

Undated letter from Patt M^CHugh to his parents and siblings. Believed written after April 1918.

C/o Delia
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Dear Mother Father – Brother & Sisters

Just received a letter from Sister Delia also, it conveyed a letter from Sister Mary and some blessed articles, which I am more than thankful to her for I am so sorry that you worry so much about me, but dear ones I will be alright D. V, I am guarding one of the coasts here in the US and I consider myself lucky as I am going to stay here for a long time.

Every one in Chicago are fine I had Delia & Katies picture today, and I was so tickled to see their faces again

2. but I know it wont be long until we get back again to civilian life as the tide is turning every day, and I can see in the latest papers where Austria & Germany are getting disatisfied, and they know they will have to give in, because when we get over there with our large armys we will blow them off the map,

I wonder if you ~~you got my check for the sum of 10 Pounds which I sent you some weeks past also my picture~~ photo which I sent you in my soldier's uniform, I also sent one to Maggie Mrs O Keane how is herself, Joe & Baby also Julia give them my love, expecting to see you all soon again as I never can forget those loved ones far away,

I am in one of the best camps in the U. S. I am se right near the ocean, it is a very nice

3. climate just like Ireland,

I am also near the city, 15 minutes ride on the car, I got acquainted with a crowd of people since I come here, in fact some of them are the best I ever met and are so nice they would not know what to do for you, I met a crowd of people here from Galway, and they have invited me to Supper several times, this is a great life I never did have such a vaccation since I left home as what, I am having just now, I gained ten pounds Since I got in the army, so you can well think that I am well treated here, just fine So dont worry about me, for I know I am coming out of

[4.] this, but not until the German Kaizer is put out of sight,

I had a letter from Uncle today, they are all fine and Kathleen writes to me every week, they are awfully nice, Kathleen is very tall now and good, I always thank her for her nice letters because mail is one of the necessarys of a soldiers life, and I love to get letters,

Foye is in the army but he is stationed at the southern coast, quite a distance from me, I had a letter from him last week he is fine,

I have no more news to tell you this time I am in a hurry, so forgive and forget it could be worse, I will write often & let you know where I am

I remain your affectionate Son & Brother Patt for all. Good Bye, Mother & Father,

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God Bless you all.

I am happy

Transcribed by Margaret Marlow with punctuation, grammar and spelling as in the original.

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