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BY AIR MAIL

AIR MAIL LETTER



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IT WILL BE SENT BY ORDINARY MAIL.

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WHEN FOLDED THE LETTER CARD MUST CONFORM IN SIZE AND SHAPE WITH THE BLUE BORDER WITHIN WHICH THE ADDRESS ONLY MAY BE WRITTEN.

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7125 Lt Col W. Kiffenberger
70 NZ Bn. M.E.F.
26/10/41.

Dear Glen,

There's nothing to make
a letter about but I've had two
welcome letters - from you without
replying.

I thought of you very often
when Jim Burrows & I were in
Palestine, though the only battlefield
I was able to really look at was
El Qaja near crossing, where Wehr
Haupt had the main guard & hangars
was hit. I notice this is one of
the places known only to God on
the Jerusalem War Memorial. I've had
a bit of experience with main guards
myself this year and it's a great
job for looking at our watch.

We were very pleased at
getting the two V.C.s. Jim, who is
now commanding the Inf. Training Depot
from 20th, 23rd & 26th, wrote a very nice
letter of congratulation re Upham & this

a few days later wrote "for my
 13/6/1362 of you 2/W. Ugham road
 2/W. Ugham St. Winton. It would be
 a convenience to this H.Q. if the names
 of members of the 20th getting Victoria
 Cross were in future published in one
 list instead of on different days as
 appears to be the present practice"
 I suggest that we would put them in
 alphabetical order.

It has been a great thing
 for the P.O. Census that the 2 V.C.s,
 Frank D.P.M. & William Grahm M.P. all
 came from one Company, C. (West Coast)
 Winton was killed in Cuba.

We have been training hard
 and in wonderful form. No
 doubt they will show soon &
 we are all confident will be on
 the winning side this time. Anyway
 will certainly have more planes
 than ever, we hope for
 at one time.

Geoff. Funnell was a grand lad,
 I wrote to his wife & got a very brief
 reply from her. I suppose you have
 seen Frank D. by now. Jacob has
 feelings but he is a good & well-trained

officer. He has an ill managed
 knack of rubbing people the wrong way
 what I was able to keep in check
 he did his best never overthrew the 20th
 the Staff his bad manners led to
 him not doing himself justice and
 he was often unfairly & openly criticised
 when he didn't know as much as he
 imagined. ~~Was it he that~~
 resilience of spirit in the 10th had
 such days in Cuba that one hoped for,
 a depressed Staff Officer has a wide and
 influential influence. He has a good
 military brain & is a splendid business
 to me, though not to everyone, and
 faithful friend. I didn't mean to
 start an analysis of his character
 but there it is.

The weather is simply
 perfect steadily getting cooler today
 a marvel of the turquoise. I'm
 young & vigorous to inspect our new
 arrival course.

My love to May & Gwyneth
 kindest regards to Owen Robin (?)
 Yourself

Howard

time is
 passing. I'm
 impatient - Robin
 on Peter or?