

just squat in the open
in view of passers by.
Travelled in 3rd class
carriages. Passed
through miles of desert
country with occasional
areas of green vegetation
& cultivation; in size
& date palms. Passed a
big prison camp (Italian)
just outside Jerfih. Rows & rows of
tents behind barbed wire.
Passed six or eight aerodromes
beside railway. Saw many
Wellington bombers on ground.
Saw 16 Hurricane fighters
flying in formation.
Passed more prison camps.
Several stops at wayside

stations. Crowds of men & children
- some asking for "backsheesh."
Some came through train
selling cheap jewellery, cigar-
ettes, peanuts, chocolates.
"Very nice, very sweet, very
O.K."
Didn't reach Cairo till 8.45
P.M. Many search-lights
sweeping sky.
Delayed in Cairo till 12 p.m.
Reached Moadi Camp at
1 A.M. Tea & mess. Shown to
tent by M.C.O., (Cpl. Gray -
who has been through Greece &
Crete.) 9 in our tent.
To bed at 2.45 A.M., feeling
very tired.