

Nice, July 23rd, 1945

My darling Billy,

It is with a great joy that I received your cute card and your kind letter, in addition to the flint which I gave to Mr. Lodin, he thanks you greatly.²⁴ I leave tomorrow morning at 6:30 for Marseille, but I hope to not stay (there) for a long time and come work in Nice. Billy darling, I hope to see you again soon. I beg you to write me quickly and often because in Marseille, I will be so sad and alone. Billy darling, your letters are very good and I can easily decipher them. Billy darling, I hope that you can forgive my short letter but I am in the thralls of work, I will write you a longer one as soon as I arrive in Marseille. Write me quickly at Mr. Lodin's who will get your letters to me. Mr. and Mrs. Lodin send all of their best wishes and a thousand times thank you. Mother and Lolo send you thousands of best regards. Receive, Billy darling, all my love and a thousand kisses.

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²⁴Flint is used to make fires and it was a hard commodity to come by during the war. Lighter and match companies knew that soldiers needed a reliable lighter and flint became an essential tool during the war.