

Sunday Aug. 19, 1917

Dear Marie,

This is my first day out of the mess hall. I had a week at being Dining Room Orderly and believe me I am glad that someone else is taking his turn at it. From 5:30 A.M. to 7:30 P.M. with just enough time to eat, and a rest between 3 & 4 P.M. is no "light occupation". It will seem good to get back at signal practice tomorrow I will have to study and buzzer practice every evening so I won't be able to write much. There was no letter from you today but will expect some in the morning. Gee but I wish I could talk to you.