

June 28 – 1918.

Darling Mother:-

Two days more left in June.
Think of it! In seventeen days
more it will be just one year
since I recieved my orders at Cora's
party. Will you ever forget it?
I won't. It has been an eventful
year for both of us and while
it has been hard, still it is just
one year of a most unpleasant
duty behind us forever.

The last twenty four hours have
been very full of excitement here.
I will never forget it and wish
I could tell you about it
for it was one of the most
interesting experiences I have
ever had. But if you save this
letter I will recall it and tell

you all about it when I get home. My tonsillitis is all well and I am feeling finer than ever. It is a perfectly beautiful day, so warm that I have been sitting out in front of my tent all day enjoying the sun and smoking. I have not tried to do any work today because I am still a bit weak but I am going on duty tomorrow morning again.

The news in the papers is continually getting better. It looks better and better all the time for an interval rupture

in both Germany and Austria – especially in Austria. The Italians are accomplishing great things over there which are bound to have their influence on the general situation.

Still we get no mail from home. I finally recieved a letter from Jack. He is in a Camp Hospital somewhere a long way from the lines and is at last getting some work that he enjoys. I am so glad for his sake because he is much happier now than he has been at any time since he left home. He doesn't hear from Mr. Howard any more and the fact worries him. Has any thing happened to the Howards recently?

It will be so wonderful to get mail from home because it has been so long and many things must have happened since I heard from you last. I can't believe that it will be very much longer and I do hope not because now I am beginning to be anxious. Rosy has

been here at the tent with me all afternoon – in fact he has hardly left me since I started with this attack. He is an awfully good friend and I think a great deal of him. He has been my doctor and I will say he has been a good one.

We are going to have some pork chops for supper which I am going to cook up here. I am a pretty good cook and the boys would rather eat here than at the Officer's mess. I will also fry some potatoes.

You see dear we have a much fun as we can out of this life and after all we don't get along so badly. The only thing that is hard is being away from you dear and from my dear babies. If you were only with me this would be a most enjoyable experience instead of the most irksome existence I have ever spent. I get so lonely for you and long for you and your love every minute of the day. It seems as if the time will never pass. We are so far from each other and we

love each other so much. It seems cruel that we should be separated so long, but it is in a good cause and the time is coming dearest when we will both be very glad that things have been so. It is a great privilege to be given an opportunity to make a sacrifice for one's country and we both are doing that. So our love must make us brave and it will shorten the time we are apart. And when we are reunited dearest our love will enable us to enjoy life as no two people have enjoyed life. I love you dearest girl. I love you. With all my love to you and my darling kiddies, and lots of kisses, I will say Goodbye untill tomorrow. I love you mother dear

Daddy.

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