

July 8.

Dear Mother and Father

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have waited here - We will have to
have tomorrow and I do not know what to
do - the last letter I had was June 5th
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an interview saying that Vienna was
the only civilized city in the world.
You certainly got the impression
that all the musicians lived here.
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this morning all dating back to 1000
or so.

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and the Singer Sewing Machine are the
two American products that are all
over Europe - although everywhere we
go they try to sell us American
products at twice the price.

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which is much larger than Coney
Island. We rode on a ferris
wheel which although they did not say
was the largest in the world looked it -
there were 18 seats in the little
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stabilized last week so I should
buy here I guess but am so afraid
of duty in all the little countries
as well as the U.S.A. have started splendid
schools for workers - We went in the
parliament and the place where
the house of lords used to meet.

Sunday night - 8 P.M.
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know you are well as I hope it
implies but is appointed about
your coming - We could have
had a gorgeous trip - I drafted
a cable to say saying, that I
could go but when I discovered
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Maybe you have letters on the
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have talked it over with people
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come back to the U.S.A.
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understand that Estonia regarded
it as a closed issue but they
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honourably. I guess
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was that of a Salvation Army
street meeting - don't know whether
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or whether it is the remnant of
my evangelical upbringing -
the S.A. was not permitted
to enter Austria until last few
years -
today we spent with a Viennese
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that the newest thing is baby psychology -
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several hundred babies from first
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The cable makes me homesick -
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dear

July 18 - Aug 4.
Lois Diehl

Kirikut 2

Talinn

(same as Riga!)

Estonia

Aug 5 - 19

Marion Hamlen

Antonijas Iela, I,

Riga Latvia

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Sunday Night – 8PM

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All Love

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Riga, Latvia.