

## **Laughter is the best medicine**

It was difficult to obtain new underwear on Morotai, and the garment had to be in a great state of disrepair before new ones were issued. (From Dulcie Biilmann)  
'Ginger' was in desperate need, but could not get any replacement undies, so took the matter into her own hands. The cook was approached for some honey - the offending undies were liberally coated with the honey and placed on a termites nest, in order that the termites would be interested in the honey, which they would eat, and at the same time hopefully, add to the worsening condition of the undies. It took several attempts, but eventually the undies were considered to be in need of replacement.

Taken from letters to POW's

'Darling, in your letter you asked for slippers. What colour would you like?'

'The words after lousy, when describing your new camp, were obliterated.'

'Darling, are you staying true to me? Are you behaving at Dances? I hope you are not drinking too much beer?'

'Joe is in Stalag V1111B, I hope you can pop around and see him.'

'Letter from fiance, - I married your father, love Mum.'

'From Wife - How is your mother and father, I haven't been able to see them lately.'

'Are the German girls good dancers?'

'From girlfriend - So glad you have met a nice bunch of lads, I hope the Germans keep you there.'

'I hope you haven't transferred your affections.'

'Darling, I have just had a baby, but don't worry, the American Officer is going to send you cigarettes every week.'

'Darling, so glad you were shot down before the flying became too dangerous.'

'The reciever of a Red Cross pullover wrote to thank the donor. He received a reply: 'I'm sorry you got it, I meant it for a fellow on Active Service.'