

24 (Wednesday) Tanks had firing practice. I fired 2 shots & directed fire for 2 more. It is on bike fell off & jumped into ditch. Very funny. Went to Kiwi Concert Party at night.

25 (Thursday) Canadian troops 5 miles beyond Picot. Wrote to Mum & Edna. 200 Liberators flew over at 9:45 A.M. Lovely sunny day. Good news from ANZIO & other fronts. ANZIO now joined up with 5 Army. Returned to 23 Bn. in afternoon. Letter from Mum today. 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 8:30 for B. I. Ech. near Saint Elia. Terribly winding steep road: had to back round most corners. Passed Peter Fraser & "Tiny" in a jeep at Aquafredda. Arrived area 3 P.M. Put up bivvies.