

APRIL 1

19 Out on Convoy 5-30 A.M.,  
met Left Section halfway  
Got back 1 P.M.  
Not on guard in the night

19 Saw quite a few flares overhead  
quite bright few bombs dropped near,  
heard several F-6s bangs last night  
Several boxes my equipment, letter  
from O.N.A.

19 Windy & rainy, sent parcels to Marya <sup>Chile</sup>  
at from Mary Mann. Left Embury 10, to Aeneas  
for use up of tea, 7 hrs of socks, 1 sweater. Xmas C'd from  
Charles E Rby returned. to M. O for book

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APRIL 2

19 Convoy again 8 P.M.  
Reveille 5.30 A.M. Got back  
2 P.M., just fooled away the  
afternoon, nothing new in, heard  
19 woman on radio describing April in England.  
To Bed early.  
Writing letters

19 P.L.T to Mary Mann, 15 up, 15 passed.  
to show "White Cargo" easy day (EASA) Play  
Book, nothing new in

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APRIL 3

19 Lt from Mary Mann, on N.T  
maintenance, quite a bit of rain  
lecture on Suez Canal

Played Badminton 4 good  
sets, home cleaning brass  
Lent Ned money 2.6d

19 Holiday, fortune told 2.5, saw Henon, tow. 4  
Sun morning, sports in afternoon, Paq 7.56, came to  
show "Palm Bay Cliffs" - "Mona Loa in Hawaii"  
Fabr. Pearl treatment 1.0 for policy to Pull for 1/2 an  
hour led 10.30 P.M.

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APRIL 4

19 P. LT to Mary Mann  
Out on Conway again in the  
morning, mounted  
guard 6. P.M. (12 hr)

19 Letter from Mary Mann  
Flames dropped like a Xmas tree  
and a few bombs started firing  
and rolled the guard room

19 Left 2 P.M. for admirals house the whole day  
morning Sat. 1/2 day Conway nice old guest, 230 ft  
to sea, beauty NFI 2 1/2 hrs and stars, met, no rain, better  
left 6.45 P.M. T.O. show, mostly in rain not  
to back, made a date. Ent. for a day, singing back  
songs. He is sending a message to mother via the  
Governor Kenneth Power

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APRIL 5

19 about 10.30 P.M. last night about  
100 incendiary bombs dropped all around  
us, fortunately no H.E.  
P.L.T. to Mary, then and

19 Doo, to Norwich to Fudge's Bath  
and suffer, see about Dr. Booth, the pictures  
of Vic and I, to dance not so good  
came home early. The last time I saw <sup>P.L.T.</sup> Parit

19 On guard, in bed till noon, water <sup>P.L.T.</sup> mucker  
kent snaph the gang on Springbroad. Reading  
Liberty Mail, attending man finished 8 P.M. into R.I. 1/2  
phoned Mary, but she was at Bearson Bed 11 P.M.  
E.C. Carter on guard. 4 more days. Weather swell  
today.

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APRIL 6

19 A.M. to A. They saw Winslow  
and all the boys, also the radio  
from back home, not to bad.

To Nicholas in Hemely had they  
19 girl I met on a Pass a stormy night  
about 3 mths ago.

Back early writing letters  
8 days postman alive

19 Soil much better. Bumper 99.5 another day  
to Carter Hall at G. users, C.E. & myself, home  
midnight, nice but windy evening.

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APRIL 7

19 P.L.T to Mary Hann  
APR 6<sup>th</sup> Hitler mailed Grace & Gerald  
yare Langone-Laden a pair of socks.  
P.L.T to Mother

19 letter from Mr Picher 1 £, 10 s for  
Vic and me. H. Herald and the autograph  
from F. P. M. Schell, on main branch  
Lent 2.6d Woodford.

19 letter from Mary another day out with  
goods. lent Sparkes 1/5. Boil treatment. Red P.P.

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APRIL 8

19 On M.T. nothing much on practised  
loading lorry for movement.  
sent Mother a Red Cross  
telegram from Vic & I, ~~sent~~ sent Fisher  
1<sup>st</sup> £ 2.6d,  
mounted guard 6 P.M.

aircraft action again not like Friday  
night though Yarmouth gutted  
19 nothing new on lent. Shells 2.6 Am  
Berley 2.6, mulony 2p. brought 50 worth  
of blood from Cocker, doing revision

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APRIL 9

19 Came off guard 6 A.M., out on map reading, bath parade, lecture, letter from Aunt Edie, Pictures from Col. post 2 cols and Salvation Army, plus Paches. 10 to Vic

19 Cabs & Pass from home and letter from Aunt Edie papers & envelopes and wallet from H. Bremer.

19 Test, passed out Carter & myself out celebrating nice evening blonde, sent Mary's parcel via Hensons, failed N.M.

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APRIL 10

19 Letter from Mary Mann, Muzjak 3.6  
Defense Post 2 A.M. out of bed for Mother  
TO Norwich for Petrol got back 3 P.M.  
writing letters no dinner beautiful day

19 P.M. to Mary Mann & Photo Vic &  
Out on convoy got back 11 P.M.  
Bormandy's Camp, Bena Falch.

P. L.T. to Mary Mann  
19 Left 9 A.M., Lock there, gave him 260  
smokes. Left on the Cardiff train met a lovely  
Wendy girl who had to join the A.T.S. with the boys  
at Bristol, met a nice W.R.F.F. she nearly missed  
the train in P.M. back excellent meals. Gullies from  
Mrs Coomes, Ruby Gouline, Aunt Edie, Mary 3  
Rog 2, Norman, Mrs Woodyear, Muddelcher, Gull Hill

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APRIL 11

19 To Norwich got set of N.F.L.D. 1.6d  
2 Flashers, sent Churchill 2.6d gave  
Cassidy 2 Pkg Wings, issue from home  
Church Parade, to Yarmouth best up had

19 To mess meeting, mounted  
guard 6 P.M. Gun position on  
first.

19 Batch, part parcel to Mary, Logans farm  
Neimans, packing for Smith & Co. have  
V.L. 10 to, 2 badges Belt. P.L.T. & MOTHER  
can wear N.F.L.D. 2 on belts to Mary. H.  
departed 14 P.M. Mary gave for new address  
Wed 8 P.M.

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APRIL 12

19 P.L.T. to Pachers Photo of Vic and J.  
L.T. to A.E. de, Photo of Vic and J. to Norwich  
Mangs picture 4.6d, made a date Sat 2.30 P.M.  
Tennis, talk for Harold brought my ring in  
To 19 Boots back 7.30 P.M. bed  
early

19 up 2 A.M. left 5 A.M. arrived here 8.30 P.M.  
in bunk all day asleep pretty scenery.  
Canadians meted out. Bed 10 P.M., later  
others were crowned top bunk, note from John  
Roman

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APRIL 13

19 To Norwich church in the Cathedral  
wanted for R.H. 9 guard on the  
peg's back 2.30 reported to the  
B. 2. N. in writing letters.

19 mailed A/14/41 pictures via  
and I to Ros, Mary <sup>H</sup>ann

19 on scheme 8 A.M. good day w. few lens to Ros  
back 8.30 p.m. Haversack rations some things, M.S. FC  
gun foodswes sleep weather nice  
2099091 A/C W2., Adams E. Hut. X. 17  
4 Wing, A. Flight, R.A.F. station, Melksham.  
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APRIL 14

19 P.L.T. to Mother, Ros  
Finished after the verdict and  
Mary ~~Hann~~ Hann, sent incendiary  
bomb souvenir and German airplane

19 bullet souvenir, before Chapman, sent  
on R.H. 9 guard and 3 days pass stopped  
Mrs Neiman then G.W.

19 P.L.T. to Ros, warm day, preparing and resting  
for night scheme, left 10 P.M. some food with  
the thought of no leave for an age yet. Harold went  
out 5 P.M. Carter may get leave. haircut.  
always windy night

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APRIL 15

19 Writing letters, nothing new  
one, changed overcoat, Posted letters  
to Kit and ETT.

nothing new on

19 Mrs Rumpf Mrs Grant  
276 Todd St 89 Lanionside Avenue  
Haghill Clarkston Glasgow  
Glasgow S. I. give me Hector's  
off Alexandra Parade address

19 up 4 P.M. no food in 3.30 P.M. (18 hrs no grab)  
swell weather, tired, many m<sup>10</sup> letters. In W.L.T.S  
laying cable all day. Pay, 2 soap coupons

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APRIL 16

19 Slept all day 1.45 R. 2. AA  
asked us a few questions  
mounted guard 6 P.M.

19 P.L.T. to Uncle Mare  
and Mrs Goodyear pictures  
of V. and I.

19 left for Good Building 8 A. N. P.L.T. to Mary Mann  
Eulam & myself left 9.5. AM, over the hills found a wee  
house lovely snug up back, PM passed a few hrs, back  
5.30 P.M., great weather, out to the village Bed 10 P.M.  
Mrs Jones, Aberystant, Turabad, Llangamarch  
Wells, Brecon S. Wales (white cloth)

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APRIL 17

19 Whole day off, bought tennis shoes 10/5, to Patton for Mary's letter didn't arrive hitchhiked 5 miles to Fudges had a bath and writing

19 Mary Mann and P. L. T. to her. To show "The King of Bagdad" no good back 10.30 P.M. and to bed.

19 Out on Range from 11 A.M. to 9 P.M. well day L.T.S. from Mary 27 ~~was~~ Mother, Dad & E.T. 1/2 and Tom T. 1/2 2 letters from June Mar 16 & Feb 16<sup>th</sup> and snap of June Paul article in the paper; L.T. from Austin bed 11 P.M. no chance of leave till the 1st

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APRIL 18

19 Just another day resting mounted guard 6 P.M. Eme and Romandy went back to go on the Las Teat. <sup>with</sup> Fisher I and Churchill went back to move to C/B + Y. Wrote Walter Fisher.

19 P.L.T.S. to Mary, Mother & Mrs Corbels room ordered E in a writing room all morning R.S. M. slopped us. Sent a L & 2 W. Stars to Mary M. in W.L.T.S. (Send photos & write Aunt Cole)

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APRIL 19

Got my Ring 2 to Sew 7<sup>th</sup> Plane

19 To Norwich, got Tennis Racket at Bloomfields told them of England. Met Archda played 3 sets of tennis got back just in time to mount quad.

19 Letters from Mary Mann, Powell, Neimans and Art-Maine Lutter Last night in R.H. 6 guard, boys left on East tent and for 3/132Y

19 W.L.T.S. day off. P.L.T.S to E.T.T. Aunt Edie Mrs Goodyear to Norma, Ruby, Tom & Austin Tipples, reading Liberty & called early, still fighting for my leave.

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APRIL 20

19 P.L.T.S Mother; Mr Newman, back from R.H. 6, to 17/ Bty got skates from W inslow nothing new on to bed 11 P.M. after

19 reading a good article in the Sunday P. Memorial. T3 6346 Mrs F. Hewitt 2<sup>nd</sup> Amr 4 Cooman North Rd 14<sup>th</sup> Bty R.C.F.I.C.A.O Et O nearby 4<sup>th</sup> Field Regt England

19 Off Scheming, no leave yet, sent 4.45 for Badges. W.L.T.S Dec. Early to bed. Major tomorrow about leave. P.L.T.S to E did Benwood & Middle ditch. Amr. J. Cooman, B6346 R.C.A. 14<sup>th</sup> Batten Canad Forces Overseas 4<sup>th</sup> Canadian Field Regt Base P.O. England

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APRIL 21

<sup>19</sup> Letter from Mary Hann, enclosed one from Mother also enclosed 11 post-cards, views of Conar Brook and vicinity.  
<sup>19</sup> Letter from Norma Parker on. Mat all day home writing letters nothing new on.

a lovely day weather  
New Issue tint plate and misc

<sup>19</sup> Saw major result leave early in AM, nothing on W.L.T.S, sent White 1/5, Stamp beat up beds.

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APRIL 22

<sup>19</sup> Out on Conroy T.A.M.  
Posted letters to Mr Andrews Norma and Mary Ann

<sup>19</sup> Letters from Mary Hann, spots and Marden out all day got back 6 P.M. normal guard 7 P.M.

<sup>19</sup> ~~Truck~~ truck all day left 8 P.M. arrived 8 P.M. W from Mary Mann, Smith, Howard brought me 2/12 envelope P.T. sheets bed 10 P.M.

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19 P.L.T to Spots on M.T in A.M.  
 came off guard cleaned up by 10 A.M.  
 Letter from Mary Mann, nothing  
 new on, writing letters and to

19 bed early.

Molly Beaver 5 Knighten Rd  
 Stonegate Leicester  
 Mr Birmingham

Jan 21st

19 P.L.T to Mary Mann, pay, say day Logans  
 mailed Feb 2nd 1845, say 5/6 lbs mail to NED  
 now free, P.L.T to Packers. Bed early.  
 lent P.M. 5<sup>0</sup>. P.L.T to Mary Mann

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19 P.L.Ts to Mr. Andrews, Marsden,  
 Ros, and June Maxwell.  
 on M.T all day played badminton  
 also Harrod

19 Home early writing letters  
 Clayton, Laurels, F Leggburgh.

J. Nichols J. K. Nelson Edus  
 The Lodge 88 1/2 Neighbours Edus  
 St Omelys Highland Glasgow W. 2

19 Lent Vic<sup>ts</sup>, room orderly, P.L.T to Ros.  
 stayed in bed early. V. a went on leave  
 Blanked Kit

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APRIL 25

- 19 Out on Conway all day, on guard in the night, P.L.T. to ~~W.L.T.S.~~ Mary in the A.M. with Vic on the anti tank gun in A.M. lady gave me jug of tea. Got back 6 P.M.
- 19 20,000 planes to take off from N.F.L.D. next 13 MCHS.

42 1/2 day sent Carter to 3, sent sugar to Mrs. ~~ones, did 2 Phys. at mg's - W.L.T.S. did early~~  
 19 P.L.T. to mother, with negative of 3 of us in Wales and home taken in Salisbury. P.L.T. to guns & end with Heather in my cap.

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APRIL 26

- 19 P.L.T. to ELSIE came off guard 6 A.M. on maintenance all morning. In M.O., detailed Fire prequet was browned, but played Badminton in the afternoon.
- 19 Ctn Wings from ~~John~~ Peter White, letter from Mary Hana, in all night.

19 P.L.T. to Naimans picture to mother of F.T. from Harold, W.L.T.S. all day, eggs for breakfast Harold & Carter went on leave 5.15 P.M. at noon sent message 4 to 6. weather quite nice. P.L.T. to B. G. Hart

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19 P.L.T to Peter W. Hite, sent message to B.B.C. Love to Mother, Dad, Mary Doris Faith Kit, Gwen, Gage and Friends also a message for Vic. Bandragging all afternoon very tired stayed in all night; nothing new on.

19 ~~Left~~ 7:30 AM for our advance party. got home 10 AM, by baggage till 6:30 PM. phoned Mary through in 10 min. Vic was up to the house, Durweston, N. Blandford, Dorset. to Blandford back 9 P.M., train time & bus time got a good bed & mattress but this is the worse dump yet quiet not even a caten

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19 P.L.T to Mother, on .m.T all day mounted guard 6 P.M. nothing new on 24 hr shift

19 Mrs H. Baird  
47 Marshall Rd  
Glasgow

42 19 mailed pick 4 B, to send Mary Flowers also Carter for Isabelle.  
to whitewashing till 7 P.M., out trouting, to the village a dead hare, glass 2 B, line 4 d. Life mag Oct 6<sup>th</sup>/41 bed 10 P.M.

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APRIL 29

19 On guard all day nothing near  
on good work and shave 7.30 P.M.  
and then to Bed.

looks like leave will go back

19 again for or be fooked up somehow.

LT from Mary Mann

42 19 another day, helping Guy P with odd jobs  
tea, 2 buns 6d, lent Guy 6d, nice weather, no  
place to go, Guy had some coffee, what a war, this  
is some dump.

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APRIL 30

19 P.L.T to Mary Evans, Telegram from  
Mary Mann Westhill still 200. Mounted  
guard 6 P.M. 12 H r

19 Nothing new on  
N.F.L.D. Fish for dinner

19 mending Blackouts & Beds, went to Blandford  
twice, letter like last time from M. Mann, P by  
W.L.S. 8 P.M. good weather

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MAY 1

19 P.L.T to Mary Hann, lecture  
in afternoon. Five Pequet in the  
night also played Badminton -  
Nothing new on

19 P. LT to Mary Mann  
Harvey F Rodds Ltd Church St  
Toronto, Ont Canada.

19 making beds, 2 letters from Mary & Mother  
1 from Dad's June. M. Etn. W. mgs from Pete Daniels  
nice weather. Fowlow gone.  
P.L.T to Mary Mann

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MAY 2

19 my Major Southey left we got  
a new Major, On guard nothing  
new on, letter from Elsie Harwood  
part of sick and tired

19 Bus 54 to Selsdon from outside East  
Croydon Stn: 20 min to Queenhill Rd, 3rd  
Arundel Ave, 1st turn to left along Arundel  
Ave is 40 Norfolk Ave, Sandstead, Sumey

19 Repairing beds, few more boys came  
down, busy day. P.L.T to Mother

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MAY 3

19 On vehicle cleaning, F. in Piquet  
played badminton, no 1/2 day  
Bed early

19 Nothing new on sure  
brounnet sick with cold  
Phoned Norwich 9d M.P.  
Saw Holloway, 1 hr of work

19 (mention photo of F. Troop) On Wings from  
Dech. L. Lundgren 25. 6 of Duns 25. 1/2 day resting  
in sun, swell weather. Sent letter to T. Queter  
and P.L.T. to P. Pamela & Day F. reaks for a  
wee walk in the village.

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MAY 4

19 Harold went to Kewick signalling  
course, in A.M. went to Yarmouth  
couldn't get a bath came back  
rested till dinner, rested till  
19 suppose feeling a bit better Harold  
gave me a \$1.00 bill  
P.L.T. to Evening Telegram

19 main party came in, rest, good shower,  
swell weather, sent Mary a life and 3 papers.  
Emberley down, lost spring bed. nothing on

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MAY 5

19 Some vehicles went to the left section for two days. P. LT to north. Heard Harry Lauder sing I love a Lassie, stayed

19 in for Sparkes (rum) Room orderly, went to Yarmouth got hair cut and bath.

19 Diurnal stores in the morning digging in the afternoon, to 19/12/45 saw Vic (06) in leave yet borrowed a bike, saw Cole. Sent card to Jack about my boots. put another day.

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MAY 6

19 17 LT to Dos, went to Norwich for Petrol, on guard didnt mound did 24 hr guard nothing new on wouldnt get leave.

19 Patricia Gamelin, Pat left to join the Southcoate Lodge W.A.F.F. <sup>8 miles by</sup> Tuesday only Norfolk, England know her a little.

19 2 lbs from Dos, 1 from Mary, Carter back 7 mile run. came in 4th well day Carter back hard run, no leave yet. in W.L.T.S. P. LT to Dos.

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Patricia

MAY 7 <sup>Wed</sup> <sup>2</sup> understand

19 Did the first 6 hrs in the A.M.  
washed shaved 3.15 P.M. walked to meet Patricia & Samkin  
4 P.M. cycled to Pottenstein with Pat had lovely tea in  
a cottage by the river, with her parents lovely people  
and 19 had a lovely time. I think had I met Pat  
or these people before I should of like England much  
better it was beautiful cycling back through  
the country lanes. Got back 8.30 <sup>P.M.</sup> Bed 10 P.M.

19 Pat, Thomas No 23, Harold brack, on Troop  
exercise in morning. LT from Mary Mann  
P.L.T. for a little. Still today Centre myself  
on exchange tonight lent Androz 25 LT from  
Alma Foley.

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MAY 8

19 Except to go on leave today would of liked  
it Tuesday 13 tho I would go to R.O.N. Thursday  
night, went up to see Pat and thank them  
again for the lovely afternoon, action stations  
8.35 A.M. met Scotchman from dock rally

19 just caught 6.10 P.M. train Yarmouth via  
London 10.55 P.M. got in Glasgow 11 P.M.

19 left 12.25 P.M., got here 8.30 P.M., got 2  
lots of laundry on exchange till 9.30 A.M., Butler  
paid 1.6.6. Centre 2 me tent 3x6 some warm bed  
10 P.M. left some tea mason house, O.K. for  
good supper

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MAY 9

19 Arrived Glasgow 11 AM, met Mary 12.30 PM  
glad to see her again, met Mrs Marion Mann  
about 1 PM. all quite happy. Went to Allens  
made dental appointment, wash-shave met  
Mary 5 PM, went to Nelsons had tea took  
Mary Jean & Myra to the show "Freedom  
Radio and Lens Catering Picture quite good got  
back to Mary's 11.30 PM and bed 12 PM Happy

19 up 7 AM good breakfast, P.L.T. to Mother  
niece day, moved off 5 PM, got here about 8 PM  
gave 9.30, on phone till 11.30 PM some market, bed  
then in wash, put, wash & shave in a house nearby  
also got bread & butter

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MAY 10

19 Saturday 7 AM, to Jim H, met Mary too dinner  
at Gordon, up to Mac Callaums got camera films, to  
Lock Lomond, pictures on the Loch strolled  
through the Park got home about 8 PM

19 it was a wonderful day, went to  
bed about 12 PM

Definitely Happy

19 up 6 AM, on phone, left 10 AM got to a spot  
4 PM tea, then to Dalziel & P Lains 10 PM,  
raining night had bag & blankets bed midnight  
guns fired. C & E also not on the phone last night  
out

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MAY 11

19 Pleasant went aboard, managed to get back with P. Loder, W. Jones (getting sick), P. Ellany sailed 10 P.M. turned in still thinking of (none)

Mary and I left 9 A.M. went to A.Y.R. what a gorgeous day, Niems College hired inside it, the monument, soon a King picture taken visited the Pauls, Morrison and met Thompsons all swell people definitely going back to A.Y.R. swell down by the beach. Got back 10.30 P.M. Wish we could of got married at once. I sure love her.

19 At 6 P.M. guns fired, left 9 A.M. back 2 P.M. on guard 3 of us because we were off duty last night. LT from Mrs Jones, at last a good meal were starved for 4 days. Started M. Butler lent sweet 1/2

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8-4 The Hood & <sup>Bunswick</sup>

Sunday

MAY 12

19 We all marched down to the station, as train pulled out, I was on the Caboose alone. Thought about all day. 2 mls out of A.B. heard couldn't send telegram no time. AT ONCE wrote one found G.O. George sheaves left instructions to send first thing in morning. Arrived 9 P.M. met old friend Clara Brogg was for

Monday  
4/19 up early the Jim 10.30, met G. Nottall, Mary and I went to (marion) Paisley we had nice time it was another swell day which went to quick write mother

19 Last shift 3.30 P.M. to 6.30 P.M., on maintenance, got overalls, to Blandford deposited 75, Pad 15, hold lock. H. R. 25. P.L.T. & Ome & Mary Hann also Her bridge R.L.T. no 30

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Arrived North Sydney 5:30 AM. didn't sleep all night. 3:30 AM stayed on deck till we arrived. <sup>MAY 13</sup> Lay down 10 min before 1940 left ship imagining it was still Sunday morning and ~~G~~ was just coming from church say an ~~old~~ to ~~celebrate~~ state between N.S. & ANTI. Crossed out ~~conce~~ 2 P.M. Wined ~~but~~ had ENGLAND ~~but~~ Gensor wouldnt kiss it

19 41/11 6 A.M left for Auctarador to see Elsie with Hugh and Len got back 5:12 P.M. met Mary, to Ploga for dancing - wonderful evening

19 P. LT to ~~Beave~~ Coventry, telegram to Mary Coombs, room orderly. LT from 139 saying lodges were sent. LT from M. Kanny mother & Paul Jones & Shots. P.L.T to Lath Lawron to Blandford. got the bad news Mary's letter 3:30 PM. Hotel we were going overseas, no leave 2 cars at 8/1

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Mulgrave pass bought out liquor store Arrived Levis 3 P.M. MAY 14 Marched to Wadlec Had bath at 4 M. C.A. Went to Hotel Chateauf Fontenac. The squad had to wait 30 min for a pipe, met Len manon United Press Reporter. Boarded bus of Richmond for England 7:15 P.M. Wined Mother on board ship. Sent ~~for~~ Pat ~~car~~

19 41/19 G. Parsons F. mador a ~~den~~ in cabin W  
41/19 Went to Kings saw the show 8:30 it was same good and dinner at Gordons Tea at Saunt with Mrs Smith they gave me 10 s. Took Ella also & of our friends. Where there, it was excellent

19 P. T to Shoto, Parcel from Aunt Eda 5 Pads, 3 pigs envelopes, 1 Pkg. Sweet Cars some Klegney. Sold 5 badger. scheme at 4 P.M. to Blandford, saw Fingers and F. ngtive from justice back 10 P.M. missed a parade. Traded early. p. 15 to Mary. M.

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Wonderful weather put all my pictures  
in the album MAY 15. Had waffles in  
the P.O. by 11. Boat Drill Tea, 4 P.M.  
19 Had with 4 lady friends. Some got  
An gave me a pintment. Had Tom Collins  
Big party in the evening sang NFLD  
Songs, had a good evening. Some showed  
the pictures, some had other things

19 saw Nelson T  
stayed at home, dinner at Gordons then  
Rosser, brought present for Mrs Mann, exp for  
Mary H. and album sheets, Mary wasn't here  
and I have been terribly upset and uneasy

19 going fatigued, P.L.T to M.O. Left, on quiet  
till 12.30 A.M. P.L.T to Alma skirt photo Eric  
Tuggden a muffin dropped, rainy night. P.L.T to  
W 25. A. a heck of a night P. Form to P.O. 5 A.M.

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MAY 16

19 Had picture taken in Gosport  
Lilabell wrote Mrs. Powell, Staff, Frank  
stayed on deck after midnight and  
watched the moon a beautiful moon  
had a Tom Collins good evening

19 Left 8.25 P.M. to go back to leave  
sure sorry to leave, but we sort of had  
a different understanding at the train which  
arrived at earlier. Jim only changed 2.2 P.M. to test

19 P.E.T. took picture to Mary. M. on quiet and  
fatigued 5 P.M. went to P.O. Pity left today with  
Hurley a film. Vic. not back left 7 P.M.  
P.L.T to Mother & Paul.

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MAY 17

19 Nothing exciting practically everybody seasick played shuffleboard.

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19 wired Elsie & Mary and phoned Mary M. yesterday. day wrote Elsie & Mary Mann yesterday.

Got back 6.15 P.M., parade 8.30 laying shells quad on the night. Letters from A. Foley, Mrs Andrews, Col. Boream, Carle, June M. 200<sup>th</sup>, Mary 3, very tired

19 Life No 141 from June. Parcel from mother, money belt, corn on cob, 2 Pns for socks, 5 Pns. S. hose, 1 croch peanut butter, 1 croch of rum 5 to sweet, 1 flat S. soap, 1 Pkg gloves, 1 Pkg Indian matches, 1 wea cake jelly beans, biscuits, packed peanuts, pkg gum.

P.L.T to man. H., wet day, loaded the truck chg of M. 5, what a racket. LT from Aunt Cole & 3 snaps

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MAY 18

.8-4

19 nothing exciting everybody sick had invitation from Jean Kerr on Scotland when on leave. Bought dock chair, got snaps all good

19 P.L.T to Mary Mann finished shift noon went to Keswick saw Harold give him 80 debt and for snaps back early and to bed thinking of last Sunday. Very tired

19 mailed wea cake, 4 Pkg gum, peanut butter, corn on cob, 4 shoe drings, 1 pr mens socks 1.3. Parcel sent Apr 4<sup>th</sup> 1/2 - Lot M. o permit back of left 9 A.M., stopped 6 P.M. Ida, with 89<sup>th</sup>, left for gang 11 A.M. marching back 19. M while there Harold and myself a well fed at no chg. S. L.T.S. also 2 sub team Boydott all day in Convoy. P.L.T to Aunt Cole & 3 snapshots

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Took snaps stayed on deck really no  
excitement MAY 19 <sup>Friday</sup> pau for porset

1940 Met Jean Ken we stayed  
on deck till 1.30 A.M beautiful moon.  
Nearing danger zone (That no one yet)

4/19 Wet day, fooling around the cars  
sent Mary's H. Scotch Gift, phoned  
Mary, have early writing letters  
wait 1 hr to phone them, couldn't get through  
6.30 Scotch breakfast

19 breakfast 7.30 A.M., we didn't get up, comfortable  
left 8 A.M. in Conway all day, 2 nice calibrations  
of the stops, to new position 6 P.M., supper 8 P.M.,  
on phone till 1 A.M. no sleep. Neal took picture of  
Cather queue.

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MAY 20

H-12

Washed a weeks clothes had  
afternoon with Jean Ken. Beautiful  
moon stayed on deck with Jean till  
5.30 A.M. was very pleasant. But (met no porset)  
almost

4/19 to mother lecture on Pat Holesant  
P.L.T. 2-4.30 P.M. yesterday; fooling  
around 12.6 guards, in guard  
wrote a few letters in from Mary  
Tuesday

N<sup>o</sup> 19 prepared to advance 3 A.M. stopped for breakfast  
7 A.M. new position 2 P.M. lovely weather, no wash  
or shave yet. took me in a house at Bere wood, sent  
Rees, Mr. Warcham left 3 P.M., new position 6 P.M. got  
the author phoned Mary through 10 P.M., Glena hosted her  
left, same brought 2 eggs each, left there 12 P.M. new  
position 1 P.M. phone 2.30 - 3.30 P.M. then awake thinking

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MAY 21

19 Washed clothes stayed all day with Jean gave her pictures stayed till 12 P.M. saw airplane.

19 P.L.T to Ros. Carle, Alma, Rose and letter from K. Farris on air sentry all day nothing new on humor under way - usual.

19 breakfast 5 A.M., rained early A.M., eggs sure good L.T.S from Mary Mann, E. Cawood, 50 P.O.S permit withdrawal of \$10, now slight dryale may go back will suggest drainage on floor tonight, Brown mad about 224. Back 3.30 P.M., 100 from Hilda Cawood, L.T.S from Packard & Smith. Sent \$10 to Farris Rt. H.E. Dodd. Phoned Mary 7 P.M. had 8 P.M. (to Blanford 4-43 O.P.M. 20. A mug 2 eggs in a wee house.

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Stayed all day with Jean arrived Liverpool 22/ 30. Saw 2 ships torpedo in hall. Said goodbye to Jean with regrets Beautiful country wrote Jean arrived 10 P.M.

Wired mother

19 O.N.M.T. one year in England; on Fire packet, letter from Mary Mann pure glad to get it <sup>writing letters</sup> L.T. from Ros last one for the year, <sup>on paper sweater</sup> Room garden, reveille 9.19 A.M., saw V is sold all 19 the badge 5, Clapleton owes 4 s. 6d., phoned many 2 hrs delay, 2.24 A.M. to Blanford 11-12 noon left M.O. at the bank. good shower.

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Rude awakening of what the army  
was like MAY 23 but soon

19 got used to it got uniform  
went to a put in evening  
asked for transport to Battery

19 P.L.T to Mary Mann, ~~in~~ guard  
out for new gun, parcel 10 Pkgs candles and 2 small  
bags of candy from June Maxwell, Fred Oake come down  
to Bty got home 11 P.M. hard day. Saw Harold and  
L.T. from M. Mann NO 1 written April 1942  
saw Harold and  
saw English.

19 Harold got parcel from the house, sent ~~it~~ for  
badges to W & S, 1/2 day. P.L.T to mother & Mary. H.  
H. Ilda Coward  
(68) Badges

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Fall in 6:30 A.M. P.M. Breakfast 7 A.M.  
Inspection 8:30 A.M. MAY 24 went to show

19 enjoyed it, with all batteries  
met here in a dinner. Ser Harry  
Benton addressed us. Talked back to  
officer had time sent (57 Paul 105) just pay  
sent Paul £2 for leave, sent Comandy 10s, whole  
holiday pulsed the N.E.L.D. flag, major spoke.  
Went to A.B.T.Y. in A.M. saw the boys swell day only thing  
on guard 6 P.M. sent give me big Ben, Wings. Sent  
parcel to Jack English to send home for me, turn  
up to Strick, R.F.F. Balt, mas strongly, Mary. Ros &  
Family's letters. Dunkirk story

19 Percy Mac Donald in Portsmouth  
Harold down here, Carter & me to Islandford, wet  
day, back early. Sweet cut a small cake.  
milt Kuecke 15th December 1942 may see. I am  
wrote by Ronston school met a French lady.

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2 P.M. met Soulding took Mike 4-12  
subst me to  
MAY 25 Morden took sub to  
Uxal 6 1/2 d arrived Victoria Station 3.45 am  
1940 brought tickets back 4.5 new B. Palace  
met girl Kelly in A.T. & showed us Cnotop

10 Downing St, H. Commons. Saw N. Chamberlain wife  
in St. James Park tried to get autograph but  
guides wouldn't allow. Saw Victoria memorial  
1941 rtd to Cummy met girl from Kent & people  
41 from Brighton

Left Camp 2 B, on guard in the morning  
finished 12 P.M. got rum issued, went to  
P. M. are window tobacco and candy for Mary  
and Mr Mann

19 Mary on holiday from 25<sup>th</sup> May to 9<sup>th</sup> June, at  
left per day scheme 4.45 in M. 3 they left us  
behind at 4.45 we got tea bread & a few thrs, left 3.15 P.M.  
dropped into Islandford for a snack, back 3.30 good rest.  
wet day, M.O. from Science Writers Digest, 2 analogs  
neal & d. Empire holiday. Did guard for Neal 3 P.M.  
last shift up 5.15 in yard

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Called out 2 P.M. air raid alarm, German  
parachutist landed in W. W. in London  
MAY 26  
19 Went church drizzling rain 3 P.M. hitel. hiked  
to Brighton met some people met city 1/2 million  
drove all around took me to 2 pubs showed me  
was deeply time invited us to London

41 19 P.L.T. 3 to June Maxwell, Mrs Ann-  
Cress and K. Farris, Harvey E. Dodd for Skates  
Pauca, Mother. On my 24th all day, 1000  
Mary, 120 million. 1 hr get through, H.F.L.S. London W.W.W.  
Back to bed 10.30 am

19 P.L.T. to Dos, wet day, sent 6 bins 50, 1 kg gum  
black cross, life, W. Star & Thalacum to Mary 1.1 d  
stamps 1/4 d. Carve myself to Karel in Islandford  
Holland, all reported O.L. 20 for back 10.30 P.M.  
brown bread & cheese. M.O. inspection.

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Had our first P.T. nothing for 12-8

breakfast ham & eggs MAY 27 breakfast & butter more  
all beans gone met fellow showing  
his beans & marmalade away asked him  
for it and had breakfast. Pretty good  
dinner & supper & drilling all day.  
Wrote mother for next mail

19 Out on M.T. to Norwich, direct night guard  
came up 8 P.M., letters from many, 20 and  
knaps from Harold. Saw M.O. sent fellow 20.  
St. Pat, Kaiter Hall Good Friday Fishing  
Remark was sink

19 from Mary Mann, lent snow 2.6d (5s)  
fair weather, ball track "The Road to the Isles"  
raining stayed in. Lugged 10 blankets 1 mile  
Elsie Mac Callum, C/O Buchanan  
115 Mc Culloch St Pollokshaws Glasgow

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MAY 28

19 First fatigue duty scrubbed  
20 tables and chairs. Swept a hall  
about 200 yds long finished and  
went to bed.

19 In a room all day, wrote Redouts,  
Packers, No's. and many. lovely  
day nothing new on bed early.  
Request P and 8.8d on Bill

P.L.T to Mary Mann, to Bank must wait  
another week for M.O., reported sick my eyes, to  
Ration depot bath noon, alt phone date, sent Rolls  
razor to be sharpened. Fine day. Sent Rolls blade  
for sharpening. P.L.T to W. Hittings & Fudges  
SLT from W. Hittings

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MAY 29

19 Went to Dr see about West  
had P.T., bath hot water for a change  
all afternoon putting guns in place  
Rained Stayed in Went to bed fagged

19 Letter from Mary Mann, M.T. morning,  
blanking afternoon, played badminton, wet  
day, Mary's letter was well things are O.K. Watch  
gave out again Wrote Mary Mana took 3 hrs

19 Another easy day, let 10 Bunker was best shot,  
on musketry, got new pair of boots & laces from 35th in  
Wales, changed pants. 1 shot from Neal 8d. lecture  
till 6.30 P.M. heard H. Souder sing "When we come to the  
end of the road" from Empire Theatre Glasgow

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MAY 30

19 On Sun all day good dinner  
went on 24 hour guard  
5-30 P.M., had hair cut for 6d sitting  
on bench junk under tree.

19 P.L.T to Mary Mann, L.T.S from O.N.P.,  
Mrs. Mary H. left 9 P.M. R.H.G. Bedford Fakenham  
with Beammell good day. Spent the night with  
Vic Bird 165 miles

19 left for the Range 3.30 P.M. 5 Rds of a 303,  
me took shot for me 4 out of 5, Macocd call for best  
Harold to Donchester on Exchange duty with  
Carter rainy day, honed Mary 11 P.M. through Lake  
pounded happy, 2 Amused unit phone Paul Vayakour,  
triple phones was a public, refused at both. English  
matrilineally. P.T. to MOTHER

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MAY 31

19 On guard all day got home 7 P.M.  
supper, sewed on buttons wrote caption  
shined brass shoes good work  
and to bed

19 Got back 2.30 P.M., cleaned up, dinner  
played tennis till 6.30 P.M., tea, wrote a letter,  
played tennis till 10.30 at night, then the kids and I  
took over bears left 11 P.M. sweet day

19 Came over 8 P.M. lovely day. P.M. to Neimans,  
finished P.M. cart to me to show "my love came back"  
twisted while cup of tea. back 230. but 10 cars passed  
on way back.  
kent was 1000 bombers

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Avaling guns all day 7.30 PM had  
to go on road JUNE 1 blockade got

19 home 12 P.M. Sunday, slept all  
night under the stars on the side of the  
road. sandwich head piece of Ham  
had to parade 2 P.M., 24th Guard again 5.30 P.M.

19 Pictures from Vietnam Mar 17<sup>th</sup>. Throwing  
writing letters, guard 6 P.M., slept in  
tent like A/B/E

19 Left 29<sup>th</sup> 1/4 life, Embury & me run ten all day  
tangled with B.S. at 11.30 A.M. in the counter shop.  
Cart on afternoon we had good tea, pickles, cheese, mar-  
malade, tea, bread, cake. in W. 125.  
kent was 1000 bombers

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JUNE 2

Sunday

17 <sup>14</sup> Wrote 2 P.M. Go on 24 hr Guard  
5:30 P.M. got home from Rd blockade  
12 P.M. out all night with Mr Newman  
Dart Squadron 15 planes this morning

19 <sup>19</sup> RT to Mary, Ros, Onis, Mother & Pie  
Veedaker at Hals Norwich, on air party all day.  
LT to Bill Butt, Parcel from Alma & pr Kate,  
played tennis.

19 <sup>19</sup> left 8:30 AM for appointment with eye special  
ist at Hiseock at Shaftesbury got plane glasses  
back 2 P.M. slept till noon. Mc Call came up, Carter  
& me to Kaiela egg sandwiches & groceries plus swell  
meal back 10:30 P.M. walked, swell meal deposited  
32 Carter had 31.

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JUNE 3

19 <sup>19</sup> Still on guard duty. Bracks called  
out 2 A.M. Gunber plane seen flying  
over. Beautiful weather, slept  
all brass went to bed

19 <sup>19</sup> left 8 A.M. 2 days scheme slept under  
the stars, did guard with Spinning,  
Vic, Seal, Burrows, Johnson, Stohi were  
there, it was great fun.

19 <sup>19</sup> to M.O. got 5 liberty mags. March 7, 14<sup>th</sup> &  
April 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, Kit inspection, aircraft recognition  
show at A/B 4 till 4 P.M. down to see. We got the candy  
and ring from Bob Rowton. Pass stopped for 7 days  
heard about T.S., got back for reassignment, hot day  
lent H. Ryall 20. Dole 1.15 for Embury

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JUNE 4

19 Escort for car all morning  
with rifle. Lecture afternoon  
Went on Fire packet duty 5:30 AM  
peeled 1 sack spuds put out black

19 Left 6:30 A.M. got back 2 P.M.  
cleaned up, wrote letters for parcel  
played tennis, bought underwear  
from Lusk 5-5

19 sent \$2.95 for 7 badges, on dental, parade  
8:30 A.M. LT from Mary Mann, 2 Beth collected  
on driving instructions till 5 P.M. new walking  
P.L.T. to Mary Mann. In for a swim, it was  
swell. stayed in

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JUNE 5

Got home 11:30 P.M.

19 Peeled sack onion, stilled on Fire  
packet scrubbed pots & pans & tables  
finished duty 5:30 P.M. dressed went  
to a dance did H's knees <sup>reminded me of</sup> the posties.

21 19 P. Note to Alma Foley, M.T. in morning  
saw Major about course, LTs from Packers  
Mary Mann, afternoon blanking, writing  
letters. Quarter came down gave me \$1 leave

19 LT from Mrs W. Hiting, enclosed 10 days each and  
1 pkg for Wally Laita, also photos address in Dunrobin  
5 on Laken, nice weather swimming noon, jumped  
in deep water with emberley holding my chin  
hair was pinned down once he got me ashore O.K.  
in company of a tree while village is decid.  
another lovely day.

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JUNE 6

19 Worked hard on guns all day  
suffer 7 P.M. write W. & Dore N. Powell  
went to bed.

41 19 P.M. to Mary Mann and Pulus & read  
in Canton. 5's for stocking case to Mary M.  
Letters from Mary Mann, Dore, Mary H, The  
Mrs Goodyear, lecture by Ford man, on guard

19 morning maintenance, swimming all aft  
P.L.T to M. other, rumour of Edinburgh. Made  
break O.K. no charge, good like for Embury  
bed 10 P.M.

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JUNE 7

19 Worked hard on guns all day  
tired out went to bed  
Sgt Cook R.K. N 798509 Coy 40th 1 W. Inf.  
#1. <sup>Highland</sup> ~~Highland~~ <sup>Highland</sup> ~~Highland~~  
Cranwell ~~Line~~  
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19 Left section was down during, Joe, Herb, I sleep in my bunk  
left 10 A.M. for R.H. 9 for course. out to Norwich Hardest  
and I went to F. judges for tea. Then to Pub - got Claire  
wire about Fred. Bed 12 P.M.

19 morning Embury & me to Mansford, aft  
C. & me to Kalle for picnic in the fields  
back 10:30 P.M. nice lunch, sent Carter 25.  
lovely day. feet of com flakes 11 P.M.

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JUNE 8

19 Went to dance in Bolney  
met girl called Tiny got home  
11 P.M. went to bed

4<sup>1</sup> 19 Left 9 A.M. Norwich for Newmarket, got here  
5.30 P.M., tea wrote a few letters couldn't get  
through to 0193 till 10 P.M.  
Bed about 10 P.M. lovely summer  
evening

Undergoing instructions, to a cottage for a lunch  
10d, 1/2 of 20d. between us, me & 2 horses  
to an American Ambassador, after phone duty.  
P.L.T.S. to Aunt Cole, Elsie H. Crompfield. LT  
from W. & S. to Blankford on Thurs. in W.L.T.S. back  
off return 6 P.M. left yesterday 2 P.M.

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Sun

JUNE 9

19 Worked 24 hr duty got off  
7 P.M. headed for Fendon Hitchhiked  
in 3 cars found Dale not home went  
to 3 arms to bed 11.30 P.M. found M. Butler  
9 A.M. Joured Fendon set on bank of  
Lurpenline

19 Started lessons 9 A.M. Williams, Nurse  
Lester and two Welsh Capt's in our class  
all day taking notes till 6 P.M.

P.L.T.S. to Mother, Kirby & Johnson, saw  
show Judy Garland in ~~White Heat~~  
Halle Kelly Kelly

19 Sent 2 rings to We & asked Gr & S. Parach  
to many 5 lbs, 1 bike, 1 star 30 verse 2 lbs covers  
& 1/2 wings. noon today, police duty. W. in to many  
home 1.00 to 2.00 hr returning 24<sup>th</sup> try get hours after  
evening hours to try 14.5 in all. 2.00 pound 2.5 from  
Harold. C. Ha me to Kettle at Flandford, total 3  
would 20 M on day.

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JUNE 10

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19 <sup>4-1</sup> Worked all day digging trenches  
on <sup>the</sup> spring bed on even tossing  
went to bed fagged out

19 P. Cd to Packers, wet morning, lectures  
all day, nothing new stayed in writing  
letters. Wrote to O.C. for leave 26-29 for  
Scotland see Ellis & Mary.

19 Room orderley, phone duty, lt from Mary  
Mann & Hann sent Logans 5 papers, 2 books  
Kennis photo unclear to Mary. Took H. to  
Blanchard for repair sent Ben 5 5 two snaks  
from Dr. H. letter No 2 written April 28 to Lt from  
M. Hann written May 5th written May 5th 2 life  
mag. Rec 29/41 Jan 5th/42. PL to Mary Mann

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JUNE 11

5-1

19 Majority of the barracks were  
laid up sick started sick room  
not so good myself Today we had  
the first real fog

19 Lectures all day ~~at~~ P. 175 to O.C.O/24  
and Harold, Bride wore crutches.

Home writing letters

P. Card to Mr Ditchburn Cambridge <sup>NH</sup>

19 P. LT to Mary Hann. Leave pay \$7, haul  
Harold \$5, sent sweets goods \$1, left belt at  
the cobbler, no films. gave bike woman, 10 k. red lines.  
on driving instructions, nice cup of tea, could be  
revellie 3:45 AM not on the do and E, just another  
day

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