

Camp No 41

Apo 712

Apr 4th 1919

Dear Harlow:

Have been pretty busy today getting acquainted with my new duties and turning over my former ones to my successor. I also witnessed the hanging of a negro this morning; he was executed for one of their Finnish crimes and the murder of the girl's father who was trying to rescue the girl. I admire the negro for the manner he met death for he certainly met it in a calm manner but of course do not in the least defend his crime.

I will get some more real service in my new duties and I have just sent you a cable to send me a telescope and hope you send a good one. ~~That I may get home June 1st~~ I feel that I may get home June 1st or real soon after wards and hope I can get mustered out of the service at once.

I live in San Pille. The more I see of the place, the town is not very large but the camp is immense in fact the largest of its kind in the world beyond a doubt.

I will not get back with Major Nicoll I am sure of

That but I apparently am in right here
so it really don't matter much so long as
I am kept in France.

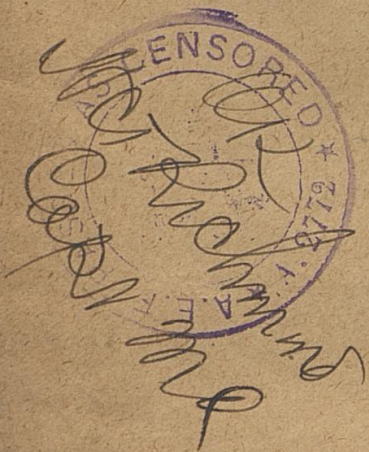
We hear all kinds
of rumour about coming up the place but
it will take a long time to do that and
I don't hope for home under 60 days.
Havent heard from Roberts dress yet No the
doll and other things in that package
Am anxious to have your opinion of
the dress.

Mother mentioned a clipping she was
sending in by letter but failed to send it,
what was the contents of the clipping
I will close now.

Your husband
W C Richards
Capt M.C.

W. C. Richmond
Capt me

Officer mail



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

Camp Hosp. No 41

Box 712

April 4th 1919

Dear William:

Today has been a big day at
St. Sur-Dice, our C. in C. Genl. Puckey
inspected the Camp and troops stationed here.
I was all dolled up and stood at rigid
attention with the Hospital our fit while
the General looked us over and so far as I
know he liked my looks for he made no
comment to the contrary and his not in the
least backward about expressing his opinion
on matters not to his liking. He made
a short speech after the ~~ex~~ inspection but
reviewed the work of our armies in France.
We have every reason to be proud of our
Commander in Chief; he is a good and
not efficient soldier and has certainly
made things hum over here; I'm for him
all over.

I was appointed Assistant Chief
of the Medical Service here today and while
it carries only a little honor and prestige
and no extra pay I really feel grateful
to get the recognition from a strange
out fit.

I will have Chase of the reserves with
in which I will have two 1st Lieut^s
with me and in addition I will act
Major Taylor in his duties as general
superior of the Medical Service.

It will mean more work and a mere possibility of
if majority if I remain here much
longer, I want to come home however
I don't want majority its home was damn
that I am looking forward to.

I have a letter from Raymond Smith a few days ago
in which he told me Amanda Williams
had died of Pneumonia following Influenza
I think that you are not through with it
in the States yet.

He also said a Mr Reeves
and Nellie Staton were going to buy the
drug store from Bangs, I think that Bangs
has not made a howling success of
the drug business and so far as I can
determine the practice of medicine either
at Marshall

Must close with love. Your husband,
W. C. Richards, Capt M.C.

St Richmond
Capt Me



Mr St Richmond
159 Klets ave
Lawrence Ky
U.S.A.

St Richmond
Capt Me

Camp Hosp No 41

Apr 12

April 7th 1919

My dear Mallin: Have just had lunch and while waiting for it to settle down and before going back to my duties I will write a little letter.

I am at present assuming the duties of Chief of Medical Service Maj. Vaughn being absent on leave and I have plenty of work to do for I am not relieved of my regular work while taking over his.

It's a very good experience this being Chief of the Service, I have an office, a stenographer and clerk and then do medical consultations for the hospital. You may find my ^{very} sedate and serious on my return to the U.S.A., I have been checking over my gray hairs of late and find a few strangers present but don't feel any older than usual at that.

I went to Dijon yesterday afternoon had a good dinner at a very good restaurant and came back last night via a G.M.C. Ambulance. We had a little Decoration Ceremony yesterday at one o'clock pm. one of the

present staff of this Hospital who was
formerly with the 9th Div. and who
worked with the French at an advanced
aid station was cited for Coolness under fire
and performing a large amount of work
while under shell fire and was given
the French "Croix d'Or".

We were ordered
to be present a formation at one o'clock
and the Captain did not know of the
affair and was called to the front and
"Ordnance" and the Captain read to him and
was decorated. He cried like a baby
when he received it, and I guess most of
us were home.

The job and I must leave. Love to all
I am, husband
W. J. Richmond
Capt. M.C.

W. C. Richmond
Capt me

Officer Mail



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Mrs W. C. Richmond
159 Keats Ave
Lausselle Ky
U.S.A.

W. C. Richmond
M.E.F. PASSED AS CENSORED
APR 8 1919

Camp Hop No 1

Apr 7/12

April 12 1919

Dear Helen:

I have some snaps of Lunt & me and myself taken on the parapet in the rear of Camp Hop 24 in front of the Cathedral at Reims and I will send them and a just a little note also.

I am in the shade of the trees so much you can hardly see who I am but probably you can stretch your imagination some and recognize the likeness.

I am having some very interesting work right now, quite a few cases of Meningitis and we are doing quite a few lumbar punctures and I can do one with my eyes shut almost.

Large time Peace will soon be signed and I hope so for I feel after the signing of Peace we will be hurried home and I am getting impatient to come but with a majority a possibility I am going to try and be satisfied for a little while longer.

I will not write now but will write again tomorrow or next day

Your husband
H. C. Richman and
Capt Me

H. C. Richmond and
Capt Me



Mr. H. C. Richmond
159 Keats Ave
Laurinville Ky
431

Camp Hosp No 41.

Apr 12

April 9th 1919.

Dear Hattie:

I try to write a little every day just so you may know what's going on with me.

I am a pretty busy being these days, being Med. Chief, carries lots of little duties and many things come up from time to time that are referred to the head of the Medical Service for disposition but I enjoy being busy and keep having a good time while I work.

We have a rumour that all officers will be ordered to Paris for two weeks before leaving for America this is part of the Army's educational scheme.

I have done Paris fairly well but if I am ordered to spend two weeks there I can find plenty to see and do.

We are having some very beautiful spring weather, the past week has been ideal and its really and truly sunny France but when it does rain it never knows when to quit.

They had a Nigger Minstrel show at the "Y" last night by real niggers and they gave a pretty fair show, some good singing and dancing.

I wish you could see some

of the show being staged in the
W.B. F by the boys, their make up as
girls in many instances are "astounding"
I have seen a chorus of "rough boys"
made up that would do credit to Broadway
in look, and action, the 29th Division's
Review "Snap it up" is the best I
have seen to date.

I was very anxious
to get back to the 24 and fit for a
while but I am perfectly satisfied here
now and am getting as good work as
I did there and am in right and
willing to stay, at best it can't be
longer than July and that's not far off.
I saw a patient in consultation last night
with one of the ways surgeons and on
his record I noticed he was from Bellin's area
and asked him if he knew Cecil Doney
and others there that I had met of course
he knew them but the kid was ticked
stiff when he found I knew some one he
did, I think I did him more good in
that way than the professional advice
I gave.

Must close now Love to all
Yours husband
St. Richmond.
Capt me

W.C. Richards
Care me

Office mail



W.C. Richards
159 Keokuk Ave
Laurie Ky
U S A

Camp Hoop No 41

Apr 9 12

April 11 1919

Dear Hillier:
Two letters came yesterday and the cablegram the day before, the cable was not specific and is of no value for the needs of the occasion. I am hoping for a letter soon of a more specific nature I am trying the cable any way but with no hope of luck.

I am of the simple opinion I will be a Major in a few weeks however its only conjecture but I base the opinion on the fact that some promotions are to come through and the fact that I was chosen to be asst. Chief of medicine and the fact also that I was called upon this afternoon to rate all members of the medical service for promotion according to qualifications laid down by G.H.C. makes me believe that my recommendations will go in and I have hope I will get it, I want to come home worse than I want a majority but I cannot be willing now to delay 60 days to get one, I would like to buy back gold leaves in the place of silver bars.

I read the book
Jim H. will get with interest and I cant

Say that I warm up to the thing very much, I believe in the shoe maker, sticking to his last and politics is a bad place for a school man however if things should come to that kind of a state I hope he makes it.

I am glad the box came and very much pleased that you like them and that you wait and Roberta dress fits; yes the valuation was quite fair for the box really contains about 50 worth of material.

I am returning the Bill from the Sa. Med. Assn., I sent them the ~~Bill~~ and have them change my address to Lauenelle and explain in the letter how I came to be in arrears with my dues that being in France I naturally overlooked the thing.

So you have caught the boys kissing Roberta have you well she is beginning to grow probably the novelty will wear off though and she will know better later on.

I am glad the oil I took looks so good maybe we can collect enough soon together to get an tin Lizzie when I come back.

I hope the outlook in Crescent Hill and Clifton is what it seems to be

if a few men like Kennett back me up
and back them things it will mean some
thing. I must close Love to all

I am husband
(W. Fishburn)
Cap. M.E.

W. G. Richmond
Capt Me

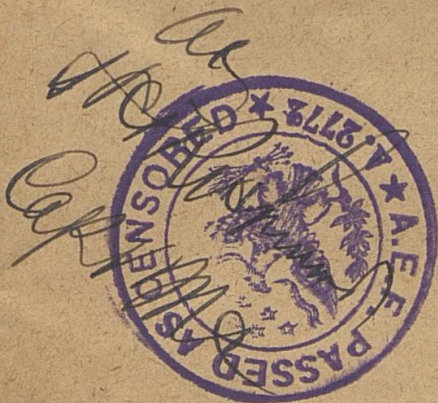


Mr W. G. Richmond

159 Keap ave

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USA



Camp Hope No 41

Apr 7. 12

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My dear Mallin:

Send me that Stethoscope unless I advise you otherwise by cable which I am not likely to do.

I am stuck here until June 1st any way and I see the scope badly.

I will probably not get with Maj. Peck again but will stay here at Camp Hope 41 from present indications. June is over 60 days off and if I see no chance then of being released voluntarily I am going after my discharge pretty strenuously. My hope is that the supply depot close here the 1st of June if so the Hospital will also close then and probably, you will note they I say. I will be sent home of course there always a chance of being sent now even that part Alford at present. It is rumored that Capt. Peck will see suspect the entire Camp on Thursday and every thing is busy getting ready for it.

Sanitary Squad No 6 is booked ^{for} immediate
return to the States, just think of it I
wonder he comes along may be if I was
the present C.O. of the bunch.

at Is-Sy-Pille there is no chance
of your coming to France until I am
returned, but in case I had gone to
Brest it would have been different,
I am sorry for I would be very
glad if you could get the trip for right
now France begins to get very beautiful
and remains so until winter.

I am getting
I am anxious to hear of the last packages I sent
have and know if they came through ok.
Love to all

Your husband
H. J. Richmond
Capt. M. C.

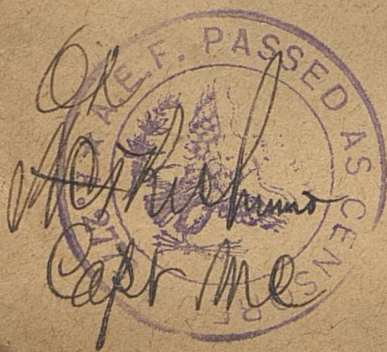
H. C. Richmond
Capt Me

Officer Mail



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Mrs H. C. Richmond
159 Kears doz
Lancaster Pa
U.S.A.



Camp Hosp No 41

Apr 7/2

April 14 1919

Dear Hallim:

I received a letter from you today
a very blue one and you no doubt feel
differently ere this.

I am just as anxious
to get home as you can possibly be to
have me come and my application is in
to go home and I hope to hear from it
soon. I do remember that our Camp will
close next month but I can't vouch for the
statement only hope its true.

So you havent heard
of your being loved for 14 months, I believe
if you will review my letters you will
find some hint of such in many of
them.

Probably I dont drop over very
much but do you really consider it necessary
and you know my letters are still subject
to censorship and while nothing I write
by ones offends the censors at the same time
it creates a certain restraint.

Further more
if my few year married life with you has not
brought my feelings toward you all
the effusion possible, would be of no
avail, I realize that I am not given to

expressions on that line but I have
tried to make up in acts what I am
short in expressions.

Forget those blue
thoughts I will be home soon and the
happiest man living to get there
I am glad you has reached America
and I presume he is out of the service
ere this.

I am going to get that
gift for Aunt Bith the first opportunity
I did not think of her I admit not
because I were not enjoying giving her
something but I have seen her so little
she is not so readily brought to mind
the first trip to Dixon I will get it.
I have not sent any extra money home
lately because I have expected to come home
and was holding to some money for
expenses but if it don't make a more
by the 1st of May I can send you a
good substantial M.O., you had better
keep as much cash as possible from
now on and not take on very much more
stock the stock is ok I approve it
but we will need the cash to open
up on our stock is at times hard to
convert even if the price is good.

I am hoping every day to get some
idea of when I may come home and
I am coming as quickly as I can, I
realize the necessity of it for Robertas
good and until I do come keep cheerful
but when you feel blue dont write,
just wait till its gone.

Your loving husband

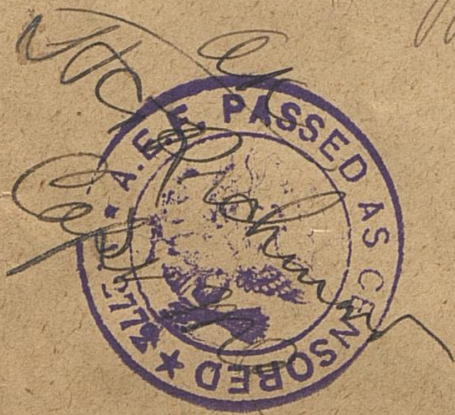
W. Richards
Loves me

W.C. Richmond
Capt me

Officers mail



W.C. Richmond
157 Keate Ave
Louisville Ky
USA



Camp No 2041

Apr. 7/12

April 19 1919

Dear Halline: Today has been a most beautiful day and I took a long walk in the afternoon on top of a high hill overlooking the camp and the view of the valley and camp on a day like today is very beautiful indeed. We are getting a few cases of Meningitis in consequence I keep us on the jump looking at suspected cases and taking care of the sick ones, our routine work however is a little slack so we are not exactly over worked but busy.

I came on to a little article in the Herald today which I think expresses the feelings of every man in the U.S.A. we have simply written out and all we think of is getting home, we want to write but as the cad said says Sparrow is Easter and I think if there is church any where near that if we attend we rarely have an opportunity but may be tomorrow I can get to it.

A handkerchief which I got for Aunt Beth yesterday I sent you and which I hope she will like.

Sunday M.

I was disturbed last night and spent the night looking at Meningitis contacts and suspects and am in need of Buns. Fatigue today.

I had to go back to Geneva practice last
night to be called from my quarters and spent
the night at work I have done quite a bit
of night work though you here.

Secy Baker
will be in the camp tomorrow on a tour of
inspection, will probably get a chance to
look at him.

I presume you folks see attend
Easter Service today and it would be great if I
could come along, I think I will enjoy going
to church again and hearing some good music
in fact I will enjoy all phases of Civil
life again when I am in it again.

Have any of the folks heard from Wendell lately, I had
a letter nearly a year ago from him and
then he dropped out of existence, but I
presume he is OK.

I want a little sleep
So I will close with lots of love

Your husband
W.C. Richmond
Capt M.C.

H. C. Richards
Capt Me

Officer mail



U.S.A.



Mrs H C Richards
159 Keap ave
Lansuette N.Y
U.S.A

Camp Hop No 4

Apr 12

April 21 1919

Dear Helen:

Your letter announcing the
arrival of the box came and you are
slightly mixed on the doll question.

The doll myself but the collar came from
Mrs Orton I will write Copy and Mrs Orton
a letter in the place of the one you sent.
Col. Reynolds will be here today and I am
going to see if I cant get home and
if have a fever he may fix me up.
Dee Baker will also be here today and we
are all dolled up in our best bit and
tuxes for the occasion.

I am feeling
better in the last week or two than
I have since my illness in Dec and Jan
due to the fact that since the weather
has permitted I have been taking long
walks and getting plenty of exercise.
So Ruth has cold for you, how does it
feel to have a coldy body on hands again
I remember Robertas Colic days or I should
say righty quite well I have not fevers,
as Dr Smith has, how many miles I walked
but quite a few I am sure.

We are holding the Meningitis situation
well in hand. No new cases in 48 hours
and they recover rapidly & die very rapidly
after coming into the hospital and I am
of the opinion things will clear up with
little more trouble.

What has become of
Bob Prytle? Do you ever see the Mr.
around Laurinelle.

I hear of lots of the
Laurinelle folks, Mr. Abel, Meyer & Simpson
and other but have never heard of Bob
yet.

You I am as anxious to get home
and you are to hang me there and I think
it will not be long now and if I do
get things through to come home I will
cable.

Love to all
Your husband
W. J. Richmond
Cares me

Mr Richmond
Capr me

Office mail
SEP 11 1892
WASH DC

Mr Richmond
Capr me
A.E.F. PASSED AS CENSORED
SEP 11 1892

Mr Richmond
157 Keats are
Lanswell by
USA



WASHINGTON-LAFAYETTE MASONIC CLUB

A.P.O. 712 Am.E.F.
FRANCE

Camp No 41

April 25 1919

My dear Hallim:

I have taken up the matter of Camp home with Col. Reynolds and have received very little encouragement from him, This Camp will be entirely closed by July; units are being evacuated now and in two days it is expected we will be closed entirely and then home "Parti Suite".

I am trying to save all I can but expenses are high even in a Camp but if I remain here until July I can possibly save \$250 in that time which is not much, I am sending you a m.



WASHINGTON-LAFAYETTE MASONIC CLUB

A. P. O. 712 Am. E. F.

FRANCE

on the first for ~~50~~ ⁷⁵ or ~~75~~ possibly ¹⁰⁰.
We are not very busy here at present
and I am hoping we can get the
even to where some one will be sent
home and if so I am it.

I hope you are
getting well rapidly; don't do too much
The summer is coming on and hot summers
are not very good to gain strength in.
I went to another hanging today and think
I will not attend any more if they do
come off, I've seen enough. Be sure
has been that I can have running water in
the office if building builds that place.

REV. M. B. GRANVILLE



WASHINGTON-LAFAYETTE MASONIC CLUB

A. P. O. 712 Am. E. F.

FRANCE

There are several things I must have
and that reasonable rent, running water
electric lights and a small room for
laboratory work and the place must
present a decent appearance inside, you
be sure and see after those things as once
if any special arrangements have been made
about building the place.

I must close now

With lots of love

Your husband

W. S. Richmond
Capt. U.S.

W. C. Richmond
Capt me

WASHINGTON-LAFAYETTE

MASONIC CLUB

AM. E. F.

FRANCE



W. C. Richmond
Capt me

Master Richmond
159 Keats Ave
Lawrence Ky
U.S.A.

Camp Horseshoe No 41

Apr 7. 2

Apr 26 1919

My dear Mollie:

I wrote you a letter last night but as I want to send you a little money today I will write a line also.

I'm going over my finances I find I can easily spare \$50 right now and then on the first of May I can spare another \$50 I am sure so I will send it to you and you salt it down.

I think I mentioned every thing of interest yesterday and was sure not to bore this very long.

Love to all

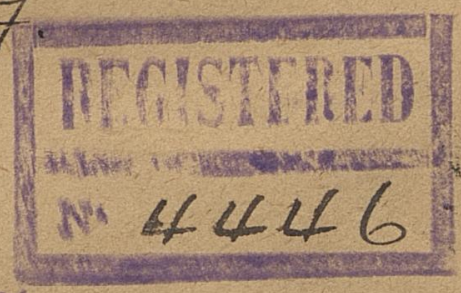
Your husband

W. C. Richmond

Capt. M.C.

A. C. Richmond
Capt. M.C.
Camp Stop No 41
Op 712 A.S.F.

Officer mail



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A. C. Richmond
Capt. M.C.

Mr. A. C. Richmond
159 Keats Ave
Laurisville Ky
U.S.A.



Camp Hosp No 41

Apr 7/12

April 27th 1919.

My dear Kalline:

I wrote just a note yesterday morning but in that note I enclosed \$50 for your bank account.

We had our usual Saturday night dance last night and I went up about 9:30 pm and saw the thing through.

Today is my birthday and first I will thank you for remembering it in one of your recent letters and its all right about sending something its not necessary. My room mate wants to take me out for dinner in honor of the occasion; I will probably go.

I am glad some one protects my fair name from scandal and give me credit for having good taste and good judgement, you may thank Gerbier for me.

Yes there are many Mademoiselles in Paris and they are all ready to bid farewell good morning or whatever greeting you may hand them; Paris and Paris customs are in a class by themselves and its an education to see the place and the people. I am sorry not to see London but evidently I will have

plenty of time for that, before returning
to the U.S.A. since they don't seem in
a hurry to send us home.

I have heard
from Maj. Nicoll from Brest and from all
reports I am in a way glad to be
where I am for a Regular Lieut. Coln. is
in command and they say he is "Hard Boiled"
all things so I am content to stick here
since the Major has been canned out
of the C.O.'s job for I am not an admirer
of the "Hard Boiled" type in the army, have
never had any trouble with them for I leave
them alone but I don't like their style.

You never mentioned getting my old service
stripes? Did they ever reach you? I put
them in a letter and have wondered if
they ever reached you.

I wish I could run
on some of the Louisiana doctors here but
so far nothing doing I would certainly like
to see Bab Vittle, I have been pretty
close to the 27th Abras. Unit, and know where
Dr. Simpson is if he has not moved lately
but I never run in any of them.

We have
an officer here who was with the
Sanitary train the Dr. Whitt, Commander
and knew him and Dr. Ellis Almon and

Kiss and Awfully Grant, we have a nose
and throat man here who was with Harry
Pellus at Vichy but that's as near as I come
to them just hear of them.

It's getting time
to eat and I must close with love of love

Your husband


W. C. Richmond
Capt M.C.

W C Richmond
Capt MC

Office Mail



W C Richmond
Capt MC



W C Richmond
159 Keats Ave
Lawrence K
USA.

Camp Hosp. No 41

Apr. 7/12

April 29th 1919.

My dear Stallion: There is only one interesting item of news and that is that the supply depots here cease to functionate May 5th of course that don't mean that on May 5th we all start home far from it, it means that we are finished as a centre of supply and will begin to evacuate but having 20,000 troops here it will require some time to clean out and of course the hospitals will be one of the last to go. One thing take into consideration is that as the camp evacuates the Hosp. staff will be cut down and I am hoping against hope for that order to go home.

don't imagine that because I speak so much of coming home that I am making myself miserable over the fact that I can't come for I am not I realize the uncertainty of my chances and am going right along just as if the war was on and no chance but I want to get home and am watching for my chance to get there.

We had some snow yesterday but that's a frequent occurrence in France even in June it will snow just for a few minutes at a time.

Is Sig McMaxim at the hospital yet?
You have not mentioned her lately in any
of your letters.

Bill Roberts, Katherine & I am
trying to get home in time for her school
Commencement; I suppose it comes off in
June; it will take me nearly a month to
get home after I really start from here.
There are two stops in France that
generally delay for 10 days to two weeks, we
go to an office Casual depot and it takes
a week to get away from there and then
usually a week at the port of embarkation
and probably as long at New York getting
orders. You see I am keeping informed
on the subject.

Give my regards to all
the folks and lot of love for you and
R.H. and the family.

Your husband
W.C. Richards
Capt. M.C.

W.C. Richmond
Capt MC

WASHINGTON-LAFAYETTE
MASONIC CLUB
AM. E. F.
FRANCE

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