

Chicago - May 31 - 1918

my dear Dave:-

was hoping I would have a letter to answer when I reached home tonight but no such luck dear.

We are having awfully warm weather now and dear how I wish you were home to enjoy it but our time will come and I only hope it won't be long.

Wednesday was Epw. League, at Pauson's and we were discussing about Des Plaines. Dear I have not much ambition to go there without you another year but I guess it is a case of have to and certainly not one of choice.

Yesterday was Decoration Day and dear a lonely one and yet one full of memories. I certainly have felt blue this week and I could not nerve myself to write because I knew it would be a gloomy letter and I did not dare to write another letter like that. I am afraid this one is not a very cheerful letter either dear but I must tell somebody or bust and I know you understand dear better than anyone else. I dont know why I have felt so lonely this week but it seemed I could not shake the blues and stop that awful ache in my heart. It seems dear as if I cant be still any longer for my feelings get the better of me and that pain in my heart gets so sharp I feel as if I must fly to your arms dear, but I know someday dear it wont be that way for I will

have my sweetheart to tell all my ~~troubles~~ troubles to.
Next Saturday & Sunday the 8th & 9th are Epw.

League convention in Hyde Park. I am delegate
this year also. DAVE how I miss you in every
thing I cant tell you. Nothing seems the same
any more without my sweetheart.

I have been asked to sing in a quartet
next Sunday morning at confirmation.
Next Sunday night will be Children's Day
services and once more your place will be
vacant.

Olga Sestrand's intended husband leaves
today drafted and so Olga will not be a
June bride as she expected to be. Lilly Carlson
who was married over a year ago had to break
up housekeeping because her husband was
drafted. June 4 is registration for the 2nd
draft of all boys who have become 21 since
the last draft.

Pastor Swenson's preceding eldership is
up this year and he is going to join the
American Rock River Conference. Humboldt
Park church is a thing of the past. The
trustees signed the church over to the
American's last week and it is going
to be used as a community church with
gymnasium, bowling alleys, reading
rooms etc and Pastor Swenson is
going to have charge of it. I
guess that is about all the news.

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I have been working very hard lately. In fact we had to get another Steuag to help me out with the work. She is going to begin Monday so I guess the work will be a little easier for me after that. My boss has enlisted in the Navy so it leaves all his work to the bookkeeper & I and the other boss is running around like a mad man trying to take care of both ends of the lumber game.

Well sweetheart there is not much more news to tell you. I still love you dear and more for every day that goes by and oh how I long to see you once more and hear your voice.

Will close now dear. Will write again in a day or two.

folks send their regards.

So you sweetheart I send all my love and trust from your little loony but lonely little girl you left behind

Grace

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