

JUNE

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Sunday

Travelled all night.  
Wearisome trip. Breakfast  
at 4 A.M. at Amirya.  
Arrived Mersa Matruh  
6.20 P.M.  
Bivouaced on hill South of  
town.

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Monday

Up at 6 A.M. after good night's  
rest. Heard that Idbruk had  
fallen, & that Gen Ritchie has  
been "sacked". Good thing! Some-  
thing must be wrong. Saw Grant  
tank on trailer (34 wheels).  
Shifted to Smugglers Cove. Had  
a swim. (5 miles from town)  
Made a tent from bivou.

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Tuesday

Had swim at 10 A.M. in sea.  
Lovely.  
Bn. shifted to Aerodrome  
3 miles West of Mersa Matruh  
at 3 P.M. Dug-outs, passages  
to sleep in and work.  
Saw Carl Watson - our new  
C.O.  
Several German planes over  
during night dropping bombs. Our  
A.A. guns in action like fire works.

Wednesday

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Got office ready.  
At 4.30 P.M. received orders  
to move to Amirya at 6 P.M.  
Goodness knows why.  
Moved off at 9 P.M. Saw AckAck  
display & flares dropped by enemy  
planes over Mersa Matruh when we  
were some miles on our way. Heard  
bombs dropping.