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September 27, 1917

Grace dearest:-

I did not write you yesterday as we drew our winter clothes and by the time my name was called it was 9:15. We had to stand by and wait. I couldn't even wash my clothes as I had planned. This afternoon we have nothing to do, so I am writing and afterward wash my clothes. This noon we drew our sea bags, so it will not be long before we go. Then again we may stay. I heard today (only a rumor) that our company was to stay in this country as a home guard, against any inside trouble such as the I. W. O. etc. I would just as soon pop one of them as a German. Our squad room is made over into <sup>a</sup> winter quarter. It makes it


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look like a home.

Are the "L" just as crowded as they were when I used to ride on them? I hope the cuts will not cause you any trouble. You might have known you would not be able to hurt the glass, but that it would hurt you.

Yes, you must be having a great time on old Chicago Avenue. I wish I was home with you my dear so we could go for a walk just as the other folks. Now see how you feel when you see the other young couples and you don't have ~~any~~ your friend. I won't write what I had on my mind as you might not like it and then you might get angry. I wouldn't do that for the whole world.

You sure do change about


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in your work. But then a change for the better is permissible I suppose. It shows you are looking out for yourself. I hope you will like your new work.

I don't know why you did not receive a letter on Tuesday. It must be the letter I wrote on Sunday. I hope it was home waiting for you.

You sure do believe in rubbing it in, don't you? I did receive that letter from Lillie last night. I ~~can~~ don't know though, that I can say I was waiting for it. I know I wasn't. I hope you will forget about it as it has hurt me enough now. I know and can see now, I never should have asked you that. Why I did is beyond me. I never will


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answer the letter.

Our company mounts guard tonight again, but again I am lucky and won't mount until next guard and I hope by that time we have left.

We fired our machine guns this morning. There were four machines firing at one time and say the noise was music. I love to hear the noise from the firing.

I will close for this time.

Best regards to your folks,

All my own love is for you with mistakes my dearest Grace, from your own lonesome boy.

Dave.

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