

Hopedale, Mass
Sept-22nd 1918.

Sister B. has just-
come back spent-
about 3 hours
with me.

Best-Low: -

I was glad to get your
Card Friday morning, and to
know that you were feeling
so well. I trust you are still
feeling fine. Had a long letter
from Earl Friday morning.
He dated it - Sept 24th he is still
in the same place, but
would not be surprised if
they should move any time.
He said he was feeling fine

When he wrote his letter, he said I was mighty
glad to get your nice long letter last week.
He said he feels sure he got every letter I wrote
him, but did not say that he got your letter.
He said he was anxiously waiting to hear if
I got word from him. When I got word
the 12th of Aug of his safe arrival I wrote him
the 13th so he ought to have had that letter.
Saying I had the card and letter from
Washington. In his letter he said this room
of one of the ladies here at the Chateau, ^{returned} my
rather big washing, including two sets of
underwear, C. D. shirts, towels, handkerchiefs and
socks, for which I paid her two francs or forty cents.
Cheap enough I thought for she took the pains
to darn my socks and things. He said those two
sets of my own underwear comes in handy.
believe me. Mother I think there are a few
small things the Post Office will allow you
to send me, without ^{an} order from a Commissioned
Officer of our Regiment - So ask Mr Sheldon what they
are. And if you can send me things like tooth
paste, chewing-gum, Baker's Chocolate, or life savers
or Talcum powder, why often or send me a little
if you can. Those things are awfully hard to get
here, and believe me I'd appreciate them very
much. Then he goes on to say. You tell Aunt
now that he has started teaching not to be
so busy that he can't find time to write to
his "kid" brother, for I shall look for a word
from him once in a while.

I cannot send him anything but letters
and papers. I am going to see if I can put
a tube of tooth paste in the news papers
when I roll it up. Doris B said she
sends him a couple of pieces of gum in the
letter. I am going to do that too.
Mort said he got paid for the month
of July and Aug. and that he was going
to send me he thought about 30 dollars
by American Express. And told me
to do with it what I pleased. If you
can use it for your self, Mother dear,
why use it. In fact it is yours I
give it gladly to you. It is apt to
come along any time. I do hope they
have straightened out your allotment
and that you are now O.K.
So very glad to receive those paper
clippings. Went to Church Sunday

They had the Episcopal services
and enjoyed them so much.
Several French natives are present
and the little children are so very
respectful. He said they were all
anxious to get on the job. Really,
I am learning loads of things through
the daily experiences, which will aid
me so much in future years.

I was out to Company E last Sunday
afternoon, and had a pleasant after-
noon with the "old boys". Bill Simon
is now Sergt. - "Red" Damon and
Chel-Immon are fine. In fact we
all are getting on great.

I now have wrote you the most
of his letter. A letter from Kenneth
B. came by the same mail for you.

mailed it - to you Friday night. - I trust - you
got - the cake and stockings all safe.
I gave Stanley McCaslin your address to day
he asked me for it - at church. ~~that~~ ~~letter~~
if he had a card from you. but not -
your address. Mr Caffey sent me up his letter
from you by Mrs Bacon last night. - and
I was mighty glad to read it. - And it -
pleased me how nice you spoke in it -
about your mother. I will by Gods help
be brave and keep well for my sons sake
It will be one happy and glorious day
for mother if it - pleases God, to bring you
both back home again. And we shall
enjoy each other better than we ever
did in the past. you said in your card
that you had awful rain. Well we have
had the same. Friday afternoon at three
we had a regular Cloud burst. - I do
not think I ever saw it rain any harder
with a high wind. It cleared off yester-
day afternoon and was very cold last night
and real cold all day to day. I have
a coal fire in the kitchen. I
If the wind goes down we shall have
a frost - I think. I hope the underwear
they gave you is warm than those

B. V. D. Where do you think they will
put you. As they have found you
physically fit - they will put you
in Active Service. Charlie Kyllie
saw - and said you passed for our
Sea Service but he did not.
Mr Caffey brought up a book on
allotments and read the different
parts of it to me. So you are all
right. A mother who is dependent
on her sons can claim. So that
relieved me, for I did not want you
to get into trouble. Uncle Karl
~~Karl~~ has just brought me in a
half bushel of potatoes, for which
I am thankful. With lots of love
and kisses. God keep you safe
Lovingly, Mother. XXXXXXX

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This is a letter from Grandma to my father, but most of it is a copy of letter she'd received from Uncle Mort.