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of evenings at least and account  
marital on Friday which takes  
me away all day.

I also have Father's cable about  
deferring leave. I have not affixed  
for it still, only made inquiries  
about which I have told you and  
will leave the matter in abeyance  
until late summer or fall at any  
rate. It was very kind of him to  
send it. Will cable tomorrow  
about Jim's visit.

By church notices I think you  
shall be undertaking too much and  
would ask you to try and let up a  
little.

Jim's loaded me down with good  
cigarettes chocolate and I am so  
sorry I had no souvenirs for him but  
did not expect him so soon. as far as  
I can see if I did get 3 months there  
might be a months delay in England  
before I got off. Very much love  
and thanks for dear letters. I hope

his letter from Jerry Fitzgerald. Hope  
Edna will write Sarah about Mrs.  
Branton's condition very freely if  
she sees her at Atlanta City.  
I will write Mrs. Simpkins re Tuesday 18  
Jim's return.

Dearest Mother

1918

12 March

as usual leave has very much  
upset my writing and from the look  
of things I won't be able to manage  
daily letters until end of week.

I got back last Saturday  
morning, leaving Paris which the  
said was on and finding Jim  
waiting here for me on my return  
have been with the dear boy every  
minute and especially chatting  
in evenings when otherwise I  
would be writing. He got away  
yesterday morning and hoped to  
catch the boat that night. He  
could not get a car so I sent him  
in a mess cart to — and rode  
down there myself and saw him  
off. He spent the night with me



suddenly called back before our next leave. I have  
had woodgrieve and does not count against my regular  
leave. The food restrictions as I said are going to be hard  
on her. Dines will tell you how well we like as army  
has by far best of it now. If you can send her an  
occasional box of plain biscuits for her breakfast  
and a jar or 2 of malted milk I will very much  
appreciate it. I have your dear letters of Feb 6th and  
Feb 11th and a line of Feb 7th and three from Father  
dated Feb 4th 611th which so far I have only glanced over  
over. I wrote a few papers I have also some, for all of  
which many thanks. I am writing now so that you  
will not think I have entirely forgotten you but have a  
lecture to prepare for Thursday which I will take a couple

Saturday and Sunday, sleeping in  
my bed with me and on Sunday  
and walked over and saw Woodgrieve.  
He is naturally tired but otherwise  
looks well and will be able to tell  
you how well and comfortable  
we all are over here. I am only  
sorry that I missed 3 days of his  
visit and was not able to show  
him over the front myself and I  
know Sally will be so disappointed  
not to see him in Paris which of  
course this delay prevents. It is  
really too bad that he is so hurried  
but seeing him even for a couple of  
days was a great pleasure and  
comfort and hearing direct from  
you all has meant a great deal.  
I left Sally much better I am  
glad to say. Altho' she was quite  
worried about her for a few days  
and hope she will not be