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1st Batt Welsh Gds

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Dear Mother

Just a few lines to
let you know that I am alright,
and in the best of health.

It is a wet day
to-day, so we have not been on parade
this morning, and I am utilizing my
spare time by writing a few letters.
I have not much news
to tell, things are very quiet in this
place, it is a very dull town and
not much doing here. We could
hear the Gms rumbling all through
the night last night, the wind blowing
in this direction, you can hear them

a lot of attention to our feet, and supply us with ointment to put on them. We had a days rest yesterday and look like having another to-day, if the rain holds out. We could do with it too, as we have been pretty hard at it, up at 4:30 every morning, and off at 6 a.m. The weather has been very warm too, up to now, and I feel this drop of rain very welcome.

When is Jack coming home on leave. I wrote to him at the beginning of the week.

How are you all at home.

I trust that you are all right and that Winnie and Billy are the same. Do they attend school regular now, and is Tom better? tell him to stay where he is, he is a lot better off, and you have quite enough out of the house already.

I hope Dad is all right

quite plain.

Yesterday's post brought me a letter from Letty, and a post card from Aunt Winnie. I have been waiting to hear from Let. and was very pleased when I did. She tells me that she is all right and in pretty good health. I have already written to her, and to Aunt Winnie. I expect you have had my letter, and the kids: the post-cards I sent them, so don't be long before you write back to me, letters are very valuable out here, and there is always a rush when the post bag comes along.

We had a pretty long route march the day before yesterday (Wed) about 24 miles, with the rest of the Brigade. I stuck it all right and feel none the worse for it, my feet being ~~at~~ very good. They feel

tell him that I will write shortly.

By the way, could you manage to buy me a razor, not a safety razor just an ordinary one. My old one is gone out of use, and I have to shave every morning. You can get one, any price up to 5/-, Dad will know. I would buy one myself, only you can't get one in this place ~~there~~ and I want a British one.

Another thing I am short of is handkerchiefs, you might send me one or two if you can manage it.

That is all now Mother,

We get ~~paid~~ paid to-day, 5 Francs, a Franc is 10 and is the equivalent of our 1/-. I have plenty of tobacco. Lord Harlech sent us some, and we had it divided out to-day.

I will write again soon, so good bye until then, and heaps of love from
your loving son,
David