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**Letter to Rachele Ragozin in New York  
from C.E. Ruthenberg in Chicago,  
June 24, 1920**

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Chicago, June 24, 1920.

Dear Rachel:—

Your letter of Tuesday [June 22, 1920] has just come. It has moved me more than I can tell you. What words can I put on paper that will answer you? We must see each other. I am to be in Pittsburgh Sunday [June 27] on some party business and I want you to meet me there Sunday morning. You can leave New York on either of the two trains I have marked on the enclosed time table. My train from Chicago will get there at 9:40 am, so possibly the 11:30 pm train arriving in Pittsburgh at 9:55 am would be best for you as it would save you a wait. If I do not meet you at the train wait for me at the telegraph station in the depot. If I am not there when you arrive you will know my train is late, inquiry about the train due at 9:40 am will tell you how much. If we miss each other by any chance go to the parlor of the Ft. Pitt Hotel and I will come there.

You will be able to leave Pittsburgh Sunday night and be back in time for school Monday.

Please wire me upon receipt of this letter that you are coming and on which train. I will not leave here until Saturday [June 26] at 8 pm.

If I do not hear from you by noon Saturday I will take it for granted that this letter has not reached you and will wire you to come.

Mr. Rorke<sup>1</sup> the New York prosecutor is threatening Ed [Ferguson] and me with trial, but we have nothing definite. If there should be a development by Saturday and we are notified to come to New York for trial at an early date, which is quite possible, I shall wire you not to come.

You will forgive me for writing so briefly this time, I hope, dear. I must get the letter off at once in order to make sure it will get to you. I hope the message it will bring you will make you as happy as it has made me to write it. The hours will go slowly until Sunday and particularly until I receive your answer. But I shall hope that I will see your dear face again and that all the doubts and misgivings which appear in your letter will disappear.

Good-bye, "Sweet," until Sunday,

*C.E.*

*Edited with a footnote by Tim Davenport*

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<sup>1</sup> Assistant District Attorney Alexander I. Rorke.