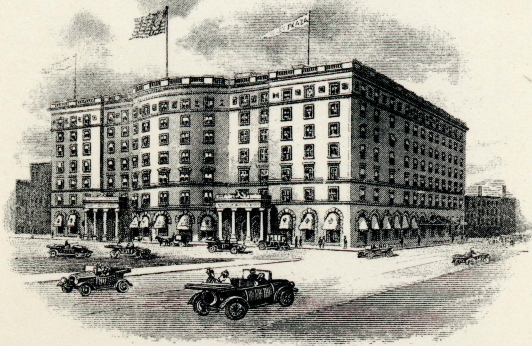


Somewhere in France.

May 25, 1918.

My own darling sweetheart:-

Oh darling if I only had you here tonight to hold you in my arms and to reassure you of my love and trust for you. Darling you do believe I trust and love you don't you? Oh if I could only tell you with words I would feel so much better, but a letter will have to do now and some day the other part will come. This separation, tho is what is going to count and I know it is tying our knot tighter. Isn't it dearest? Yes that is what I heard about Ellen. I know Ellen and from the first when Gun told me about it I never thought twice about it and I see now I never should have written you. I see that if you did not love and trust me and that you know I love and trust me it would seem that I did not trust you. But darling let's forget and when I come home we can talk over all the affairs, but I know you can settle it and as you say so will I do. I can't see why Al should stick so close to

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Ellen. I thought and still think some one is trying to butt in, but they can't, can they darling mine!

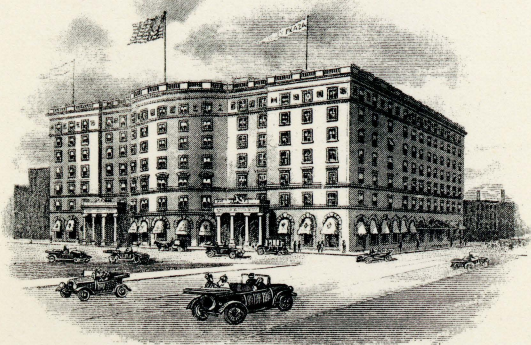
Joe never says a word about any of his affairs, so all I know is what you tell me Grace. I tell him to go ahead as I am back of him.

Your letter of May 2, 1918.

I am so glad my letter helped you dear. That is what I want my letters to do and I never will write another thing that is going to cause any doubt as there isn't such a thing in my dictionary from now on.

I did receive your letters pictures and they were fine. Thank you dear. I wish I could send you a snap of myself.

Aye dear our time will come and then we are going to have our time together and no one is going to butt in either. You surely are bearing your share and more (remember our letters on 50-50) and oh how I wish I were

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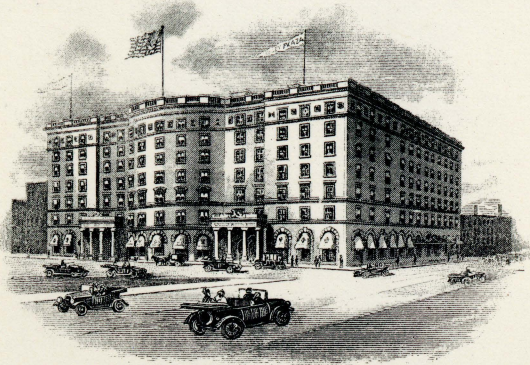
That is up to you sweetheart. But let me tell you, it surely helps me and gladdens me to have you say that about other fellows. Why should I distrust you when you are so true to me. Oh darling you mean everything to me.

Well sweetheart I have reached part of my goal. It is for you that I have done it and now that I am here I am going farther up. I was made a Corporal today. Going to stay in the office now. I promised you I would do my best to stay and do my work in the office and I did and now I have it. Darling it is for you so lets us with God be glad and thank him. It is with his help also that I have succeeded.

I want to write to Billy and to your mother to and I will the first opportunity I get, but you come first. I guess Billy won't look at any one if I send him a personal letter. I can just see Billy now and how he acted.

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Well sweetheart true, I hope these few lines have made you feel better and that all is forgotten. Good night and sleep tight.

Best regards to your folks and a hug and kiss for Billy.

To you my own true sweetheart I give all my love and trust from your own true sweetheart somewhere in France and very lonesome for his girl,

S. W. G. K's.

Your own boy,
D. A. C.

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