give my love to all. Olga that’s awfully dear of you to make me _____ I am sure Ill like it so much.

17th April 1919
Thursday p.m.

Dearest Mother & Dad:-
Dads letter came yesterday and enclosed found a little note from you mother, I read every word of it and it made me very happy to hear from you as always, also dad. The mail is coming in a little bit each day again and we hope it will last, the same mail that brought your letters many others came to different girls telling of the great speal the girls gave back in R. clippings of all kinds, I also saw the great write up miss ______ had I guess she did not forget much but some of us have a bit more to tell, I surly dislike publicity and they will never get much out of this girl. What I have experience I had and what I went through Ill tell you folks but not make it public. I surly appreciate your getting so much ready for my return bless your hearts, but potatoe pancakes will be good enough and taste mighty good at that I think Ill be so happy and glad to be home again that I wont want to eat Ill be so filled up with joy. Nothing of any importance has happened since I last wrote less then a week- only that I have been in bed a few days nothing serious, but am feeling much better it was only the awful after effects due from the typhoid ______ we had injected. Perry and I were in bed together and believe me it felt fine to be waited on for a little while. It is very necessary for us all to have this inoculation before re turning to the States and all the girls suffered the same effects and had 2 days off duty in the bargain. We are all glad that’s over with and feeling better. Well I hope dear ones before long Ill be with you again just when I cannot say, but we hear we will all be leaving by June. Surly Ill not need the letter Dad wrote, thanks just the same. I hope mother dear you are feeling much better and just look forward to the good times we will have this summer for Ill stay all summer with you and ___

Lillian had a very happy birthday I thought of her a great many times and what you all were doing it surly was a beautyful day here the 12th. I hope you all received the Easter cards I sent by now they were nothing great but just to say I thought of you all tomorrow is Good Friday but its all the same here, we hope to have some good eats Easter. I have tried very hard mother here “Coblenze” and “Coloh___” to get linen as you say but its very scarce and not very good at that for they have little thread to do with. What there is is most expensive but more reasonable then in the States I believe. I allready have
several pretty pieces. In spite of you not answering my questions as to what I should bring you, I will try and bring you a little rememberance of this Country. Just as dad says “war stricken” it sure is and they charge the Americans very high prices here as well as else where, but my dears it would be no pleasure for me to return with nothing, for you know how Clara loves to bring home nice things I shall have everything such like packed in my beautiful foreign suitcase. You’ll die-
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when I come home with it, in fact I am afraid you will all disown me. Perry says she surly will forsake me when I reach N.Y., but it’s the best I could get in France as they have no leather, “it’s a ______” but then I should worry how I am planning for that time when you all meet me at N.Y.C. in Rochester in Ben’s car, (so please keep it in running order) so that you’ll be there at a moments notice. Then when we get home Aunt Clara will have you all sit around my suit-
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(top) I wrote Cooper a long letter after I reached here also Ms. Giddys but have not heard as yet call them up and give them my love.

case, and when I open it what a grand time we will have, my trunk also but that will come later, this is all I have to do off duty, build air castles and at same time it all seems so very far away but some day our time will come. We heard to day 5 Base Hosps. Sailed that’s encouraging.
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We were all given new black shoes and hats a few days ago which came from Paris Hosp- but Oh! The shoes, Ill save them and let Lillian wear them on the farm, won’t I just be glad to have a pretty shoes on my feet again believe me I will. Lawrence allways made fun of my feet in these awful shoes however, they are comfortable but Oh! The sights, there is one nice thing about them that is one does not look more dressed up then the other and that’s such a satisfaction among girls you know. I wonder if I wrote Olga in my last letter that I shall be pleased with the suggestion she made about a little party, I heard from my boy last letter dated March 18th he was still at camp in Va.
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and was almost a civilian a few days before but they lost his record book and matters had to be investigated perhaps to Washington but he hoped it would not take longer then a week or two perhaps by now he is home I hope so. I wrote him I thought it best to come on home after I got there rather then to come on to N.Y. to meet me for it would only be a great expense and then I could not see much of him for I would be very busy there running here and there checking up and ______ out and after I get home and settled Ill have him come on. Well I hope you are all well and happy as this leaves me the same. Does my allotment come regular; if not let me know lovingly clara
April 20th 1919
Easter!

My dear Mother Dad and All:-

This sure has been a beautyful day, and I thought of you all day long, as many of us
could attended Easter services at the ______ in a.m., latter we took a walk to the
cemetery and fixed up some of our boys graves. It’s a beautyful spot, but not nearly as
pretty as the one we left in Vichy, when we returned to our quarters w ewere just in time
for dinner we had roast beef mashed potatoes, lettuce, creamed corn ice cream and pie
apple.

and to top it all off I had Dads Easter card letter from geo, Lillian, Olga and Oscar Leiser,
I surly felt that I was made very happy. Glad to hear you are all well. Olga your letter
received to late to look up Neils brother the Div. had left a few days before, sorry you
never heard from “Neil” perhaps something serious has happened him in mail lost you
know there is as much uncertainty in this man’s army. Well dear ones the time is fast
flying and I hope to be with you all again before a few months fly by.

You need not go to any further trouble to write me for release for we expect to vacate
here by June perhaps before. As there is very little doing, our hardest work is to entertain
the boys make fudge and all kinds of candy when we can get the sugar. I suppose my
Lawrence is spending Easter home to-day. Had letter a few days ago written March 8th
stating that he was
receiving wire every day from home wondering if he would soon come his mother received my numerous letters waiting him there, she was afraid to send them on for fear

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he would leave camp He’s mighty proud of me to think I would stay here until all was one. I am feeling fine these days the weather is very warm now and we enjoy it. Well my dears must close for this time will write again in another week. I sure will be happy to get home again excuse this pen its terrible. I mislayed my fountain pen (write soon)
Lovingly
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