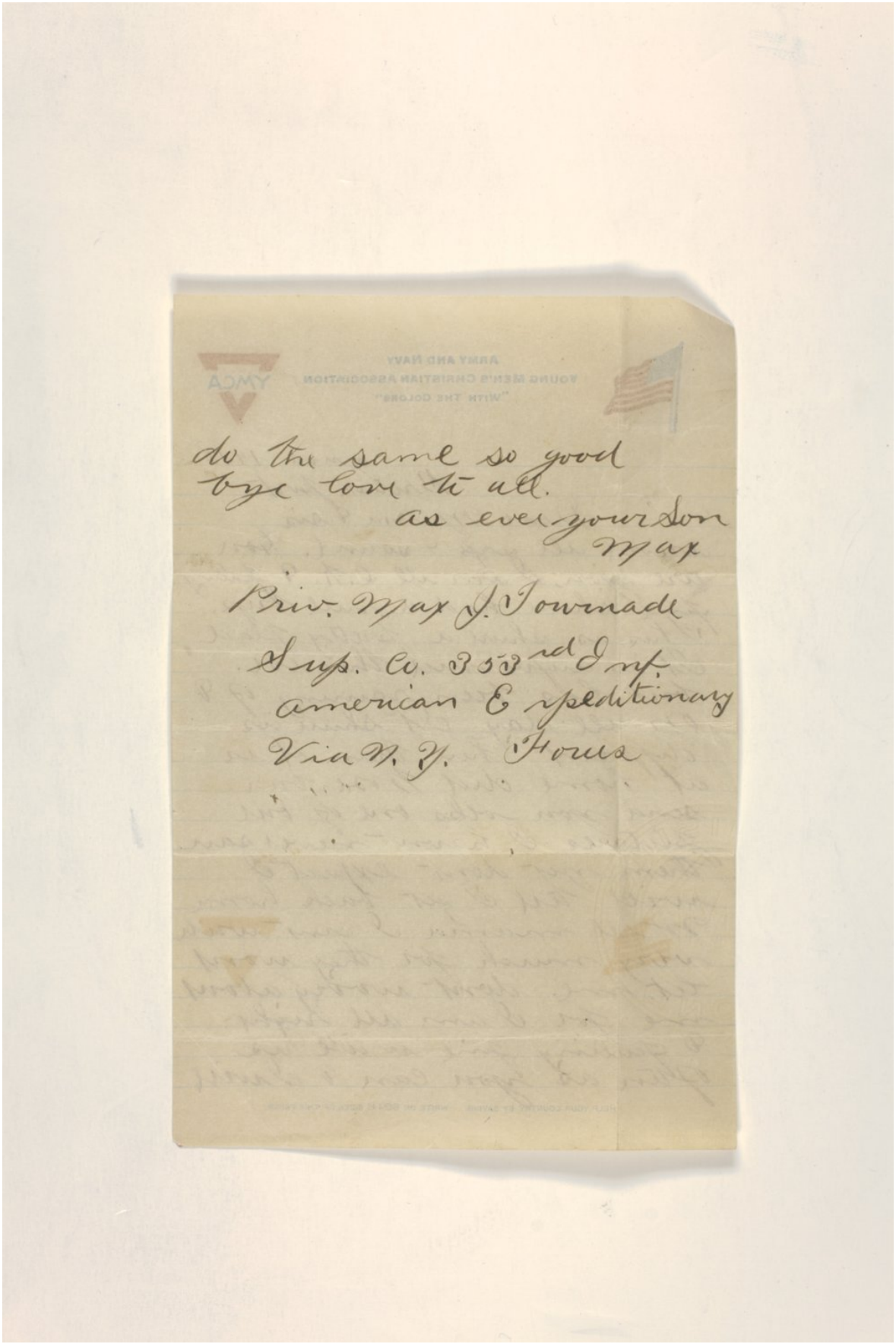


ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"
YMCA

June 1918
British port

Dear Mama & sis
arrived all safe & sound. How are you, I am all O.K. & feeling fine shure had a nice trip. This is shure a pretty place. It is awful wet this eve. but has been raining off & on all day. It shure is different here than it is at home did Rose ever send you ecks one of our pictures I have never seen them yet dont expect I will till I get back home. Well mama I cant write very much for they wont let me. dont worry about me for I am all right. & feeling fine write as often as you can & I will

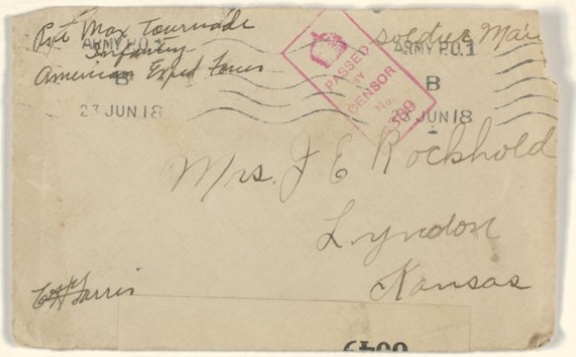
HELP YOUR COUNTRY BY SAVING. WRITE ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER



do the same so good
bye love to all.
as ever your son
Max

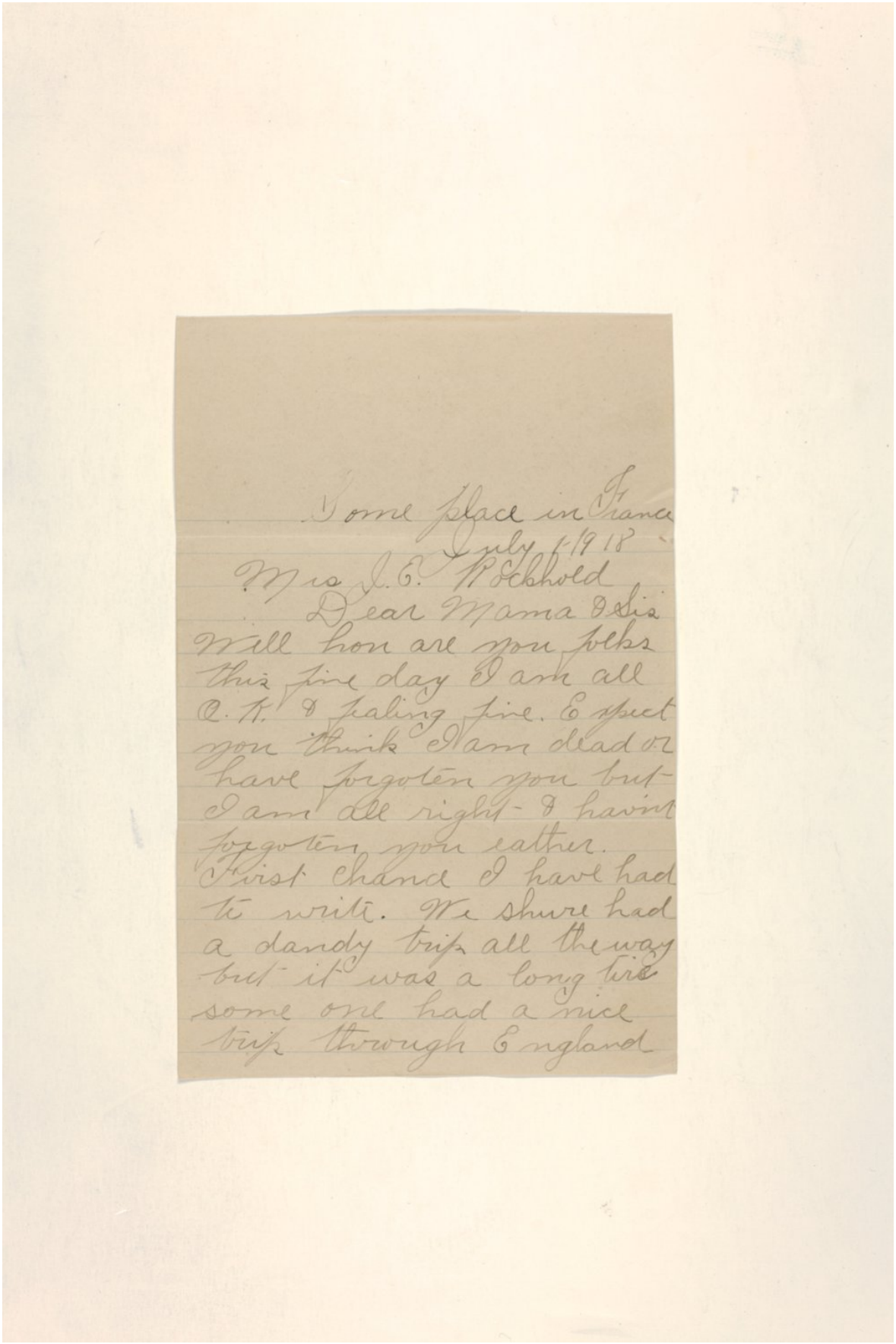
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American Expeditionary
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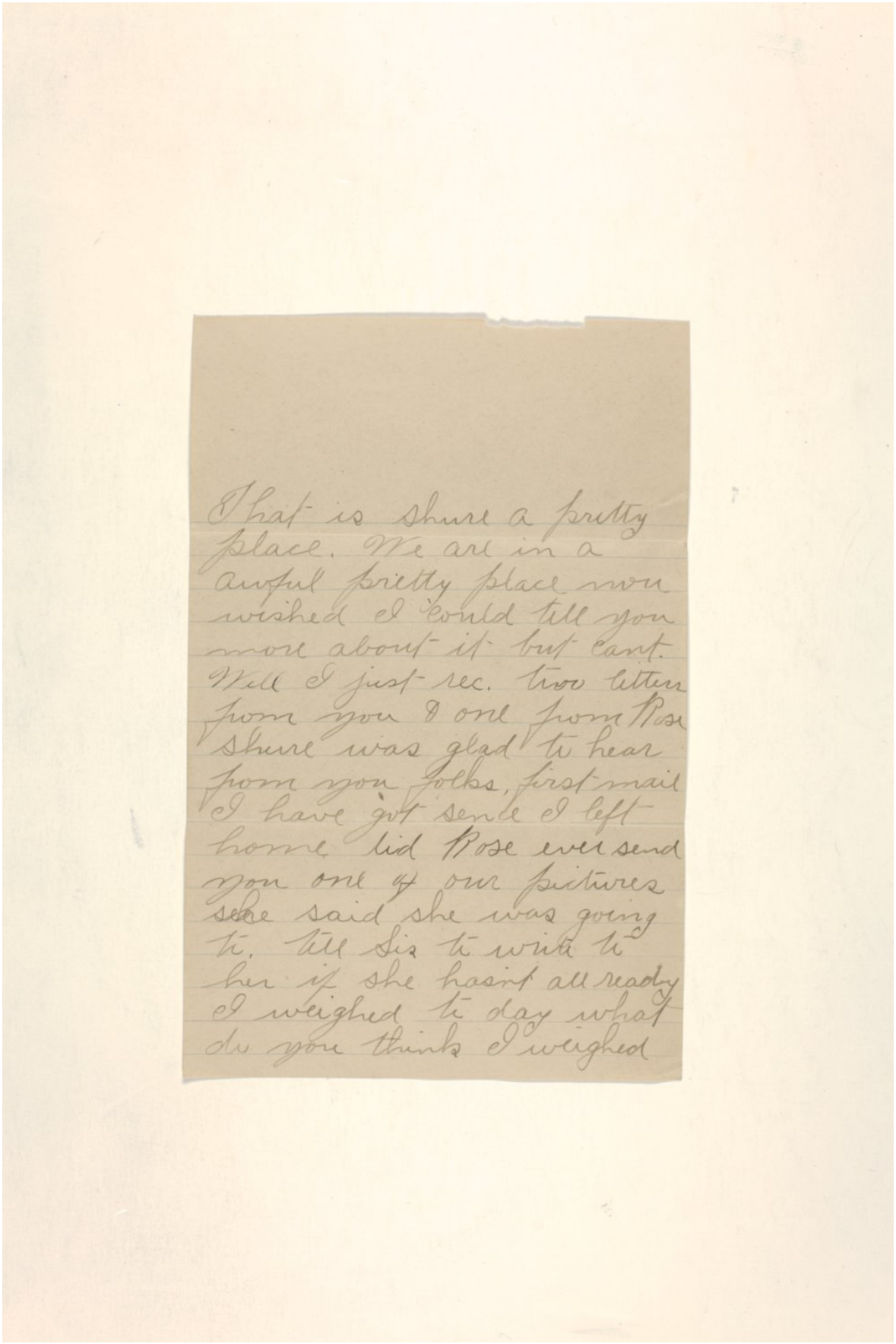




Some place in France
July 1 1918

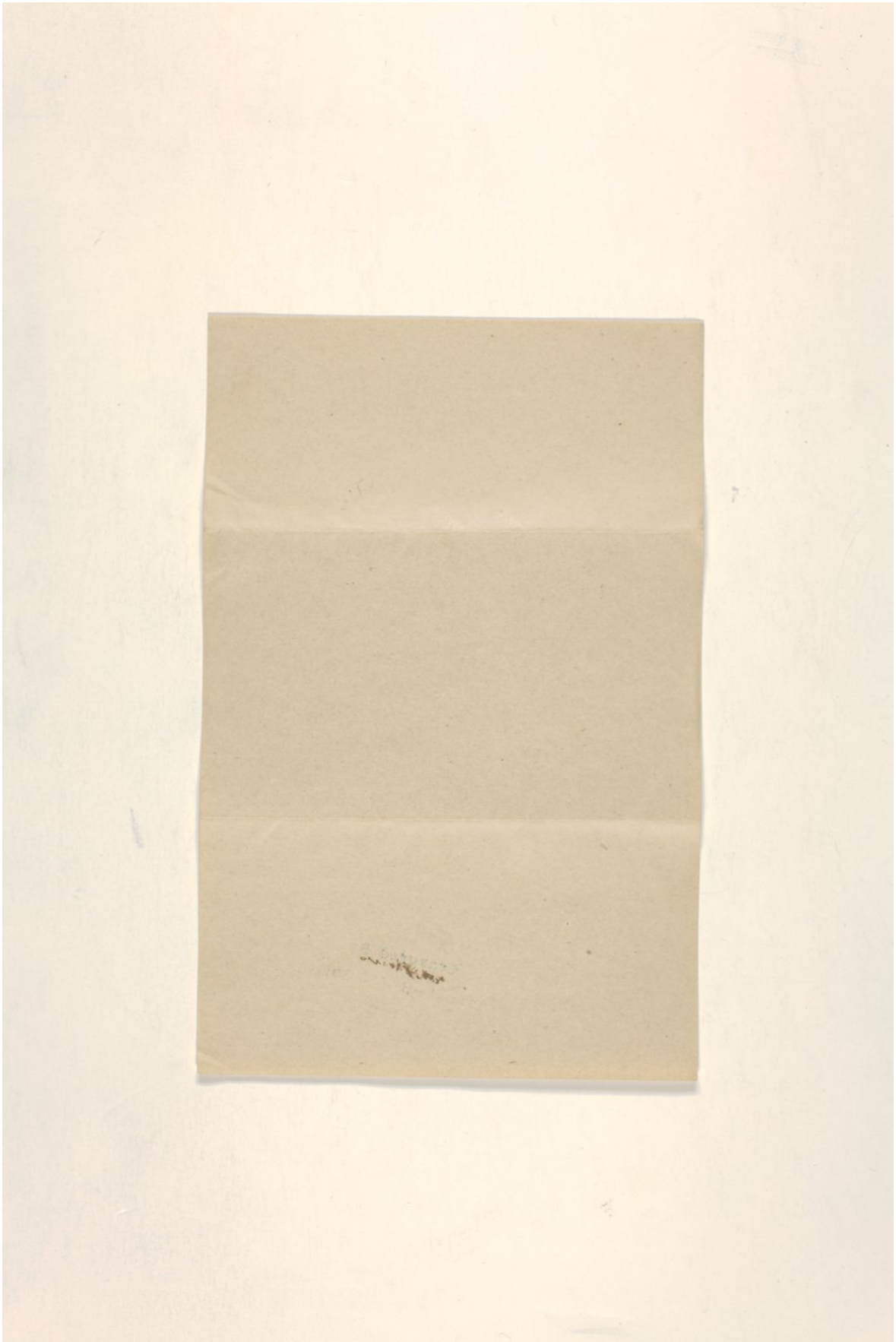
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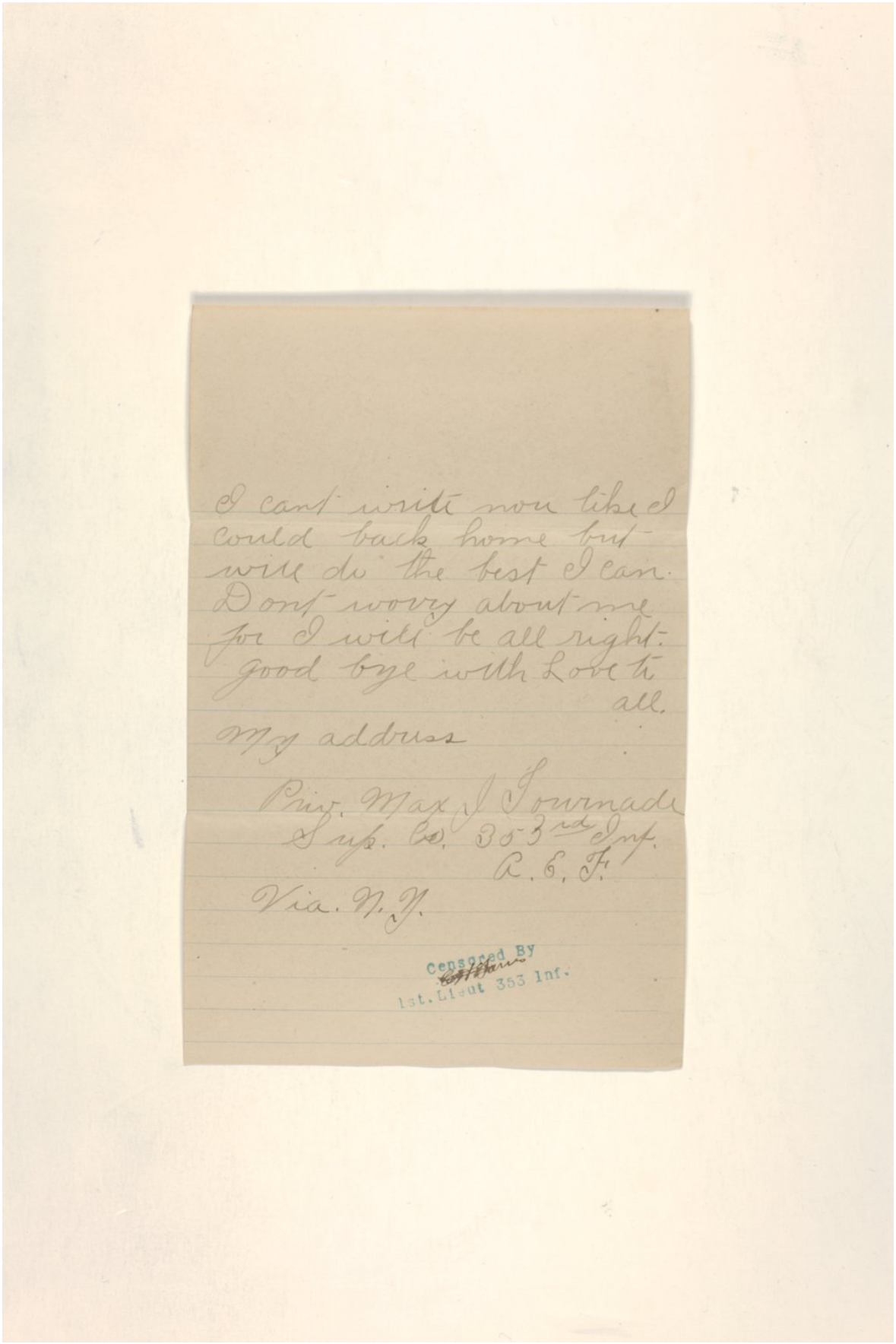
Dear Mama & Sis
Well how are you folks
this fine day I am all
O. K. & feeling fine. Expect
you think I am dead or
have forgoten you but-
I am all right- & havint
forgotten you either.
First chance I have had
to write. We shure had
a dandy trip all the way
but it was a long trip
some one had a nice
trip through England



That is shure a pretty place. We are in a awful prietty place now wished I could tell you more about it but cant. Well I just rec. two letters from you & one from Rose shure was glad to hear from you folks, first mail I have got since I left home. did Rose ever send you one of our pictures she said she was going to. tell Sis to write to her if she hasnt all ready I weighed to day what do you think I weighed

One hundred & eighty two
that is pretty good for
me isn't it. I think I
would weight more if
I had some smoking
bacc or some money
to buy some with first
time I have been real
broke for some time.
Well there isn't much
news couldn't write them
if there was so I will
hafto quit write as often
as you can rather you
hear from me or not.
I will try & write twice
a wk. If some of you





I cant write now like I could back home but will do the best I can. Dont worry about me for I will be all right. good bye with Love to all.

My address

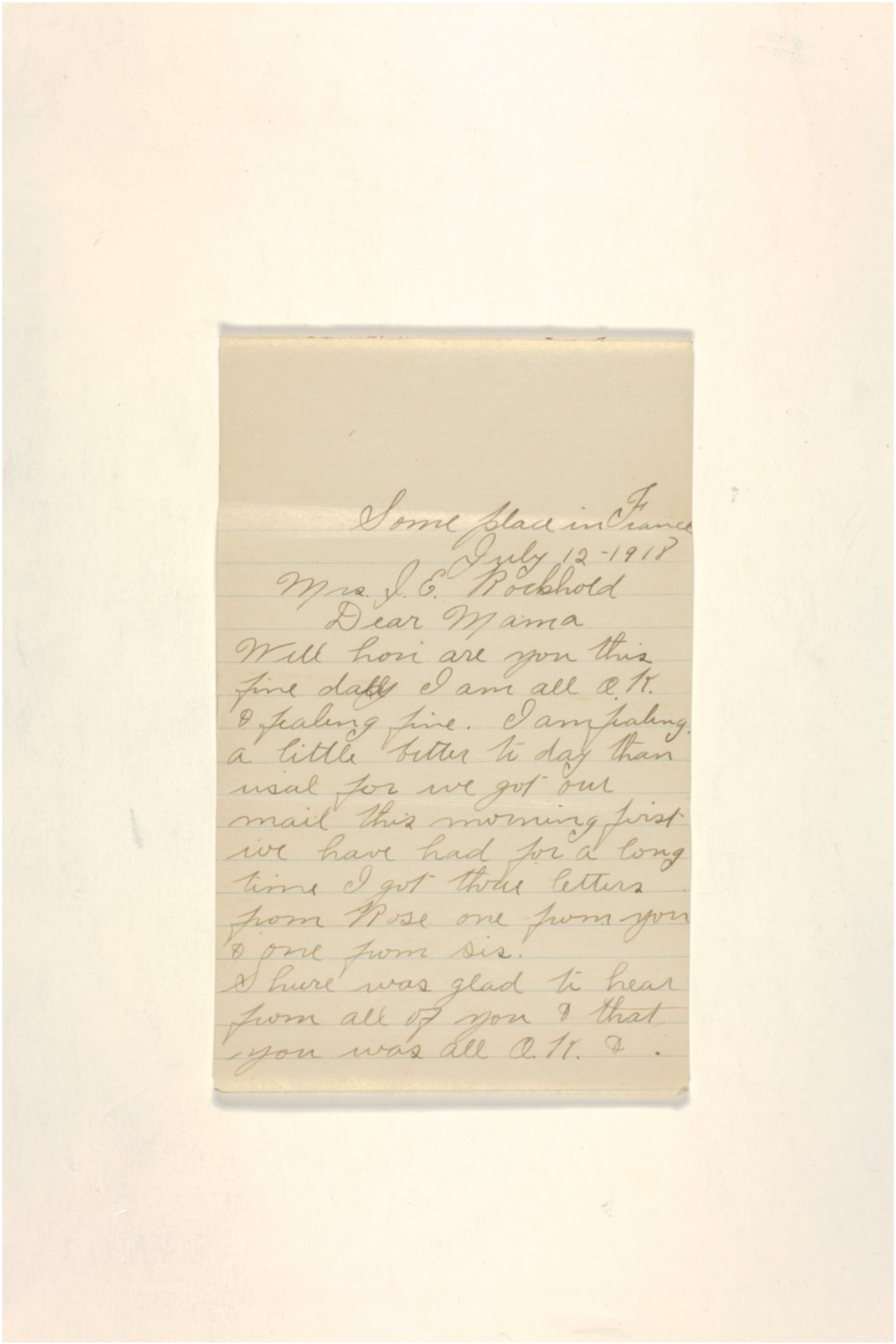
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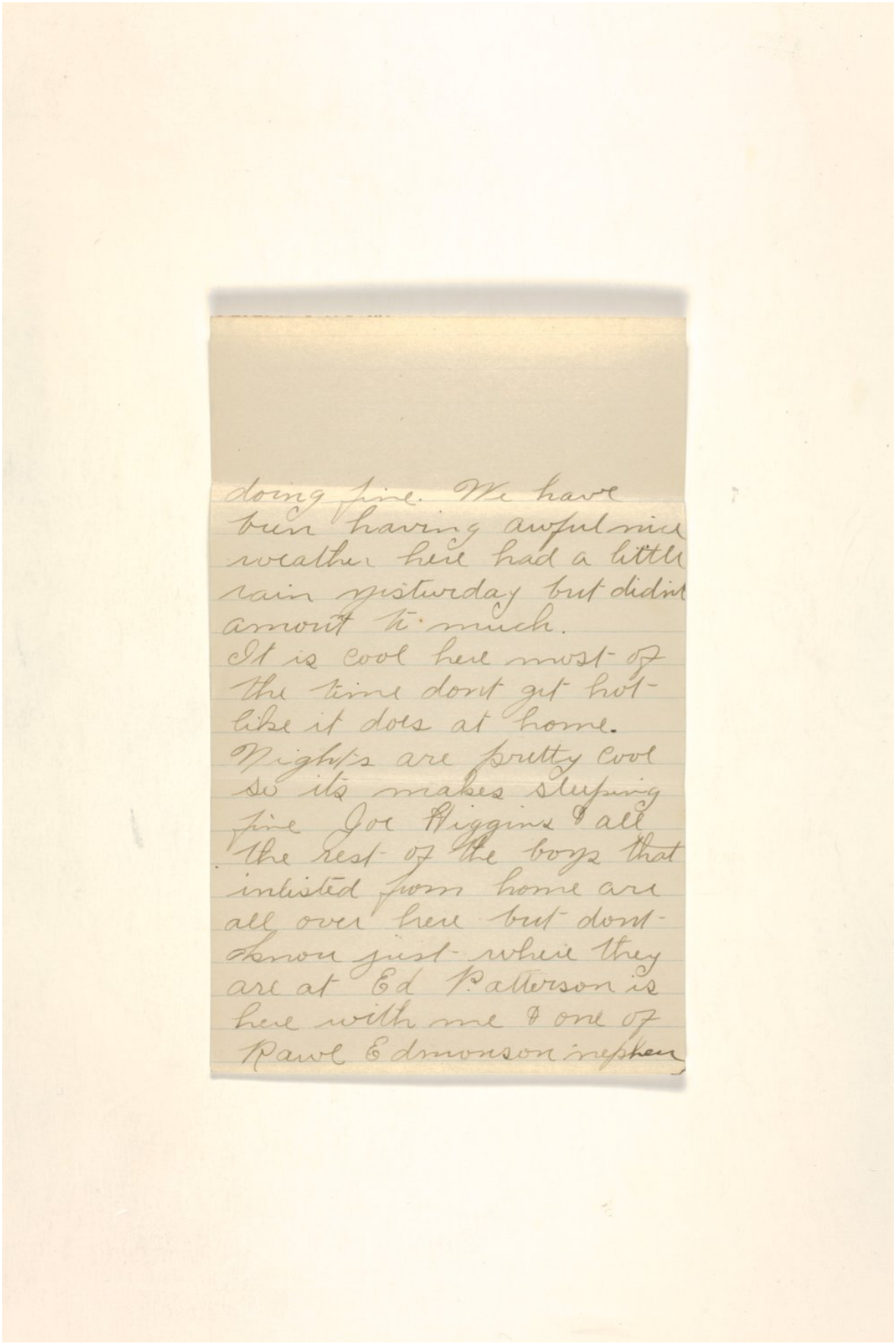
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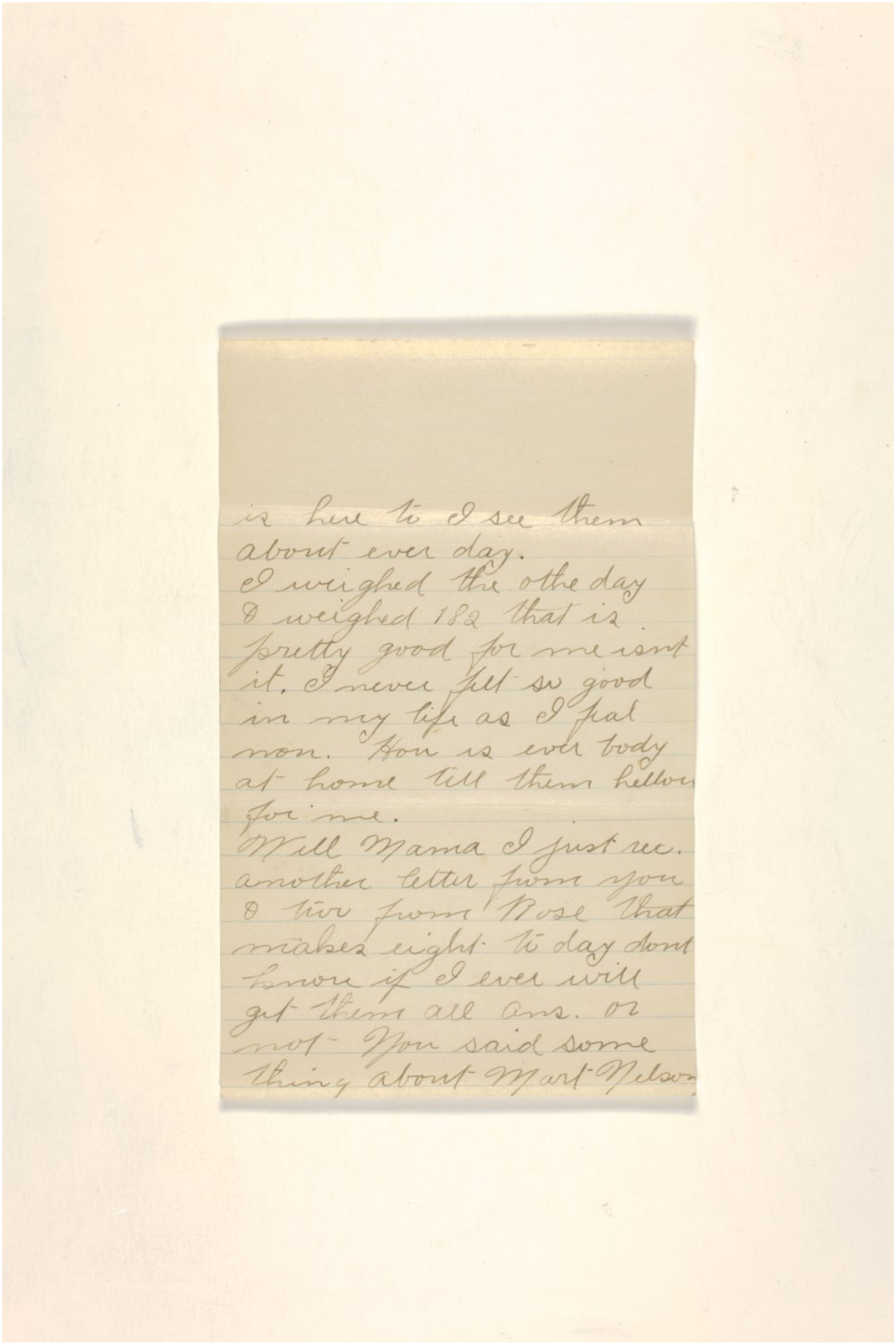




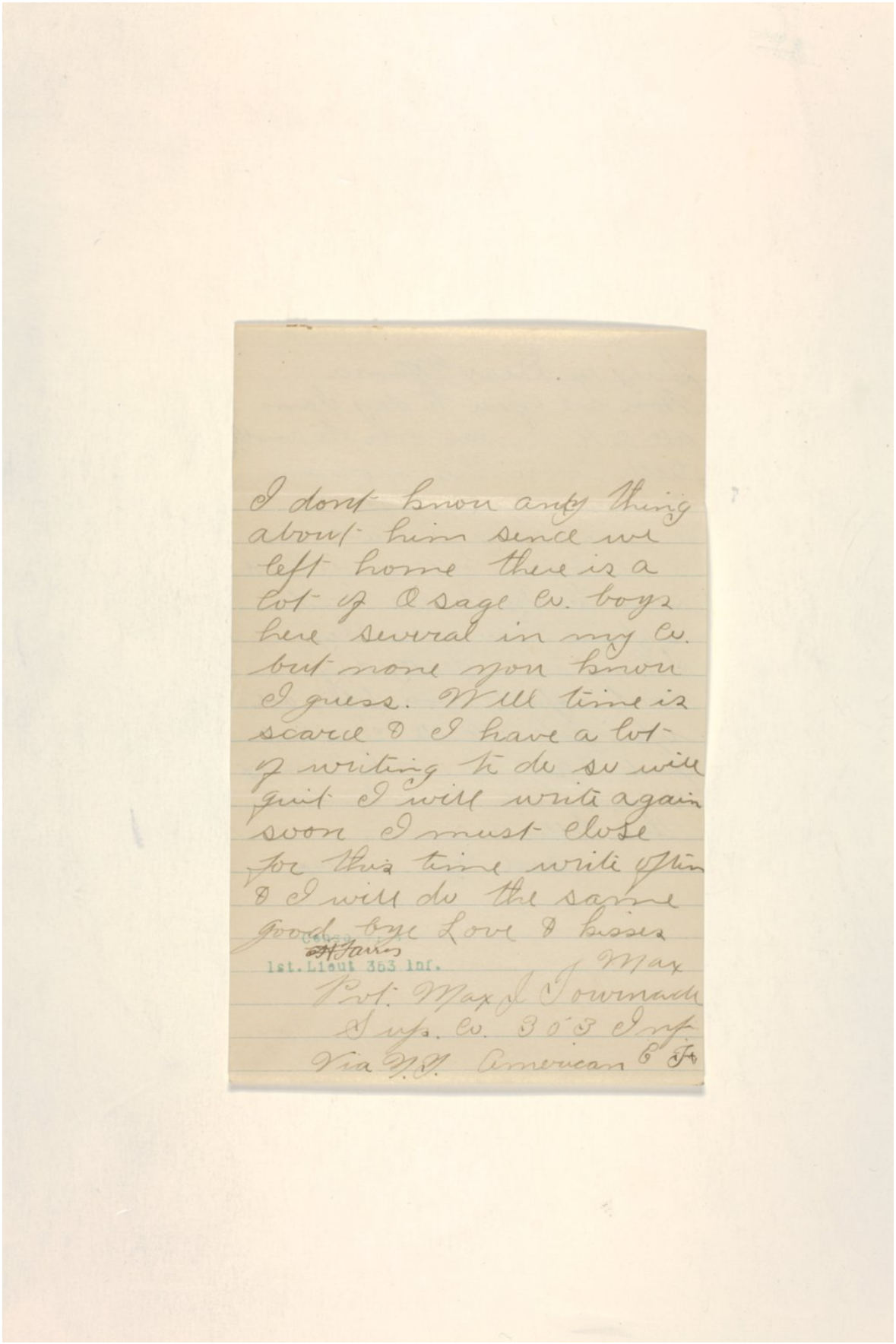
Some place in France
July 12-1918
Mrs. J. E. Rockhold
Dear Mama
Will how are you this fine daily I am all O. K. & feeling fine. I am feeling a little better to day than usal for we got our mail this morning first we have had for a long time I got those letters from Rose one from you & one from Sis.
I sure was glad to hear from all of you & that you was all O. K. & .



doing fine. We have
been having awful nice
weather here had a little
rain yisturday but didn't
amount to much.
It is cool here most of
the time don't get hot
like it does at home.
Nights are pretty cool
so it's makes sleeping
fine Joe Riggins & all
the rest of the boys that
inlisted from home are
all over here but don't
know just where they
are at Ed Patterson is
here with me & one of
Pawl Edmonson nephews



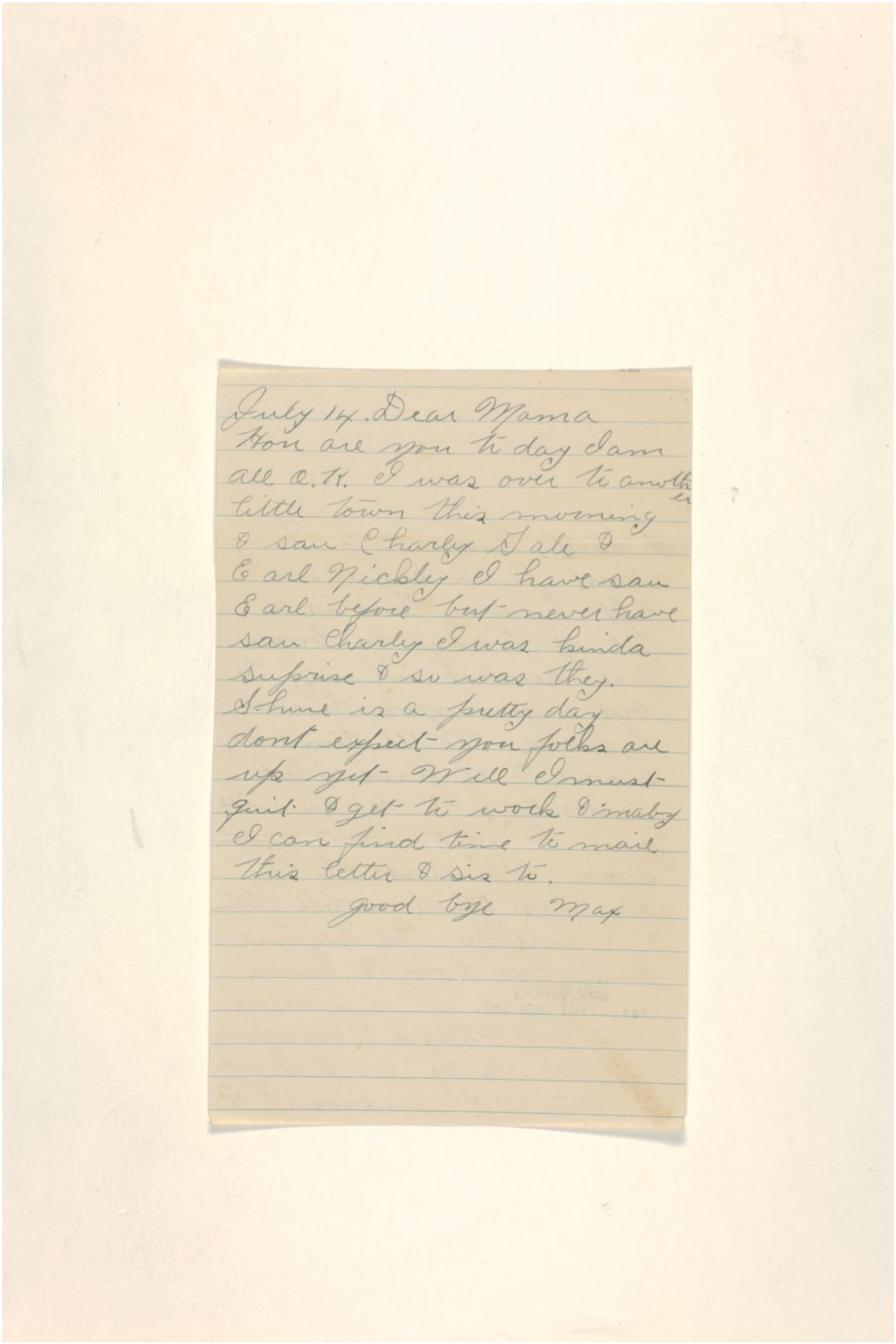
is here to I see them
about ever day.
I weighed the othe day
I weighed 182 that is
pretty good for me isnt
it. I never felt so good
in my life as I feal
now. How is ever body
at home tell them hellow
for me.
Well Mama I just rec.
another letter from you
& two from Rose that
makes eight to day dont
know if I ever will
get them all ans. or
not. You said some
thing about Mart Nelson



I dont know any thing
about him since we
left home there is a
lot of Osage Co. boys
here several in my Co.
but none you know
I guess. Well time is
scarce & I have a lot
of writing to do so will
quit I will write again
soon I must close
for this time write often
& I will do the same
good bye Love & kisses
Max

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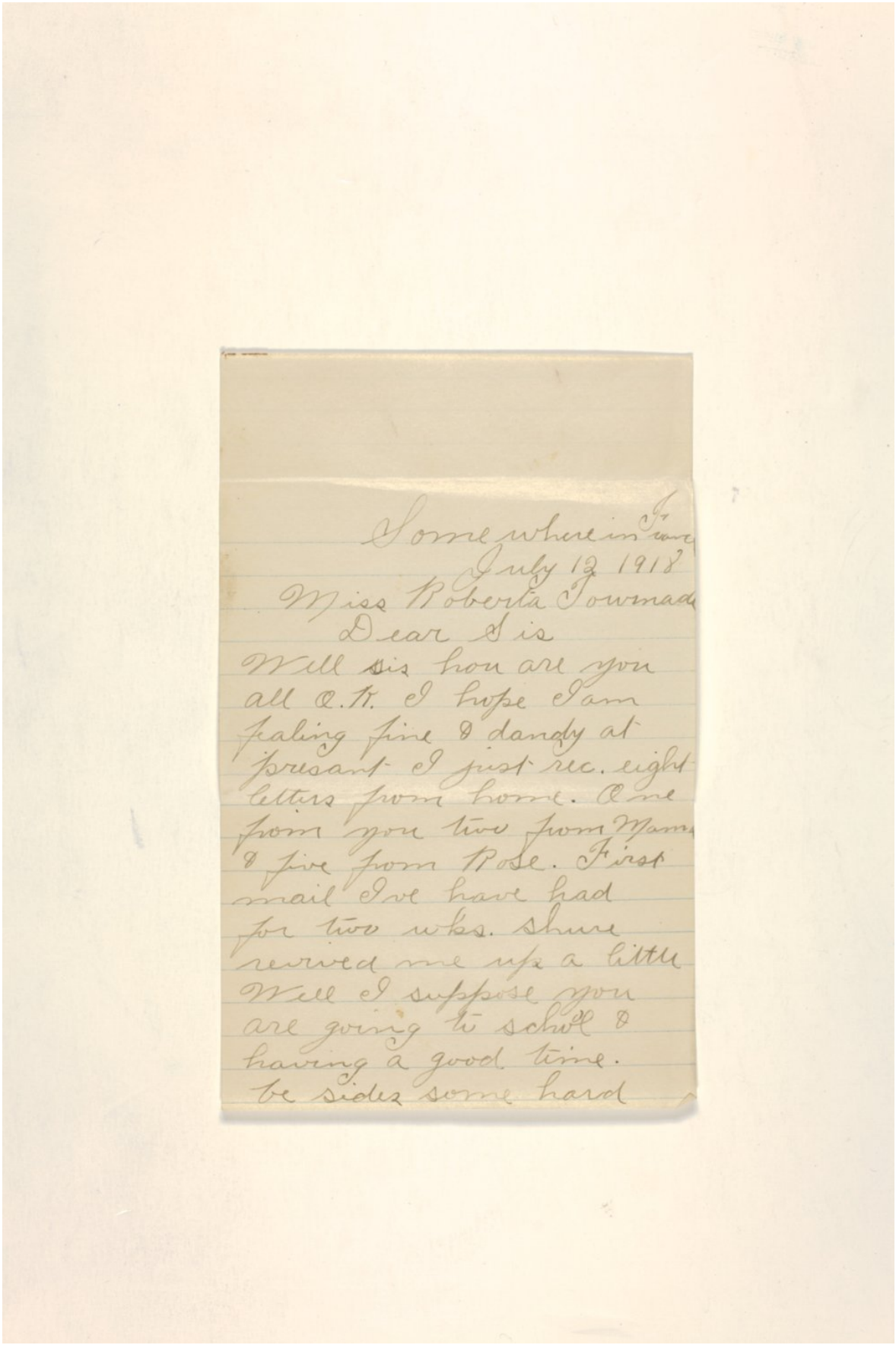
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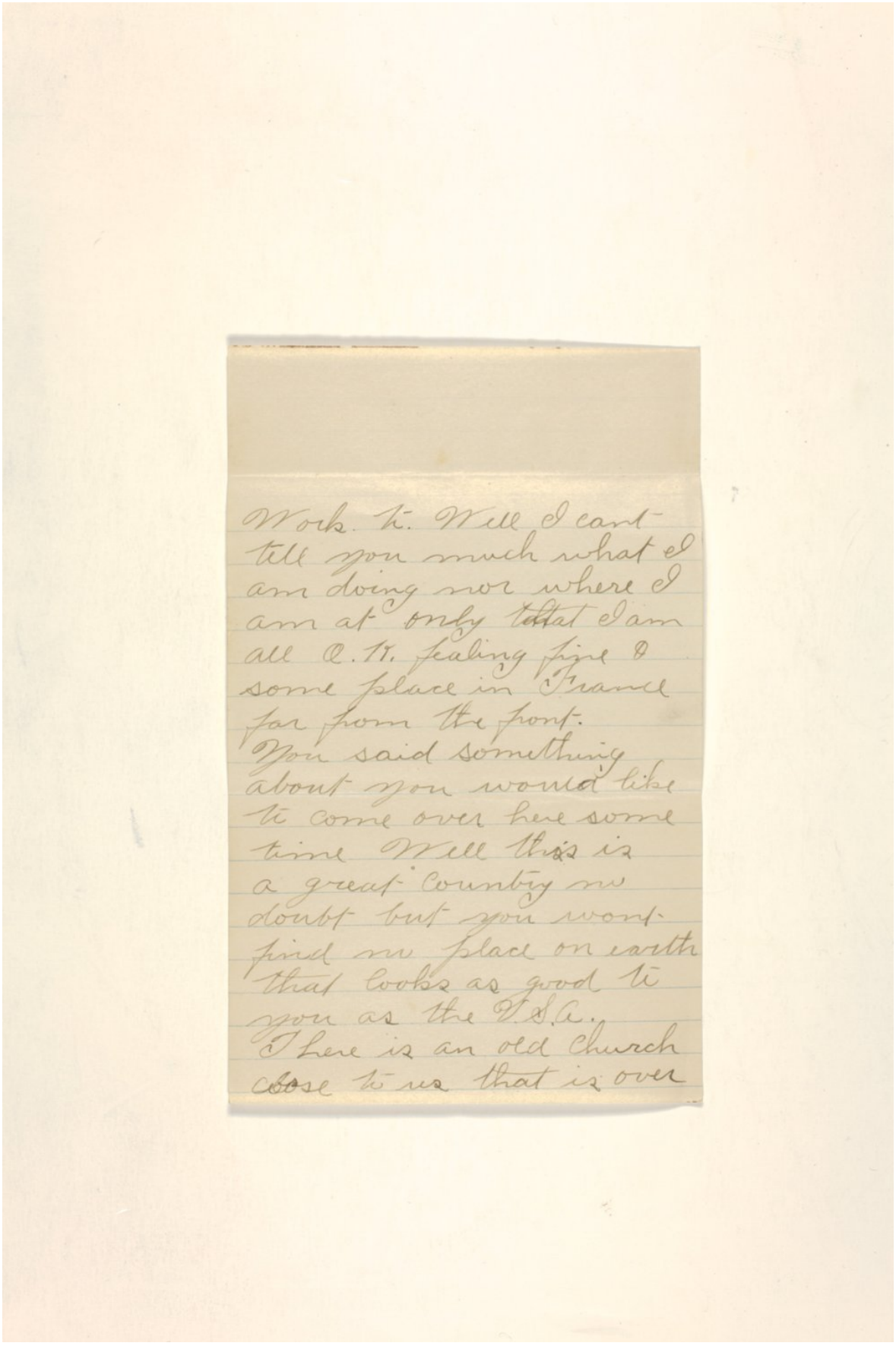
July 14. Dear Mama
How are you to day I am
all O.K. I was over to anoth
little town this morning
& saw Charly Dale &
Earl Nickley I have saw
Earl before but never have
saw Charly I was kinda
suprise & so was they.
Sure is a pretty day
dont expect you folks are
up yet. Well I must
quit & get to work I maby
I can find time to mail
this letter & six to.
good bye Max

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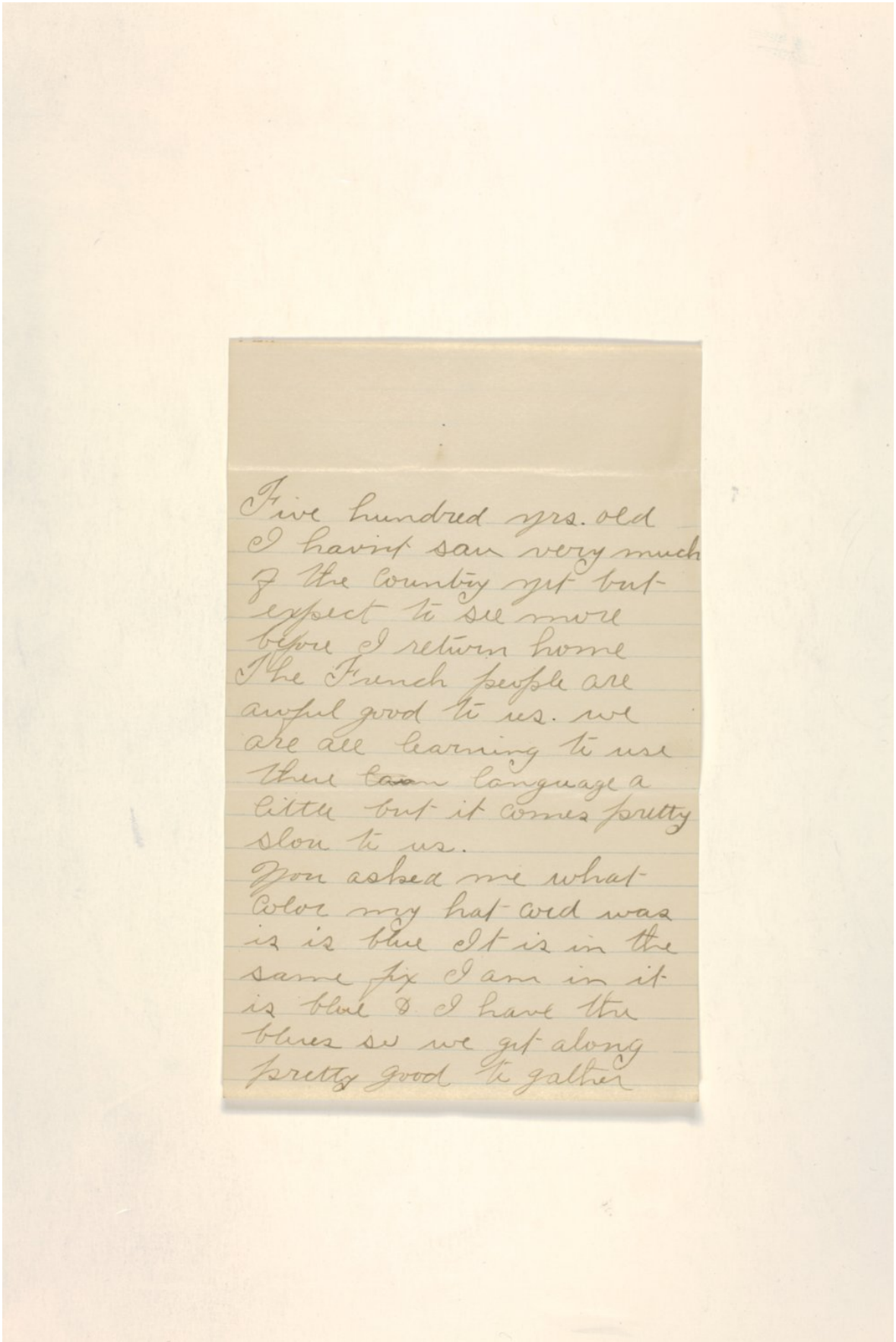




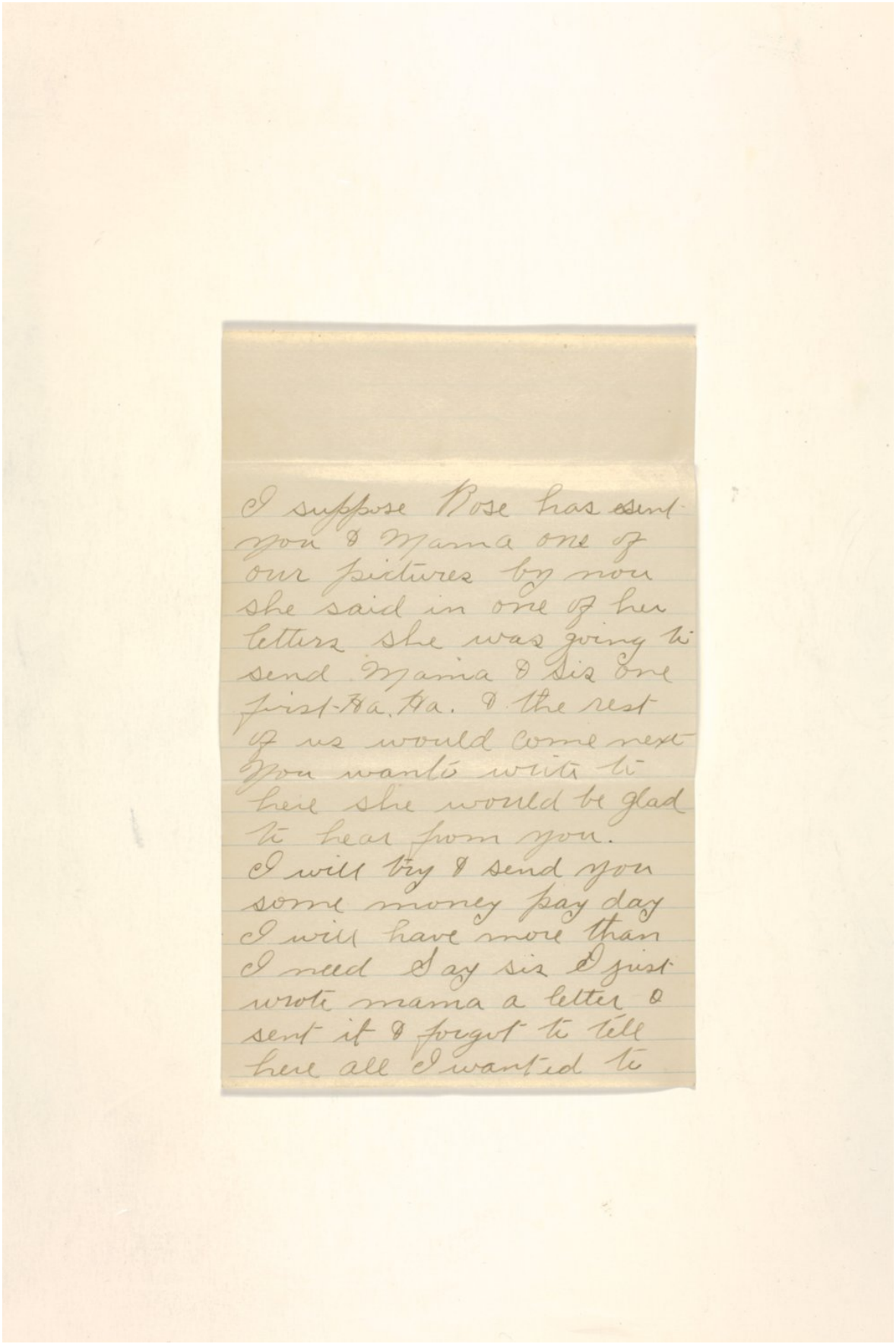
Somewhere in France
July 12 1918
Miss Roberta Tournade
Dear Sis
Well sis how are you all & H. I hope I am feeling fine & dandy at prisant I just rec. eight letters from home. One from you two from Mama & five from Rose. First mail I've have had for two wks. Shure revived me up a little Well I suppose you are going to schol & having a good time. be sides some hard



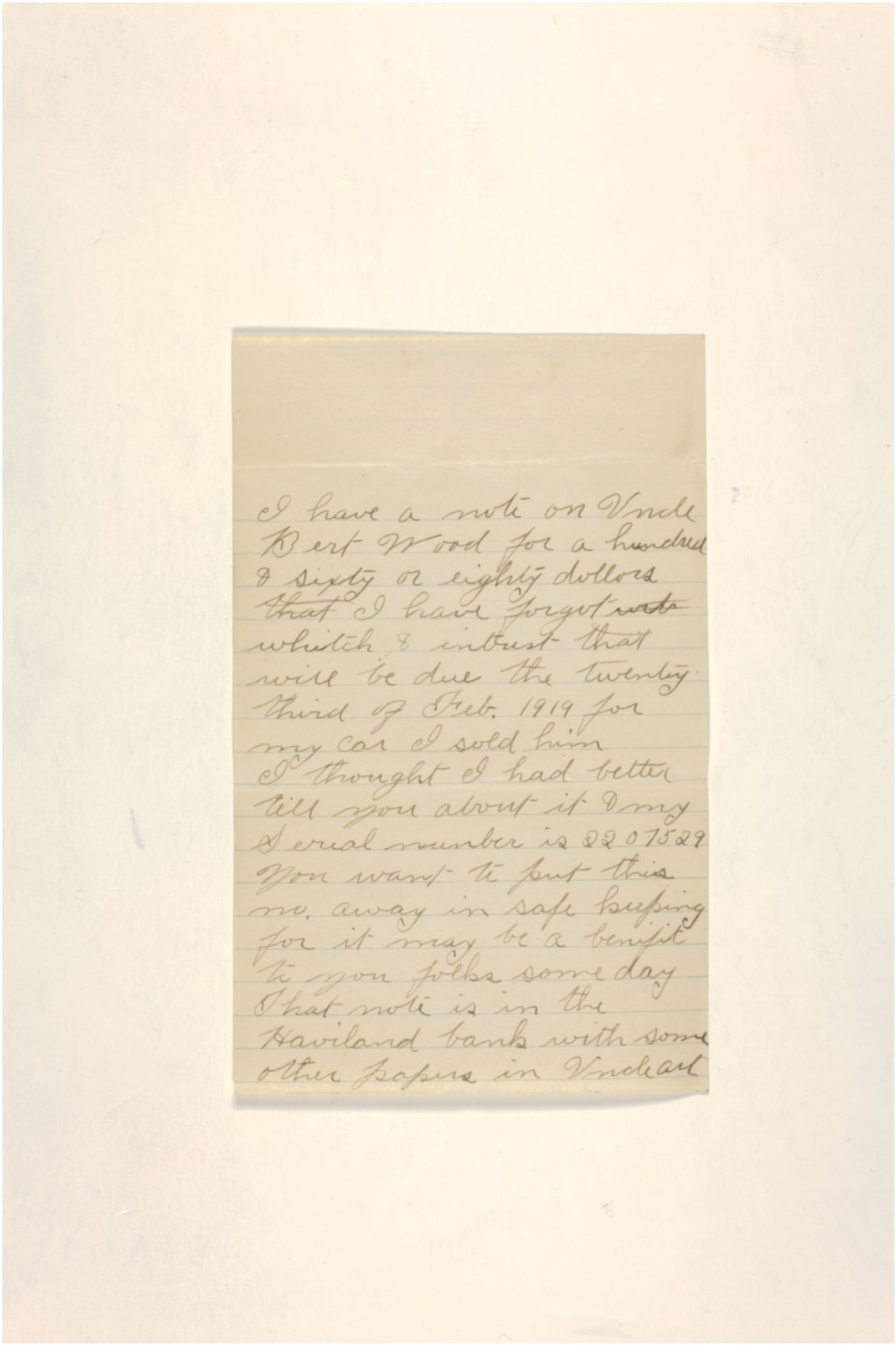
Work. K. Well I cant
tell you much what I
am doing nor where I
am at only that I am
all O. K. feeling fine &
some place in France
far from the front.
You said something
about you would like
to come over here some
time Well this is
a great Country no
doubt but you wont
find no place on earth
that looks as good to
you as the U.S.A.
There is an old Church
close to us that is over



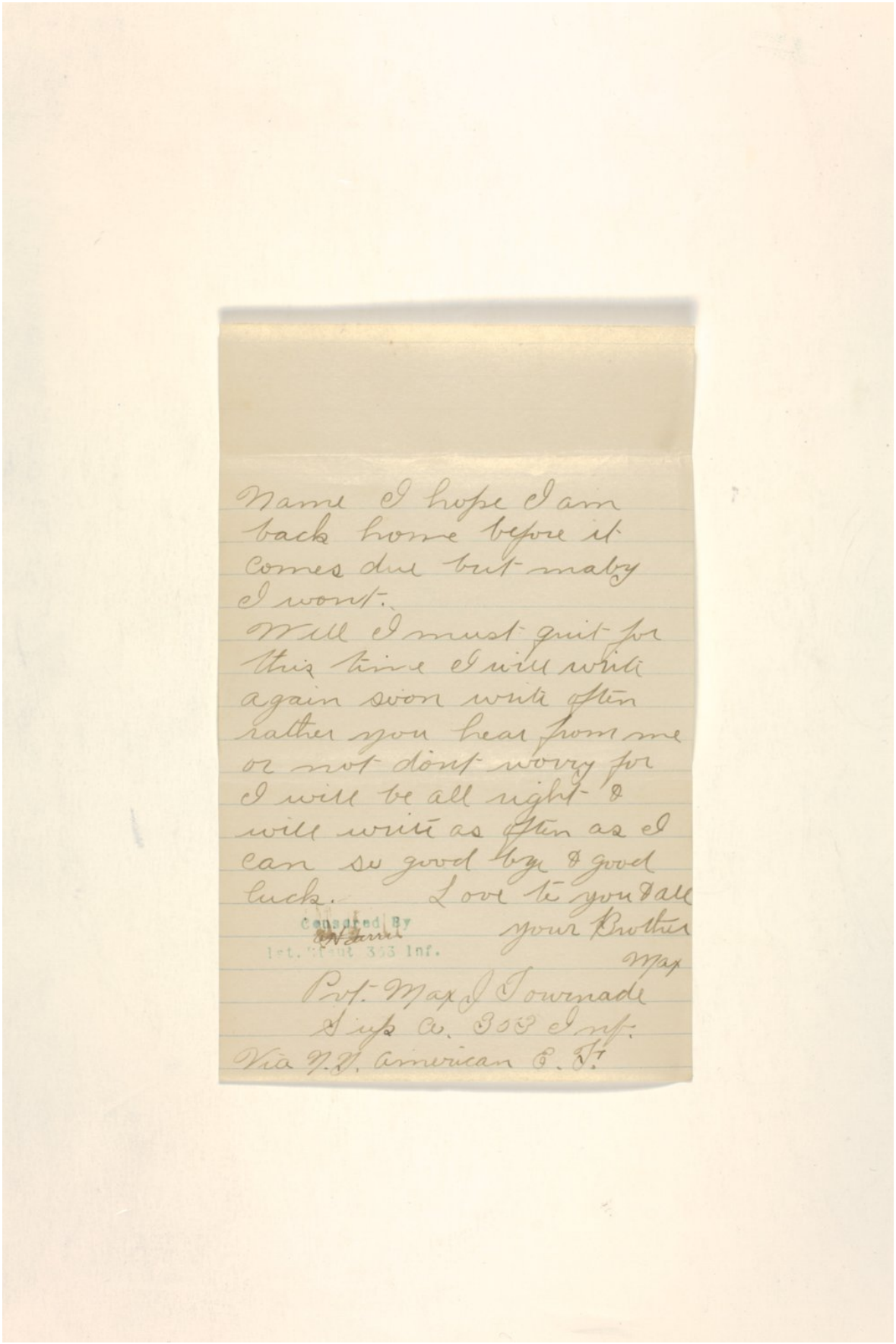
Five hundred yrs. old
I havint saw very much
of the country yet but
expect to see more
before I return home
The French people are
awful good to us. we
are all learning to use
there ~~can~~ language a
little but it comes pretty
slow to us.
You asked me what
color my hat ord was
is is blue It is in the
same fix I am in it
is blue & I have the
blues so we get along
pretty good to gather



I suppose Rose has sent
you & Mama one of
our pictures by now
she said in one of her
letters she was going to
send Mama & Sis one
first-Ha. Ha. & the rest
of us would come next
you wanted write to
here she would be glad
to hear from you.
I will try & send you
some money pay day
I will have more than
I need Say sis I just
wrote mama a letter &
sent it & forgot to tell
here all I wanted to



I have a note on Uncle
Bert Wood for a hundred
& sixty or eighty dollors
that I have forgot ~~note~~
which I intrust that
will be due the twenty
third of Feb. 1919 for
my car I sold him
I thought I had better
tell you about it & my
Serial number is 22 0 7529
You want to put this
no. away in safe keeping
for it may be a benifit
to you folks some day
That note is in the
Haviland bank with some
other papers in Uncle art



Name I hope I am
back home before it
comes due but maby
I wont.
Well I must quit for
this time I will write
again soon with often
rather you hear from me
or not dont worry for
I will be all right &
will write as often as I
can so good by & good
luck. Love to you all
your Brother
Max

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Prof. Max J Tournade
Co. A. 353 Inf.
Via N.Y. American E.F.

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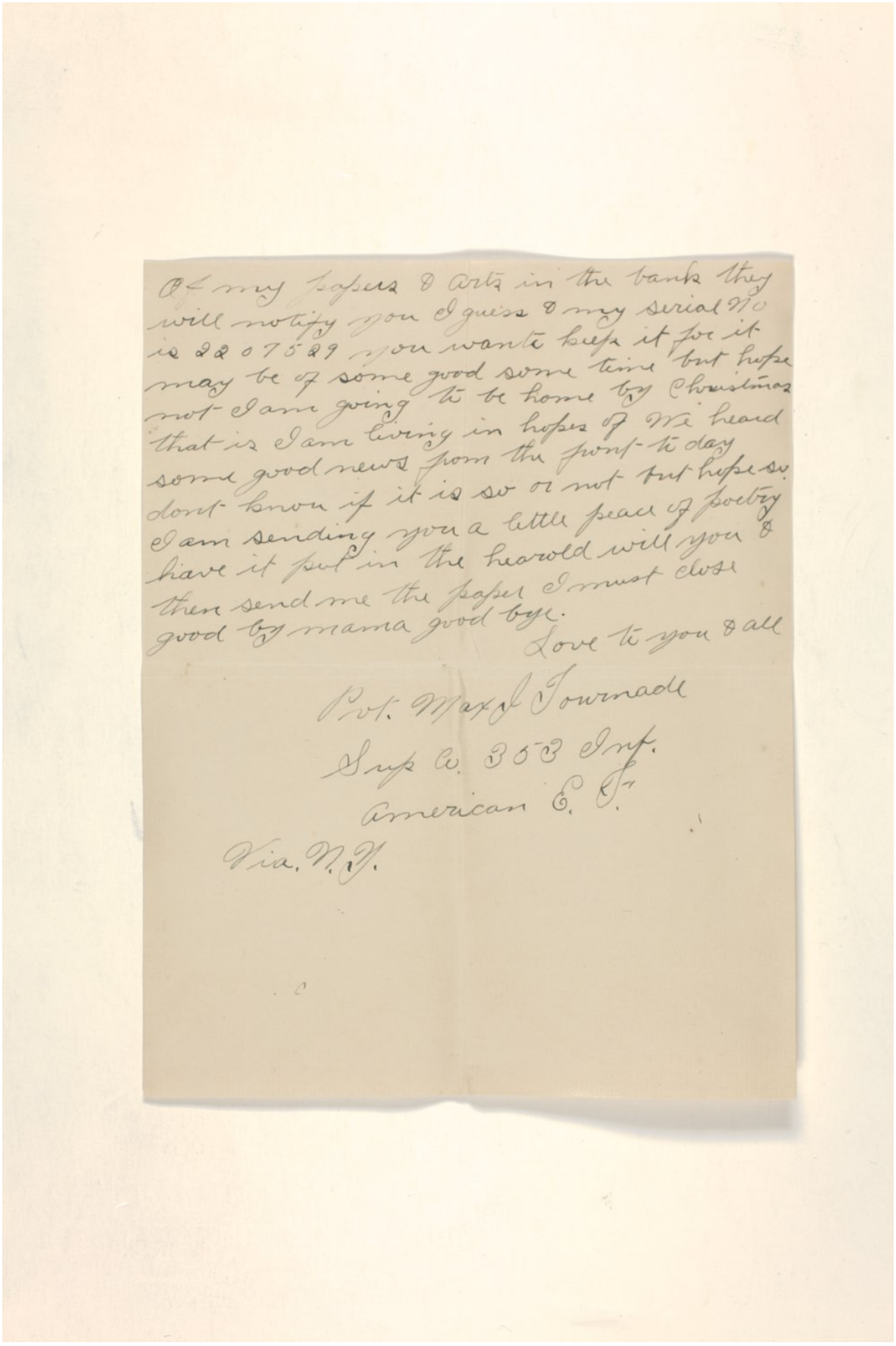
Somewhere in France
July 18 1918

Mrs. J. C. Rockhold

Dear Mama-Will

How are you I am all O.K. & feeling fine It has been awful hot here or has been but is kinda cooled off now. What are you doing this fine old day I am still at the same old job. W.P. I got three letters from Rose and yesterday again you will have to write some if you keep up with her. She said she got a letter from you & Sis both. glad you wrote to her what do you think of our pictures didn't know we was married did you Ha Ha. Wished I had one of them big

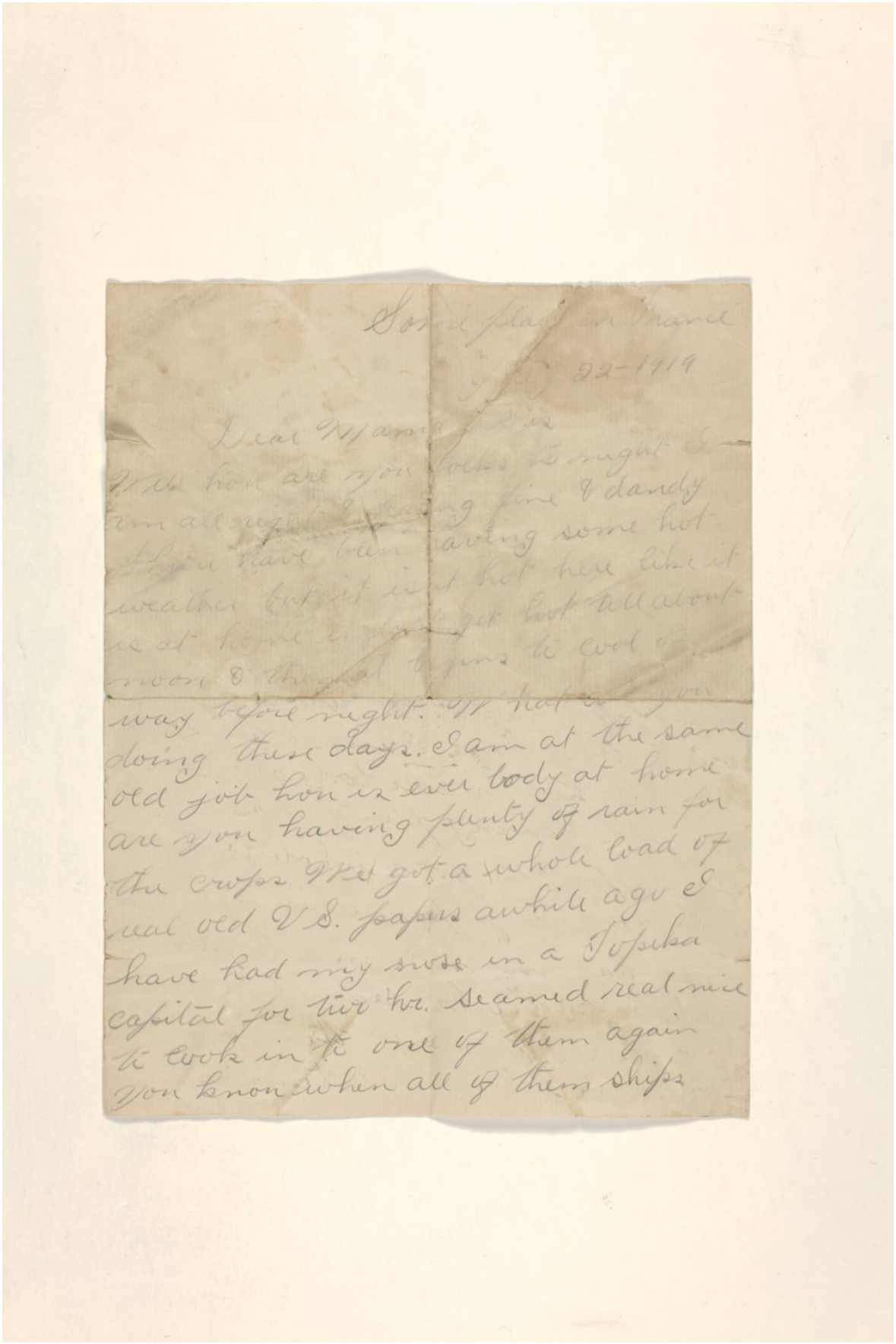
Pictures Son is Papa & what is he doing Tell him hellow. What is Jessie doing She never did ans. my card dont care much & she knows it I guess. Who is Hawld Woods? One of the boys just brought a letter in from you Mutter June 25- shure was glad to hear from you. letters from home always make a poor lonsome fellow feal good especialy when they are from Mam. glad you are all well & feaking fine I am glad to is meet the Otoway girls I know them they are dandy good kids. are they at Emporia going to school with Sis I suppose you had a good time & the well I worked about all day. Well mama it is late & I must quit for this time write often & I will do the same. Say I got a note in the Haviland bank on Vinch But for the balance on my car for $160.00 or eighty I dont know wich that will be due the 22 of Feb. 1919 if any thing should happen to me who is yours it is with some



If my papers & arts in the bank they will notify you I guess & my serial No is 2207529 you want keep it for it may be of some good some time but hope not I am going to be home by Christmas that is I am living in hopes of We heard some good news from the front-to day dont know if it is so or not but hope so I am sending you a little peace of poetry have it put in the harold will you & then send me the paper I must close good by mama good bye.

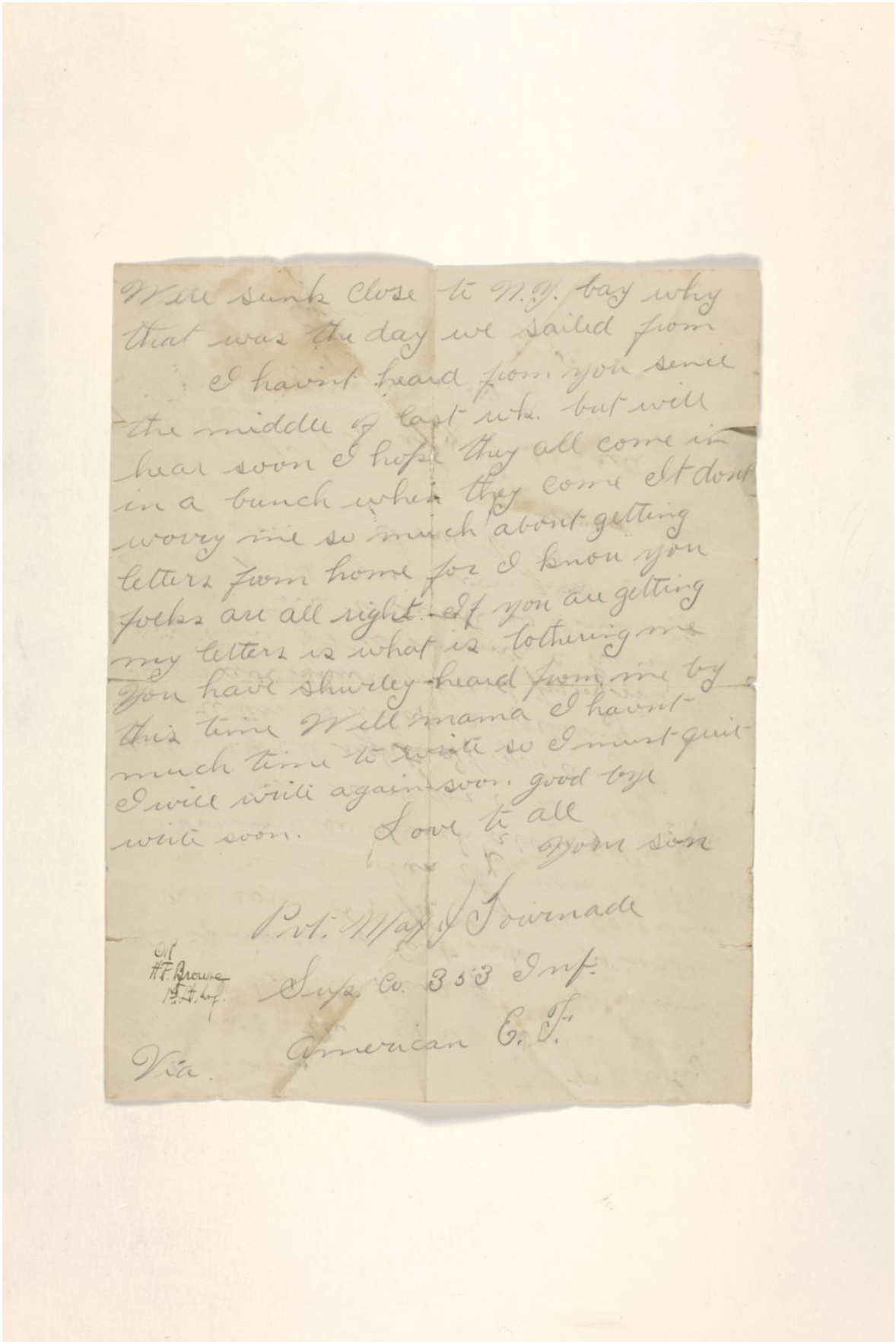
Love to you & all

Pvt. Max J Tournade
Sup Co. 303 Inf.
American E. F.
Via. N.Y.



Somewhere in France
92-1919

Dear Pa I am
Pa how are you folks to night I
am all right I am fine & dandy
I have been having some hot
weather but it is not hot here like it
is at home it does get hot all about
noon & then it begins to cool off
way before night. Pa what are you
doing these days. I am at the same
old job how is ever body at home
are you having plenty of rain for
the crops I've got a whole load of
real old U.S. papers awhile ago I
have had my nose in a Topeka
capital for two hr. seamed real nice
to look in it one of them again
you know when all of them ships



Will sunk close to N.Y. bay why
that was the day we sailed from
I havnt heard from you since
the middle of last wk. but will
hear soon I hope they all come in
in a bunch when they come it dont
worry me so much about getting
letters from home for I know you
folks are all right. If you are getting
my letters is what is bothering me
You have shurely heard from me by
this time Well mama I havnt
much time to write so I must quit
I will will again soon. good bye
write soon. Love to all
from your son

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