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Sweetheart o' mine.

A month ago today I
sneaked off from you promising to
come back - and I never did. I've
pictured to myself many times
how you felt that day - and
must confess was not cheered
by the contemplation. Poor Sweeney -
I could almost cry to think of
you waiting and waiting - and
wondering. If you could only
know how well I am, and
how thoroly fascinated with
this whole experience you would
at least be cheerful. It's sport,
really it is, and it's only

the hunger to see you that
hurts.

So far I have had no
mail. Some fellows have waited
for a month in a place before
their mail found them. Cer-
tainly when mine comes there
will be plenty of it, and how
I will devour it!!! 'wonder
how you have fared.' Did you
get the cable? Are you getting
these letters? I'm not worried
a bit for you, but I know
that unless you get word from
me, you will feel mighty bad.

From the papers we get
I gather that peace talk is
flying fast, and I'm sure that
we get much less than you
do, for Continental papers are
much more severely censored, and



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are also much more conservative.
Perhaps it's because they're
past putting credence in the
talk, and perhaps because they
have a more holy respect for
the Bible. But it's coming, and
I'm cheered because every day
brings it closer - and the days
speed away quickly.

The weather is wonderful -
as light at night as in the
day - as clear and pretty as
crystal, and as invigorating
as French Vin. The mornings
are a bit cool, but as yet
I have not needed to put on
any of that good underclothing
I bought in N.Y. B.V.O.s. still

serve all practical purposes.

I'm now waiting in the Y.M. Hat for the Sunday concert. You see I come early to get a seat at a table, and write to you. This day of rest is great. Last night we had a stunt night. Our bunch yanked me out ~~for~~ to start it off. Once you are ~~at~~ called there's no refusing. I found a fellow who could play almost anything, and got away with quite a few songs before I could sit down. More were called for readings - stunts and songs - I gave one or two more, then a quartet volunteered if I'd sing tenor. We were a major, a captain, a 1st Lt. and a 2nd Lt. and we did fairly well. It's certainly a great way to get acquainted

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and when you have friends ¹⁹¹⁷ to
set you up, it doesn't seem
forward.

This am. Hart and I took a
walk thru' the village. - The
place is centuries old, and con-
sists largely of peasants, altho'
the numbers of Sammies hereabouts
brings the sharpers with their
double prices for every thing. It's
quaint tho', and when I come
to N.Y., with the help of my
little book we can have a
great old time.

Three more of the bunch
is to leave - Pines, Stetson,
and Richards. That leaves here
McConnell, Coaley, Winters, Hart

Nan Ellen, wicks, and yours
only, and from all the love
I can figure me have the
long end of the whole pro-
position - You just wait and
see what happens.

Not quite time for the
program - so I'll leave a space
to put in anything good that
comes up, and in the mean-
time I'll write to Mother & Sis.

Now the concert is over.
We had a violinist, a pianist,
and a French girl singer, so you
see the program contained little
that would interest us. The
French girl was mighty cute,
and sang mighty cute songs. All
were in French except, "Honey
Boy" - "Oh Johnny" - and "The Little
Irish Girl". She sure handled


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that last in a clever fashion.

The French songs were explained before she sang them, and all were on the style of "Little Irish Girl." I sure that I had found the right French maid for you, but since I have promised to let you have a hand in the selection, I passed it up.

Now I go Neddie to fix up my note book. I'm loving you a lot sure enough - Say - I'm going to write to your folks tonight. O.K.? So bye - and keep cheerful -

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