



This sketch map gives a graphic idea of the large number of military and civil aerodromes that will be open to the public next Saturday.

CORONATION visitors, as well as our own folk, will, next Saturday, have a better opportunity than ever before of appreciating the standard of Service flying and equipment in this country and the state of British civil aviation. The occasion is Empire Air Day, when over fifty R.A.F. stations and a wide selection of civil aerodromes will be opened to the public. The Day is under the auspices of the Air League, and the proceeds go to the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund.

The notes below give an indication of what may be expected. Following the guide, also, will be found some impressions of a typical display, gleaned at a rehearsal.

Prices of admission to most stations are one shilling for adults and threepence for children. The majority of the Service aerodromes will be open from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

SERVICE AERODROMES

ENGLAND.

BEDFORDSHIRE: *Henlow*.—Dive bombing; kite balloon ascents; gas attack; live parachute descent; fighters attacking bombers; handicap race; balloon bursting competition.

BERKSHIRE: *Abingdon*.—Dive bombing; anti-gas demonstration; technical sections of bomber squadron on view.

BUCKINGHAM: *Halton*.—School for Technical Training of Apprentices; Prin-

cess Mary R.A.F. Hospital and Institute of Pathology and Tropical Medicine; formation flying; aerobatics; display by massed drums and pipers.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE: *Duxford*.—Quick getaway by fighters; parachute testing; aerobatics with smoke; passenger flights in civil aircraft. *Sutton Bridge (nr. Wisbech)*.—Bombing a moving car; attacks on towed targets.

CHESHIRE: *Sealand*.—Flying synchronised aerobatics; squadron air drill; drogue target towing; message picking-up; ground attack.

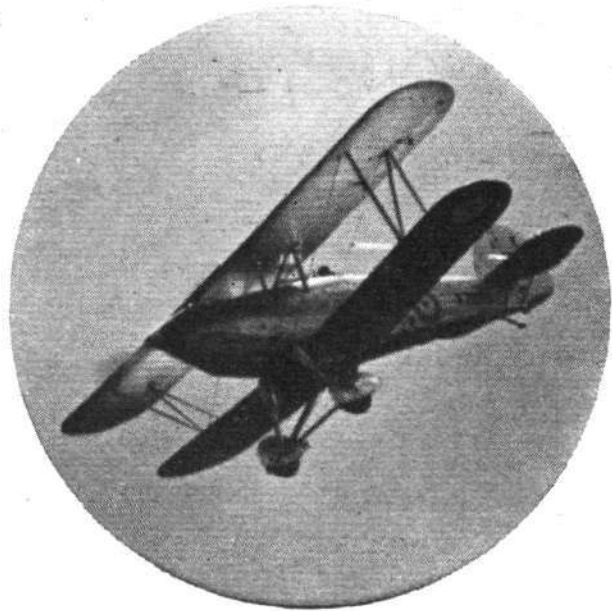
DEVONSHIRE: *Mount Batten (Plymouth)*.—Flying by marine aircraft.

DURHAM: *Usworth (Castletown, Sunderland)*.—Demolition of enemy fortress; radio telephonic conversation with pilot in flight relayed by loud speakers; aerobatics; height guessing competition.

ESSEX: *Hornchurch*.—Synchronised aerobatics; attack on towed target; crazy flying; squadron air drill; aerobatics to R/T. orders; comic low bombing; height guessing competition; aerial combats; set piece. *North Weald (nr. Epping)*.—Dive bombing; message picking-up; aerial combats; height judging; display by Woodford Model Aero Club; anti-gas demonstration.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: *Filton (Bristol)*.—Aerial gunnery; attacks on ground targets; passenger flights in civil aircraft.

HAMPSHIRE: *Andover*.—Formation flying with R/T. communication; aerobatics; low flying attacks and formation flying. *Calshot*.—Floatplanes in co-operation with landplanes; flying boats; destruction of "pirate junks." *Farnborough*.—Aerobatics by R.A.E. pilots; squadron air drill; picking up and dropping messages; converging bombing attack; combat between hostile aircraft and three two-seater fighters; attack on anti-aircraft battery. *Gosport*.—Flying



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by coast co-operation units. *Lee-on-Solent*.—Formation flying by landplanes, seaplanes and flying boats; firing at flag target; aerobatics; bombing formation in fight with Harts; destruction of oriental "pirate" junk. *Odiham (nr. Basingstoke)*.—Aerobatics; one Gauntlet with R/T. communication; supply dropping and picking-up; fly-past; attack by "enemy" squadron; retaliation by anti-aircraft battery; attendance of gassed and wounded by V.A.D.s and St. John Ambulance. *Worthy Down (nr. Winchester)*.—The work of bomber units.

HUNTINGDONSHIRE: *Wyton*.—Aerobatics by two aircraft of No. 139 (Bomber) Squadron; message picking-up by Audax; formation flying; balloon bursting; low bombing; synchronised aerobatics by Gauntlets.

KENT: *Biggin Hill*.—Low bombing; formation flying; individual aerobatics; R/T communications; seven types of aircraft on view. *Eastchurch*.—Work of the armament school. *Hawkinge (nr. Folkestone)*.—Aerobatics; visitors will request machine to make evolutions by wireless; aerial battle between six Furies and nine Audaxes; bombing and machine gunning of aerodrome by surviving Audaxes; slow flying; supply dropping; fly-past by ten Furies and nine Audaxes. *Lymington*.—Formation flying; attack on towed target; low bombing; blind-flying instruction; dive bombing; synchronised aerobatics; parachute descent; fly-past by civil aircraft; camera obscura demonstration.

LINCOLNSHIRE: *Cranwell*.—R.A.F. Cadet College and Electrical and Wireless School; air display. *Grantham*.—Work of a flying training school. *North Coates (nr. North Thoresby)*.—Bombing of "fort"; aerial gunnery; towed target. *Waddington (nr. Lincoln)*.—Formation flying; aerial combat; set piece which