

AMERICAN



ON ACTIVE SERVICE

WITH

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.

June 22 1918

Dearest Dad and Mother:

Your letters from W.T., were received yesterday. I was awfully busy, and had to keep the four letters, I received, in my pocket for over an hour, before I got even a chance to look at them. Of course, I knew that you had not forgotten me, but your letters are so few and far between, that it is more than a pleasure to receive them. Even if the girls do write frequently, and give all the news, a short note from you would be appreciated. No doubt you are busy, but, if you have any thing on me, well, then I shan't expect ~~it~~ you to write.

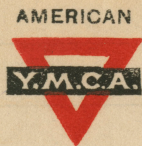
Am so glad that you got a chance to go up to W.T., for the holiday. Though this must have been strangely different from previous days spent at the old home. I do hope that you get up there for a

rest. Surely this has been a year of severe trials for both of you, but try to cheer up. It will seem very hard, indeed, but then, we will all benefit by it, in the end.

Have you decided to quit the market business, Dad? If you have, I think it about the wisest move you have ever made. You have done your bit, along that line, and surely something else will turn up. I do hope that the "old place" will stay in the family. What attraction would W.T. have for us, if that were gone. Of course, by the time I get back, it may need a new coat of paint, and some shingles, but what of that. We'll "raise the roof" then, anyway.

I hope that mother is not paying too much attention to the headlines, in the papers. Of course, as far as I am concerned, you need not worry. I'll let you know, when I'm at the front. But then, in her goodness, I suppose she's feels sorry for all the boys, now in the trenches.

I had a short letter from M. Flynn



ON ACTIVE SERVICE  
WITH  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.

19

but have not had a chance to answer it. I haven't even written to George M. Wonder if he is at the front?

It is about time I received another letter from Neil, now. I hope that you will remember me kindly to his mother, and sisters. I hope that they are taking things more cheerfully now. Any way, don't you get blue. Give my love to May and Co, to Aunt Em, and Uncle Ed. the Pennys, Crawbys, Gibbys, and Nangles. Keep lots of love for yourselves, and write soon, to your loving son.

Richard.

C Richard W. Elliott  
152nd Aero Sq. Dr.  
of American Air Forces.  
35 Eaton Place  
London. S.W. 1.  
England.

Censored by

Lieut. B. R. C. A. S.

ON ACTIVE SERVICE  
WITH  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES



19

Wishes of his is at the front?  
It is about time I received another  
letter from you, but I hope that  
you will remember me kindly to the  
mother, and another I hope that they  
are taking things over as cheerfully  
as you. They may not get you at  
home my love to the mother and  
the little ones, and to the father and  
step-late of love for yourselves and mine  
ever to your loving son

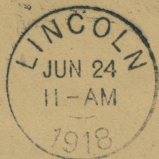
Richard  
Richard W. Clayton  
1500 Ave. of the  
of American Expeditionary  
3500 Ave. of the  
Lake St. N. 1.  
England

Received by  
Richard W. Clayton  
1500 Ave. of the  
of American Expeditionary  
3500 Ave. of the  
Lake St. N. 1.  
England

**CENSOR.**

6598

**A.**



Soldier's Letter.



Mr. John & Mr. Elligott  
91 Fenwood Road  
Boston,  
Massachusetts  
U. S. G.

**OPENED BY**