

the Rhine. He said it was a beautifully situated town and that they had a lovely view from their prison. They had nothing to do, their greatest fun was when we raided the town then they leaned out of their windows and cheered, to the great annoyance of the guard, and watched the guards trying to find shelter & running hither & thither. They never had a very bad air raid there. Even before the armistice he said that the German soldiers were pleased at our victories because it would bring the war to an end and they were frankly delighted by the armistice. He said when he left the prison and travelled down the Rhine on his way back he found flags up at all the bridges decorated. I don't think it will be the Germans who will fight next time and I hope it won't be us but feel far less sure.

I have been to the O'Malley's to tea this evening. They are very much in a muddle with packing, poor things! We are going to be very stuffed



up with their boxes for a day ~~or~~ month or  
six weeks but we shall just have to put up with  
it. I dont think there is much that I can  
do towards the moving untill I can begin  
putting things into the house and I cant do  
that untill the rooms have been cleaned. I'm  
afraid some of the moving will have to be  
done after we are in. I do hope every thing will  
go smoothly and the maids really will come I  
shant feel sure about them till I actually see  
them in the house. Its really such a little  
time now I can hardly believe it. If only  
you could come home soon I should be so  
happy I want you so very badly.

The calf has been born, it came this afternoon &  
is a cow calf which we wanted it to be very  
badly.

I send you so very much love my dearest

Your loving  
Ruth.