

(from Canterbury) but smokes sheep!  
Hence the canton must not sell  
anything else. Only corner soap is to  
be sold for the men. While he at the  
same time sends his batman to  
Salonica to buy soap that he may  
have a scrub bath! This is what  
is called fair treatment in the army.  
The men are supposed to be in good  
spirits and not disheartened according  
to the papers. It's a pity that these men  
were not compelled to spend few  
weeks in a unit like this.  
No wonder there's dissatisfaction  
everywhere. What muddled headed  
fool they are. They can't see  
that a unit which respects the  
confidence in their superiors is  
worth a dozen which is made  
to work under threat & fear.

Orderly Room. England! England, thou  
hast sold thy liberty! See that you  
are emancipated from the tyranny  
of militarism after the war. Let  
not a day pass or stone unturned  
until your freedom & liberty is secured  
again.

Bivouac net issued as well as  
mosquito nets. This is economy!  
Read of a acres of corn & being  
ploughed up to make a site for a  
a factory whereas the adjoining ground  
could be of some use. But no.  
That was a golf links. At the  
same time there's an economy  
committee with a Colonel who gets  
work a year of a staff to devise  
ways & means to deprive the soldier  
of his ration.

Write (a dull letter) to C.M.L. & cc to J.P.W.

5 Glorious morning: news of new terms of event in Russia. Grand Duke Michael proclaimed Gov of Siberia. Another stunt - the C.O.'s in charge of huts to render normal walk of those who get a bath weekly! Night staff marched to breakfast.

There's shortage of men. <sup>yet</sup> About 50 men are sent daily with kulaks to work (!) to cut grass along the roads & open space. Day parade. Rest in the afternoon. Sleep in bivouacs: rain come so had to make for the hut belts shelter.

6 Breezy morning: Royal offer for leave away to the death of his mother. Rec's leave granted at last - after 3 weeks anxious waiting. News that D. A. (Lord Rutherford) is dead. Poor D.A. He seems to have been fairly

successful as Food Controller. He did as he wished - in harness.

207 men arrive for duty - are scrubbing the office this afternoon. Take a stroll with the boys. Sleep in two bivouacs. Rec. note from March & Jones from S.H.

7 Sunday.

Fine fresh morning: convoy today of 78 from 60 61 + 80 to 4 H. expected to arrive about 8 p.m. Rec note from Owen. Afternoon off: sudden gale blows: heavy showers: March does not turn up. Convoy late: arrives 8:45: working till 10:20. Appears before D.P. (the little) last night: warned & secrets.

8 Windy morning: Rec letter from V.J. Also invite Madame Green to the theatre. Will he go? I shall not be surprised

9 Fine day. Another convoy today. Rec letter from Mabel & Dai. Mabel has finished her exam & suffering

from reaction. Did not know that Anne  
was bound for Dai is alright.  
Still in London.

Afternoon off. Convoy of 50 from 649 H.P.  
Sgt. Adams leaves the Div & goes Med Store

### 10 Wednesday.

Sine day: Cricket team leave  
for Karaburun accompanied by few  
men. Wish I could go for a change.

Fairly busy this morning.  
Feel unwell the last two days -  
headache & pain in legs. Little better  
this morning. Very hot day.

11 Nice day: receive letter from Min J.

Afternoon off: troubled with boils  
aching terribly. Fail to sleep.

12 Very hot day: Report sick: have boil  
dressed & take medicine. Feel unwell  
headache pyresia & pain in legs.

~~was~~ was news favourable as far as  
it goes: activities in Albania.  
Austrian driven back: heavy  
cannonade heard from here last  
night indicating activity on the front.  
Rec letter from C.M.L.

13 Feel unwell: attend dressing room  
boils no better. Receive letter from  
Anne Mabel & V.J.

14 Sunday. Leg very painful:  
looks septic. Shall report sick  
tomorrow again. Rec letter  
from T. J. R. Jones has joined him  
now. They are happy & lucky  
chaps. attend service: communion  
service at 7. Padre spoke on  
unofficial goodnumbered or the  
words - man cutting out drink  
who follow not his.

Very erratic: and as we  
remembered a previous sermon  
most inconsistent, judging  
from his remarks the thought  
in the home of the worst type  
of men. The church a jealous  
refusal to acknowledge  
any party who claim  
to do good.

Thunder storm: as it looks  
like rain slept in bed.  
But really failed to sleep  
bugs made an attack in  
close formation & so had to  
retreat to living. Log paper  
Rec. letter from Rachel.

15 Two men admitted during  
night one on 8 & the other  
on 3. Sgt Douglas appears  
to have been very ill.

knocked the air about.  
As the O's front had could  
not understand how the  
is quiet this morning; afraid  
it was a heart stroke or faint  
"Frank Annie stroke".

Report sick again: admitted  
to C.B. Should have been 3  
days ago: discharging fairly  
but easier. Rest all day  
by evening. Don't come  
for sister: have written  
M.D. Sister's morning  
or night - fine amiable  
girl. What difference of  
nature between two sisters!  
Thunder storm in the evening  
slept fairly well.

16 Fine breezy morning; up  
at 6. get by dinner.

by Sister before leaving duty.  
M.O. sees me: giving bandaging  
treatment - fomentations.

17. Hottest day: Temp 101 in shade.  
Waxes playing Sgt. at Cased  
with foolishness.

No treatment given no medicine.  
Mental case dies from Malaria  
German <sup>(C.O.)</sup> offensive starts in the  
West - no gains. Rec.

P.C. from Harry Wood to him.

18. Another hot day: day dressings  
See C.O. Says I can carry on  
did not care how I was.

See Jenkins & get Lambrian News  
Stan Davis calls to see me.

Rumours of a big Convoy in a day  
or two. Shall be out by then I  
hope. Write to Mrs. H. a short  
letter. Very hot day.

38 Cronin admitted.

19. Very hot day. Nothing important  
except concert at night by  
3 H & Concert Party - poor con-  
veyance half time. Convoy of 64  
Special Mal.

20. Another hot day. Ask M.O.  
to be marked out. He is going  
to see the O.C. Rec. letter from  
Ches. V. & Annie. Ches  
says he is better. Two of the  
boys undergo an operation  
- all well. Write to Fred &  
Robert. Good news from  
the Western front, advance  
of 8 mile or 20 mile front  
2000 prisoners & 100 guns.

21. Sunday: Am discharged from hospital  
Rec. letter & paper from Mrs. attend services  
(C.F.) in evening: enjoy it too.

22 Busy day: Convoy D to in the morning: Gloomy day: heat intense: Dms inspection

23 Very hot day: afternoon off. Visit sick: heavy thunderstorm. Rec. 2 letters from Cardiff.

24 Fresh morning. Rec letter from Mab & from Mr L. & from Phe. Mab. disappointed failed in history. Write Phe.

25 Very hot day. Rec letter from Bill Evans. He is still in Palestine: expects to be sent to a T. Coy or Infantry. Does not like the idea. It seems that there is a move in the same direction in the country again.

Hear that Robert is likely to be sent down the line with shell shock for good.

Big fire about 9 p.m. in Desert Camp.

26 Very close morning. Fairly busy. No letters this morning.

27 Hot day. No letters today. Fairly busy. Mitchell admitted to 30 Gen Hosp. Take a walk to Y.M.C.A. Write to Rachel.

28 Another hot day. Fairly busy day. No letters. Interrogated by May Anderson on long legs. Several admitted today. Feel unwell myself.

Sunday: on duty by myself the afternoon. Write to C.M.L. & Miss J. Cardiff. Hope to attend services tonight. It is one of the links that bind me with the best of the part. O for that day when we shall again return to our work. Communion service: seem unreal: matter of form: yet it was a reminder of the Great Sacrifice & stimulus to the spiritual life.

28 Continued sermon on "I fulfill what is left of the suffering of St." Better sermon than I have listened to for some time.

Pades announces that this is his last at 52nd. Much soft soap, which evidently claims that he is ignorant of the state of affairs here or that he was not sincere.

29 Rogers goes to the Registry; Cpl. Martin expecting a commission. This is quite a rage these days. A man likely to be sent to S. Hill town including special int. I suppose I shall be amongst them: still I leave it to him who has cared for & protected me so far. He will see me thro.

Off this afternoon. Rec parcel of cigs. & paper from V.J. Poor girl makes every effort to be of some help to me. I am afraid I am not so grateful as I should. O for a thankful heart!

Lecture by Rev Webster on "German & African

which was rather interesting on the lecturer gave us some idea of the country, its people & their habits & customs - a pleasant hour spent.

Much colder tonight - vardos winds.

30 Fresh winds blowing again today. A pleasant change after the intense clammy heat.

Albert Richard & Dallas call on me: Glad to see both. Albert has grown very tall. H. S tomorrow: visit the boys.

31 Fine day: O.C. inspect morning parade. 20 & 21 NCOs detailed to load ship. Cpl Brown leaves. Good luck to him; long to love him though.

Rec letter from E. Jones. Roberts has been sent down the line with shell shock. Appears to be in bad state & likely to be sent home. I hope he will. Evidently he will be of no use written the sound of gun. Poor Roberts

I hope to see him before he goes.

Am busy this morning: all by myself.  
Hear that J. H. Jones has been discharged from  
the Army. Good luck to him. I wish I could  
get out of it. It seems that I am  
wasting my life. Yet I trust all  
will be well in his hands. Write to E. J.

1 Aug Fine morning: Parade of specialists  
under training: It seems that all "A"  
men are to be transferred to Infantry.  
So my time to fight is at hand. I  
trust all will be well. My course  
of action is fairly clear. I have no  
reason to change my attitude but rather  
I am more convinced than ever.  
I have little to hope from the military  
authorities as such. But I've been  
providentially kept - so far - & I am hopeful  
of the future for the same protection.  
O when will this terrible war end?  
At present there is no sign.

Take a stroll with E. J. & enjoy it.

2nd Fine day. Busy this morning. Rec.  
letter from J. H. Jones & Beverly. Glad to hear  
from him. Pay day: 2 hrs off.

3 men promoted to Sgt. Chat with Jenkins & W.

3rd Beautiful morning: no letters: busy.  
Sert report for duty.

Preparing for a united service  
tomorrow Aug 4th at 42 Gen Hoapl.  
Finish reading "Quoted" - a rather interesting  
book showing forth the virtues of truth  
& honesty as the best policy & definitely  
ultimately fair.

Write to Annie & Jack.

4th Aug. Sunday = 1918

Anniversary of the war - a long weary  
bloody war - hardly a sign of the end.  
Today we shall in prayer of intercession.  
I wonder how many will really intercede  
with God in the true sense - no empty  
conclusion by us but leave it to Him.