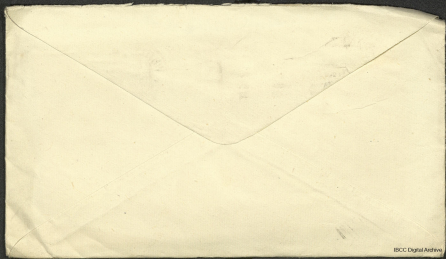


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Dear Mam & Dad,

After leaving Sheffield on Sunday I had to change trains twice before I got to Newcastle. The first change was a Normanton where I had to wait 45 minutes for the York train and there I had to wait over an hour and as it was snowing or raining both times all the evening you can bet I had a happy journey. I arrived in Newcastle at 12.00 pm so I managed to catch the last train to Whitley Bay but I got wet through going from the station to the billet.

On Monday we had the

Assault course and it was really  
stiff but I got through O.K. although  
you could not have recognised me  
for mud if you had seen me when I  
finished.

Yesterday we had a mock battle  
with the Australians, it was good fun  
and I took quite a few "prisoners" and  
managed to stay alive although the  
biggest parts of both armies were  
"wiped out." Today we have been up to  
the range throwing hand grenades  
and firing revolvers but I could not  
say I enjoyed that as the weather  
has been rotten all day.

I do not think I shall be  
coming home this weekend as I  
cannot get a pass and funds are  
rather low. Next weekend I think we  
will be back in Harrogate as the  
course will finish on Tuesday  
evening.

As we are leaving some time next week, if you have not already done so, do not send my laundry until you get my new address.

I guess that's all for now, give our Renée my best wishes for her birthday. Remember me to all

Your loving son

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