

Valley Camp Surrey
Sep. 15/19

Dear People at Home:

This is Saturday afternoon of another week. We usually scrub up on Sat. forenoon and then we always have the afternoon off. We had an inspection by the O. C. (Officer Commanding) this morning. He has an inspection nearly every week and we have to go out with full marching order and everything clean as a pin. It is quite necessary of course so that we keep our stuff in good shape.

The first three days of this week the Battⁿ was out bivouacking since then there has been very little doing.

I don't know when the pass will come, there are 32 from the Battⁿ going on Monday.

R. McVadden is in the sick detention hut with a boil. It came just inside his ear and the whole side of his head swelled. He has had a hard time for a couple of days. I think I will go up to see him tonight.

There has been no Can email
this week, it ought to come about
tomorrow, of course we never can
tell. I sent two 'spirits' this
week, Did you get them?

Bill Bryce, Limer's cousin has been
over here a couple of times. He is
very little the worse of the gas, only he
is a bit nervous. He is at Bramshott.

It has been fine this week, not so
much rain. It will soon get cold
now I guess, I hear we are going to
get an issue of coal before long and
I suppose the parlours will soon be
filled again. There come the long
evenings in the hut, its a bit rough
at times.

There is a big military mte at
Aldershot on the 28th sp. The fellows
are practicing classes for the different
events, ~~the~~, and bagging, shooting
rifle grenades, bombing, bar wiring
etc.

I tell the Russians are playing
hot lately aren't they? It is going to
make it harder on the western front.
I imagine I guess the fellows are
getting it pretty hard over there, we never
hear more than just what fellows
from the front tell us and what

is in these Eng. newspapers.
I know of two cases where
fellows didn't know that their brothers
had been killed till fellows came from
France that were in their Batt^{ies}.
Well there seems to be no stirring
events whatever this week so I think
I will close.

Did Calvin ever pay that money
he borrowed from me that Spring. I have
forgot whether he payed it that last
fall or not.

Love to all Sep. 1917

Russell