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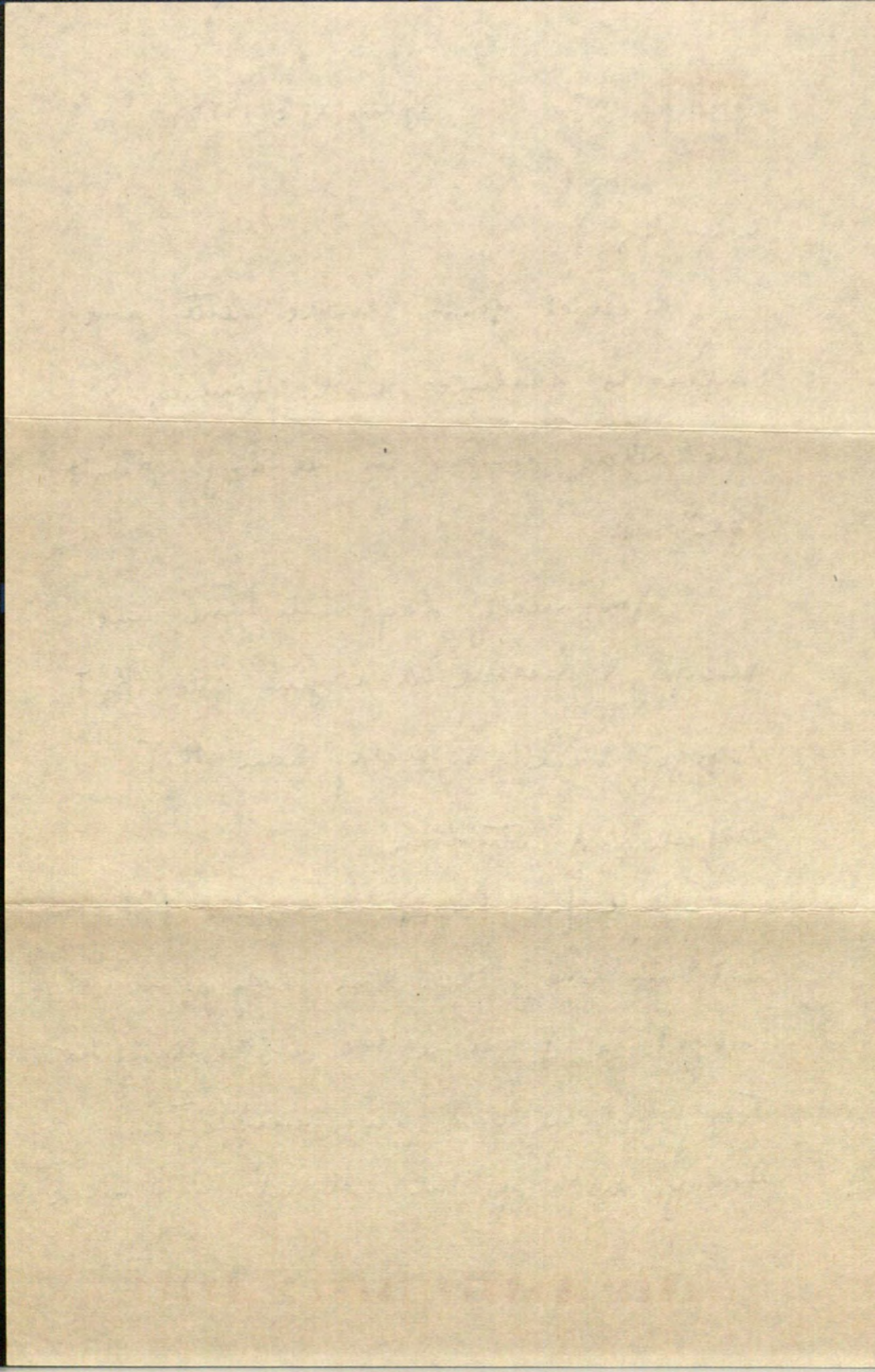
Dear Gg.

Received your double letter, and confess to reading both. However, I also confess sorrow in reading "don't open" me.

You really lay into me, and perhaps I deserve a laying into. But George, have I really been that selfish and stubborn.

As for Fran, George if I'm not in love, then I'm crazy; which might be possible too. Especially after today. We've had two inspections today, both by the Colonel. And were

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they stiff. Only for my funeral
starting Friday night. I think I
would go crazy.

George, I really had the
stomach taken out of me with your
letter. But, I guess you must have
felt it very strongly, else you
would have held back.

Fran. I know very well,
is not your idea of my wife.
Nor am I so blind to think that
she's the best I could do. But George,
I am in love with her. Of this,
I'm certain.



My dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

J. H. [Signature]

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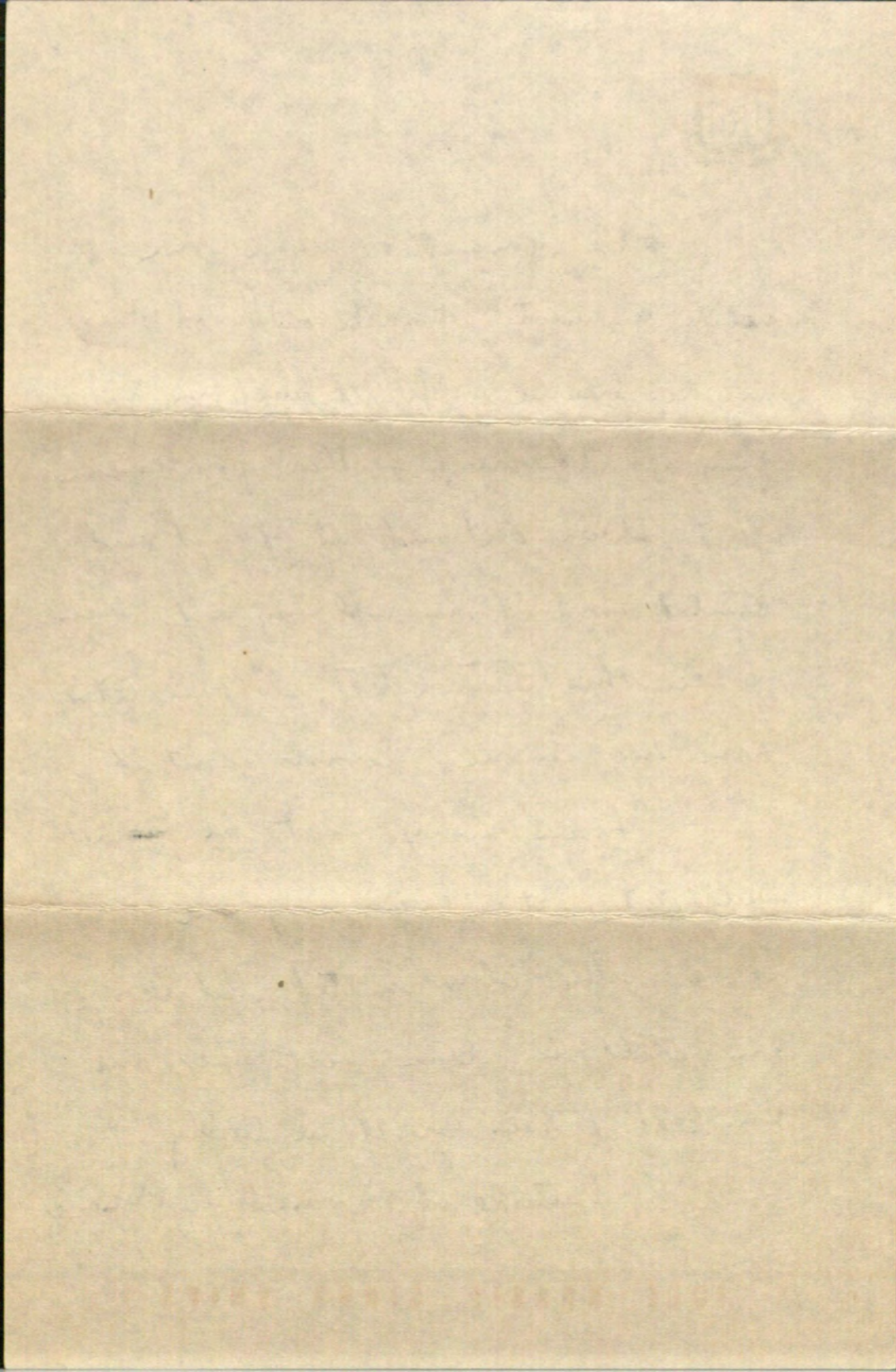
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Let's you and I have one heart to heart "thrash out" of this whole business. We'll pull no punches. I'd much rather you were just plain out and out frank and candid about Fran and myself. Then when this tête à tête is over, let's have no more words about it.

Fran may not be ~~so~~ so brilliant, let's even say she is a little slow-witted; but George, I'm still in love with her, and I'm dead certain we'll be happy.

Outside of Fran's mothering





of the intelligensia, I know she's 100% straight shooter, and as for her trying to marry me — well, I don't blame her. I think I'm a good catch.

George, on second thought — there's no use in discussing the faint. I know I love Fran, and I know she loves me. Perhaps it's a case of unlike poles attracting each other.

As for those bull sessions around the bar — absolutely. And as for stories, I should be able to go on for days, once I get started.



Your liquor list is not very understandable; but I think you mean for me to try to purchase those bottles ~~in~~ which aren't on the list you submitted.

As for Fran's watch - I think you have a point there. And I mean to make it up to Mom and Pop. I give you my word - I never meant to maltreat them in any way. But if I have, you've got to help me rectify my mistakes.

Hope all's well at home -

With that everlasting handshake in mind.

P.S. Thanks for prompt remittance Bob
 of dough -

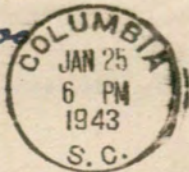
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P.S. - Enclosed is picture, I thought
does me justice —

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