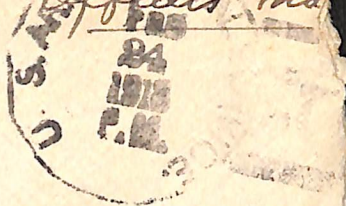


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Mrs. Frances Walker,
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Tuesday,

Dear Tom,

Sometimes I feel guilty for not answering your wire sooner and sometimes I don't. I don't think you have treated me any where near decent and the way you treated mother was rotten.

About all a mother has to look forward to after having raised children is to see them happily married. The pleasure of being present more than offsets the cares and worries she has gone

through. Mother has always expected great things of you and has done everything in the world to help you and it seems to me that the least you could do was to have waited until you got to Elko. I know nothing about it only that you are married and since you left for Elko the next day I should think you could have waited. I know that it is none of my business but that is the way I feel about it.

I am glad to hear that you are going to France and I would give a whole lot if I were going too. I am damn sorry that I didn't enlist at the first of the summer but since you enlisted I was afraid that if anything happened to Sis things would be pretty hard pegging. After this next draft is over you are very apt to see me in a uniform.

Give my best to Ruth and all the luck in the world to you with a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year along with it.

Bert.