

1720 W. Chest St.
Friesville, Ky.

Jan 13, 19

Miss F. Louise Matthews

Atlanta University,

Atlanta Ga.
North Hall.

a truthful young man, I can't say
that I am wildly in love with it.
However, I promised my uncle Sammy
that I would make good, so I guess
it's rather up to you is truly.

Until next Sunday

As usual

Robert C. C.

J. C. O. T. S.
22nd Battery
Camp Taylor
[1919?]

Dear Miss Matthews -

I hope that by
this time you have consulted the
ultimate authority, and are now in a
position to answer my proposal of
last Sunday. May I expect an answer
before Saturday.

I hope that it is unnecessary for
me to tell you how much I enjoyed
last Sunday afternoon. The Matthews

family has certainly acquired the knack of making guests feel at home. Or is the gift natural? And the beauty of it all is that this week I am able to stay awake during conferences. But it is still an awful job getting up at 5:15 A.M. You know, reveille is the only certain thing in army life. We may miss an occasional meal, we may be kept up a while after taps, our daily schedule may be shifted suddenly, but that horrible bugle call at 5:15 is as sure as death.

And what a job it is to get out of the blankets, and slide into your duds. I waste three precious minutes struggling with myself, and striving for will power enough to yank the blankets off me. Usually my bunkie solves the problem for me by grabbing the back of my neck and dumping me out on the floor. Then I rise with a blood-curdling and deep-throated yell, kick him violently with my bare feet, and finally begin to pull my clothes on, finishing just in time to fly outside for morning roll call.

It's a great life, little lady, provided you like that sort of thing. Being naturally

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Miss Louise Matthews
1720 W^{est} Chestnut Street
Louisville.

words, but I am struck with a cold
horror at the thought that perhaps many
others share that opinion. So I am organizing
the "Order of Exalted Friends of Prange." Members
are required to adopt the creed that "I believe
in ~~Prange~~, etc." They are assessed the monthly
fee of one letter, or card, to show continued
interest in the order. I am wildly anxious
to enroll you as original charter member.
May I ask for your enrollment in our
lists? I can't promise you as to the quality
of your fraternity brothers and sisters, but
I can assure you of every privilege that
membership can possibly bring.

Robert H.

27 Wall St. N.Y.
Newark, New Jersey
November 30 - 1901

My Lady - you notice the bluish tinge of
my writing. I searched through my trunk
until I found this relic of my overseas
days, because it so fittingly expresses
my mood at the present moment. As
I sit writing, I am debating whether to
go out on the street corner and bite a
policeman in the neck, or whether to
take cyanide as a simpler, if more
expensive way of ending it all.
Machree, - I am sick to the heart of
me! I woke up this morning with

a splitting headache, ate a breakfast that gave me indigestion, went to church (horrible serm!) and heard a sermon on the horrible doom that awaits such hypocrites as me, got more indigestion at dinner, and then to top things off, I ran my Dad's nice new car into a flower, and busted up his front fenders. Now I sit at my desk, meditating on the emptiness of life in general, and of my pocketbook in particular, and wondering just how much a first class suicide would cost. Laugh, if you dare! For verily, I say unto you, there is no hard luck like unto the hard luck of a busted purse. After your Atlanta li. experience I am sure that you will agree in part, at least.

But what I started to tell you was not the day's Catalogue of Catastrophes, but to tell you of my new scheme. During recent months I have been bounced on the bean, figuratively speaking, by a good many of my friends. One of them has gone so far as to tell me flatly that since my return from France I am "as impossible as a singing crocodile," and that I am no longer even "fit company for a rattlesnake." Then one harsh

Miss Louise
2121 W. (West) Ave.
Louisville
Kentucky.

without speaking ⁴ to her. Mother is so unkind to her son.

I wrote Beatrice a letter yesterday - I know she'll get jealous of us because it was "Louise" all through.

I am looking for you Monday on our Mother's birthday. Are you coming in as you said? Please do. If you aren't coming, won't you write and let me know.

I am glad you had "your" letter when you returned. And what did Virginia Belle say about me. You really have 'em bad, "see-ut it"? You're in "love" Louise, your mind is in Atlanta now, you know it.

We'll all stop now - You're tired of me I suppose. My regards to the Cordays. "Write very soon". Let me ~~know~~ see if you know what that means!" Sincerely, Rufus

2509 St. Xavier

- Lou. Ky -

July 31, 1919.

My dear Louise:

Yes, I know what "write very soon" means, don't I? I thought you knew that tho' from my other letter to you. Yours is the first I am answering to - right of several, business and "otherwise" - not much otherwise, after this one, however.

I am very sorry indeed to learn of your very, very sad "love affair" with that insect. How lucky the poor fellow was but 'tis

and I almost "crieked", strongly speak-
ing. "Golly", I like to have a picture
of you now.

Louise, "mother" had no right
to write you a sad letter. Quite
true I passed "home" with Corp.
White but I didn't see "mother". I
saw your grandmother in the
door and we spoke to her but I
didn't see mother. I was coming
by to see her this evening after
work, but it began raining about
six o'clock just before I left the
Hotel and my plan was altered
for I sought 25th St. as soon as
possible. Louise dear, you know
I wouldn't ever think of passing

sad that it treated you so badly.²
Well 'tis said, you know, that the
female pays the price while the
male goes on his way. I wonder
if the insect is the only being that
has robbed you so preciously. I
wouldn't know. Say girlie, did
you upset any candy in your
sleep. I'd better cease my teasing
well I want to see you just
the same, no matter how enlarg-
ed the "organ of articulation" a-
forementioned. My best wishes
for its speedy reduction. I am
laughing to myself now because
I can picture you. Horace was
bitten once last year similarly

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Miss F. Louise Matthews,
Lincoln Institute,
Lincoln Ridge, Ky.

2509 St. Xavier St.,
Louisville, Ky.

I suppose our friendship is quite a mystery to most of our Louisville friends. Suppose you keep Mrs. Cordery in doubt or tell her what I told you to tell her if she asked an explanation of our friendship. I'll back you up in anything.

Yes Louise, if writing you often will bring you home, I'll be sure to write you often and you must be sure to come on home to see us. I would write you more tonight but I've so many letters that I must answer, that I'll have to take a little of your time tonight. Write me very soon again, won't you?
Sincerely your friend — Rufus

2509 St. Xavier,
Louisville, Ky.,
July 15, 1919.

My dear Louise:

Just in from the Watterson and feeling very nicely tonight. The rain we had here today has cooled the weather to an appreciable degree.

How glad I am that you kept your promise even though it did make you feel so strange in writing me a letter once in life. Don't be alarmed at that because there must be a beginning to everything, remember. I suppose I'll have to preserve your letter as a treasured article.

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I wonder if "Pink" and dear "Hallie" will get jealous too. Do you know those two wonderful characters? I'm sure you do.

Sunday afternoon and last night, I met five new members of the "Order of Websters". These were all young people and teased me quite a bit. Last night, I was with a little friend whose name is also Louise, and she took great delight in telling me about our being together Commencement night. This, she held, confirmed her thoughts. "Why of course you and Louise are sweethearts" - This is what Louise? told me last night. "Yes", I smiled. I didn't say yes, but I guess the smile did.

2.

Well Louise, I am really glad that you are having such an enjoyable time and my best wishes are for its continuation for the remainder of the time be it long or short, preferably short and very short at that, to speak frankly. Fact is, I miss you. I was over to see "Mother" Sunday night and intended to go over to see her tonight after work but was afraid of the rain. I shall try to go over tomorrow for a while. Remember now Louise, you won't get jealous of Mother and me.

Lincoln Ridge

Ky

[14 November 1919]



Dear Louie -

I am

trying to write you a
note. As I have one of my
headaches today that
it ever since yesterday
I didn't know until
day whether any of the
Cordery folks would be
in Louisville Sat. I don't
go to foot ball games &
then too I am planning
to come in next Fri
to hear Dr. Moten if he
decides not to come out
to visit us. I won't know
until we hear from
him. Mr. Cordery will

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Ans yet. you put. Chest
but I thought you were
wrong so I put
Walnut who was right.

So sorry your mother
is not feeling well. hope
she is O.K. by now.

I must close. Dont
Disappoint us. Sat as
we are expecting you
Love to all.

Love W.C.



he in Sat on school
business and then
too he is going to the
game. he will call
you up. so be pack up
we are expecting you. Yes
T. Jr will have another
tooth by then. Jane
was out yesterday. Gray
~~sit~~ slippers. Gray sit
hop. Gray sent a gray
hat with a gray
feather + she didn't
even speak to me. Of course
I cried. That's the reason
I have this headache.
I wrote Mrs Dyer. 1510
W. Walnut she has

Mrs. G. T. Cordery
Lincoln Ridge, Ky



Miss F. Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville
Kentucky

4.

Mr. Whittaker is doing nicely in Mr. Webster's place.

We heard from Mr. Webster yesterday and he was in Cairo Egypt. He is really carrying "Polly" fast don't you think? Nearly all of the students are on leave teaching. That includes me. Since Miss Johnson's death, they have another German teacher who is a native German and who studied at the Univ. of Berlin. He is another Miss King in Latin, a Dr. Adams in Greek and a Miss Johnson in German.



Nov. 24, 1919

My Dear Florida -

I was thinking of you tonight in connection with other activities on the campus and I therefore thought I would write you a line. You doubtless knew that I keep very busy with my studies(?) of course.

Life around here goes very well this year, absolutely no signs of factional outbursts.

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neaver I imagine couples will
begin to form. There is however
just as much if not more
socializing than last year.

I must tell you so you can
congratulate me, I have not
thrown a bit of water this
year. Our whole bunch is
quieter this year.

We have a nice little
woman in uncle "Charlie's"
place. I didn't tell you how
badly he flunked me. In fact
he gave all of my gang SA
yates and Maine are not
going together this year, they
are just friends.

2.
Don't pretend to say. We have a
very large number of new boys
and girls here. I will say
in this connection there
are no new couples on the
campus so far. I don't know
what is the trouble but
no progress at all along this
line. It seems to me that we
are fortunate or unfortunate (as
you like) to have very many "vamps"
(harder) this is what the girls
call them) on the campus this
year about six or seven in all.
As the yuletide draws

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If you so decide that it is
too much of a task to read, I
won't be offended if you fine
up the job. Write me whenever
you can spare the time. I'm
always glad to hear from you.
Thanks for the message Edith
saw me from you. Elder sends,
Wello.

Sincerely,
"The Camp"

P. S. Pardon the envelope, it is
the best that a crook could do.

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He is only teaching Latin
and Greek. The students are
really working in his
classes.

Friday night after thanksgiv-
ing they are representing
the pageant, so you have
doubtless heard, at the
Auditorium-Armory. We
went around to the
various churches Sunday
and made the announcement.

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hospital. Elder got his leg
hurt. A Morehouse player is
said to have his collar bone
broken, I don't know that this
is true. It was a brutal
game. we play our last game
Thursday with Morris Brown.

Louise I know I have
written this at random and
it is a badly connected letter
but my point is to give a sketch
of the news more than any-
thing else. I hope you will
be able to get something out of
it, but on the other hand

6.

I think it will be
good. I still work in the
kitchen. Due to the sugar
shortage it is hard to secure
any sugar.

School holds now until
3:45 and I have a class
the last hour each day.

I must speak of Athletics
we tied Tuskege, lost to Saladege
and Saturday Morehouse
beat us 14-6. One of our boys
(McAlister) a city fellow got his leg
broke in the game he is at the

N.L. Thompson
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GA.

Miss Louise Matthews,
2121 W. Chest *1720 W. Chestnut St.,*
Pin 59 *Louisville Ky.*

Lincoln Institute
Lincoln Ridge, Ky.
Nov. 12/19.

Dearest Louise:

Rec'd. your letter and
was indeed glad to hear from you.
I also heard that you had been ill
why didn't you tell me in your letter?
We play State University here today
and I hope we win. I guess you
will witness the "Central Lincoln" game
Saturday and yell for Lincoln.

I have had a two day
vacation and I had a very nice
time but I did not enjoy myself
half as much as I had wished.

I played quarter in the last game but I don't know when I will play in this one. When are you coming to Lincoln? These days are real good ones for tennis and I don't wish I could have a real hard game with you. We hope to beat Central next Saturday and if you say you are for Lincoln I will do my part to win if I get to play. Mr. Dean seems to be pretty satisfied with Miss Ray although he did take my girl the other day. Well I know that I know that it will be quite a while before I get the promised photo but just so I get it by the time I am ready to die it will be ok. Was it the fight that caused you to say what you did about me.

no news.

I am ever yours

Edw

Lincoln Ridge Ky.
Mar. 20/1919

Dearest Louise:

Rec'd. your letter and as
usual glad indeed to hear from you.
Also glad to know that you enjoyed the
game. I saw you when you came in.
We played 'Frankfurt' Monday and were
20 to 0. Am sorry to say that we do not
play State Saturday. (not our fault but
theirs). We plan to play Frankfurt here
Monday hope to see you out. Well I
guess we can call ourselves State
Champions now. Hope to play Horra

and Yale next year. ha. ha.

I will sure change the subject
as you think it better and of course it
must be. No news here I will write
you an oration next week after
mondays game. If I get to Louisville
I will call you or come down.

Ever yours.
Dick.

R.F.D. No. 1, Box 34A.

Charlottesville Va.

October 22nd, 1919.

My dear Louise, —

I know
you have wondered what
has become of me. I
have been housekeeping
for my Grandfather, but
now he has some one
to do the work for him.
I am certainly glad, as
it was too much for
me to do alone.

I am teaching school
7 miles from home.
Expect to go in Friday
& Friday week. I am

II

going to a Halloween
party on the 31st. I
want to mask as a
"pailor boy" wearing
a white suit.

Our schools have
Victrolas this year.
You can imagine how
they will help out
during dreary weather.

Will make the
other fatting as soon
as I can get some
one to bring my trunk
out, It's all packed

III

up in it. So don't
get discouraged
about it.

What are you going
to do this winter? I
get ready to take
that trip to Washington.
I am nervous about the
trip. Washington, D.C. is
my birthplace and I
have not been there
since I was a few
years old. In the
spring I want to go to
Michigan to see my

IV.

mother's people.

Oh! how is Mr. White these days? I am sure he remembered the address. I really enjoyed the evening at the camp. Have not been to any thing that amounted to much since. Did see a good moving picture, "The Birth of a Race."

Don't forget the snapshots promised me!

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Miss Louise Mathews,
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Louisville, Kentucky.

From L. Ferguson
R.F.D. No. 1, Box 34 A.
Charlottesville, Va.



WAR CAMP COMMUNITY SERVICE

Charlotte M-G

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My dear Louise:-

Happened
to be running over some
of the mail in my pocket.
this morning and found
that I have been carrying
your last letter around
with me for over a month.
I wonder why - I wonder why.

So I am answering it.

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and may be answering it the



second time.

Any way if I am just
answering it I am doing
right as from your letter
you just happen to
write me when you did
although how you got
me mixed up with Miss
Hancock I cant see.

She's O.K. but still has
the Rayford blues, and
talks me to death as



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usual. Had a good dance
over to Cook Hamilton's
Saturday Three weeks ago. All
the school "honies" were
out. Saw Edythe and she
asked when I had heard
~~from~~ from my girl, and I
asked her who, and she
said you, I laughed and said
I had had no such doubt

luck.

You both get by me.

Have seen Sue Goin
several times since she
wrote you concerning me,
she's my little sister, and
is with bad too, as she
won't write her brother
a single line.

I'm hoping to leave
the road soon and
go into business in Atlanta,
although I shall hate



WAR CAMP COMMUNITY SERVICE

to give up all the fun I¹⁹
have been having. But I
must settle down sooner
or later, and mamma wants
me to stay at home so I
guess I shall. Hope to get
to Louisville before that
happens though so my
travels will be incomplete
as you have said.

TELETYPE UNIT
JAN 10 1900
Tell Mr Chipsey that
I hate to have missed
him by so short a time
as much or more than
he did. There is a fellow
Johnson in Atlanta, teaches
at Morehouse, who knows
you and says that you
were the "Vamp" of Lowell,
last summer. How do
you get that way?



WAR CAMP COMMUNITY SERVICE

Had been luck ~~the~~ ^{was} ~~was~~
Left Atlanta to go to
Washington Monday in
order to be in Philadelphia
for the Howard-Lincoln game
Thanksgiving - and go
as far as Danville, Va and
was sent back south. Was
in Winston-Salem Thanksgiving
Oh Well such is life. Ans. soon
as this is a long - long
letter

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over

Yours
Hugh

WAR CAMP COMMUNITY SERVICE
P.S. For some reason I haven't
had to look up your new ad-
dress or get in spite of my
engagement book. Regards
to family.

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

W. W. Smith
215 Fort St
Atlanta Ga



11/29/19

Miss Lucius Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville
Ky.

278 W. Main St.,
Charlottesville Va.,

December 15th/1919.

My dear Louise —

I wrote you
sometime ago but never
received an answer. I
was a little undecided
about sending the rest of
tattoo before looking up
your address again, but
am trusting you will
receive it O.K. About cutting
it, cut the ring like illustration
(~~fig~~) and pull the thread &
it will be alright. I am
also enclosing a sample to
try on.

What are you planning
for Xmas? Are you teaching
this year? I am teaching

just 7 mi. ^{II} from Ch'ville and
go home real often.

For Thanksgiving I went
to the "Elks" first annual
banquet, which was a full
dress affair. I didn't wear
full dress, but think I got
by in the crowd. Certainly
had a nice time.

Louise, you'd be surprised
to know how many of my
girl friends are getting
married. I tell them that
they'll get me in the notion
after while.

In my previous letter I
mentioned our trip to Wn., D.C.
but before I take that trip
I am going to Michigan to
see my mother's relatives.
Am getting everything in place

now for that ^{III} little trip. Was
looking at the Hartman ward
robe trunks containing the
electric iron device. They
are a little expensive just
now, so I have decided to
get one later.

What is the Louisville
news? and write me all
about your self.

Hope to hear from you
soon.

Sincerely,

L. Ferguson



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



[1919?]

My dear Louise:

I regret very much and deeply that you took this view you did concerning my action on Tuesday last, and the motive was personal, and not in any way connected with your views.

Just how to explain it I am somewhat at a loss, but I may as well tell you here, as I intended to do later, and that is, that I have had an interest in you ever since I came back and have been only waiting to find out whether it was a passing fancy, or to be deeper, and I wanted it to be deeper than the former before I said anything at all to you. I have found out it is

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TO THE FOLKS AT HOME: SAVE FOOD; BUY LIBERTY BONDS AND WAR SAVINGS STAMPS



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deeper, and therefore I was
and am sorry you think as you
do.

I was told this A.M. by
Mr. Scott that there was to be a
little social by the "Cabinets" Saturday
night, and was asked to go. I
said I would take part in it.

Also I was told that the
fellows would be allowed to
call for the girls, if they wished.
Well I intended asking you,
but now unless you took
at my actions from a different
view point I know you would
not like to go with me, although
I still wish it.

If however you can change
your opinion, will you let
me know tomorrow A.M. As I
should like to tell Mr. Scott

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Definitely in the A.M. whether I still
intend to take part or not.

Sincerely
E. J. [unclear]

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"WITH THE COLORS"

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Miss Louise Malheur

agreeing to ostracize you
she always says that
she would be happy
if we went together
so you see that you
are wrong. Of course the
above can never happen
as you showed me quite con-
clusively during the last days
you stayed here. Hope to hear
from you soon though. Regards to
mother & friends. Love,
John.

at Wilberforce
10/7/19.

My dear Louise:-

I rather
think you will be surprised
to hear from me here,
but I was in Cincinnati
and thought I would
run out to see Bert. Am
having a great time here

I really wanted to write
but I remember another
unanswered letter and
restrained, and constrained
myself accordingly.

Edythe is back in school
now, I saw her Wednesday
but did not see her in
Chula.

Contrary to our

and really, don't want
to leave tomorrow as I
must; but really I
have been very quiet
this summer and I don't
raise so much sand.

Really I don't see why
you should have ex-
pected a card, although

that she really doesn't like me. Of course I don't care, then I do care in a way for instance I would like to come these commencement and see you graduate and of course I would like to be O.K. with everybody. From what Carrie told me when I was there there this fall a few of those people think I was implicated in that Mary Paul affair and goodness knows I didn't know anything about it until she told me. I mentioned the same thing in a letter to Mary and as much as misery loves company she herself testified to my having
(Please excuse this blot)

Paine College
Augusta, Ga.
April 8, '19.

My dear little Louie:

I haven't your letter at hand hence cannot answer it but since I have owed you a letter for quite a while I shall just write.

It just seemed as if I could not find time to write and too when there was so much I wanted to know. I have just finished writing to mama, the first letter for over two weeks.

Louise, at the end of this letter I shall append some questions which I

want to know and I want you
to answer them — do you understand
me? I had a letter from the dear
Miss Love last week and the dear
angel child plans an extensive
trip this summer and of course
plans to stop in Louisville. O dear!
O dear! Well unless my plans go as-
tray I shall not be there, I'm very
sorry to say. Louise all of a sudden
Cles has cultivated an especial
fondness for me and what I'm go-
ing to tell you must be kept secret
so sh - sh - uh. Says she to me
"Say Bill (strictly confidential) what
do you think of my applying there
another term? --- etc, & etc." Then
says she "I would appreciate a
change for the better and it would
be quite a pleasure to be near you
again." Now get this last part won't
you? A pleasure to be near me!
Well I think I would appreciate
having that lady at a distance.
Say you not so? I guess this is enough
for gossip.

It is queer Miss Ware has never
written to me. Do you remember
when I bawled her out about the
napkin, etc? I wonder if it is

that Bro. Rat Kendrick now
teaches in A. U. and that
Roscoe is going to open a
shoe store. Is that Roscoe
was in Harvard, is he not?

Say tell me, do you not
feel guilty with Hugh then?
Get me? Ha! Ha!

Tell Hugh I would like
very much to see him and
give my best regards to Peter.

Until you tell me something
one way or the other about "Lift
every Voice and Sing" I shall write
those words at the end of all
my letters to you.

Be good and write soon.

Sincerely,

Bill

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

having no knowledge of the
affair.

Your roommate is a prep, is
she not? and of course will
go home early. Well if I
come commencement and
your mother is not putting
up with you, may I share
"our" room with you?

Louise, almost every day
some little amusing experi-
ence ^{in some of my classes} comes up, and if I
only ^{had} you or your counterpart
in personality ^{or} interest at
least I could have ^{them} de-
lots of fun talking about ~~it~~. In
one of my classes there is
a girl who reminds me
of Rufus, to this extent. You
remember how Rufus used

to recite and every other word call Mr. Webster's name, well she recites the same way and calls my name every few seconds.

When have you heard from "Chuckie"? I haven't heard for a long time. But here is some news which came to me and I am passing it on to you, I don't know whether it is true or not but here it is just the same. I heard that our Sgt. Chuck had been promoted 'overseas' to the rank of Captain and that prior to his promotion that he was in love with a certain dame who loved him not while he was a little Sgt. but who since his promotion would "feign" marry him. Speaking of Captains, Capt. A. L. S. is back.

Well Louise this is a crazy letter and I hope it has not bored you but before I affix my signature I want to ask these questions.

Is Hodges back & where is he? Eno. Has
" Elder " in school?
" Gade " & where is he? Please
" Reeves " & " " "
" Smith " & " " "
" Holder " & " " "
Where is Albert Edwards?
I saw in the Cronson & Gray

W.C. Moore,

After 5 days, return to
PAINE COLLEGE,
1235 15th St.,
AUGUSTA, GA.

AP 3, '19

*Miss F. Louise Matthews,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.*

[1919?]

Nashville Tenn.
Fisk University

My Dear Sister,

I am now taking advantage of a vacant period to write you. My time has been so occupied since arriving here, that this is the first chance I have had to write. I like Fisk just fine and only wish that you were here with me. I took examination and was successful in making the sophomore class. You can imagine how delighted I am.

Well my Dear I have

just come up from a
 delightful dinner of stew
 and bread. Really I do
 have so very much fun
 at my meals that I seldom
 think of the diet set be-
 fore me. I am sure that
 if I did I would be
 ready to catch the next
 train for Kentucky. Papa
 stayed with me until
 last Thursday. I certainly
 felt homesick the
 afternoon he left but
 I suppose that was only
 a fleeting fancy as I have
 been feeling fine ever since.
 I am awfully afraid that
 if it doesn't stop raining
 here that I shall have

another spell of home-sickness.

I know just about how busy you are preparing for school. Say, let me give you a piece of advice. Make well of your kitchen while you are at home. Sometimes I feel that if I could only get a seat in a good old warm kitchen I would be perfectly happy.

I do hope that you will have a successful year at Atlanta. I want you to like it but not so well that you will not come to Fick before you complete

your college course.

The bell is now
ringing so I will have
to close. Answer real
soon and I'll tell you all
about Atlanta.

Love to all.
Rudie

Morehouse College
Atlanta Ga

Dec. 5, 1919

Dear Louise

your kind letter came quite some days ago and I feel a bit of a cad for not having written you long ere this.

How without trying to be as mean as you no attempting to wait as long as you did & I answer my first letter I can say that I did but you did not for I sent you a card even if I did get crazy Virginia Vinbush to write it.

By speaking of Virginia and all the other girls who I have met them are quite a fine bunch they are and Virginia and Alice are my pals. We out to see Mrs. Bibo a few days ago also Mrs. Church. (Maudeline)

I am sorry to have to send you
the sad news of A.M.'s defeat. but
you asked for tip. pos over to A.M.
Thanksgiving and saw them beat. Morris Brown
Moulton was beaten badly by Fish on
same day.

Stay on the square now I tell
you what after all that. suppose
we decide to write each other some
enough what say you to a once
a week letter even if we only say
hello and how are you. If you think
that is strong suppose you get the
year I will promise to keep up my
end of it and give you all the
news of your old home town and Alton
that I can scrape up if you will do
the same for me how that?

I incidentally there is some other
news that I would like to have said
but you wouldn't believe me while I was

there I guess its next to impossible now
at any rate lets try the former woud-
you? Now if you dont write next week
I will know that you dont approve.

Was out last night. & a little hop
Alice Lyons Virginia, and (Alfred) Rogers also
Miss Adley from A.R. were there quite
a nice time "petite shimmy mais oui, beau-
coup dansant pour long temps."

Si vous voulez ecrire moi toute
suite, je sera tres content et je
voudrai chercher tout les jeerson dans
Atlanta et etc. I'amie Louise, moi
petite Louise I'amie vous beaucoup.

"If you can read this you are some Frenchy"
How can write me and I will be very
happy etc.

Give my best regards to your mother and father

Yours sincerely
Oscar

Atlanta Univ.
Atlanta Ga.
Oct., 14, 1919.

Dear Miss Matthews;

Your letter was quite a treat for me to receive just the day before leaving for A.U. especially after having given up any hope of receiving it.

Well A.U. is just the same except in the absence of some and the presence of others. There are so many girls here this year that they have to sleep in the gym.

P.S. Don't you think it was unkind
of fate to allow us to stay around
here a year and to discover
that you knew me the day that
I was leaving. Will-possibly
we may meet again some day.
Joseph Pierce.

The boys are not as badly
crowded but there are a great
many of the old fellows back
such as Bade, Jefferson, Elliott,
Woods and many others. So judging
from this A.V. should be well
represented on the football
field.

What are you planning on
doing? Marrying or teaching?

I should expect the former.
Give my best regards to your
mother. I trust she and you
are well.

I shall close
yours sincerely Joseph Pierce

used to the ~~first~~ ones. I have't
used any of my (novelism) as
you called it, in my stories
this term because I don't no
how to take the teachers. I think
I shall specialize English some
day. Which do you think best
Eng. or magazine stories? One
of our students was buried
Saturday, (Lilly Mae Willis) She
was ill a very short time.
Misses Stokes and Alfreda Austell
join me with love to you.

Be real sweet and
take all mistakes as
kisses. ans.

Lovingly,

Carrie L. Baker

26 Raymond St.

Atlanta, Ga.

Oct. 5, 1919.

My dear Miss Mathews:

Your missive was received
and hailed with delight. I'm
really ashamed of myself
for not answering earlier
but as I have no excuse to
render, I'm only in hopes
that the past will be forgotten
by you and in the future
I shall have the opportunity
of seeing you again. I hope
you are well and enjoying
the work in which you are
engaged. Of course I am well
but the studies in which I am

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year. Oh we do miss Mr. Webster so much. I can hardly realize Mr. Whittier as being Professor. Mr. Webster could make me curve corners but Mr. Whittier - ~~he seems~~ ^{seems} as any usual teacher to me. These are the ones that are especially missed. Miss King, Miss Seavey, Mr. Dominio, Miss Thomas and every time I cross the bridge. I can almost see you just in front of me and when I go to class in Room 3 everything is so quiet, it seems to me like a funeral service instead of a Civic's class. We also miss Lucile Walker, Josephine Howard and (L. B. Byron). Although those that are missing will be missing for quite awhile I presume so we might as well get used

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engaged are not half enjoyable as they were in the past year. I am second yr. in all my studies except Latin. There are a very few of your students with me this year the majority of them are first years. A.C.U. seems like a different school. Most all of the teachers are new in fact all that I have is new except Miss Simmon's. I have a very nice Eng. teacher from New England. Miss Harrison (white). She is so much like Miss Seavey. Miss Mathews I am really good this year if I have to say it myself. I'm so quiet until my last year students think that I'm ill. but I got my revenge last

Nov. 3, 1919.

My dear Louise,

You probably don't realize how much I appreciate your interesting letters. They always have a tendency to make me feel as if you really still care for me even though, ~~several~~ many miles separate us.

Everytime I go out on the campus someone asks me how you are, where you are, and what you are doing. I have answered those questions so often until I feel myself answering them in my sleep. Numbers of folks have told me to give you their very best regards. You can about judge who they are, so I need not name them. Marcia hopes you will write to her since she is so busy about now preparing her oration for next Friday night's rhetorical. By the way I am to be on

in December. (smile.) I haven't thought of it yet.

A very interesting stunt was pulled off by our class today. Our colors are, dark blue and gold. The boys had on yellow silk shirts and dark blue ties with a yellow '20 worked in them and the girls had on dark blue skirts '20 ties and white shirt waist. Directly after lunch we assembled before Stone Hall raising a banner, yelling, singing and doing everything else. Believe me this '20 class is hot. The banner is very pretty made of blue and yellow.

The boys have some "blues" in the tune of the "Alcoholic Blues" called the "Senior College Blues". They sang these blues Sat. night at the Bain social and really

got away with them. They even had a senior march or a march led by the senior men and their honeys or who ever they happened to march with, as it happened I was on the arm of the honorable Mr. Thompson. We really had a good time that night. Numbers of Morehouse men were over including my dear McKinley who tried to become quite "loving" with me on the occasion. The Morehouse fellows seemed to have been delighted with the Barn Social.

Another very interesting event of the past week was Kemper Harrell's violin recital at Morehouse. Gladys Hill, Lula Carey and I went from over here with our music teacher, Miss Harris. To my surprise I was ushered to the very front seat where I

and that she will write soon.
Mother also sends regards. My Dad
has not returned yet. He is in your
city perhaps & you have seen him.

Well, my dear, I must draw to
a close since it is getting late
and I still have some lessons
to get.

By the way, give my regards to
Mrs. Singleton should you see her.
Be sure and write soon and tell
me how your mother and father are
and all of the news.

Lovingly,

Hewietta.

Indianapolis Ind.
Nov. 18, 1919.

My Dear Louise,

At last I received your long
expected letter. I thought perhaps you had
gone to College again this year. In
that case I knew you would be
rather busy.

I certainly have had my
share of work recently. We had
our mid term exams last week.
They weren't so bad tho. I only
took two one in 12 Cent Lit. and
one in Trig. The latter was really
stiff. The former was almost too easy.

I just finished a letter to Billie Craighead down at I. U. He says he is going to bring some of my friends to Louisville with him to spend Thanksgiving. You, no doubt will meet them. We rather expected his fraternity to give a dance here they but there seems to be nothing doing. They usually give classy affairs.

My Sorority gave its Pledge Dance not long ago. Several of the Kappa alpha Psi fellows came up for it. We had one good time.

I heard Col. Chas. Young lectured at our "Y" against Negro Radicalism. He was remarkably good I do not entirely ^{agree} with him but that is merely a side issue.

A group of us Butkwites are motoring down to Franklin to see the Butler-Franklin football game. It is the last game of the season and we must win.

Ruth is sitting opposite me fighting some geometry battles she says hello

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Dec. 10, 1919

Dear Louise :-

I've been trying and trying to get you a letter. Still you haven't had chance to write one either it seems. I intended sending you a card at Thanksgiving time, also but when I went to get them, the best were gone. I have not forgotten the candy you sent. It was certainly sweet of you, and we certainly enjoyed it, even tho I failed to thank you before now.

Well - you want some news I know. And there is plenty of it, but I'm the wrong person to have to tell it. Anyway - you ought to be here to see for your self.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

As Looney says: "The Ancient Bird is much alive." And a certain Animal also. The Cause? Well - The 4th Women's Convention. I was put up to go, and opposition came strong too! Even so far as a written protest to the Dean and Miss Dwings. Well, Miss Dwings and Fr. Adams must both be O - because they say if my name (which was late going in) is not accepted, then Shurtzarn won't go either. It's a shame tho, that we can't work with a little cooperation. I should hate to see A. U. not represented and I sincerely hope somebody will go. O.K. yes! Mike made a little speech about factions in Chapel too. He was "hot" as they say. I don't use slang.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

This morning the house
 struck on over. Glad and
 they wouldn't sing even when
 Whitaker walked in, so I hear
 he's sending them home by
 the dozen.

Our class is entertaining the
 football team tomorrow night.
 You heard we lost to Morehouse?
 The fair is on; Saturday we
 go there.

Went to the "Pershing" parade
 this morning. Cut Lab too.
 The Parade wasn't much but
 we saw Gen Pershing and
 had a good time besides. Enjoyed
 a dance at Emma Hamilton's one
 day too.

I'm in for Rhetoricals next month.
 Marie Eldon and Ev too. Some "clique"
 affair, eh?

Well, write me a line or two
 by commencement time.

All the girls send love,

Truly,
 Margaret.

and down the serpentine? The
 next thing I think of is our
 corps of teachers whom we
 enjoy much:- Prof. Ladouceur
 Kenner (I visited the Ruchers
 yesterday), Miss A. P. Hart
 and Mrs. Lucile Mack. Really,
 Mrs. M. Whittaker makes an
 excellent Principal, tho we
 miss "Web" and his Long
 Prayers every Friday night.
 Miss Sigguitt stays in the
 building with us. Our 'g'
 campaign is on. we have
 already many members,
 paid up. We are also planning
 to send three delegates to the
 moines in December. We
 have lunch at one and dinner
 at six o'clock. The fare is "bum"
 so your offer is acceptable at
 anytime. The cooks are awful.
 I'll write some letter? But it's hard.
 All the girls send love,
 yours, Mary.

Atlanta, Ga.,
 Oct. 12, 1919.

Dear Louise:-

Back again! - for two
 weeks now, and things
 are running smoothly.
 Priscilla is now making a
 Sunday morning tour of
 the rooms, while Marie
 is at the Sunday morning
 occupation - pressing. All
 of the old girls are back
 except you and Sheffield
 whom we miss very much.
 There is a bunch of new

Some recon. eh? Hodges seems to be taking care of "Bee" and paying attention to Miss Beautiful especially. (Oh, dear!) Jelly and Jefferson are at my table with Miss Simonds presiding. Walter Lee is back, and also MacClendon. We miss Mr. Darow so! Miss Quigg has quite a number of the upper classes and she spends most of the time talking. I forgot to tell you that we have to use the "gym" for some of the girls to sleep. Consequently we dance in the parlor, but are going to have one night at Ogletrope. Now can't you see the girls strolling up

honiers - a great many in the college classes - about five or six sophs (new) and there are seventeen fresh girls. College corridor is still the center of punishment, tho the seniors in the annex have quite lively times also. New boys? Oh well, I haven't seen any, and there aren't even any old couples. Yates and Marie are on the outs, McHenry is not here, neither is "Smack". Eldu and Ev claim to be disagreeing and Bert is at Wilbyore. Janes is coming soon, but we have Witten altogether six times since school closed.

October 12, 1919.

My dear Louise,

Perhaps you have already come to the conclusion that I have forgotten you, but dearie, I have not. I have simply been busy. School opened almost two weeks ago and I've been so busy every since I've been out here. You may know that I am in Fetter and work is not the name for what we do over here. However I am doing fine and since I am getting used to the work I have a few minutes to write.

A. W. has seen a great change since you were here, my dear. Every body is talking about the change. A. W. minus Mr. Peters and Mr. Webster hardly seems the same and with eight new teachers can you imagine it? Anna Hart is teaching Mr. Web-

ster's geography and Harper is teaching Peter's physics.

Mr. Peter's was exceptionally nice to me while we were in Phila. He took us around all while we were there.

Joe Taylor's mother was quite nice to me while I was in Washington. I met a cute little doctor who showed me the town. He was a friend of hers and she was glad for him to make it pleasant for me because his auto was rather handy. Joe is here now. He came last Sunday night. I saw him that night over to Congregational Church and twice since then. He will really be here two weeks. How happy I am to have him near after a year's separation.

I should like to see you
and tell you lots of things. What
are you going to do next year?
I want to go back to New York.
I do wish you could come here
Xmas and let me see your
ramp. Kid we're averaging cot-
ton from head to foot is no
ramping for me old girl.

Bud Harper says I must
tell him something. Ha! Ha!
Anna is around now. I sup-
pose all discussion of Louise
must cease. He asks about
you and I keep informing
him that I owe you a letter.

Maud Holley is stay-
ing here in Furber assisting Mrs.
Hove. Miss Williams isn't
here. She comes across from
me and we have lots of fun.
She is very nice to me.

I am rooming with Millie Jackson. She is very nice and we get along fine.

Glady's Bill & Athena is back this year. Paul Logan has a sister here also Maude Mortow has a sister here. Ev. and Ellie are back to my surprise. McCloud is back also Jefferson. There are numbers of new fellows but none of any particular interest. Ethel Beasley has a cousin here Lula Carey. Five city seniors are boarding in there is no room for more. The "Gym" is filled with beds about 8 or 10 girls sleep in there.

Remember me to your mother and write soon

Sincerely yours,
Edith

(over)

P.P. Virginia Graham says she is going to write to you. She also asked how you were making it with Paula. In the presence of the Whites she told me to tell you that Lawrence is still here and that he is Prof. now. She says "Hello Louise" every time she sees me. Kid I miss you so much. I have no one in whom I put my trust now. Some times I feel awfully lonesome for some one to talk to as I talked to you. Tell me in your next letter about Larry. I saw Sue Goin when she passed thro' here with Marnie Greene. She's a cute one I'll say she is. Tell me every little thing kids do and I'll try to keep you posted
your pal,
Ed

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Miss Alice Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut Street
Louisville Kentucky.

(P.S.) Miss King has created the Great Divide! It was early
during Christmas morning I told your mother, please! Oh -
I had to beg her to find a way to put me -- well -
myself -

(प. ५)

Ann went to Smithville, Mo,
with Jack from here; I went down there
on the fourth of July - had quite a nice time
every thing was alright when I left
- but - now - ! What have you to say
about it, - asking your advice as usual
you see. Well - with best wishes for
your health and happiness, I am
to your
affectionate

477 Ashley Street
Atlanta, Ga
August 19, 1949

Dear Louise—

When I first received
your letter, my feeling was
one of relief - for although I
knew that letters had come
to someone else from Kentucky
I really didn't know any news
from there of them and I really
couldn't ask, so your letter
bearing a different postmark
than that of Louisville told me
that a very dear friend of mine
was resting up; was taking the
vacation that she so really needed.
Isn't that so, Louise, or

am I wrong in my thinking? When I think back over the times that were last school year, it brings with it the thought that I will miss you; - at the socials, at rhetorical, at the different little affairs in the city. I could go on and tell you, 'friend', how much I will miss you and try to make you understand, but it seems to me, you will understand without that, as you understood, (though not quite so fully), without the letter, rather note, that I once wrote you last spring, (yes, this school year, near its close), and showed me you understood - wisely. I must bring this in, 'I am going to mention your name to someone very soon; I don't expect you will ever know how, why and what about but - I had to tell you the fact and would like your permission, if I can hear from you soon enough but if I don't, then, well - I must use it anyway.

Louise, take my word for it, Attata is dull and then it isn't dull, either.

There are a goodly number of parties and picnics going on. There was a party the other night over to 'Neddie's' in honor of Miss Muriel Groctor's return; the following night, there occurred the last city dance at the 'Hostess House' at Camp Gordon, (didn't get out though); Monday of this week there was a club picnic out towards East Point; tomorrow, Wednesday, there is a Twentieth Century Club picnic out to

Aug 19, '19

Miss [unclear]

Lincoln Institute

Lincoln Ridge, Ky.

my audience keep insisting that I continue.

The mountains are beautiful and so alluring for one who seeks rest. Plenty of subjects for study namely: "The Home Spinners", "The Brought One". I am a member of the last-named subject and find the members of the first named subject very congenial.

I have about finished my down panel. I mean to accomplish something while here. My material that I left to be hemstitched is beautiful.

To hear from you would be a pleasure. Remember me to your parents.
Yours friendly - Mrs. J. Frank Gray

Blue Diamond, Ky.
Sept. 8, 1919.

My dear Miss Matthews,

Now that I have inhaled the pure mountain air and stamped my toes on the rocks in scaling the mountain sides, I feel very much refreshed and have gained plenty of energy for writing.

My trip was long and tiresome but I managed to keep a brave spirit until our darling baby passed into the great beyond. Then all of my pent up feelings gave way. Your comforting and timely words spoken on the afternoon I received my message

prepared me for that hour. One never knows when he does good unless he is told.

Leaving Lincoln, and arriving in Frankfurt a few minutes behind train schedule, I missed my train at Lexington. Luck was with me. I met some old friends and spent the hours very pleasantly. Left that night at eleven o'clock, arriving Saturday morning at ten.

My stay at Lincoln was pleasant, but to have spent a day and continued my journey would have been a loss to me, because I would have missed the pleasure of knowing you. Then, too, to meet the father and mother and grandmother of such a lovely young lady meant much to me.

This statement may seem a small matter to you, yet after all it is the little things that add stepping stones to some lives.

I am having a jolly time frolicking with the children. Every day we have a story-telling hour. I am afraid my stories will run short if

Have not had
time to do
any calling
at yet.
Will send
her regards

Morehouse College
Atlanta Ga
Oct. 6 1919

Dear Louise,

you will be kind enough
I am sure to pardon me for
not writing before now and also
for this letter as it really won't
be a letter at all - but an
excuse.

I have actually been so busy
that I have not had time to do
any writing at all. but it should
always be like this so I shall
make up for this as soon as I am
somewhat stronger. in the meantime
be kind enough to write me won't
you? I will write the letter in French later later
Love to your mother and father
yours & ever

O. L. Johnson
Morehouse College
Atlanta Ga.



Miss Louise Mathews
1720 Chestnut St.
Louisville
Ky.

Tuskegee Inst. Ala.

May 3rd, 1919

Dear Miss Matthews:

I feel like I owe you a letter or
card by all means so I shall
follow my better impression.

There is nothing special that
I could tell you, but it is a debt
of gratitude.

I am thinking now of those
dark days of last November when

I had only one friend at A.
H. and you were that one.
I have often wondered how you
could be so different from all
the rest.

I think I have several others
now but none can be as you for
you were friendly when a friend
was needed.

We are having a real nice
time and doing what you all
expected that we would do.
Yours G.W.H.

Louisville Ky, Mar. 27-1919

Dear Louise:-

Please pardon
my long delay in answering
your very kind and
sympathetic letter. Mr
Bottel and I greatly appre-
ciate your sympathy, and
the very high esteem
in which you hold
our dear Joe.

Am sure you it is hard
to feel that he is dead.

While we cannot see his
form, we feel his
presence is always
with us.

We thought perhaps,
you would like to
have ~~this~~ the last letter
you wrote him returned
to you as he passed
away before it came,
and ^{it} is still unopened.

Hoping that you
are well and getting
along nicely in your
work, I am,

Sincerely, M. F. Potter

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My regards to all who hunt,
particularly to Miss Hancock,
the Webster, Dr. Adams, Mandeline
Burch, and with the same
should love to you twice, I
am

The same old "Line" (Thank you)
Hart —

P.S. Would you be surprised if I
brought a French wife home, No! No!
Look out for her. S.

Camp de Meuron (A.P.O. # 779)
Vannes Morbihan (France)
Jan. 11, 1919.

My dear Louise & Evelyn:-

I was most
agrecably suprised when I came
to my room last night to
find your letter awaiting me.
I was out for a walk and
had just been telephoning a
little French Demoiselle who had
been upbraiding me for alleged
"inconstancy," and I found the
same accusation against me
written in your letter. Poor me!
Always misunderstood, eh?

I would give
anything to drop in on you
at P.A. now. It looks now
that I may have that pleasure
before A.N. closes.

That is early rising - fewer balls and less time to "chuchez la femme". I am going to Paris a few days before reporting for duty.

Gen. Pershing has allowed Garrie Moore the reign and enter the "Y" work. He left for Paris yesterday.

Please kiss my little Jessie for me. She is my sister, you know. Please give her this invitation to our ball. There was a mistake made by the printer, i.e., by printing 165th instead of 167th.

I shall write you a few lines from Paris & Reims. I suppose I shall see you before I hear from you again.

I will not attempt to narrate my experiences for it would take time all night and tout le jour to write. I will save it to tell you.

We have had quite a social trip together in France. Our voyage has been from 10 a.m. to 12 noon each day, and taps any how. I think each one of us has gained 20 pounds (caused by wine at each meal perhaps).

The old original 33 have stuck together all through. I have told all the "boys" that you sent you love, etc.

We are leaving tomorrow (Sunday) to join our brigade at Reims (The 167th F. A.) and from there we will sail home. This will mean work for us from now on.

cathedral is another of the early Gothic with flying buttresses.

We were sent to Brest the first of December. Everybody was saying: "Gee, I'll be glad to get home for Christmas - I don't get to see Paris". We were ordered to report back here. I reported back by the way of Paris and Tours!

Bozic Williams (a boy from Columbia S.C. who was at Taylor in the Yale-Harvard Battery "passing" and who joined us at Taylor - who also is my running-mate) and I had the nerve to catch the Paris Express at Brest instead of the train for Vannes. And we stayed two days! Wish I could tell you all about it - went to Opera and Folies Bergères, La Follie Satin and Les Jardins des Tuilleries; Le Tombé de Napoléon and La Tour Eiffel; Notre Dame and Madeleine; Le Louvre (which is not open) and Le Palais d'Orangerie; Place de la Concorde and - oh I could name a million places. Wish I could tell you about it all from the parade in which I saw Albert, King of Belgium and his Queen, to the big colored woman I saw at Folies Bergères.

Tours was at one time Gen. Pershing's Headquarters (he's moved to Dijon now). The Cathedral there (one of the few of the Flamboyant style in this part of France) is a wonderful structure. Of course some seemed insignificant just after a visit to Paris. Oh those Parisiennes! Equivocal! Hello to everybody. Handed

Vannes, Morbihan
A.P.O. 779-France
Jan. 8, 1919.

Dear Louise:

I hardly know how or where to start - there is so much to tell you.

This has been a great vacation for me. We have never been on duty with troops and have done nothing but loaf except for two weeks in this French Artillery school here at Camp de Mencon just prior to the signing of the armistice. It seems a shame to get so near the big fight and not get in it, but they have showed us a bit of France to men's matters.

Landed at St. Nazaire Oct. 7. From there we went to Camp de Courmayeur, stopping en route at Nantes and Bordeaux.

At Nantes I saw the first of these beautiful French women. St. Nazaire is a little place and beside their rosy cheeks and cheerful smiles there was nothing at all attractive about the girls, but in

Nantes I saw enough to convince me of the fact that French women are chic. At Nantes there was also (the women first!) a cathedral and what is now a prison but was a chateau. It was there that Henry IV signed the Edict of Nantes. Remains under the chateau, dark and damp, affect produced by the women was neutralized. The museum at Nantes was interesting. At the time I thought it was wonderful but now since I've seen I don't find it extraordinary (now that I).

Bordeaux - the sixth city of France and its largest port, was wonderful. It is modern enough but it retains just the number of structures of the Middle Ages to make it unique. The cathedral there is an immense affair built - like most of the French cathedrals, on the early Gothic style. The gargoyles are quite distinctive and the facade is quite elaborate. If you know your French History you remember what an important part Bordeaux played, held as it was

for such a long period, by the English. We stayed at Camp Seloiseau a week awaiting orders. While there some of us went down to a little winter resort - Arcachon. It was an ideal spot with a pleasing stretch of white sandy beach lined with red and white villas and jolly little boat houses. There was a Casino too - it is a regular little Monte Carlo. More pretty women, too.

Then they sent us here, and for picturesque you can't beat Vannes. The place was in existence when Caesar came to this part of Gaul 55 B.C. It is in Brittany and the costumes of the people are quaint. The women wear little white lace caps, some of which look like two handled goblets turned upside down. The men wear wide brimmed velvet hats with streamers, short, tight coats and sailor breeches. The women wear little aprons of different colors. The aprons cover the bodice and the front of the great wide black skirts. Every one except the aristocrats and foreigners wears wooden shoes.

Vannes itself has some ruins worth seeing. Old castles, prison walls of the eighteenth century, and a number of paintings and tapestries of great value. The

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Dear Louise:

Just a hurried note.
We are very anxious to
have you in our Society
and are using very
informal methods just
now.

I think you know some-
thing of the work of the
Delta Sigma Theta with-
out my explaining. We
have some great plans
for this winter which
we will tell you soon.

Has Alzada written
you? We have a chapter

regards. In writing to
Cincinnati tell them
where you have finished
school, etc.

Truly yours,
Kanne

at Cincinnati U., so you
can apply there and
can be made at some
time soon whenever you
are in Cincinnati. I am
writing to the Chapter
there.

We are rather pre-
sumptuous in taking
it that you wish to be-
come one of us but I
hope you do. Make your
application at Cincin-
nate and you will be-
come a member of the
Chapter there.

Let me hear from
you soon. All send

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