

February 8, 1917.—Last night I was wondering whether I should tell the Germans about my telegrams, since they all came like other forbidden things, in Villalobar's pouch; but later in the evening

von Moltke sent me a note and all my telegrams, so that problem is settled!

Wicheler here all morning, getting notes for an article to be published in *Le Soir* after the war. Louis Franck of Antwerp came, on behalf of the provincial committee, to beg me to remain, saying that my presence was a comfort to the people, that they would be less hungry with me here than with me away. He was very earnest and eager, and said that in remote villages in Flanders humble folk were praying for me to remain....

Von der Lancken returned this evening. J. Allard here when Ruddock announced the fact, and that Villalobar had been to see him. Should he ask von der Lancken for an appointment? No hurry.