

fox hole in a small depressed place, pulled up my shirt and it looked as if someone had run a broom stick through it but I don't remember any pain, (but pain is easily forgotten).¹

Ferris is taken off the field by stretcher and then transported to a field hospital that was set up in a two-story building. He was never sure how long it took for him to arrive at the hospital or how long after that until he was operated on, but it wasn't until he was about to be transferred to another hospital in England that he finally learned what had happened to him.

The first thing they showed me was the Bible that my oldest sister sent me with a metal shield on the front inscribed 'May this keep you safe from harm'. There was a bullet hole in it. The spoon that I had in my field jacket also had a hole. The medics said that the bullet evidently went through the metal shield and hit the spoon behind, it went through the spoon and the curvature of the spoon deflected the bullet because the bullet had been slowed enough so it went across my body through rib, liver, lower lobe of lungs, and out the other side instead a two

