



This document was digitized from the collections of the Department of Special Collection, Washington University Libraries.

Unless otherwise noted, this work is the copyright of the original creator.
It is digitally reproduced for educational use only,
per U.S. copyright law (Title 17, Chapter 1 § 108 U.S. Code)

For further information please contact:

Department of Special Collections
Washington University Libraries
One Brookings Drive, Campus Box 1061
St. Louis, MO 63130
Telephone: (314) 935-5495
e-mail: spec@wumail.wustl.edu
website: <http://library.wustl.edu/spec/>

Proetz Correspondence Transcription

[Arthur Poetz to Erma Proetz, 6 June 1938.]

[RECTO: als-19380606-Proetz-pt1]

[letterhead: The May Fair Hotel

Berkeley Square,

London, W.1.

Telephone: Mayfair 7777

Telegrams: Mayfairtel, Picey, London.]

June 6 '38

Permie darling – It's Monday in the afternoon, but it's Whit-Monday and therefore a holiday and therefore no American Express and therefore lastly, I don't know whether there's a letter from you or not. I hope so, for until now the only word I've had from anyone is your wire here which I loved. I judge from your words that progress on the house is slow. I'm making little notes

[VERSO: als-19380606-Proetz-pt2]

on things I see and will probably have some photos of doorways and such for Ralph. You don't think they'll be working on the cornices when I get back do you? I crossed the Channel via – Calais Downs yesterday because I wanted to see Northern France and The Downs Road. Mr. G. Stokowski crossed with me but didn't know it. The Lady was not with him. Nothing has happened since my last letter, but I just had

[RECTO: als-19380606-Proetz-pt3]

to talk to you. I've just had my lunch and it's difficult to realize that you won't be getting up for another hour or two – after a strenuous day in the country – I hope. --- I think there may be something to be said for this man Hitler after all. He seems

[VERSO: als-19380606-Proetz-pt4]

to have succeeded in driving one or two excellent cooks into England and that's not to be overlooked. The war scare seems to be over for the moment and I'm still planning to come back Normandie instead of Swedish steerage from Oslo. Want you so very much this minute. Will you be on the dock?

Arthur.