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Dear Mum + Dad,

Was very pleased to receive your "Airograph" yesterday & to know that you had received my letter of 15 March & also the parcel of books. By now you will have received the parcel I sent you from Palestine two weeks ago when I was there on leave - I expect. Well I am pleased to say that at long last I am back again with my unit & among my old friends. This is the camp I was in when I first came to Egypt & it seems like home (more or less). We are having quite warm weather now with the temperature up to 100° + over. On account of the heat, we do our training in the morning, with reveille at 5.15, mug of tea at 5.30, physical training, bayonet drill & so on till breakfast at 8. Resume again at 9 & carry on till 12.30.

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In the afternoons we have a siesta. Even when doing nothing, one perspires.

Our training of course is a little different from that I outlined. We of the "Intelligency" are at present attending a two weeks' refresher course in "I" work, commencing at 6 in the morning with an hour's break for breakfast at 8 o'clock & then continuing at 9 till 12.30.

Last night a "General Knowledge Quiz" was held in our Y. M. C. A. There were two teams of six aside; one of Officers & the other of G.R.'s (other ranks.) I was one of the O. R's. — but we beat the Officers' team on points & received a packet of 20 cigarettes each. The Officers got a small bag of peanuts!!

Well my dears, this will be a short letter as I am writing it while on leave in Cairo for the

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evening I am going to the <sup>my</sup> Falkies  
soon. I am enclosing a few  
snaps taken recently. Please send  
them on to Edna when you have  
done with them.

Hope you all are well  
in Nelson. I have "in the pink"  
again.

Love from your son,  
Rewai