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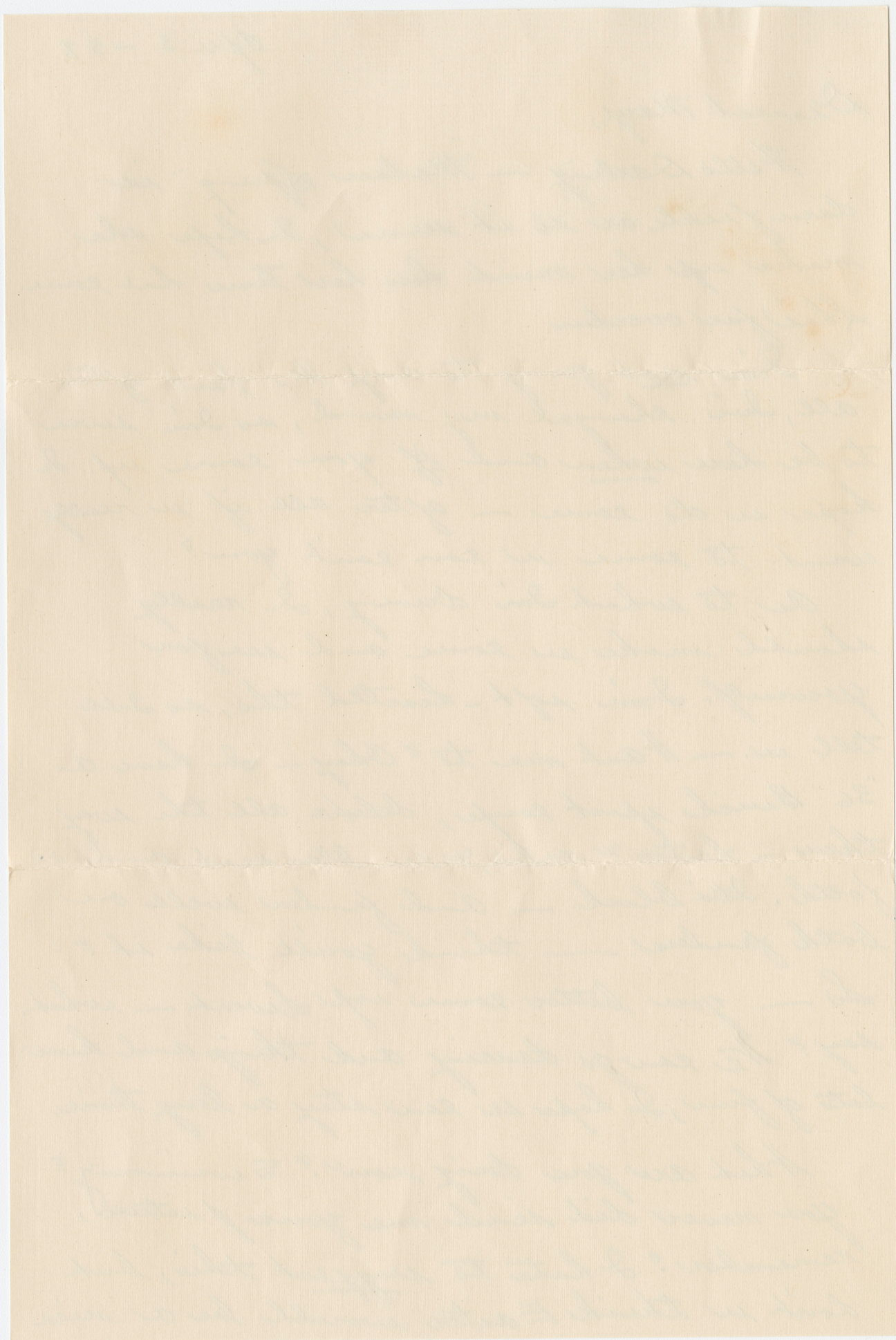
Hells Darling - "Madam Spring" is damn fickle or so it seems, I hope she makes up her mind ~~how~~ her time has come. She's far overdue.

I'm not going to any W.'s Fair after all, I've changed my mind, so I'm sure to be here when and if you come up. I hope we do come - after all if we really want to come we can can't you?

As to what I'm driving, I really should make us come and see for yourself. I'm soft-hearted tho, so I'll tell u. - Want me to? Okay - I have a "36" Buick sport coupe, deluxe all the way thru - heater & radio, & rumble seat and so forth. It's black - and fender wells on both fenders. - think you'll like it?

So - you better come up Sweet - what say? We can go dancing and things and have lots of fun, I hope we can stay a long time.

What are you doing now? Sewing? you never did send me your picture, remember? I hate to suggest this, but don't we think Easter would be a nice



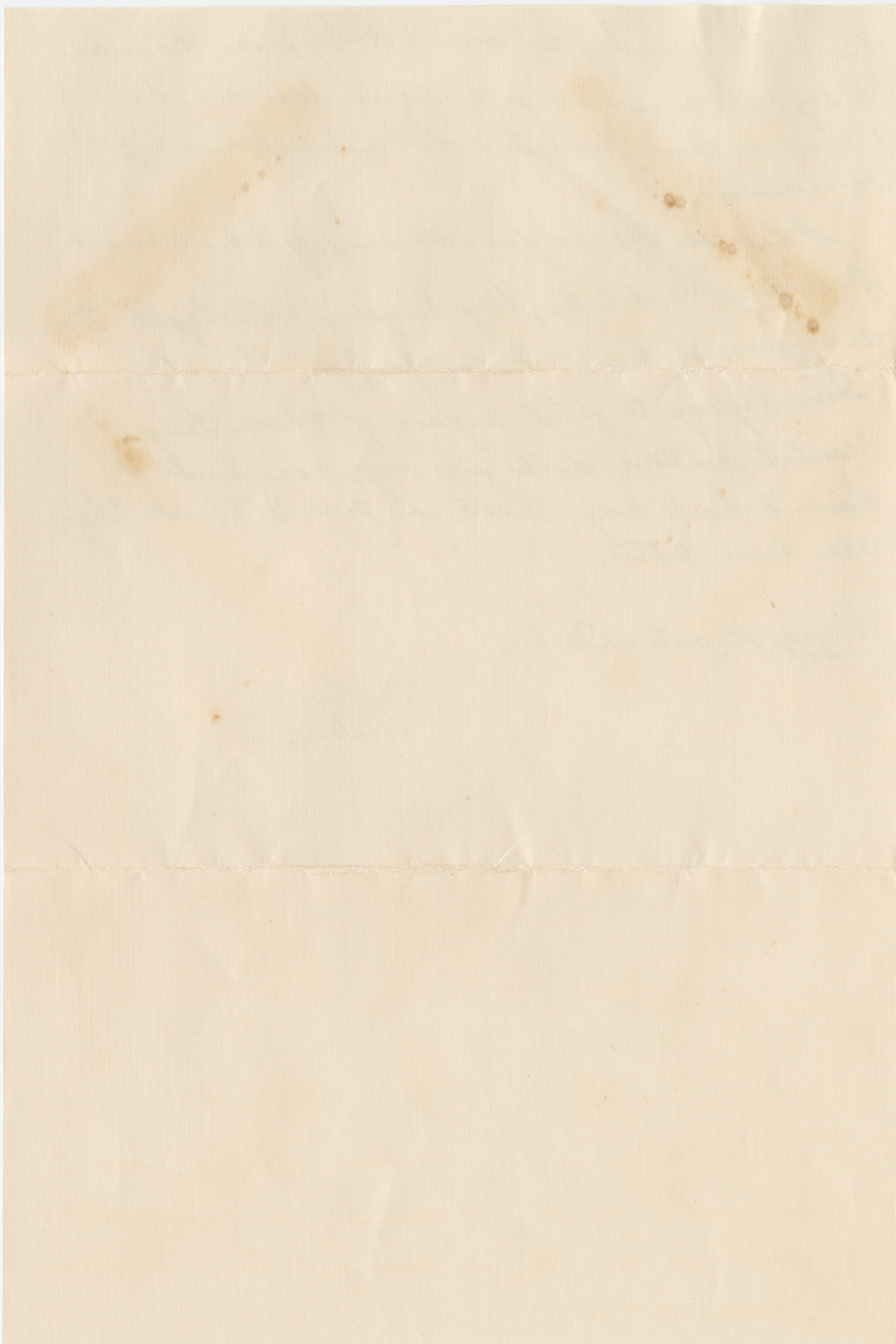
time to send me one? Ha! Gee, thanks  
Mary! I knew u wouldn't let me down.  
(Now u can't back out of it and not have a guilty  
conscience).

What are your favorite songs of the moment?  
Mine are "Could Be", "Deep Purple"; - "Hold Tight." The  
arrangement, huh? I really like them too.

I'm trying to find a pair of those tiny  
braided leather dolls for my car but I  
haven't had any luck so far. I think they  
are darn cute.

Happy Easter Darling.

My Love  
- Allen.





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Thurs. Eve -

Dearest Mary,

You must have had yourself quite a time with the flowers, I'm awfully glad you liked them. I heard about them at this end too - in fact I always hear all about it whenever ~~it~~ I send us anything. I wish they'd stop it. There was a whole house full of people this time and I was embarrassed no end, and ~~at~~ the way it turns out I usually appear as a love sick, moon-eyed fifteen year old. There's nothing I wish more than to leave us to ourselves instead of making a case history out of it - you should be here sometimes, then I'm sure you'd be sort of exasperated yourself!

Believe it or not Spring is finally arriving, green grass, robins, blooming Crocuses & Daffodils. Eastwood opens this Friday nite. I'll be there and I'm gonna be thinking of you. "Heaven Can Wait" - but you -

Yes, I really have a car. Hal bought a dandy too. "37" Dodge coupe. - brown.

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Baseball's here again & we've won both games - one was postponed.

Exactly when are you planning on coming up? I'd "sorta" like to know - ha! in fact my teeth are rattling I'm so anxious to know!

I saw a car from Florida this P.M. Red & White. 401-..... where from?

Let's plan on a really grand summer Mary. I hope will be able to stay a long time. There's so many places to go, and we have so much to talk about. Let's not act as if we were a couple who went out with each other about twice a year. We've both been (in our letters) "beaty around the bush," and casual about "things," when I'm sure we didn't mean them that way at all, I mean talking lightly and acting like we weren't even bothered about things, and writing about common events & things when we really would have liked to have talked about ourselves, but thought the other fellow might not understand or wouldn't want to talk about it, or ~~just wanted~~ didn't really feel as we did about it and we didn't want to be the one to plunge for fear <sup>(I, you)</sup> ~~we~~ didn't feel the same way and

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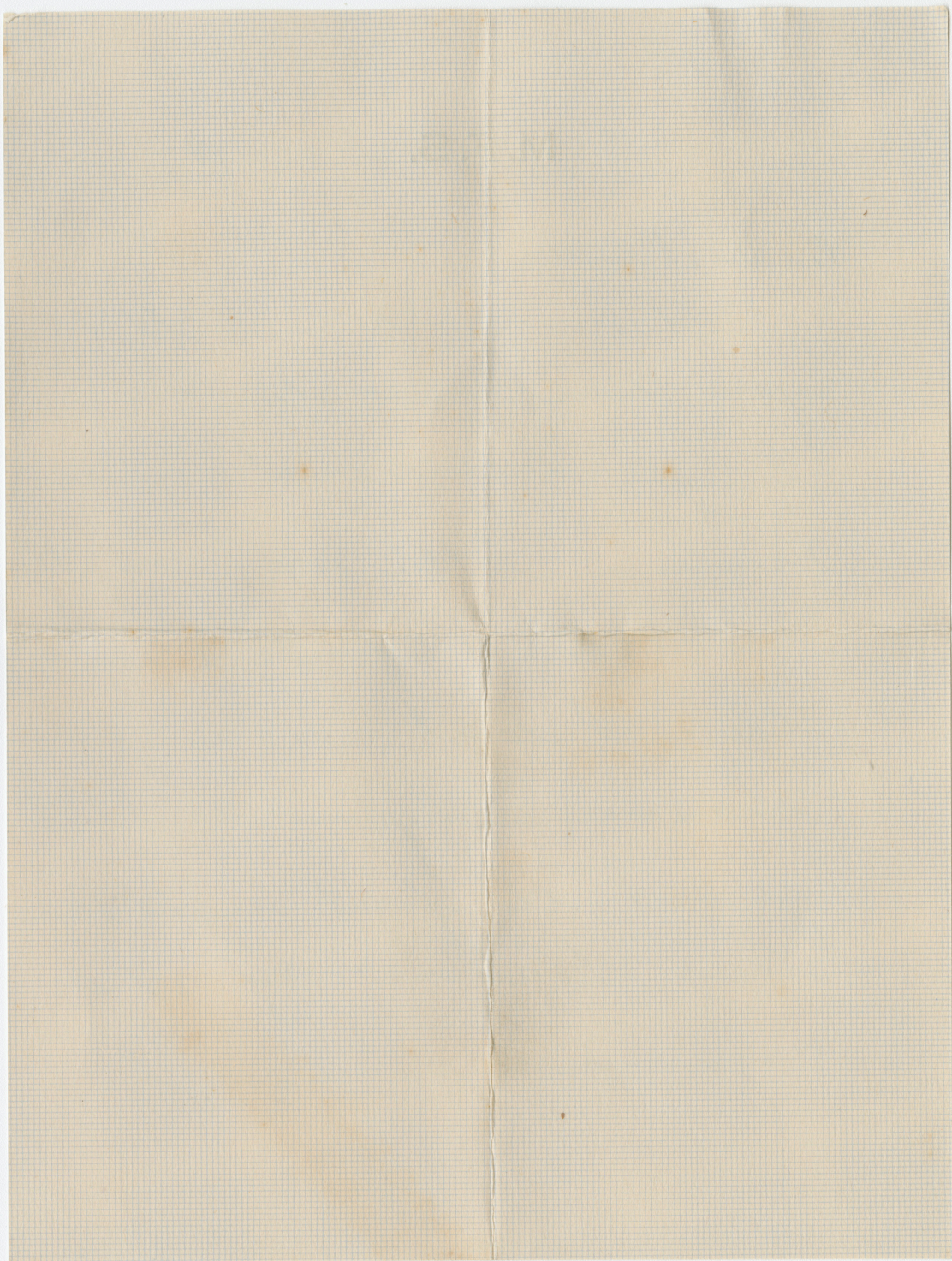
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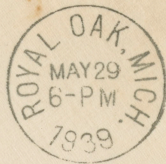
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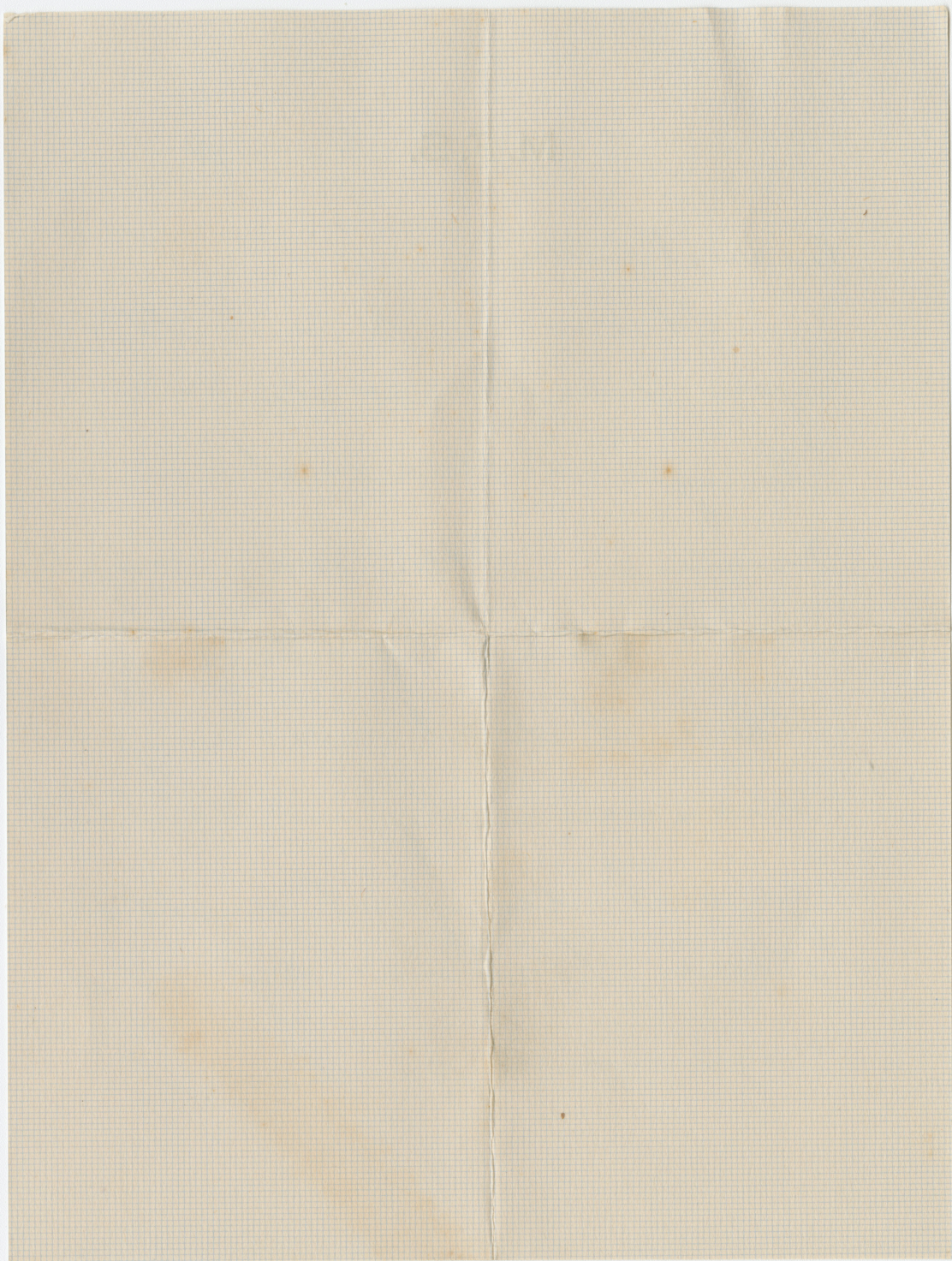
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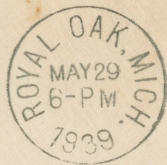
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