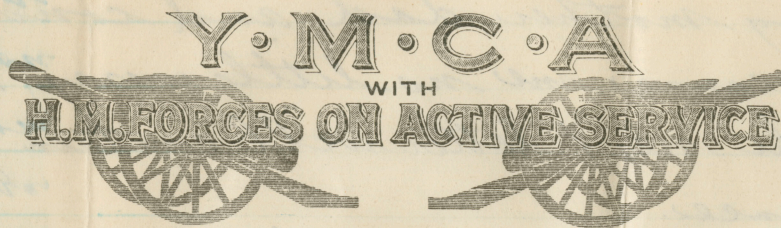


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Stationed at Englan.

May 4 1918

My dear May:

It does seem strange, that you are still "in the dark," as to where I am, what I am doing, and how I feel. It makes me awfully mad, when get a letter from home. Here it is, two months since we landed, and goodness knows how many letters I have sent, and still you look for my first letter. I can appreciate your anxiety, and fully realize how dad and mother must have worried. But I trust that by this time you have received several of my letters, and are busily engaged in answering the same, for it is sometimes three weeks between mails, and even then the portion which I get, is comparatively small, when I think of the amount I send. In your future letters May, please try to give me the news, in just a little more detail. You make statements,

regarding mother, dad, and conditions, which sometimes cause me no little worry. However, let us ^{hope} that the next letter will contain good news in abundance.

About that new job, girlie, is it some very great mystery? Something which no one should know, who is not directly connected with the 2. M.? We are both in the "Service", are we not?

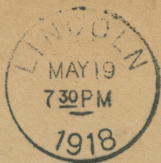
Conditions are greatly improved, now. Since returning to the squadron, I have been assigned to an American flight, and we are getting along wonderfully well. Our own sergeants understand their men, and we are all contented, once more. The flyers too, seem to be getting ~~of~~ used to us, and every thing is running smoothly.

In closing, I will say that we are likely to be here for a month or two yet, so don't hesitate to send me news, and plenty of it.

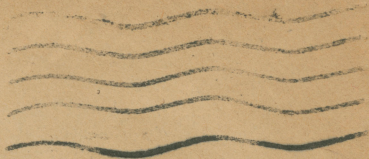
Hoping that you are well, my dear sister, and that you will give my love to mother, dad, Essie and aunt Em, also wishing you the best of luck with your new position and asking your assistance by remembering me occasionally at Mass and in your prayers. I remain,

Your affectionate brother
Richard.

Soldier's Letter.



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