

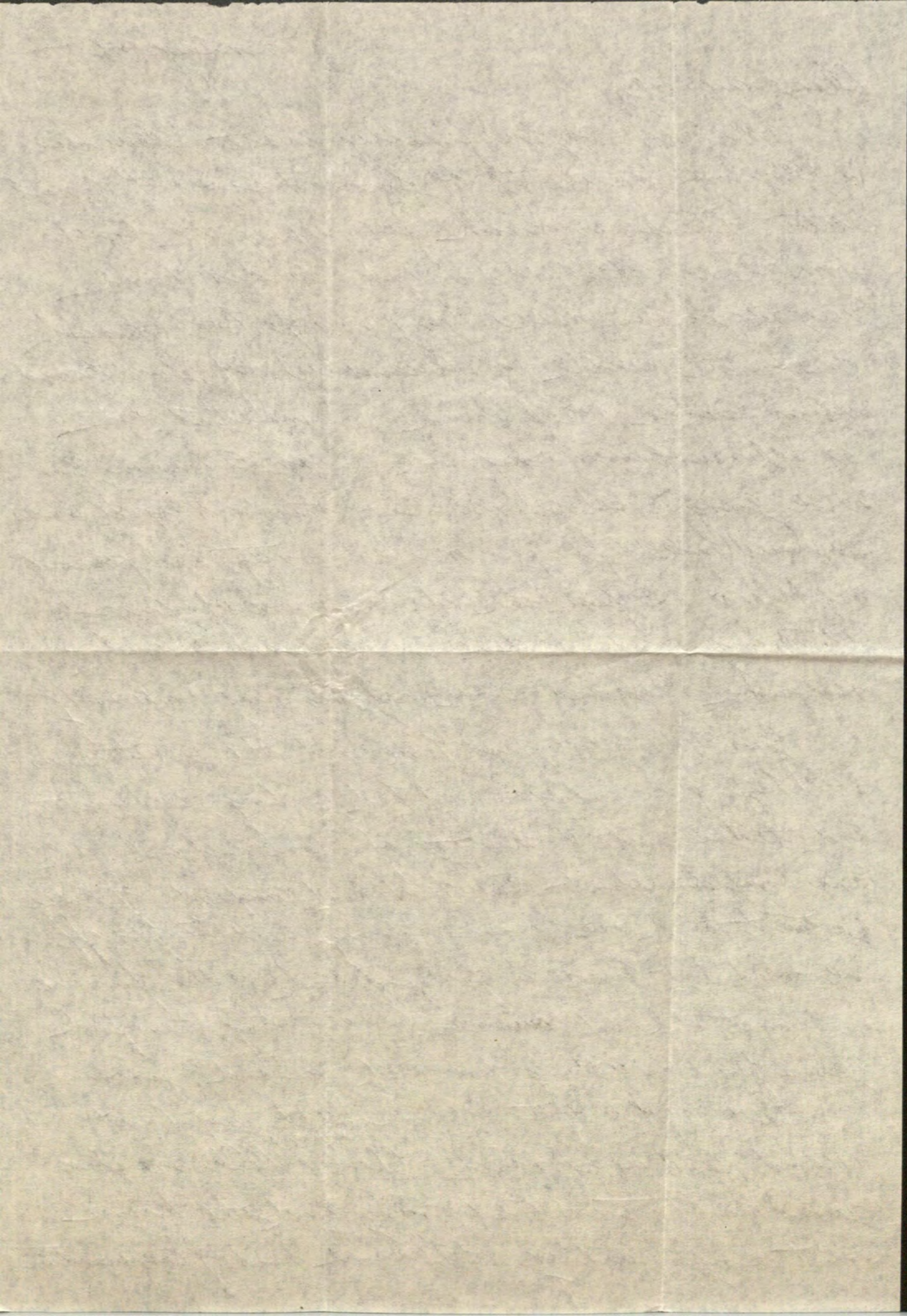
Monday eve —

George, my love,

Yip Yip! So you finally wrote "Somewhere in Belgium" on the top of your Jan 22nd V-mail letter. Thanks so much for keeping the truth from me all these weeks but I did have my suspicions when Harry's wife Bea showed up in the middle of December. If you turned up in India or China, I wouldn't be at all surprised anymore. Had I known you were going to see so much of this cock-eyed world I would have left Jim on a doorstep and joined my beloved. I just kept the conclusion of your itinerant winds up here in 3021 and I and very sad. Jim and I are waiting very anxiously.

Jim and I are just fine but the weather is still keeping us indoors. We had a long, cold winter and there's quite a shortage of coal and oil. We can't complain about the heat and comfort of our apartment and the warm spring isn't too far off. We read how Europe is freezing and of the famine in almost all the countries. I am very thankful again for everything here and you and Jimmie.

Last night after Eleanor left, my Aunt Mildred paid me a visit. Charlie Kellner also joined us later in the evening and the hour went very quickly. The same kind of conversation



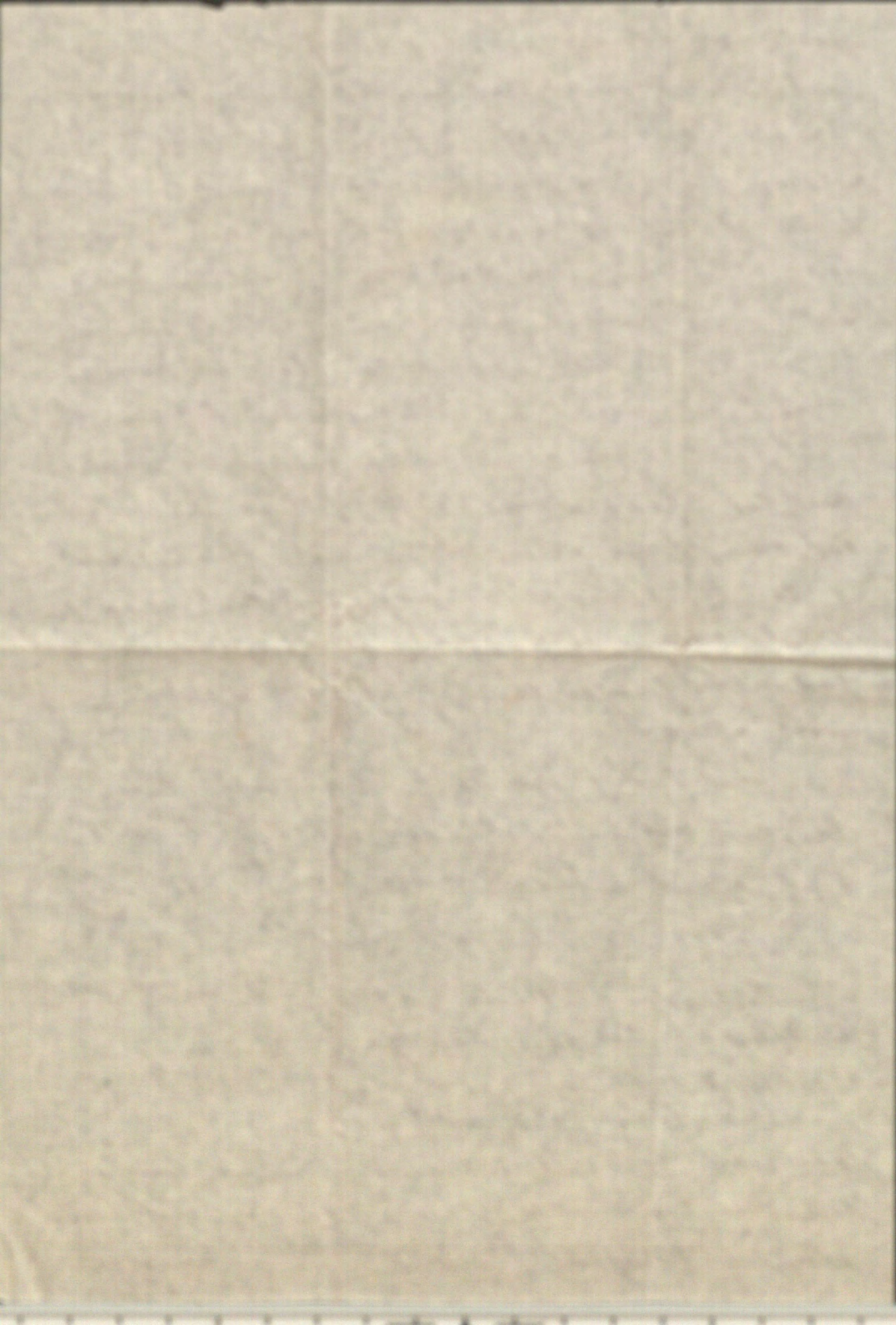
bores me daily and in the future I'll
just go ahead with my knitting, reading or sewing.
Tummy, dearest, but I prefer to have my
evenings for myself these days and I just
don't think everything is temporary and very
soon I'll have what I desire most in this
world - you and only you - plus Jimmie.

In the morning I received that "Belgium"
V mail letter and am always glad to know you're
well and that you're receiving packages. No other
mail but I did send you 3 pics, plus a stock sheet
and a sample sewing kit - 1st class mail. Jimmie and
I played hide and seek, piggy back and sang
all the nursery rhymes during the afternoon. We
had an early supper and Jim went to sleep
soon after.

Just had a few calls from Billy Kuhl,
Lan and my family. All are well. The folks
are fine and Bob called them again yesterday.
He's well and will write me all the news.

Enclosed is a Hershey bar with nuts. Hope
you enjoy it. Bought a bond for \$8.75 today and
will try to buy another at the end of the month.

I still love you with all my heart and
hope we'll be together soon. Jimmie is growing tall
talks more and more and sends his love and kisses
to Daddy. Stay well, beloved.
Sincerely
Patience



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