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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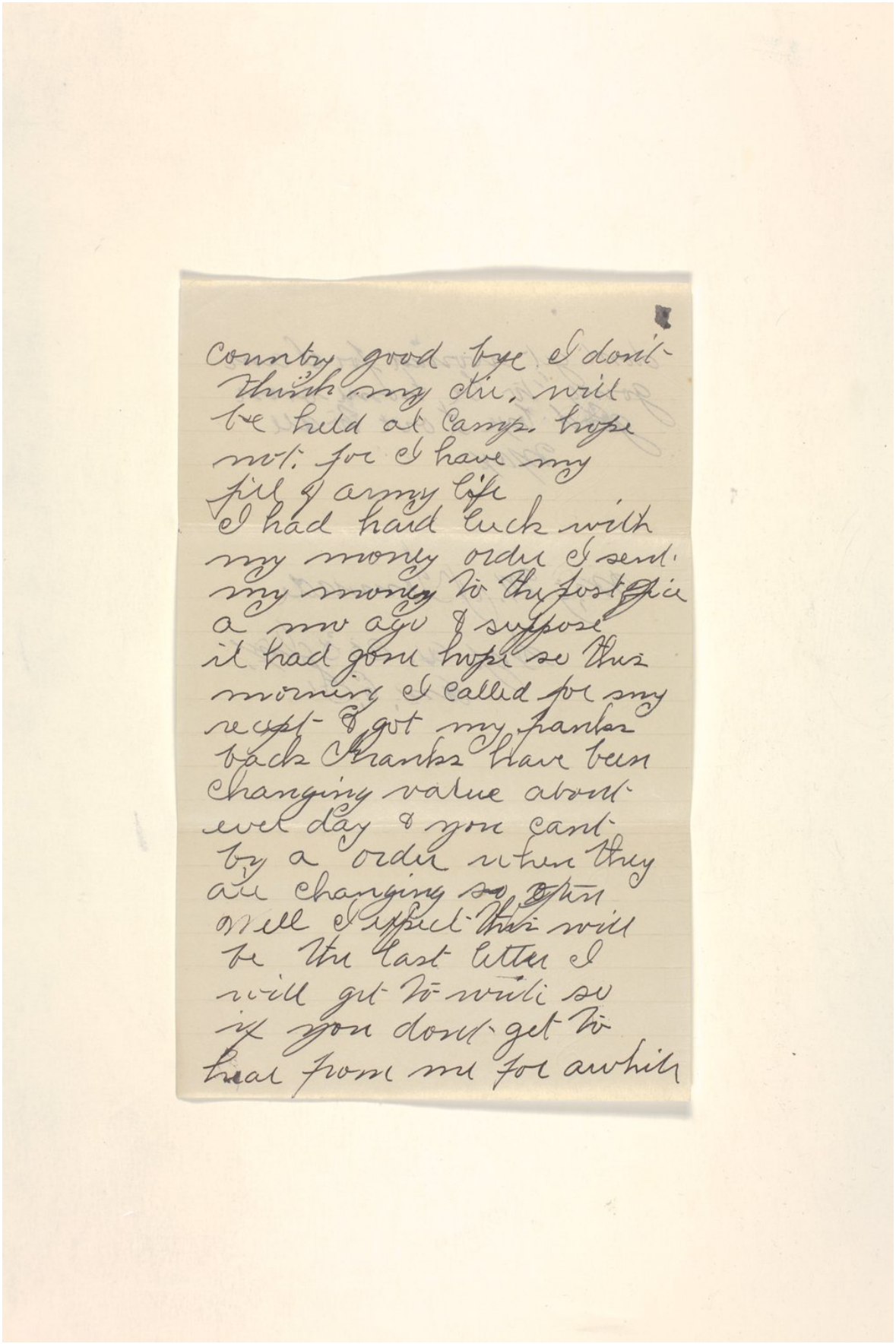
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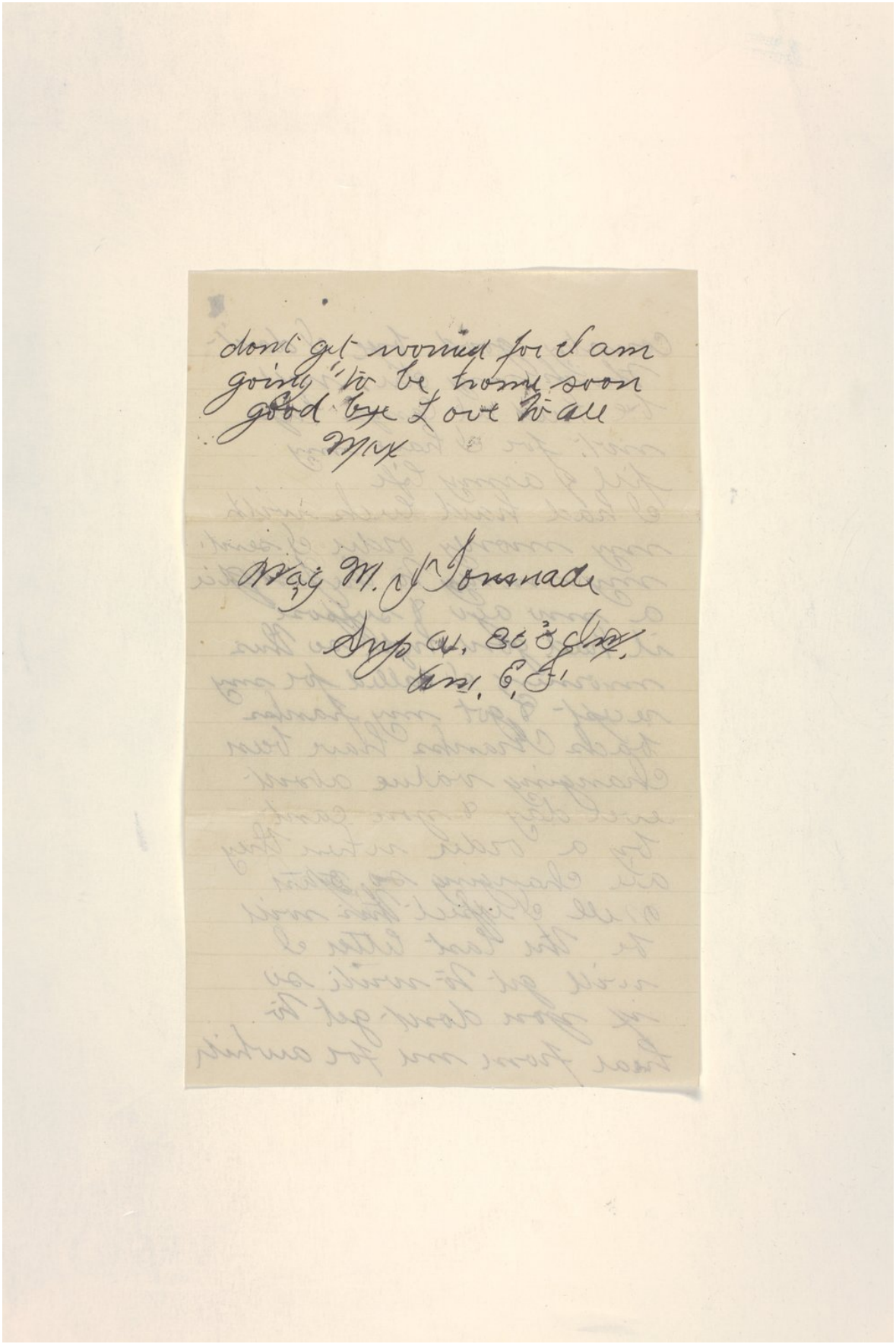
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Doing to start on a
real trip in the morning
We first in all of our
horses & wagons at
Cobleny we start in the
morning on a five day
drive. we load on the
train then & meet our
company & eg at the
sea port so dont be
surprised if this is
my last letter
I shure hope it is for
I am getting tried of
waiting. If nothing
happens a mo from to
day I will be home.
We are supposed to sail
the 9 or 10 of sept mo.
My I shure will be glad
when I can bid this



Country good bye I don't
think my div. will
be held at Camp. hope
not. for I have my
fill of army life
I had hard luck with
my money order I sent
my money to the post office
a mo ago I suppose
it had gone hope so this
morning I called for my
receipt & got my panbar
back Francs have been
changing value about
ever day & you can't
by a order when they
are changing so Ryan
well I spect this will
be the last letter I
will get to write so
if you don't get to
hear from me for awhile



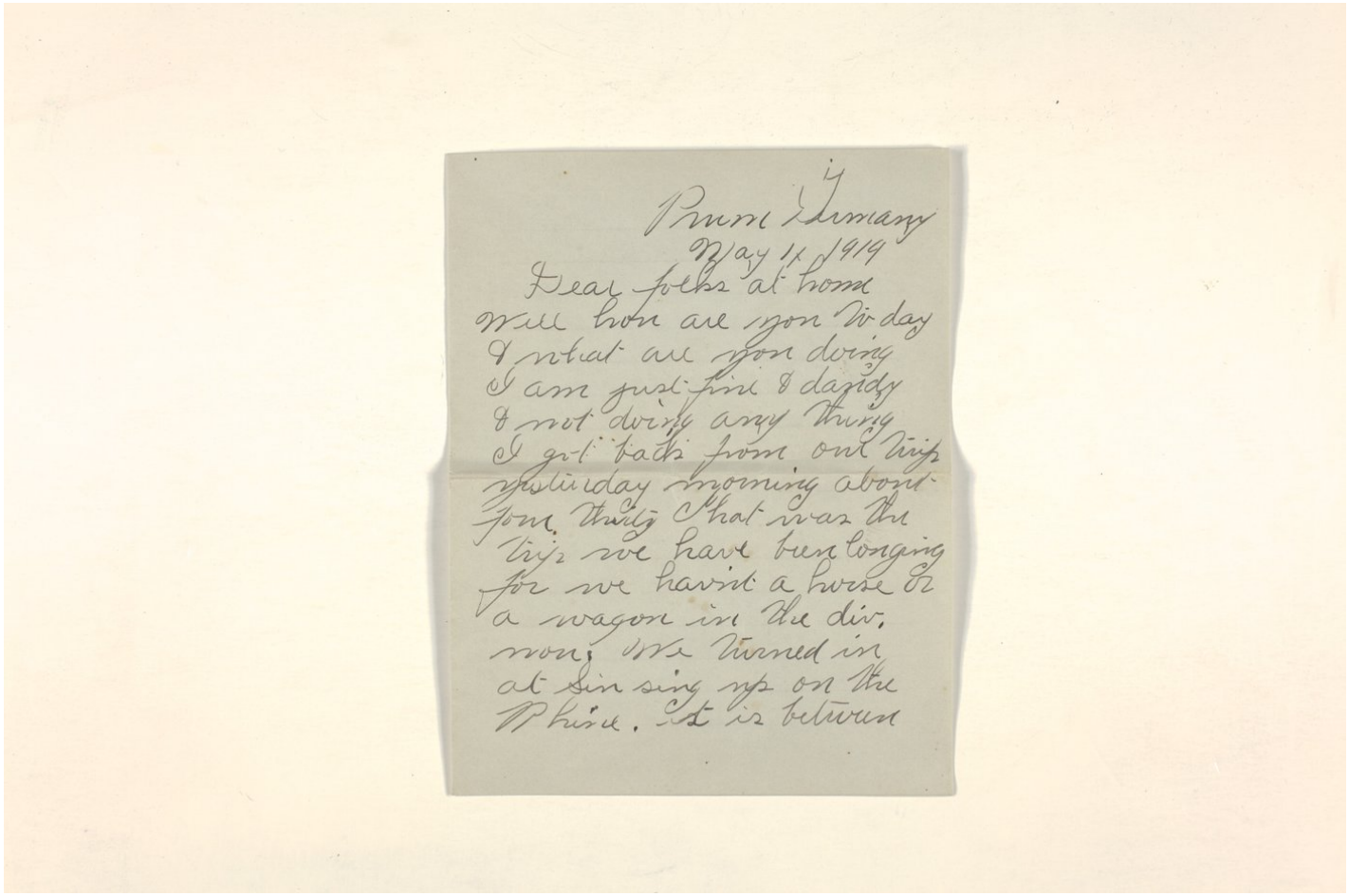
don't get worried for I am
going to be home soon
good bye Love to all
Max

Max M. J. Tournade
Co. A, 8th Ill. Cav.
Camp Butler


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U.S. army
Soldiers Mail
THIRD ARMY
MAY. 1-19
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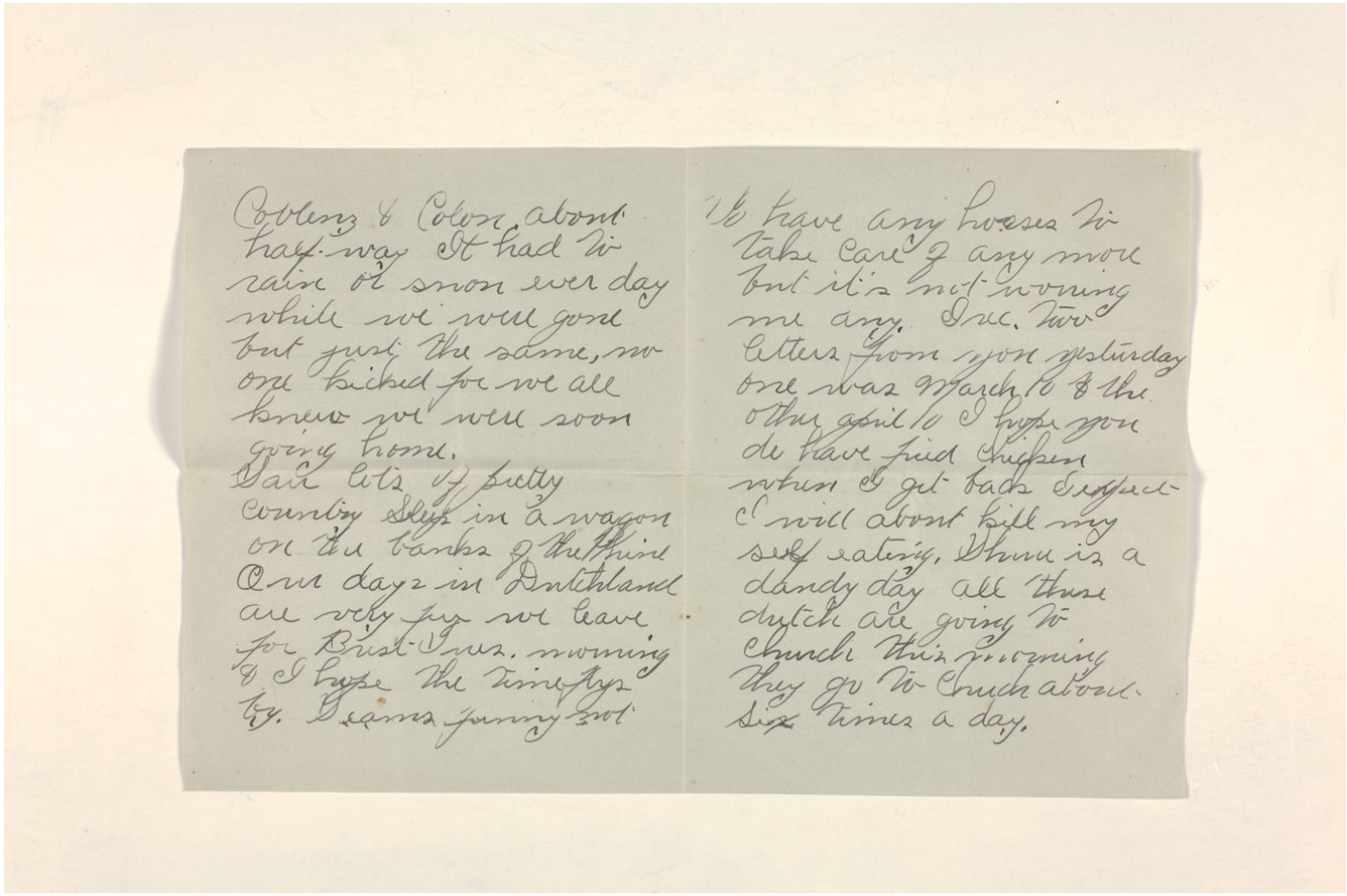




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May 1st 1919

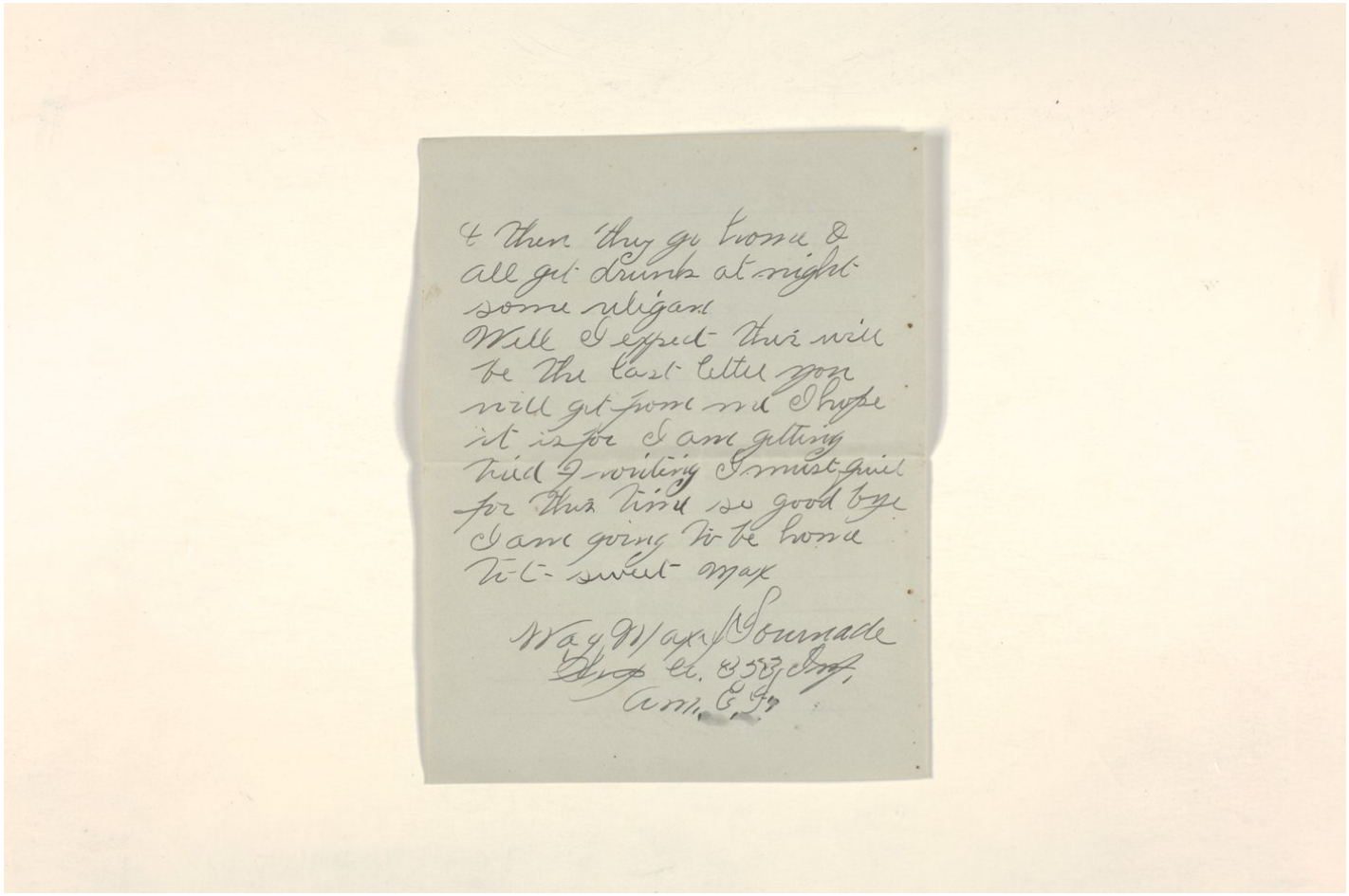
Dear folks at home
Well how are you today
I what are you doing
I am just fine & daddy
& not doing any thing
I got back from our trip
yesterday morning about
four. Gosh that was the
trip we have been longing
for we have'nt a horse or
a wagon in the div.
now. We turned in
at Sin sing up on the
Rhine. It is between

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Coblenz & Colon, about
half-way. It had to
rain or snow ever day
while we were gone
but just the same, no
one kicked for we all
knew we were soon
going home.
Saw lots of pretty
country. Slept in a wagon
on the banks of the Rhine
Our days in Deutchland
are very few now we leave
for Brest-Tues. morning
& I hope the time flys
by. Seems funny not

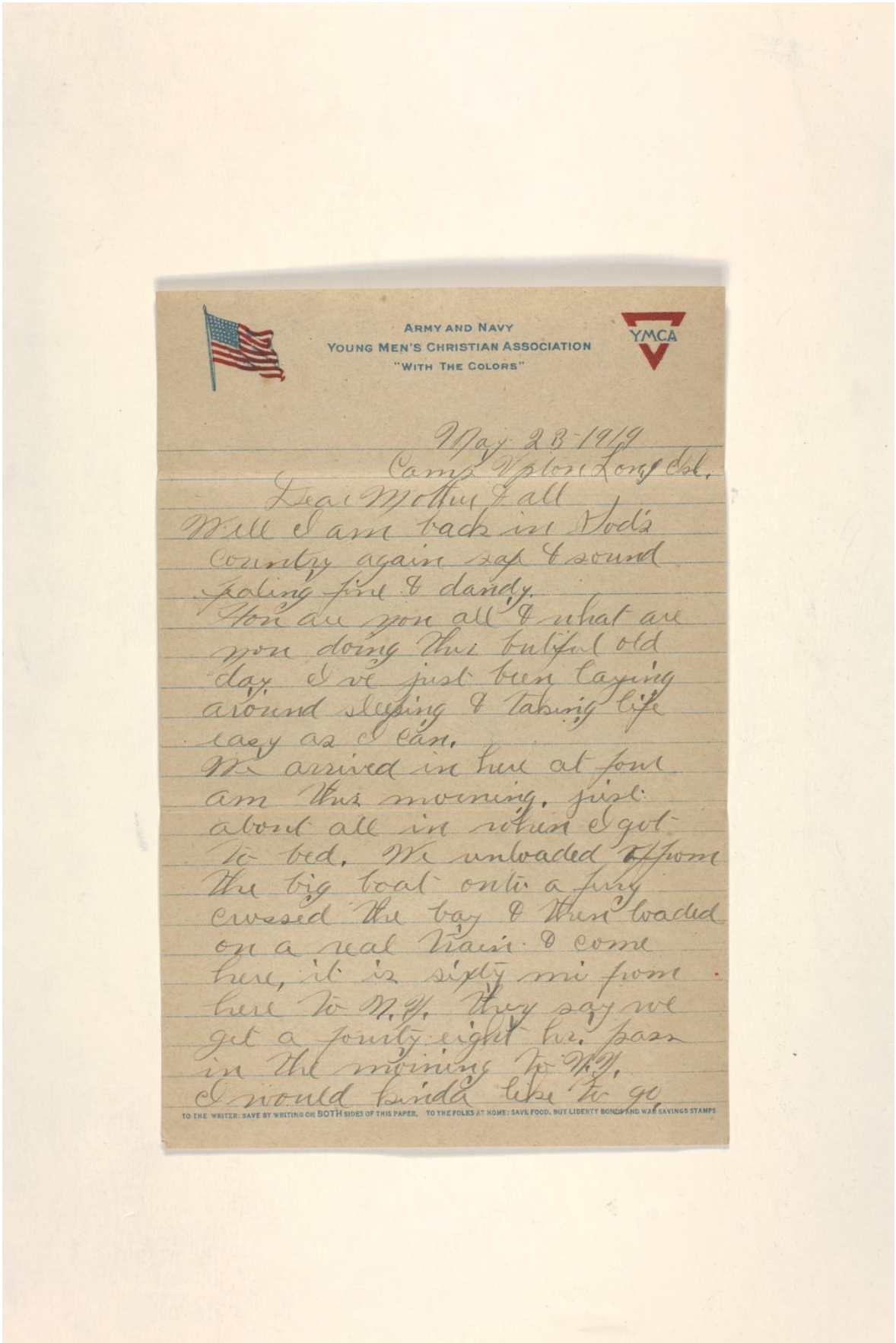
to have any horses to
take care of any more
but it is not worring
me any. Rec. two
letters from you yesterday
one was March 16 & the
other April 6 I hope you
do have fried chicken
when I get back Respect-
fully will about kill my
self eating. Think is a
dandy day all those
dutch are going to
church this morning
they go to church about
six times a day.



& then they go home &
all get drunk at night
some wigan
Well I expect this will
be the last letter you
will get from me I hope
it is for I am getting
tired writing I must quit
for this time so good bye
I am going to be home
to sweet May

Wagoner Max Tournade
Co. E. 83rd Ohio
Com. G. Y.


Maj M.J. Tournade
U.S. army.
Soldier Mail
THIRD ARMY
MAY -8.19
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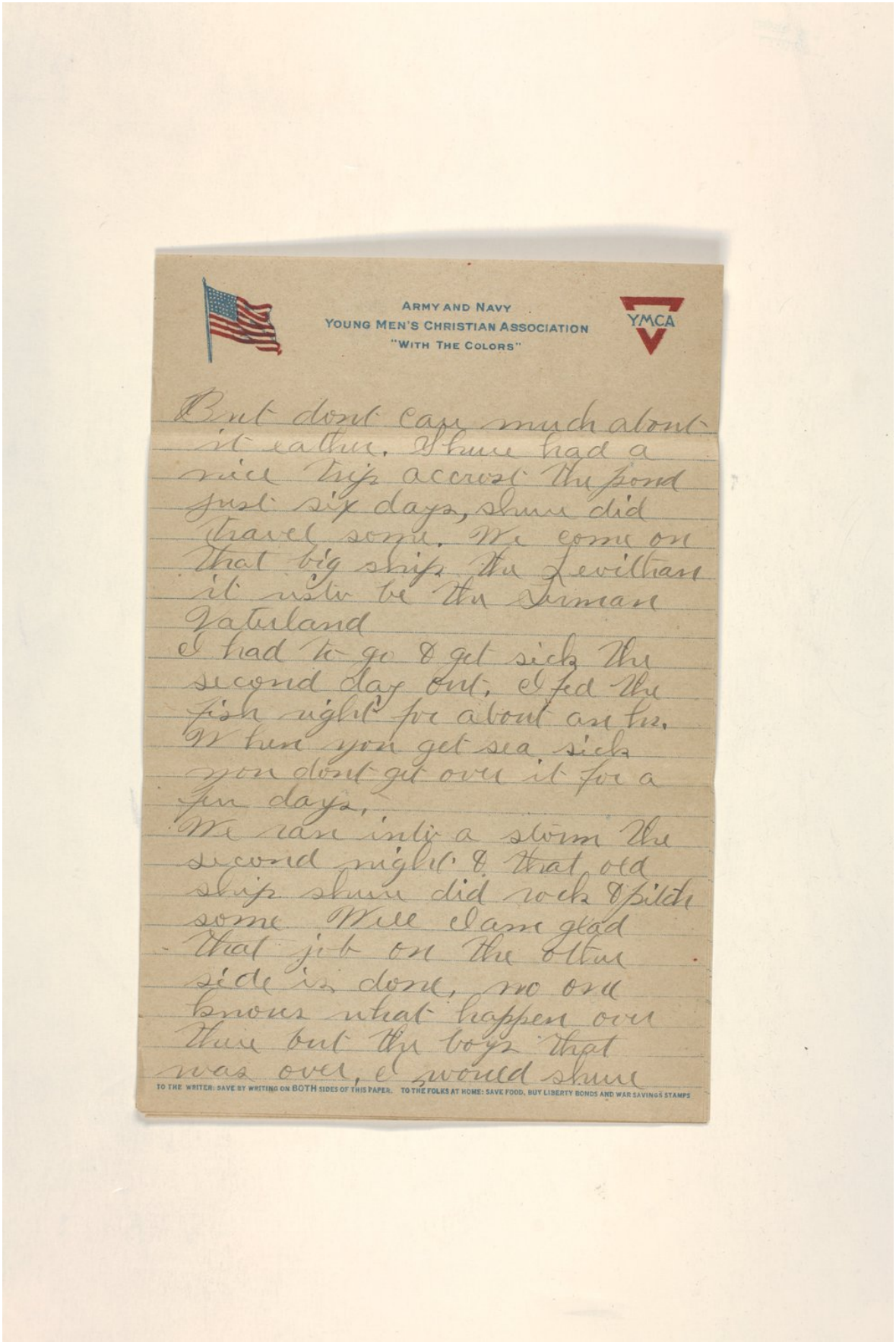


ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"
YMCA

May 23-1919
Camp Upton Long Isl.

Dear Mother & all
Well I am back in Dod's country again safe & sound feeling fine & dandy.
How are you all & what are you doing this beautiful old day. I've just been laying around sleeping & taking life easy as I can.
We arrived in here at four am this morning, just about all in when I got to bed. We unloaded from the big boat onto a jury crossed the bay & then loaded on a real train & come here, it is sixty mi from here to N.Y. they say we get a forty-eight hr. pass in the morning to N.Y. I would kinda like to go

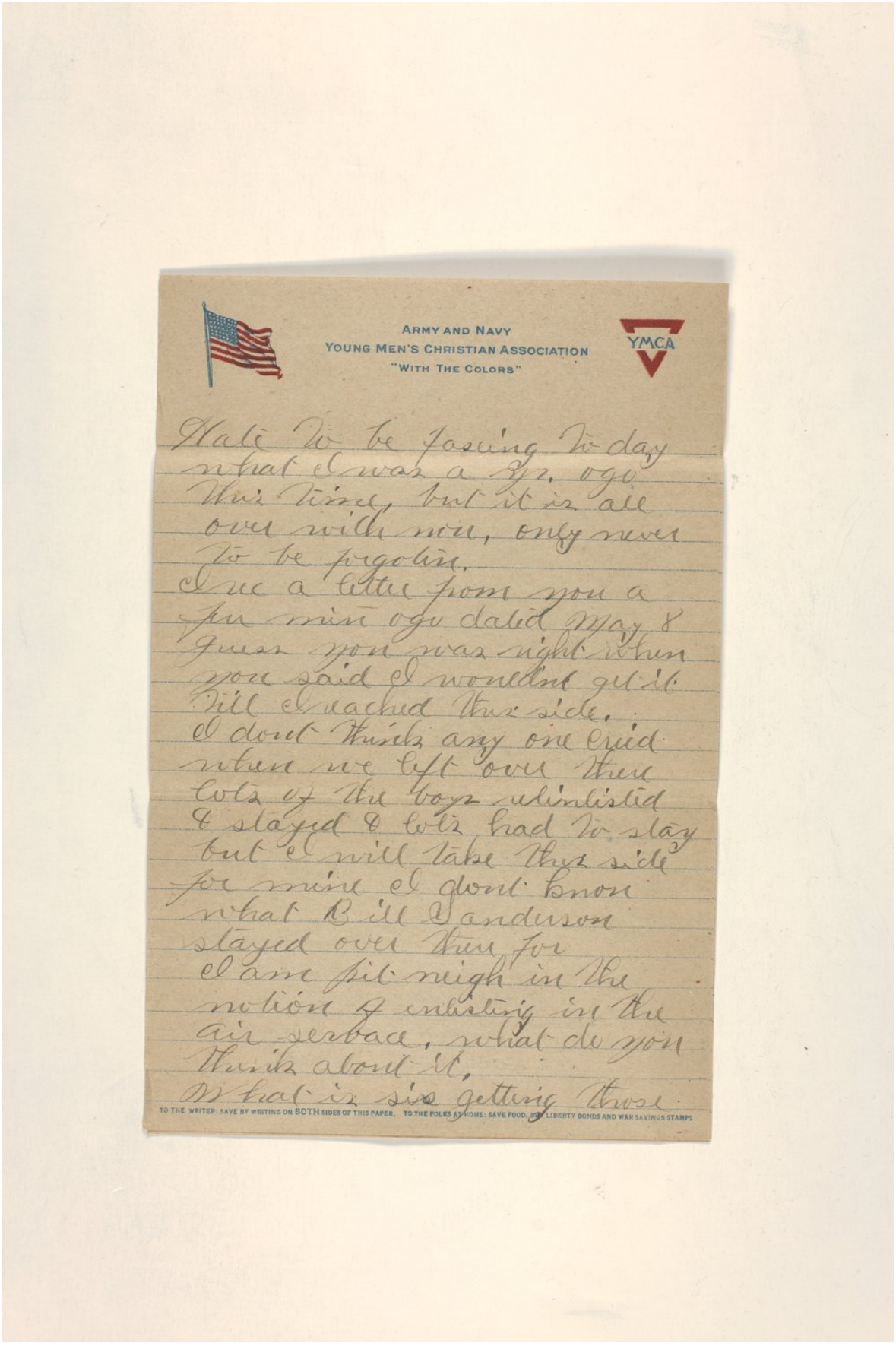
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But dont care much about it eather. Thare had a nice trip accrost the pond just six days, thare did travel some. We come on that big ship the Levithan it use to be the Gimans Vaterland
I had to go & get sick the second day out. I fed the fish right for about an hr. When you get sea sick you dont get over it for a few days.
We ran into a storm the second night & that old ship thare did rock & pitch some. Well I am glad that job on the other side is done, no one knows what happen over there but the boys that was over, I would thare

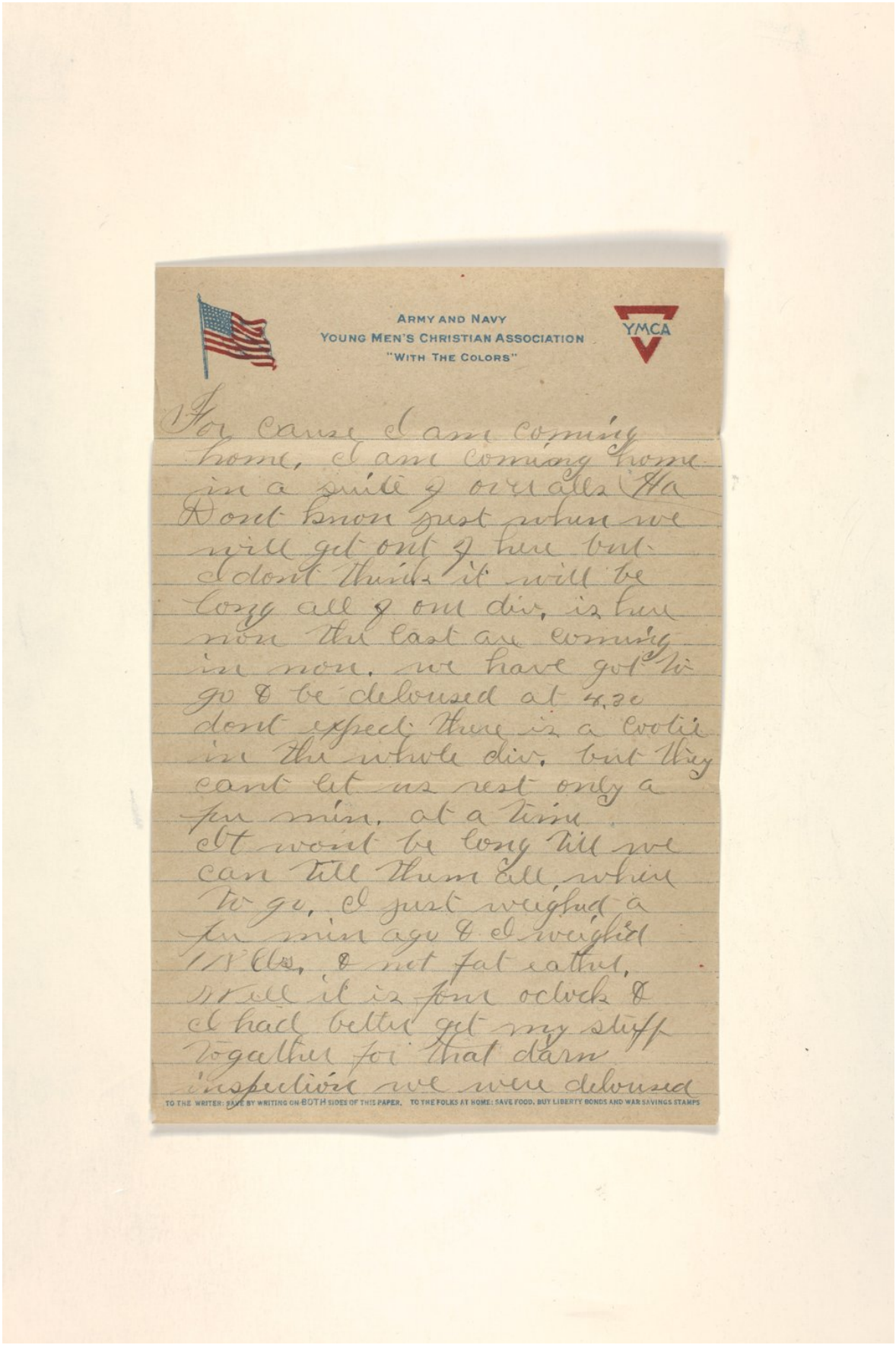
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Hale I'm be passing I'm day
what I was a yr. ago
this time, but it is all
over with me, only never
to be forgiven.
I rec a letter from you a
few min ago dated May 8
Guess you was right when
you said I wouldnt get it
till I reached this side.
I dont thinks any one cried
when we left over there
cols of the boys enlinisted
& stayed & wish had to stay
but I will take this side
for mine I dont know
what Bill Sanderson
stayed over there for
I am fit nigh in the
notion of enlisting in the
air serbace, what do you
thinks about it,
Wat is sis getting those

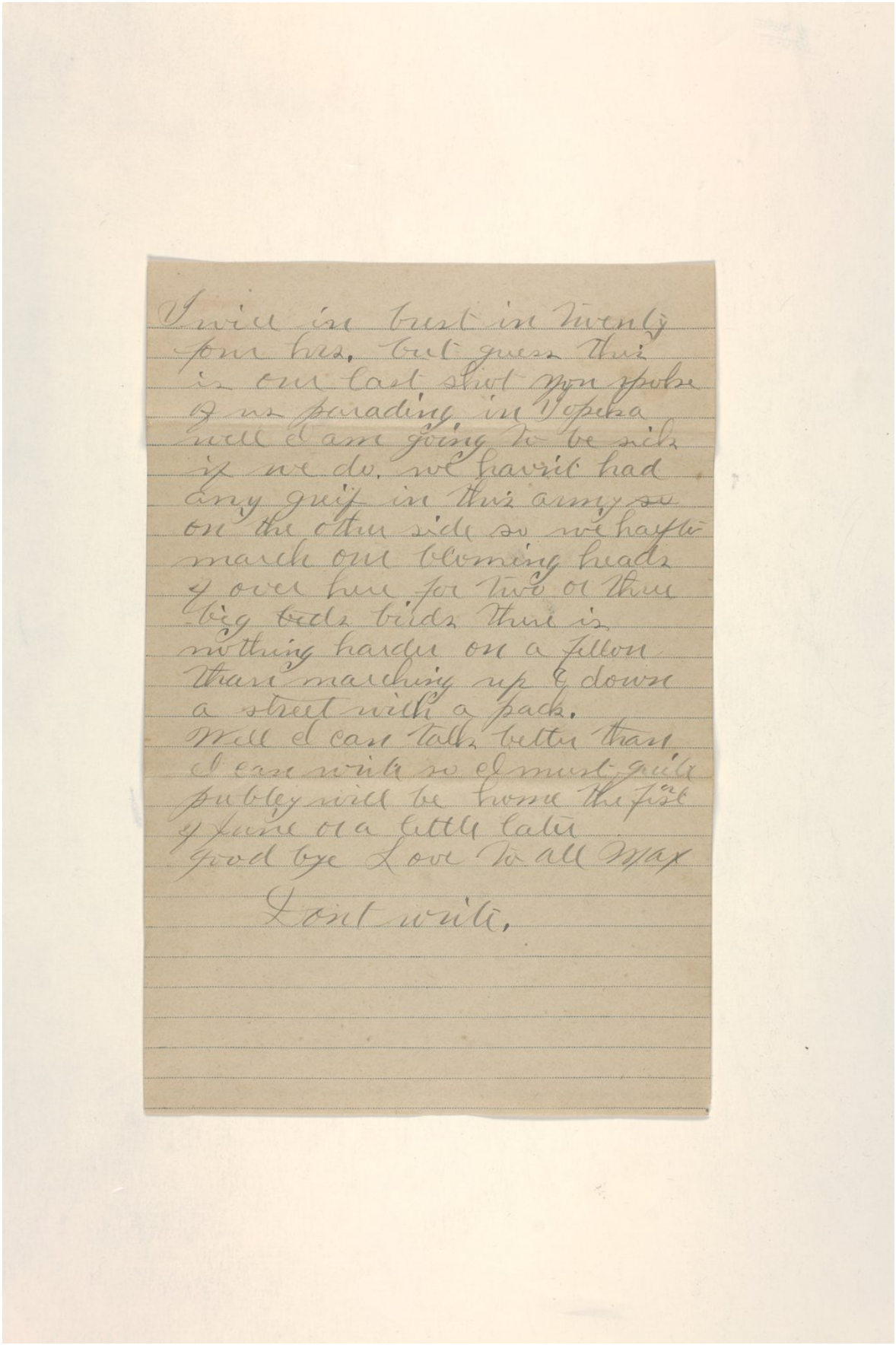
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For cause I am coming home, I am coming home in a suit of overalls Ha Dont know just when we will get out of here but I dont think it will be long all of our div. is here now the last are coming in now. we have got to go & be deloused at 4.30 dont expect there is a cootie in the whole div. but they cant let us rest only a few min. at a time. It wont be long till we can tell them all what to go, I just weighed a few min ago & I weighed 178 lbs, & not fat eather, well it is four oclock & I had better get my stuff together for that darn inspection we were delosed

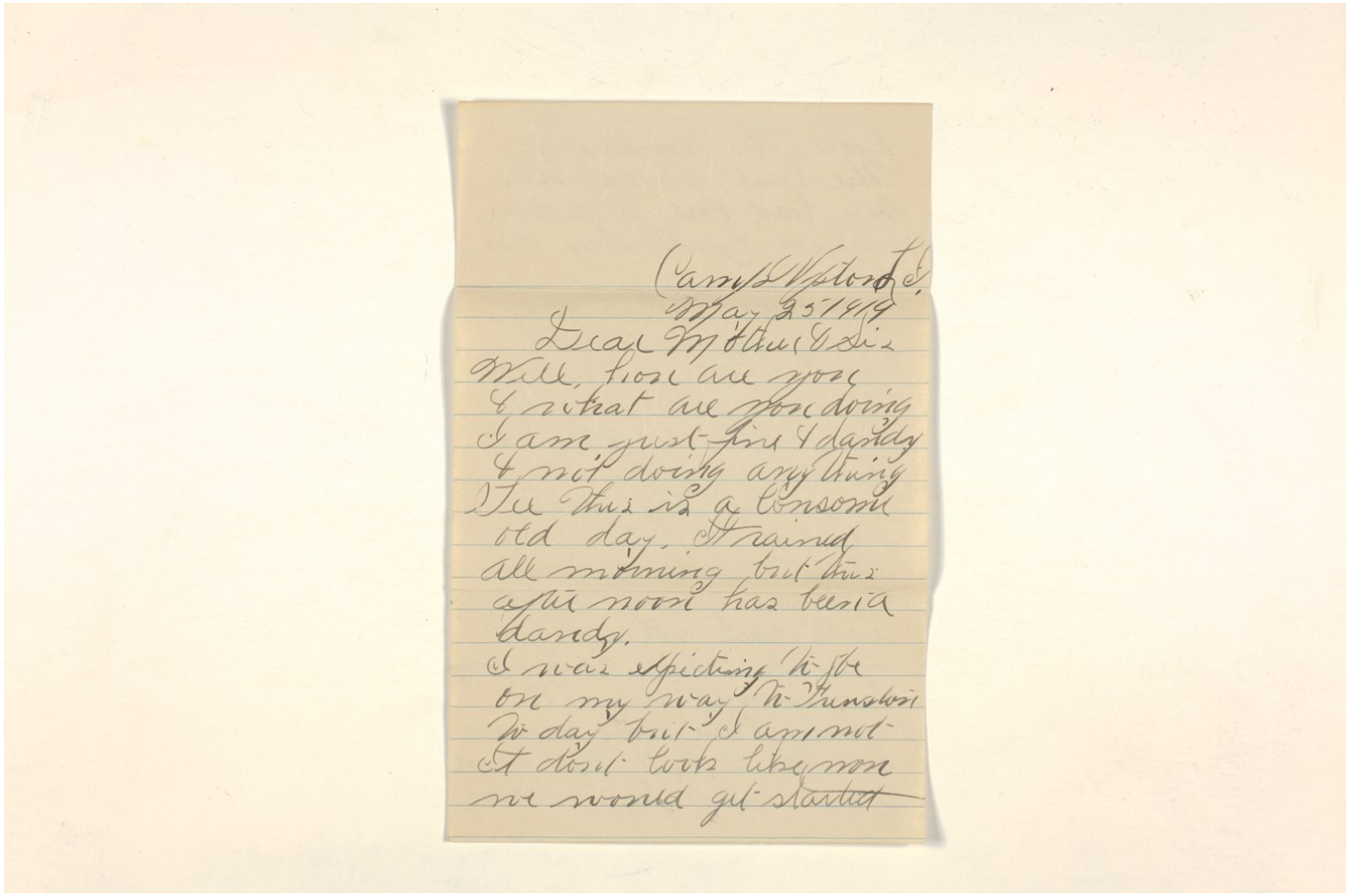
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I will be out in twenty four hrs. but guess this is our last shot you spoke of us parading in Topeka well I am going to be sick if we do. we haven't had any grief in this army so on the other side so we have march our blooming heads off over here for two or three big beds bids this is nothing harder on a fellow than marching up & down a street with a pack. Well I can talk better than I can write so I must quit publey will be home the first of June or a little later good bye Love to all Max

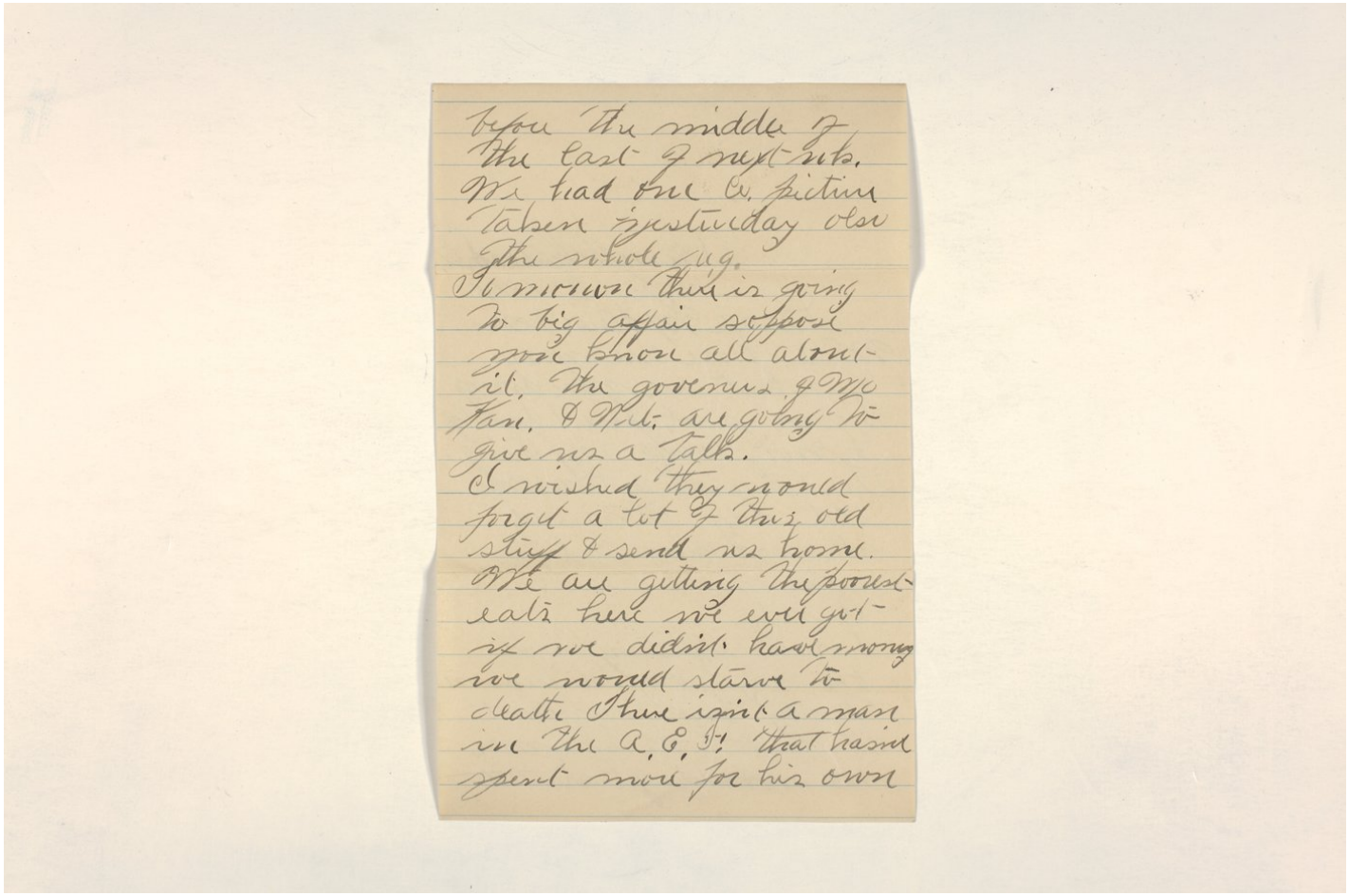
Don't write.


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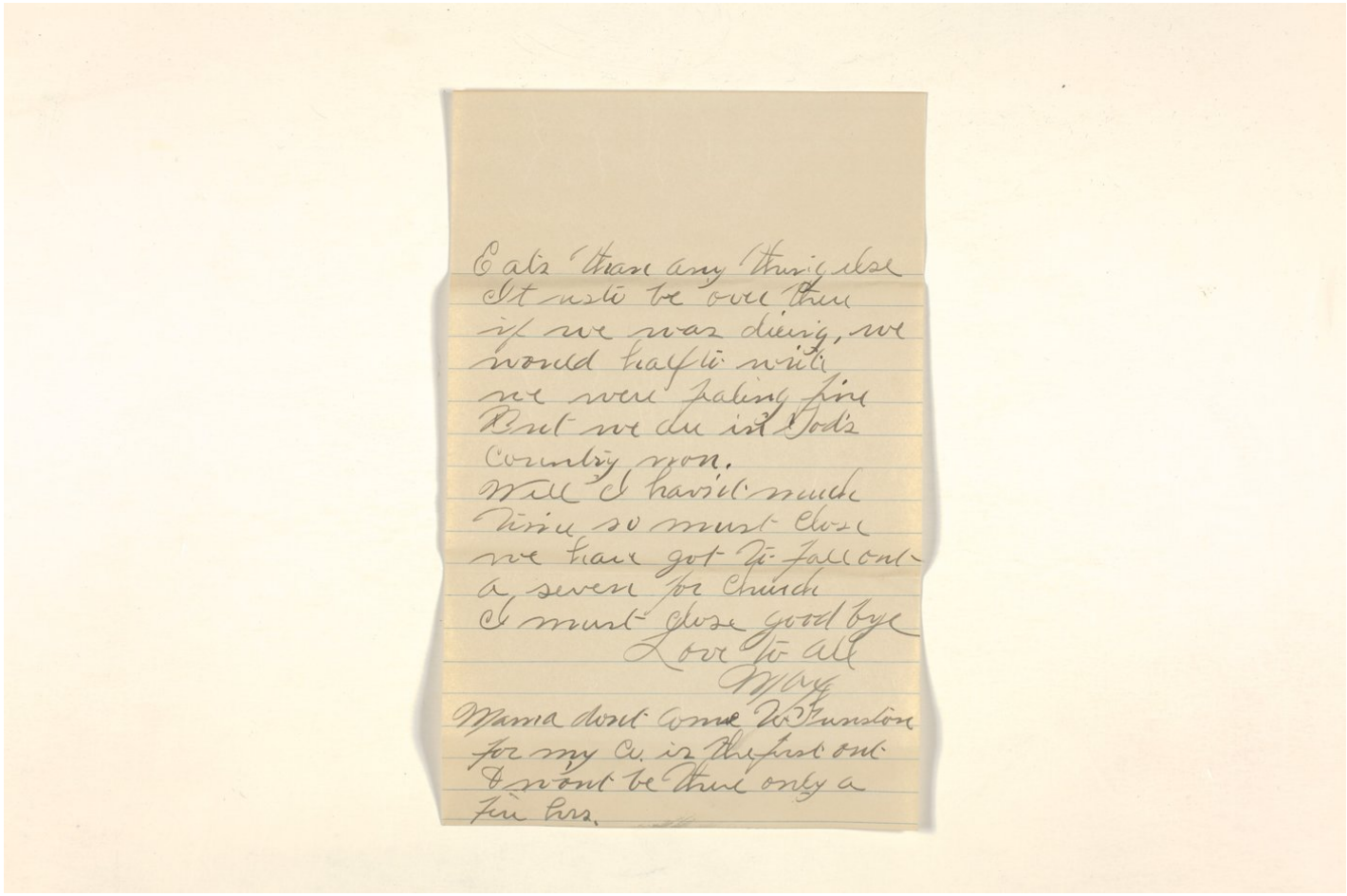


Camp Wadsworth S.
May 25 1919

Dear Mother & Sis
Well, how are you
& what are you doing
I am just fine & dandy
& not doing anything
Tis this is a lonsome
old day. It rained
all morning but this
afternoon has been a
dandy.
I was expecting to be
on my way N. Thursday
or day but I am not
It don't look like we
we would get started



before the middle of the last of next Feb.
We had one of our pictures taken yesterday also the whole bug.
I suppose this is going to big affair so I suppose you know all about it. The governor of Mo Kan. & Neb. are going to give us a talk.
I wished they would forget a lot of this old stuff & send us home. We are getting the poorest eats here we ever got - if we didn't have money we would starve to death. There isn't a man in the A. E. F. that hasn't spent most for his own



Eats than any thing else
It must be over then
if we was dieing, we
would have to with
we were taking fine
But we die in God's
Country soon.
Will I have it much
time so must close
we have got to fall out
a seven for Church
I must close good bye
Love to all
Mary
Mama don't come to Junction
for my Ca. is the first one
I wont be there only a
few hrs.


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