Irregular Plurals.

il dio  gli dei
l'uomo  gli uomini
la moglie le mogli
mille (1000) mila
l'uovo le uova
il paio le paia
il bue i buoi
il frutto le frutta

ITALY
1944 1945
a to, at
avanti before, (time)
con with
contra against.
da from, by, (at)
davanti before, (place)
di of
durante during
dietro behind
dopo after
fra, tra between
per for, along, through
prima di before
senza without
sopra above
sotto under
su on, upon
verso towards
future avere.
10 avrò
tu avrai
egli avrà
noi avremo
voi avrete
essi avranno
c'è ?  is there ?
v'è ?  is there .

Apri la tua manina.
Open your hand.

Hai ragione
You are right (Tu hai ragione)

Vado in Germania
I go to Germany

Sono in Inghilterra.
I am in England.

chi c'è qui ?
Who is here ?
Come si chiama quel fiore in italiano?
What is the name of this flower in Italian?

Che ora è?
What time is it?

È un'ora
It is one
è il tocco di o'clock.

Sono le due
It is two o'clock.
quanto primo

as soon as possible
1943 - 1944

Nov Dec Jan Feb
at O.C.T.U. PALESTINE

Acre (Nov Dec)

Saratof (Jan Feb)

Maadi (March April)

24 April. (Sunday)

Bn. Picnic at Barrage. Lovely
day. Won the married men's
race. Six of our Sisters there also

Brig. McWeir.

25 April. (Monday)
Left Maadi with draft for

Italy

26 April. (Monday)

Arrived Amiyia 1130hrs.

Camped 2 miles from sta. ENSA show

26 April

In camp. ENSA show again

Very hot. Shower to NAAPF for tea.

Beer for men. 1/2 bottle per man.

27th. To shower near Sta. for route

march in morning ENSA show in after
noon - same as Wed. To talkies with

Des McGowan - "Hellzapoppin" at Shifsta
28th. Task Coy. for drill - lecture.
Then to showers. Ens. show in P.M.
Had money changed. Leave tomorrow. Guns incl. 2 Bofors had practice.
Evening - to talkies with Des.

29th. Left Amrya at 10.30 a.m. by
10 tonners for Alexandria.
On board Circassian (11,000 tons)
by 1500 hrs. Four of us in a
two cabin - shower - W.C. etc.

1 May. Land in sight today
on port side - near Derna.
A few planes flew over convoy.
Took first tablet (anti-malarial)
at tea time. Wrote to Edna
and Sister England.
I was Orderly Officer today.

30th. At sea since 6 a.m.
11 steamers in convoy.
2 with 3 funnels.
3 with 1 funnel.
2 May. Lovely sunny day. Tomorrow morning. Canary settled on deck. Then flew away.

No land in sight. Sea quite calm. At dusk, every ship let off white smoke.

Boat station's drill 100hrs. Excellent fish. Dinner — soup, steak, onions.

Baked potatoes, peas, steamed puddings.

Oranges, coffee.

4 May. Arrived Taranto 0730 hr.

Big harbour — beautiful day.

Taken by truck to Advanced Base between Taranto + Bari. Received mail from Edna, Mum, Constance, Davis, Jack, Sister England. Going north to join 23 Bn. tomorrow.

Went to concert at 7.30 in Lowry.

3 May. Sicily in sight on port bow 0720 hr. One steamer left convoy for land. After break.

Fast, saw Mt. Etna. Lovely day.

Changed into shorts. Saw mainland of Italy. Flyhip boat flew over. Arrive Taranto.

5 May. Sent airgraph to Edna & Mum. Left Adv. Base for BARI at 830 a.m. Left BARI for north by train 1615 h.

Brought almonds, figs & oranges. Very picturesque countryside. Slept on train. Changed trains at 6 A.M.

1 May. Moved by M.T. to join 23 Bn. about 20 miles up. Arrived 10 A.M. Attached to D Coy, 18 Pl. Met Dick Duncan - acting Coy. Cmd. Also met John Morrow.


1 May. Arrived Reinforcement Camp 9 A.M. Very hilly all around. Some snow on high
8 May (Monday)
Bde. Parade for General Freyberg in morning. Presentation of decorations.
Monk March past. Censored mail.
Afternoon—met John Clark. Had talk over old times. Wrote to Edna.

+ Mum (2 airgraphs each)

Evening—concert by 23 BN. Very good—good shape etc. Had quite a bit of vino at dinner.


10 May (Wednesday) BN. parade Route march over hills. Mail from Edna, Mum.

Alan Drake, Joy + Margaret

Hammondston (Airgraphs + letter)

On leave to Naples tomorrow.

(with John Morgan) ENSA concert this P.M. Not much.


Big city—saw Vesuvius smoking.

Took taxi to Allied Officers Club on hill overlooking harbour. Had lunch (8) there + bottle of wine. Lovely
place + view. Reminds me of Oriental rap (Fortresses + Liberators) flying over in groups of 40-50. A magnificent sight. In afternoon by cable car (very steep) into the city. Spent rest of afternoon at Naval Officers Club on waterfront, with American Lieut. (Naval) Three very nice Italian girls waiters (Lena, Anna & Enza). Letter from Edna & Mum. Evening - write to Edna, Mum, Alan, Margaret. 

12 May (Friday)

Big offensive began during the night. Between 7 & 8 A.M. counted 60+ four engined bombers going over. Letter from Edna, Mum & Toy. Slept in afternoon. Played 16 Pl. basketball (off D. Coy). Beat them.
22-0. Evening trip to talkies near Sports ground. Not bad.

14 (Sunday) Wrote to Edna, Mum or Jack. Telegram from Edna (letters received). Church Service 10.30 followed by Communion. Wrote to Jack, brother, in evening, to Mum.

Played 18 pl. at basketball. Beat them.

15 (Monday) Went to R.A.P. to get cut on knee dressed.


No (Tuesday) Bn. got ready to go forward to take over positions from 26 Bn. Went to R.A.P. to have knee dressed. Am not going forward for a few days. Thunder...
May 1944


17 (Wednesday) Lovely & sunny.

19 (Friday) Hundreds of Liberators flew over with escort of Lightnings & Mustangs. Driven over to B.Sqn. in jeep to see tank shoot. One chap injured by recoil. Tanks fired at hillside - 75 mm - Browning. In afternoon, went to Naples with leave party to see the Opera "Tosca". Wonderful music & singing. Magnificent.
(Jery bombed to the West during the night. Planes flew over this area.)

Big test-sing-song. Some evening!


23 (Tuesday.) Wrote to Edna & Mum.

Read book "Rebecca." Wrote to Mrs. Davis. Raining off soon during day. ANZIO offensive began.

opera house - five tiers of seats.
Back at 8.30. Rained during night.

20 (Saturday) Wrote to Edna & Mum. Had shower after lunch.
R.A.P. chap dressed my knee. Went to dance at Caserta with officers from A.D.A.
Yank orchestra of 13 players. N.Z. sisters there. Back at 2 A.M.

21 (Sunday) Truck came for me 18 P.M.
Evening - drank vino with the boys in...
24 (Wednesday) Tanks had firing practice. I fired 2 shots, directed fire for 2 more. Took on bike fell off and jumped into ditch. Very funny. Went to Kiwi Concert Party at night.

25 (Thursday) Canadian troops 5 miles beyond Picot. Write to Mum & Edna. 200 Liberators flew over at 9.45 A.M. Lovely sunny day. Good news from ANZAC & other fronts. ANZAC now joined up with 5 Army. Returned to 23 Bn in afternoon. Letter from Mum. Evening -

with Padre Harding to pictures - Watch on the Rhine. Excellent. Just going to bed when Jerry plane dropped butterfly bombs near corner of road. No damage but got a fright.

26 (Friday) Lovely day. Prepared to move tomorrow. Pulled down tents etc. I slept in Padre's tent on stretcher.

27 (Sat.) Left at 9.30 for B. Esh near Saint Eilia. Terribly winding steep road and had to back round most corners. Passed Peter Fraser & Tiny in a jeep at Aquaducta. Arrived area 5 p.m. Put up bivvies.
among olive trees - oats - poppies

Out of Enn now nearly to Jezreel

This area shelled yesterday. Quiet today. Jerry retiring

2.30 P.M. Has been lovely place. Now ruined - church etc. Some big buildings burned. 4 to 5 stories high. Our troops a little way ahead. Jerry workers in sight.

Saw bridge (Harch) blown by Jerry at 5 P.M. Great cloud of smoke. Jerry shelled road down valley. Joining the Coy tonight.

28 (Sunday) Lovely day. Padre held Communion 9.30. Ate cherries. Moved on at 11.30. At 12 P.M. one of C Coy's 3 tonners was blown up when road at bend blew up. Truck blown right over and to end. Drag Harlan flew 20 feet into the air down the gorge. Three injured. A miracle - no one killed. Arrived Aitina.

Saw several attractive Italic girls. People begin

29 (Monday) Breakfast brought up by jeep. Lovely day. Jerry gone from valley. Saw
31 (Wednesday)

Had hot lunch. Alan Marcus, Alain McCartney arrived. Alan M. in D Coy.

Night advance towards SORA—next day left by tpt: walked 3 miles to river.

Crossed on pneumatic boat—2 at a time. Bridge wrecked—engineers erecting new Bailey one. All of our Coy across by day—right. Jerry mortared bridge during night. Four of my Pl tipped out of boat. Water 6' deep. Swift cold.

Quartermaster in home—good garden soup of potatoes. Breakfast brought up 11 A.M.

Sherman this, went up road (20 A.M. Rept) Had swim in Fibremo River.


3 wounds 2

1 other killed. Great scatter for cover.
June 1944

Had day on straw mattress. Left on foot at 3 PM. Took feature overlooking road. Kissed by Itie man & woman. People cheered us. Camped night in house.

Billeted in big house just outside town. Hot meal brought up by jeep at 8 PM. Slept on mattress on bed. Good rest.

1 June 1944

27 Germans (Austrians) brought in. (Thursday) Spoke to young student from Vienna. Packed up again, moved to Campoli — great reception. Flags, flowers, wine offered along route. Met Tommy P.W. (escaped) & Tommy Major + 2 other offi. from To-bruck (escaped P.W.) On to Pes-

Cosolido — another incredible receipt — 16th — Kissed, had flowers given.
3 June (Sat.) Lovely day. Looked over 20 roomed Villa - lovely home - 3 bath.
rooms etc. - Huns used it as H.Q.
Changed into shorts. 21 Bn. up valley - but held up. Wrote Airgraphs to Mum & Edna. Listened to Italian band - Tenor Horn - Clarinet - cornet - Euphonium in evening.

4 June (Sun.) Lovely day. Pack ed up ready to move. A dozen or so Jerry shells landed down guilty near me.

Heard that Rome has fallen. Good news, Bells of church rang. Thunderstorm & heavy rain at 6 p.m. Move cancelled. But moved back to B. Ech. at 10:30.

5 (Mon.) Lovely day. Shifted to room in house across street. Put up folding bed - valise. Tea in officers mess. Heavy shower in afternoon. After tea, went with Farrant, John Alen in jeep to SORA to visit 26 Bn.

Spent time with Ted Ross & the boys. Home at 11 p.m. Clear night. Full moon. Heard that George Hart has been killed.
6 June (Tues.) The Invasion has begun. Listened to B.B.C. Wrote to Mum. Received cake from Edna. Sat her wire. In afternoon went to demonstration by tanks and infantry (Mauria). Later had a shower. Sandy Thomas joined the Bn. Diarrhoea during night.


Show at 7.30 p.m. followed by talks near Bde. H.Q.


11 (Sunday) Feeling better today. Letters from Edna (2), Mum, Joy. Went to SORA to fix ground at Stadium for 13 (Tuesday) Parade a drill till 10am cricket tomorrow. Bought photos of Sora in street. After Tea, wrote AG near ARCE down Liri Valley. Hot day. Flies very bad. Left on foot at 8.45am Marched 11 miles to new area down.

12 (Monday) Letters from Keith Clarke down Liri Valley among trees. Arrived 1am. Canoind Beet - Bob Manson. Wrote to Edna. Mum - Beet. Went to SORA in jeep in morning to fix basketball ground

(Wednesday) Hot sunny day.
Tank is not a Tiger, but a Panther (Mark V)


15 (Thursday) Hot sunny day. Range shooting with Bren's Rifles. 2" M. PIAT - T.M.G. Area pockmarked with shell holes. Our 2" M. ceased at 11 o'clock.


18 (Sun.) Wet day. Church but afternoon. After tea - S. African Parade 9 o'clock. Arranged swimming sports for next Tuesday.
Wrote to Edna, Munx, Joy.

Norman Hardie & Capt. Millbourn.

19 (Mon.) Wet off 8 am. Route march in morning - 7 miles. In with Dick in jeep to get matting for afternoon. Went with Dick in jeep to cricket pitch. Collected 26 Browning guns to see swimming pool for sports from knocked out Sherman tank. Saw lunch buns ammunition lying about.

20 (Tues.) Went to swimming pool to prepare for sports. Meeting in afternoon. Good events. Y.M.C.A. put on tea & biscuits. Some chaps from 23rd Rept. Went by jeep - saw over 100 blown to pieces by booby-trap. After Liberations flying N.W. Sunny day. Met


Merr Halsey. Had long chimney. He is at top of dome. View marvellous.


Left 8.30. Back midnight.
26 (Monday) Took Coy. to range for shooting - rifle-Bren Tommy - 2 M. +
PIAT. Capt. Coghley attached to us for a week (9 F.G. Anti) 8 out of 9 PIAT bombs were duds. Lovely sunny day. Parcel from Edna. Wrote to Mum & Jay.


29 (Thursday) Hot day. Went to Isola in boat with Bill Smellie to buy vegetables. Many beautiful girls! Mail! Hurrah! 2 Letters from Edna, one from Bob Manson, one from Jay.
Orderly officer today. In afternoon wrote to Edna, Bob Holmes, Joan Matravers. Also wrote more of my book.

30 (Friday) Very hot day. Took Cyp. for scheme: pls. in attack. Party (buried) went to Cassino. A & B Coy. went for picnic to Angio. Wrote to Edna after tea. Wrote more to book.

4 Win. Shorts on N.Z. topics.


3 (Mon.) On range in morning. PLAT fired, penetrated armour plate & tree as well (2'6''). In afternoon, with 2½ Co. of Coy in jeeps to GAETA to recce spot for Bn. Mines + wire all along coast. Had lovely trip. Called at mon.
- Army on top of hill. The unit played
the organ - sang Ave Maria (Gounod)
Back at 10 p.m.

4 (Tuesday) Sent parcel to Edna. Bacc.
- Pet, bunch, Jerry medal - chatette.
Signal practice in D.Coy. area. Fabric
arm for Typhus. Rained in afternoon.
Wrote to Edna, Mum after tea. Much colder
tonight.

5 (Wed) Fine day. Took out Platoon on
exercise. Saw over 200 Liberators
& Fortresses fly North. Evening
wrote out book.

6 (Thursday) Cry attack in morn
-up. Airgraph from Wiz. Broad
- cast home at 1:30 p.m. Wrote
to Edna. Go to Rome for 2 days
tomorrow.

7 (Friday) To Rome, with Jim Hennessy
& Bancroft truck. Breakfast at
Club. Then to St. Peter's Listine
Chapel. Climbed dome of St. Peter's
(490 steps) Afternoon - to Lido
(Seaside resort) lovely swim
in underpants. Listened to orches-
tration after dinner. Met Herbert
7 (Sat.) Excellent sleep in own bedroom with bathroom & a/c. Woke at 4:30 to return to camp. 

Feeling very annoyed as was going to hear Heifetz this p.m.


10 (Mon.) Fine & sunny. Sent Edna cable. Packed up gear.
ready to move. Wrote to Edna & Mum & Shemen. Cool night.

To pictures at 8de. H.Q. Tce at 11.30.

11 (Tues) Left for staging area N of Rome at 1220hrs. Much air activity (own) Plane at 1 A.M. Passed through Rome at 5.30. Swept along ditch, spraying marquardens. Arrived 8.30 A.M. Wash, share breakfast. Put up bivvies. Passed big lake on way. Received airgraphs from Mum & Edna. (i) Alan Drake, Mr. Manson, also cable from Edna. In evening walked half way to village on hill.

12 (Wed) Left at 2 a.m. for new area near Perugia. Arrived 10 A.M. Put up bivvies. Went for walk in evening with John & Dennis. Saw collection of mine.
to village on hill. Evening - wrote to Edna, Mum & Alan Drake at Y.M.C.A. tent.

15 (Sat) Cleaned respirators & went for route wash in morning. Showers in after-
noon. Moved forward 7 P.M. to new area. 6 Bde. to do another attack to-
ight. We are in reserve.

16 (Sun) Sunny day. Church Ser-
vice & communion. Many Spit-
fires, Kittyhawks & Mustangs in the air all day - straffing - bomb.
rip Jerry. Avezzo fell this A.M.

17 (Monday) Sunny day. Walked over to S. African fighter drone in morning - 60 - 70 Spitfires. Had cup of tea with pilot. Officer.
Afternoon - slept. Evening - reinfor-
cements arrived: 15 Pl. now 35.

18 (Tuesday) Rantie march to showers. Called in at S. African Spitfire Diome

Wrote to Mum, Pamela & Eileen. Move tomorrow.

21 (Friday) Pack up left 01.30 h. to take over from French. Arrived area 11 A.M. Stayed day. Moved on at 9 p.m. 7 miles to S. Donato. Arrived midnight. Dry in.


22 (Sat.) Area slightly shelled at 5:20. Breakfast brought up 6 A.M. Tea tipped up - none for 18.1. Went with O.C. on pl. to S. Donato for look over ground by lecture by Dennis on L.R.D.G.

20 (Thurs.) Sunny. Coy parade followed heavy shelling by enemy. We attacked.
with us at 5:20 p.m. Objective - Morocco
along road. My Pl. in lead. One th
blown up on cover at Xrds. Adv
anced with this gun. Blazing. Took
prisoners. 8:15 p.m. wounded in left
leg by own tank firing at house
from rear. Four of us wounded,
Another th destroyed by 2pdr.
Near big house. Crew all got out.
Brought back to R.A.P. in S.Donatj
in jeep. Thence to A. D. S. Mds
(Doc. Bremner). In morning - by
amb. to Tommy C. F. S.

23 (Sun) Shifted to another Tommy C. F. S.
Operated on in evening. Shrapnel not located.
24 (Mon) Came to in another tent alongside
Laurie Smillie & Roy Purnell who had 3
bullets through him (Hampshire Rgt).
Flown to Caserta in big Douglas plane.
Arrived 2 G.H. 1 P.M. Lost boots, shirt,
pipe, shorts, tobacco pouch money. King
George in Caserta. Lovely tea - 3 eggs,
toast, oyster soup, peaches.
25 (Tues) Wrote to Bill Smillie re clothes.
Sent cable to Edna. 5 offers from
23 P.M. in this word. Read library book.
26 (Wed) Sent Airgraph to Edna.

N.B. Sherman hit by
tiger - not bazooka.
27 (Thurs.) Read Library book. The Intern brought in - wounded by Browning -
pretended “Philip Gibbs. Heard that Major
Phoebet is dead - also Capt. Healey. Went to
Operating theatre at midday.

28 (Friday) Wrote to Mum. Leg a bit

29 (Sat) Wrote to Sister England. 
Hot day. Sick of pills.

30 (Sun) Kiwis still battling for
Florence.

31 (Mon) Wrote to Capt. Millbourn.

1 (Tues) Wrote to Edna. Eurot. Hay-

August, 1944
5 (Sat.) 3 Officers from B Coy came in - wounded Jim Cameron, C Coy. Killed.

6 (Sun.) Happy day. 9 letters. 3 from Edna, 2 from Mum + 1 from Edna. Wrote to Edna + Mum. Read "Testament of Youth." Visited Manson (Bob's brother) brought in at 7 p.m. Eileen D. + Cpl. Lowe. Had stitches taken out. Nasty hole. Wrote to Don Grant. Mail from Edna.

7 (Mon.) Wrote A/C to Edna. Wrote to Bill Yorston also. Sandy Thomas arrived. Wounded in hand. Wrote to Mum.


9 (Wed.) Wrote to Edna + A/C. Wrote to Nancy. Mum + Alan Drake arrived. Wrote to Nancy, Mum + Alan Drake.

Kinley & George Visin called in afternoon train. Slept in bed.

Non (off to England) Wrote to Eden 15 (Tues.) Arrived Bari 8 A.M.
A Mum (32 page letter)

12 (Sat.) Letter & photo from Looked after - cigarettes, mintries, etc.
Gun in Joan. Write A.G. to have slate picture ace man - scenes for
Americans now 40 miles from after written tea. Just like hotel.

Paris. Wrote to Cousin Joan 16 (Wed) Did some walking with stick

Hot day. Major Grant nowhere in that letter from Baron Grant (from Club) re
wounded. Wrote 2 A.Gs to Mum. My gear (at 8 A.M.) John wrote to

14 (Mon) Bought shirt, shoes, team & Ethen & Mum (A.Gs).

Sent hat at 9 A.M. store. Groups to

3 G.H. (Bari) on hospital train. Wrote to her, visited

night. Left at 8 P.M. Had hot tea by General Freyberg at 5 P.M.
18 (Friday) Walked about to -
- 19 (Sat.) Good news from France

1922 (Tues.) Picnic. 10 miles down-
- day - to Canteen with walking Const. 12 officers + 2 sisters.

shack.

19 (Sat.) Good news from France

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Telegram (Birthday greetings)

Letter from Sister England

A. G. from Edna - cables from

Letter from Edna. Went to Opera. Barber

Mum and Auntie Em. John

Mum + Auntie Em. John

Mum called to see me

20 (Sun) Wrote to Auntie Em. Mum

Edna. Jack (brother) Good news from

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France. Tanks across Seine next

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21 (Mon) Had pair of shoes bou-

ght at officer's shop - Bar -

Battle of beer for dinner.

Got my gear today. All there.

Wrote to Margaret - Bill Yorkton -

Harold Cameron.
24 (Thur) Good news Marseilles in our hands. Russia has capitulated. In afternoon went with Major Wason to Bar - N.Z.B.O.B. Bought boots, shirt, & towels. Evening - wrote to Mum.

25 (Fri) Wrote to Mrs. Healy, Mrs. Pringle (letter of condolences) to Club in afternoon. Had my Officers cap pinched from club - so took another. Evening - talkies at club. The first of the few. Very good.


27 (Sun) "Nip" Lambley in room next to mine. Horrible wound - skull pressed in. Wonder he is alive. Wrote to Edna, letter from Edna & Nelson's Hale. Went to C.O.E. Service at 11am with Major Wason; also communion. Afternoon - wrote to Mrs. Buthodone.

Jack Todd, Doug Gilmore & 3 of the boys called to see me. Evening - wrote 14 pages to Mum, Joe Lewis box.
28 (Mon.) A.G.’s from Mum —
Aunty Em (13 Aug.) Went into
Bari in afternoon — bought gifts for
Edna (Cigarette box, paper weights,
painted shell. Visited club. Back
to hotel by gharry. Bought rock-
melon.

29 (Tues.) Wrote A.G. to Edna. In
afternoon — walked into town. To Club
for afternoon tea. Spent an hour yachting
on harbour by myself (with Tony). Very
pleasant. Bought rockmelon & grapes.

30 (Wed.) Into Bari in afternoon

with the Major by gharry. Met
John Morrow at Club — also Lee
Hume & Jack McAnchie from
Nelson. In evening, went
to Symphony Concert at Opera
House. Excellent. Orchestra
by Joo. Violinist played Beethoven,
this Concerto in D. Major.

31 (Aug.) Wrote Air lettercard
to Edna in morning. In after-
noon went into Bari — bought
brooch for Pamela — Came for
Mum. Got Pam’s photo enlarg-
ed. Went to pictures. After—
-noon tea at club. Evening
- wrote A.G. to Mum.

1 Sep (Fri.) Had box made at
carpenter's shop (Hoxp) to sent girls
in to Edna. To Bori in afternoon
- to Club. Bought powder & lipstick
for Edna. Evening - dinner with
Nurse Miles at Nuncio Mass.

2 Sep (Sat.) Did up Edna's box
of parcels - posted. Dieppe in
hands of Canadians. Parcel from
Edna - letter from Joy. Went to

3 (Sun.) Day of Prayer.
5th anniversary of War.
To town in afternoon. Went
sailing with Bob O'Brien.
Afternoon tea - ice-cream at
Club. Met Mick O'Donnell there
Dust storm - thunder - train at
4:30. Bought melon on way
home. Two Air letters from
Edna (12th - 20th Aug.) To

Go to Con. Depot tomorrow.
Evening - wrote to Mum & Edna.

4 (Mon.) Moved to Con. Depot by Ambulance in morning - at San Spirito 6 miles North from Bari. In hut with Vince Manson & other officers. Allies now in Antwerp.


Wrote to Mum - Edna had a few spots with Frank Smedgass in Mess.
As dig in - disperse.

215hrs. S.T.

10 to 9 ready to move.
Bully - Biscuit (Pass-word)
Moroccan (French password)
R.A.P. @ En H.Q. in village
0600hrs. Breakfast.

Mains on left.
S. Afrians on right.
B + C. send up patrols tonight.

Impression - pulling out.

Tomorrow.

Div. Capt. Bull Rogers
Shemans + A. Coy now along road.
Ball, baseball bats, box, box gloves, 2 pairs of long socks, 1 ball, squash, 1 green, 12 shuttlecocks, 6 men from each coy., with shields, basketball posts, space for 3 basketball, 2 cricket + 2 pitch sticks, 0900 hrs., sick parade, must be on report (Coy).
27 P.M.

L./Cpl. G. Knowl D.

Mudwars In

Kowhai Track - Mignano, to 8 Rear Div. Turn left

Picquet to guard stores (240d)

Stay till trucks return for back - boring

26hrs. 10/2 R.

Stay behind with rear

Purty.

C + D Corps. (Ld) at B. Ech

Got Breakfast. W. Brown mid. day

meal. All rubbish filled in

- latrine seats taken.

D2: 50

Stores: 3/9

Reminder
Coys P ups to B1 Echelon
Normal loads (R.D. tent etc.)
3 days rations carried every man.
E.D. L.O.B. personnel to D. Coy.
Strike bivvy tents today except those used.
40 v.t.m. 15 m.i.h.
1630 Tea.
Leave 0830 R.A.P.
H.Q. Coy. Padre.
Sup. Coy. Y.M.C.A.
Br. H.Q. Tpt.

Rex F. (Bren)
Stewart (Bren)
Russell (Bren)
Robertson (Bren)
Milne RG

Rifle. 5 x 15 rds.

1800 hr. move
4 A thr. guns.
A B D Sup. Cook Shops
Log. Bttned.
No 2 PI 15 cwt.
Dodge water catt
(In Rear Div. H.Q.)
G 1098 loaded on vehicles.
Rest of gear listed to go into Central Dump. Each Coy.
to leave 1 guard on dump.
Leave bivvies up for present.
Be ready for quick move.

Sec.
Small
I don’t
Understand

18 Pl.
2

1/18 Pl.

Sit. Commiss

Main track

Spool for

Cameras.
23 men from Pl. (8 + O.B.)
Coy. H.Q.

St. Hawkins B. 149294
Cpl. Stewart W.H. 285437
Hcl. Higgin W. 76634
Hcl. Eason S.E. 76630

LOB -> Pte. Beaton J.C. 496396
Bell E.G. 438663

John:
Dykes J.H. 264945
Eqgleton D.R. 433784
Host W.T.C.A. 289696

Kennedy D.L. 19989
Lauchbury G.E. 6h8789

Mr. McCauley J.A. 506622
Maitland R. 4h1750
Milne L.D. 056280
Millar A.T.  177488
O'Brien T.W.  439012
Pringle J.W.  279046
Ryder R.W.J.  267401
Small W.J.H.  203595
Wilks F.T.  450526
Foyston W.C.  290336
Cpl. Lover D.B.  49541
Pte. Muldrew I.J.  237224
Dowland E.H.  447211
Gillen J.C.  447790
McVeighle F.M.  50667

Stranger P.S.

Noah Ross J.

[Signature]

Farewell

Adios H.C. C.O.

(4 Cpl.
Gilmour D. (9 Sec).
Burton H.C. (Pl. waropr).
Boyd J.T. —
Idoir A. (Pl. weapons)

Jack Ross, Cpl. Clerk.

(Preliim.)
1830 R.C.'s @ Coy H.Q.

- 1/2 pt. per man
- Rifle Oil: Flannel
- Sand shoes
- 10 min. spells
- No. 1 Gun
- A.T. 2
- 1505 hrs.

Tedeschi