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CENTRAL FLYING SCHOOL,
WITTERING,
NEAR PETERBOROUGH,
NORTHANTS.

Wednesday

My dear Alf,

I've been having a hell of a time celebrating my promotion in bed, with gastric flu. They have fed me on weak tea, three soft eggs, two bowls of soup, one piece of shocking had cod, one piece of nice filleted something or other, a odd bits of soggy toast since

Monday morning. I didn't know
the human frame would stand
up for such off hand treatment,
especially as they have been
lowering a few things left-over from
November 5th just to keep one busy.
Some of them went off almost
embarrassingly soon, others hung
fire like damp saws, so the
poor patient never quite knew
where he stood !!!

It is nearly over now, as I returned
nearly to normal tonight.

I realise now that I must have
had an awful temperature on
Sunday, as I was slightly
delirious that night, & I have been
up to 102 on the next two nights.

Mr. Down, 100 was given an old
single seater light aeroplane, which
a Club had no use for as it
wanted rebuilding & they couldn't
have done this profitably. We have
stripped it completely, & most of it
is extraordinarily sound. We are
now starting to re-build it with

the help of a few airman, and it should
be in the air by the New Year. It has
a 30 h.p. Argenti engine, and cruises
at about 65 !! Poor old Mac, wasn't
going to strip it entirely at first,
+ I gradually drove him to it.

Each new piece I suggested, was met
by "Oh Willie, for Heaven's Sake"
~~but it came off just the same !!~~

Now we are both agreed that we will
feel much more comfortable about the
whole show on the great day when
one or the other first struggles into
the air. It is of little practical value,
except for pottering round the
neighbouring country on calm days, because

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in a 25 mph wind (which is quite usual all over the country at all times of the year) it would only make good 35 mph over the ground

when flying into wind, & I could beat it up in my Morris!

I heard from Elsie two days ago, the letter accompanying some very nice socks. Winnie drives "Sir Ralph" but has still to have odd days in bed.

Motimer strokes his "houseboat". I don't

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know how that lad manages to do it,
because he never looked robust, to me.
Can't write any more I'm afraid,
the whole arm is aching. Shows
I must be pretty weak!

Bye bye heaps of love
from Rip.



Miss Warr

% Miss Wymer

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