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EACH WITH PRIVATE BATH

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E. Berkley Martin,
MANAGER

Saint Louis, Aug. 16 1917

SEVENTH AND MARKET STS.

Darling Marie:-

I got two letters from you to-day, the first one perfectly wonderful and the second one so sad. It made me happy at first and then the second took all the joy right out of life and when I am working as hard as I am dear, I do sure hate to lose any of the joy out of life.

I know how lonely you are. Sweetheart I am just as lonely myself and at times it nearly drives me crazy. But at is something that could not

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be helped. The money situation will surely be all right if you are careful and I know you will be. I have not recieved my 1st paycheck yet but when I get it you will get it right away. You told me in your last letter not to attempt to argue you out of your desire to have me come home. Lord knows dear that I wouldn't attempt to for I want you to want me to come home. But I am not my own boss now dearest. I

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am working for Uncle Sam,
and I am looking forward
to the time when with honor
I can come home and we
can say that after all it
was the only thing I could
do. I will have a leave
of absence after reaching Ft.
Benjamin Harrison and will
be home for a week or ten
days. Does that make you
feel better dearest?

We are almost finished
here in St. Louis. Tomorrow
will wind it up and then

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we go to Nevada again. We
leave tomorrow night and
arrive there early in the morn-
ing. What's the news about
Tud? Sweetheart dear, keep
a stiff upper lip and be
brave. Remember we are both
young and have a long life
ahead of us and Oh! how
sweet it is going to be when
we see each other again. It
is hard but it can't be in
anyway altered so let's both
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think of each other with love
every minute. I will write
again tomorrow dear. Give
my love to my kiddies and
kiss them for me dearest. Write
me another cheerful letter dear,
and love me.

“Daddy”