

Sept 6 1917

My dear Bernadette. -

Lillian says you are going (or by now probably gone) home so will send this to Kazoo.

I was very glad to hear from you dear. There is the same old flutter till I can get it opened and see what you have to say. You have been such a faithful friend. I wonder if I can ever repay you. My life will soon be so different. it can never mean the same to any of us again. I don't believe I quite realized that until lately. It is such a little while too. My how glad I am you can come. It will be something to always remember. I want it just as possible no fuss at all. Yet I want the regulation dress & veil and you girls.

2 Now dearie to get at the
"price resistance" are you
going to play and sing for
me or arent you, cant you?
I want you to but if - you
dont feel like it, it will be
alright, of course. Only sit
right down and tell me,
right away. So far as known
the date is Oct. 10.

I have so little time to
write and so awful much
to say, so excuse me if I
fairly throw things at you.
You know, child, how care-
ful you girls are as to what
you say to me etc. ? Heres
the rub. Every once in a
while I hear from Bergeson
and she frequently speaks
of the dear old days people
and so on. She does it per-
fectly innocently - but

Some of these days I fully expect her to mention me she never has but the mere name is as good as challenge to Roy. and he certainly does make me miserable sometimes with his blamed old suppositions. I just can't have any boy friends, and I know he feels antagonistic to all the boys at school in general. especially him. If I give you Bergies add. and you write can you or could you tactfully explain how I stand on the boy question. Yes, girl, I can't. It would sound so much you know how — Just tell her P- is lovely to me etc. only rather unreasonable in regard to boy friends past and present so you never mention any body — See! I hate

to ask you but I've just been
having a bug about it. He
really gets worse instead of
better. And do be careful Bern-
adette so she won't think we're
working her. You know Berg-
eson is shrewd - and like
wise quick as a cat on the
turn. I hope you can sit down
& answer right away.

Don't read too much between
the lines, dear, I'm happy as
any body of my make up
can be. It isn't in us to be
perfectly happy. I'm not as
bitter as I used to be. I guess I
was a lot so for a while.
I don't think God would let me
do all I have with out it being
for the best. He has taught
me by the fire, and I was a
very rebellious pupil. If there
is any thing at all you want
to say or write to me about
write it now - all - and

I'll look for your letter and
guard it. My love and care
surround you dear little girl.

Anna.

Jama



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Please forward



Winter colv. [1913]

My Dear old Pal:- Honey I know you are feeling angry at me because I haven't answered your letter but please you won't when I explain.

Honey I rec. your letter the day I was operated on, I just finished reading your letter and went right to the specialists and was in the operating chair for 3 hours.



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Three weeks from that day I
had my Tonsils Taken out, I got
a long just fine for 7 weeks +
then took the most dreadful
cold + have just had one cold
after another, my throat grew
up and had to be cut time after
time and I'm sure had my
share of suffering, so Harlin
I know you will understand
that I haven't felt like writing
many letters and love you
and have thought of you so often
if I haven't written. It must have
been you wrote me of Irma's death,
Mamma didn't send me the card as
it was right after I was operated on +
Mamma was afraid it would make
me feel bad. I sure felt bad over the
poor dear child's death. I am going
home in a few days I think and
"R. & R." "my man" you know is coming
to see me soon. It will be



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Sept = 29 = 1913

Dear Sister.

Aunt Nell was writing a letter so I thought I would write to you to tell you that I am back to school and enjoy it very much. Mother Cecelia is not back this year. Mother Dominic is teaching us this year. She is very good and I like very

much. Just think Sister day-
day school is right after first
mass and I don't have to go back
in the after noon every morn.
I stay home for night because
it was not pleasant enough
it was very rainy and dark.
Now Sister brother is getting
tired and will write again
Good Night here's a big kiss to
you

Catch me did?

Your brother,
Francis White.

Sep = 29 = 1918

Dear Ben

got your letter was glad to hear from you & would have written yesterday But you know Kate Fretteson was here she looks fine and seems to have a good time we went out Meander around we have been out to gather a great many times Eating lunches at the ~~W~~ Johnson on Main St she did not come home with

me to night We are very busy
at the Larnade I had
a Bad cold but am better
it was very Bad One Very
Lacey and Mary Short
is here I got a letter from
Frank Short he has been
just all full sick poor
kid am so sorry I must
send him that Diamond
pin I bought I gave the
Other to Les but dont wear
it Francis is writing
and Papa on the Other
Side I dont know who
he is writing if I find
oh he said the woodman

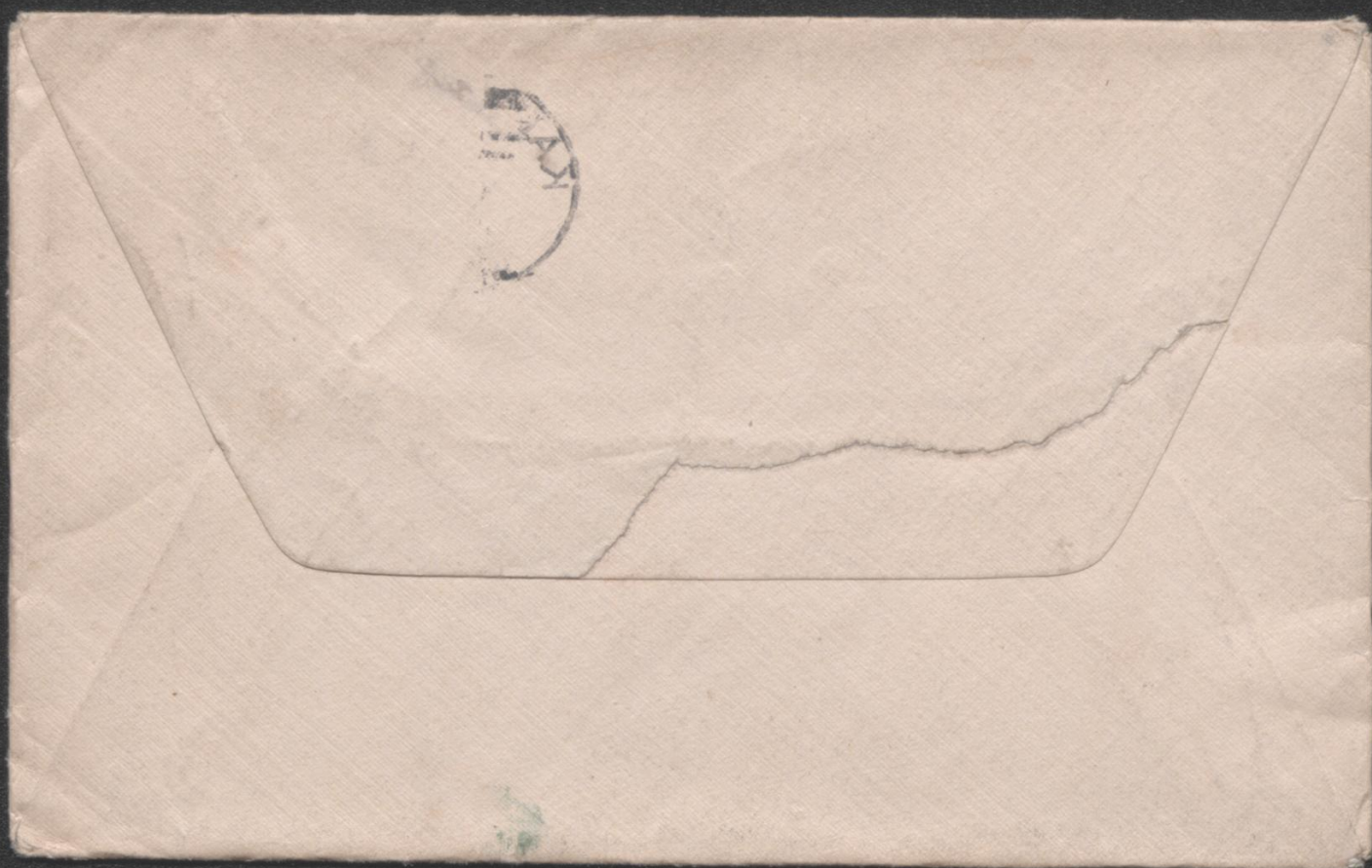
Womany how I wish I could
see you and Gladious
Indeed I would enjoy
Boat riding with my
girls I got I - Carol I will
try to remember her in some
way that so I dont forget
her for my Baby Baby is
right

So good by
Sweet Heart
love to you and
Gladious

Aunt Nell



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her father or will he lose a
Housekeeper; if so I may get a
job. Keeping House for him. hah

I am glad to hear they are
Busy at Jells place that spells
prosperity But Molly says they
are not very Busy here in her
place; tell her to lay off awhile
and drop me a card - you never
said any thing about the Boys in
your letter Francis & Nell & Leo, all in
the same places? & Frank that what
is he doing this winter

well I guess
there is some questions for you
but it would be some surprize to
me should I ever receive an ans.
also I know you cant read this may
be some Hunky Pan translate it for you
Love to all (Ketty) write soon

[Nov. 1914]

Waiting Room
Mandel Brothers
Chicago

Dear Bernadette

you see I am more than
prompt in ans. your Epistle:

for two reasons. one is I am all
alone and wish you were here too
help me to eat up a six pound
duck and various other things
ice cream & so on. Mollie lives
too far away she is in the north
side & I am South so you see,
I dont see her very often

of course I
am with Jack on again
and have some fine rooms nothing
like the doctors: I have a Bath in
connection Sixty Dollar apartment
for six rooms.

O. J. F. 10-11-14
god we have
a piano player
& orchestra in
our flat which
you may hear
to play music
I cant

I haven't seen Kitty for a month she is out of the city

and my other reason for writing is I was pleased to hear from you all - and to hear you were having the heat and the piano is fine But for me I prefer a victrola any one can play it + enjoy Grand opera ha ha

molly +

I have taken in a few shows I generally meet her down in the city + go + have supper at some Club then to a show - I haven't heard from Emmett but ever since he left he says they are very busy their time is limited

but he mentioned the fact he was going to write to Aunt Ann.

by the way my Back porch looks on on Lake Mich. + the M.C. tracks and I sure get a Blue Streak when I see the trains go past I want to be in them going some place Kazoo I guess, isn't that a terrible disposition to have, well don't speak of Xmas, first I get my diet then if I have any pennies left I can think of Christmas I expect to get it this coming week But the styles are so extreme and so changeable I hardly know what to get, I must get something practical at least as I only can have one every two years

and so Tressa has

is married is she going to live with

[NOV. 1914]

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To the Officers and Members of _____ Council,

Knights of Columbus, GREETING:--

Four years ago, a number of Catholic women of this City, recognizing the need of a home for unfortunate Catholic girls, organized the institution that is known as St. Margaret's Home, located at the corner of Monroe Street and Campbell Avenue (the old Monroe Street Hospital) and here unfortunate Catholic girls are cared for, trained and made self supporting. St. Margaret's Home receives the girls and their babies, giving them a Christian shelter, aiding, cheering and encouraging them in every way possible, in many instances forcing the father of the child to either marry or provide for the support of the unfortunate one. We have recently purchased the property indicated, are trying hard to pay for it, but we have interest, gas bills, coal bills, provisions, drugs and countless minor incidentals to pay. Many good Catholic people are helping us all they can; many good people, not within the fold of the Church, are nobly aiding our work.

The Knights of Columbus is known as the great Catholic organization, an organization of over 330,000 men of whom we are justly proud. I know you have many calls on your charity, I know that you respond willingly and freely, and as a result God has blessed your great Order and its members. It is with reluctance that we ask you to aid us in our work, but if you really realized how much your help means to us, you would give gladly, for our work is like yours in a measure--trying to aid the weaker ones, trying to make the world better. Many of our good women are laboring with these unfortunate girls to keep them from going deeper in disgrace, and in many cases our efforts are disheartening,--not even Catholic women giving us the support they should.

May we trust that your Council of the great Knights of Columbus will do what it can to aid us? Remember it is for Charity and we ask it in the Name of Him who said, "go and sin no more."

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Thanking you for/courtesy of your consideration and for whatever aid you may extend to us, we join in wishing your Order the very greatest success.

Very respectfully,

St. Margaret's Relief Society

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is this the Miss Hyland you Roomed
with and the Miss Mulvaney?
I had you speak of.

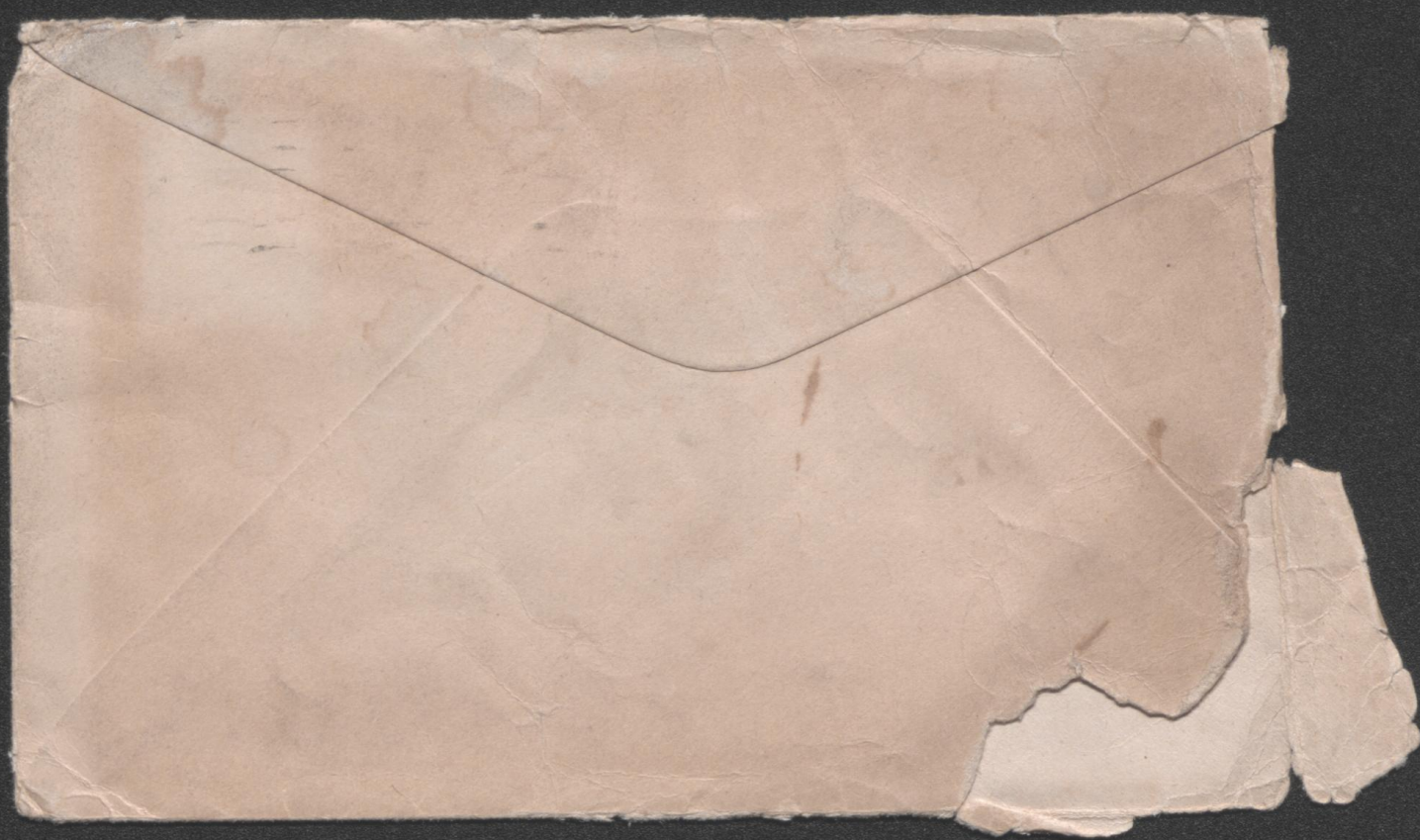


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Bernie:-

Did you think I had deserted you? Well I havenot. I've been very busy. Then I was unsuccessful in making the arrangements I expected to. You see most of the girls could not tell exactly what they could do, and when they could do it, well ^{any day} I'm in my 16 x 16 cottage and I like it very much. It's on the lake, the land sloping upward. Hallinan's are directly behind me on the next road. We are in a nice shady spot (scrub oak trees) and I have 2 cots & a large sanitary couch, table oil stove & ^{sink & pump indoors} cooking utensils. On the whole it's real comfy. The bathing is dandy. There is tennis, boating, a dandy dance hall and a clubhouse to lounge in. My opinion of it is that it's a real spot on the map. Now Bernie write and let me know when you can come. How about Mary too? Remember it's just a case of $\frac{50}{50}$ on the eats and we are doing it in real camping style. The house being of wood instead of canvas is a fine protect.

ion. I have Beth Payne and Anna Moran with me now. Do you remember them? They are from Chi. I'm expecting Ruth + Isabelle and the whole crew up before long. How is your Mother? Mine is not very well. She had a very very bad heart attack the week before I left, and she looks real bad. I'm trying to get her to come up and I know she'll come as soon as Billy arrives home. We expect him today. Well write soon Bernie. And remember you're just to bring your lunch basket and stay as long as you care to. Take train to Muskegon and then the Pere Marquette N. to Lakewood. Then take the gasoline street car (the dummy) to the clubhouse. Then if I know you are coming I'll have someone meet you there. Hoping to see you soon but hear from you sooner, I am, I hope the same old

Marie

We had a marshmallow roast on our beach last night. I'm writing to Mother that as I have nothing to do till tomorrow I'm awful busy so she needn't expect me to write often. We have one strenuous time. You may not like the art of my cottage - green with a red roof but Believe me it's a real shack. M. H. S.

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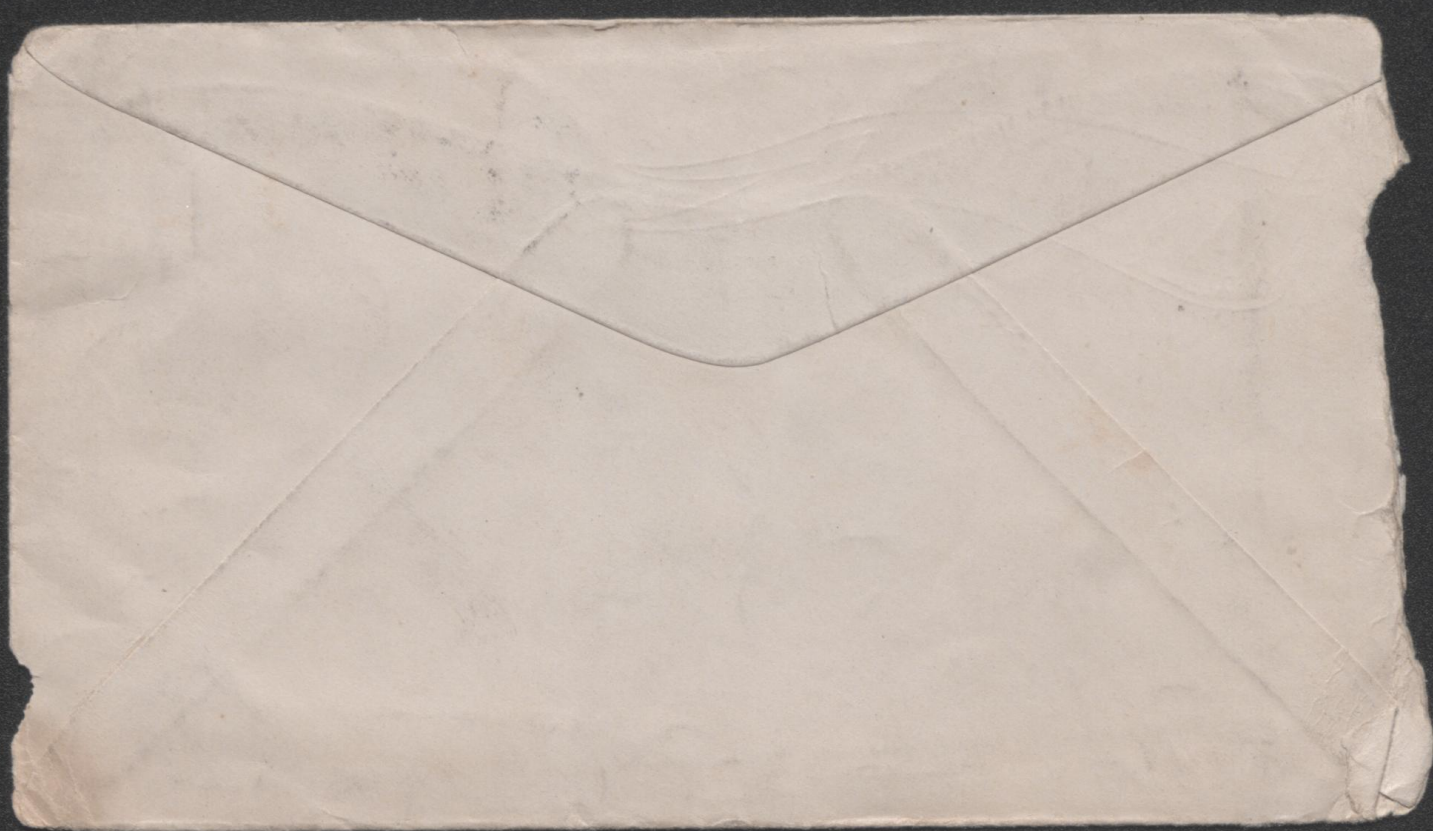
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and Kate and verine that
I should love to have seen
them all if I only had more
time, if I had known I would
be in Chicago all day Sunday I
would have stayed over in Kal-
and there was a young lady on the
train I had to sit with going to Chi-
to meet her friend who is a gackie +
she was going to stop with Marie + she
also knew you. She is in a Dentist
office his name begins with #9
cant remember it - quite a coincidence
wasnt it - this dentist did lots of
work for you I am going to
look for a letter from you
soon. I dont deserve any I know.
But forgive me this time. Love

Geneva

[Jan. 1918]

My Dear Bernadette
and all
I was in such a hurry to
get back that I did not take
the time to see you or Nell.
Before coming I had to go to
Gos. and then to Depot, and
then the 3.30 was late came in
at ten of five and I took that
one, and then the joke of it
was I could not get a train
out of Chicago until Monday
at nine thirty no trains running
Sunday at all. I never saw
such a storm so I fretted
and fumed all day Sunday

them after getting here I could
not get any one to bring me
over here nothing could get
through with the snow banks so
I started out and hooped it
over after getting here they told
me about water pipes bursting
and no heat and it didn't
look very cheerful to me, I can
tell you. But now they have
four engineers here one from
spring field one from Elgin one
from Chicago & Kankakee to
see what can be done if
it cant be repaired they will
have to close the place until

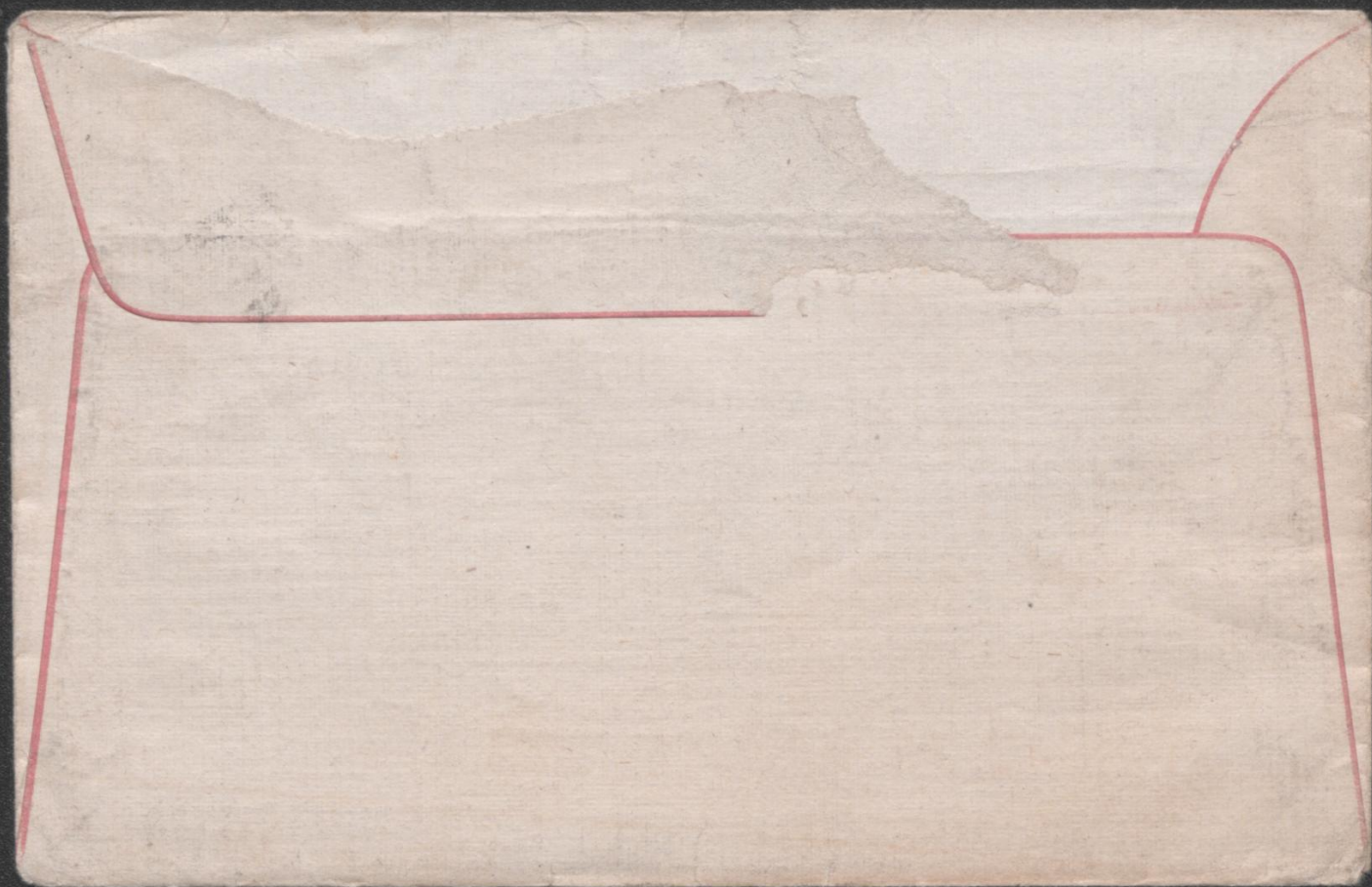
further orders no heat and
light we could not last long
here, this zero weather. But we
are all holding our breaths hoping
for the best; I felt rather blue
after coming back dont you
know, some old routine here
but its my bread & butter to be
The snow is drifted so bad here
they are having the boys from
the St. Charles Training School to
come and shovel it. How was
it in Cal. did it storm much
there? I want you to tell
the folks Frank and John



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338 McDougall Ave.,
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June 27th 1917.

Dear Bernedette,

I wish to extend
my sympathies to you
and your family in

your recent bereavement.

I would have written
before this time had I
known of it.

Miss Bray and
Louise were visiting me.

I trust you will
find a spare moment to
write me some time. Your friend
M. H. L.



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Sunday, August 7th

Dear Bernie;-

Your letter arrived at
Chi. and I was up here and Mother
did not forward it at once.

I'm awfully sorry, Bernie. I
know how you idolized him. Yes
indeed girlie no one can realize
or appreciate until they have
been thru' it. At a time like this
words are meaning less. What would
we do without the priceless blessing
of our holy religion? Bernie, I can't
put into words my feeling. Would
that I were near to show my sym-
pathy. But I'll remember him in
my prayers to our Blessed Lady and the
dear Sacred Heart. And Bernie, I'll pray
for you too. Bernie, think how short
our earthly stay is. Time really
passes quickly and then Bernie

we'll all have gone to a more
beautiful place than we can
ever dream of. Well has it been said
This world is but a fleeting show
For man's illusion given,
The smile of joy, the tear of woe,
Deceitful shine, deceitful flow,
There's nothing true, but heaven.

Bernie my great consolation is
to think of how much happier
Lee is than those she left behind.
Is it not so likewise of Billy?

A young person has so little to
answer for. Think how much we
who live long lives will be
responsible for. And your dear Mother,
I feel deeply for her. Somehow a Mother
feels it most of all. Extend to her my
heartiest sympathies. My Mother opened
your letter thinking it an ad (teachers
are flooded with all manner of fancy
looking ads), she said to tell you she
understands and will remember him
in her prayers.

With love & sympathy,
Marie.