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Sunday

Went out to area for manoeuvre with I. Section + other officers. Went via road in trucks. Slept + read in afternoon. Went to talkies in open air at 6.30 P.M. Supper at Jack + Ray's. Dug-out.

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Monday

Perfect day - no wind, sky cloudless.
Sorted maps, tied in bundles.
Letter from Mum.
Read book - "Terminus".
Supper - tinned fruit + cream. Coffee + milk.

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Tuesday

Wet day. Went with Ewart + Mr Piper in trucks to take bearings on Escarpment. Visited tomb of Sheikh Hatwash. (marked on map) In afternoon, fixed roof of office (put tent fly over it.) Evening - read book (War Birds.)

Wednesday

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Last day of the year. Went in truck to deserted aerodrome on escarpment in afternoon. Took bearings. Saw remains of burnt out British bomber. Couldn't lift propeller (3 blades - metal)
Evening - party in office.
Guns firing - tracer bullets - to bed 12.30 A.M.