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Dear Father & Mother,

Monday

Many thanks for
letter of the 3-10th received on
Friday and "Times" received on
Saturday, I assume from your
question about the cycle that
you had not then received my
last letter.

I am writing this in Belfast,
today is my first day off and
I felt I really must have a
change so I decided to have a
look round Belfast, leaving the
station about 17.30 hrs I arrived

here at 21.30 hrs last night, I spent the night in the Salvation Army hostel and after breakfast went for a stroll round the centre of the city. The Cathedral Church of St Anne is built in the Romanesque style. I suppose you would call it, actually its quite a modern building though as the foundation stone was not layed until 1899, it was still under construction when the war started and the vergor was telling me that the whole of the East end ~~was~~ to be pulled down and replaced by one which followed the original design as soon as the work ~~was~~ started again after the war.

The City Hall is a very large impressive looking building with a dome resembling the one on the "Capitol" in Washington.

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Food seems very plentiful here, I found a very good restaurant for breakfast this morning and I intend visiting it again shortly for lunch.

I wish now that I had brought one of the roadsters across instead of the Raleigh, I'm afraid it won't stand a lot of rough wear one of the essential needs of a cycle that is to be used in all weathers are the old rod brakes, the front brake cable on the Raleigh broke last Thursday and I haven't had time to try and get it repaired yet.

They have literally been flying the "punts" off me though, I'm going to feel very tired

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Tomorrow I'm thinking, I shan't get back to camp until about 23.30 tonight and I shall have to be up about 05.00 hrs as I'm flying on the early morning briefing on both Tuesday and Wednesday.

Please let me know in a letter when you send my rocks as when I'm not expecting a parcel I don't bother to look through the parcel lists.

The laundry here is one of the best I've come across so far in the service.

It's nearly lunch time and I'm beginning to feel a little peckish so I think I'll retrace my steps to the restaurant and have a tuck in.

With all my best wishes,

Ever your loving son

Alan