



30/short alert at night  
 Sunday Feb 16th  
 wet, dull, cold.  
 Monday Feb 17th  
 Quiet dull short  
 alert. Saw Dan M's new  
 premises & friends  
 Tuesday Feb 18  
 Saw friends off. wet  
 Wednesday Feb 19. Blitz  
 Plan on 7.35. Warning  
 7.50. Rain of fire  
 bombs NE & many  
 incendiary bombs N &  
 E as well. Not much  
 firing. Heavy fall

of snow first SR (Spotter  
 Reconnaissance)  
 began then cleared  
 brilliant sky  
 later. One fighter  
 up. Very hot until  
 9. Shower of bombs on  
 us. Got aunt to  
 shelter: biting cold.  
 Eased off about 9pm.  
 Soon restarted. All clear  
 at 12. Short alarm  
 again with heavy fall  
 of snow. Eileen came  
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 saw stack of b. burst  
 & debris in the air.  
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**Wednesday February 19 Blitz**

Planes over 7.35. Warning  
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 incendiary bombs north and  
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 great glare along  
 Sketty road & on the  
 Promenade & scores of  
 flares right & left.  
 Direct hit Telephone  
 House. Saw Oliver.  
 Thursday Feb 20  
 Bright sunny sunny  
 day. Alexandra in  
 ruins; also Phillips  
 Parade, Peacocks &  
 Tandys, Swan. Old  
 offices from Groll  
 Arms in Rhyddings  
 to Park Place: Its

safe. Time bomb by the  
 Barrage. All glass  
 smashed to pieces and  
 incendiary roof of number  
 4 Eaton Crescent. Craters  
 in Tycoch, before Brin  
 Gwyn and Brooklands and  
 Elphin Crescent. Arcade,  
 Alexandra Road, GPO gone  
 also clinic. Many  
 time bombs about.  
 (At 7.45 new Blitz)  
 began. Much more  
 fury, fewer fire  
 bombs but a rain of  
 incendiaries on hill back  
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 starry later cloudy  
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 in point of H.E.O.  
 bombs of time bombs  
 dropped at one time.  
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 Blitz (3) 7.45 to 11.30  
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 explosive incendiaries  
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