

Stow Langlois  
May 14/17.

My Darling Lillie;

Received your  
letter of the 23<sup>rd</sup> just as I  
was leaving for London. Managed  
to get a special pass to run up  
to see Reg but have not had  
my long pass yet.

I read your letter while I  
was walking up to the station.  
Was glad that I got your other  
letter first, because I didn't  
have to worry about you not  
getting the first letter I  
wrote. You see in this one you  
say that you haven't had  
any mail to date.

Ask Mr Roe if he intends starting an infants home in Halifax. Looks to me as though that is what it is coming to ~~Halifax~~.

Am looking forward to getting those snaps. Hope to be able to send those you asked for some time ago, pretty soon now.

I think my tennis racket is some V.K. Don't know just what condition it is in. However you know what I told you in a letter some time little girl. Anything of mine is yours for the asking at home & don't you be afraid to ask. Mind now. Am glad you are going to try tennis. Take it

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from me, it is hard work learning  
but after that it is the game.  
We never had much time for anything  
like that when I was home, did we  
Dear.

You are right. Toby is some Dog  
Gee but I'd like to see him just  
about now. Say me to him when  
you see him next & tell him  
not to forget his old chum across  
the pond.

I sure had a great time in  
London & believe me it was good  
to see Reg again. You'd have  
laughed if you could have seen  
me getting around when I  
just landed there. I don't  
wonder at some people getting

in kind of a <sup>4</sup>panic when they  
first shipped there. It was some  
time before I got started at all  
& then I hadn't the least idea  
which way I was going. The joke  
of it all was that I only had  
one shilling in my pocket. When  
I went to buy my rail ticket  
from Thurston I only had  
American gold on me & they wouldn't  
take that. Well I managed to  
get the ticket by leaving a five  
back gold piece as a deposit &  
promised to call when I came  
back & get it & pay for the ticket.  
Would have had some trouble to  
change my gold in London but  
it turned out that Helen &

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+ he being wanted a couple of gold pieces so they just worked in right.

I saw Reg for a little while on Saturday & then Helen & I beat it for "Mother Moore's". She was expecting us & had dinner all ready. It sure was great to have a home like that to walk into, away over here.

Helen & I went to see Reg again Sunday afternoon & back to the Moores again for dinner Sunday night. My train was due to leave London at 8<sup>30</sup> AM on Monday & as Golden Green is nearly 2 hours run in the tube from the station, it went getting up pretty early. However M<sup>rs</sup> Moore was up bright  
(over.)

I early & had breakfast all  
ready for me. As usual having  
something on my mind, I awoke  
at 4.30 A.M., ready to get up.

Arrived back at camp at 11.30  
& found that it hadn't moved  
an inch all the time I was away.

Reg looks fine & Helen is just the  
same as when she left home.

About the first thing we talked  
about was that night up at camp.  
Perhaps they didn't feel so badly  
but believe me it made me feel  
pretty lonesome. Guess I wouldn't  
though if it had been you & I  
that were together instead of  
them. You Dear kid.

Nothing new around camp  
at all. Have done practically  
nothing all day except draw

two weeks pay.

Guess you'll be getting this just about your birthday Darling. Believe me I don't forget it Dear. It is going to make me feel pretty much the same as I did on the 10<sup>th</sup> little Girl & I guess you know how that is. Make the best of it Dear. Some day Reg & Helen, woud' be the only happy ones. I can't help admitting that for the time being I envy them though & I know you do the same.

I must stop now Sweetheart so it is time for lights out. Hope to have another letter from you in a day or two. Bye Bye & Good night  
Same  
add. Your own little Roy always

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XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX one faced  
Cap. S. H. A. K.