

Ridgemont Hotel,
Famborough Rd,
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Hants.

My dearest Mother,

I do hope that by
now Dad is feeling much
better, and that you are
well.

The large seaplane in
the 'Daily Mail' ^{& Times} photographs
enclosed is one ~~of~~ which
I had to go to see about
at Rochester on Tuesday.
I had a flight in it for
35 mins. and in the 34th
minute I was most
horribly sick. However,
I enjoyed the first half
of the flight although the
weather was bumpy. We

pered over Chatham,
Southend & the Thames
estuary. The machine is
beautifully equipped and
seats fifteen passengers.

I am frightfully busy
at the works just now, &
likely to be for some
time. We all keep well.

Much love from Maymie
& Posh & me

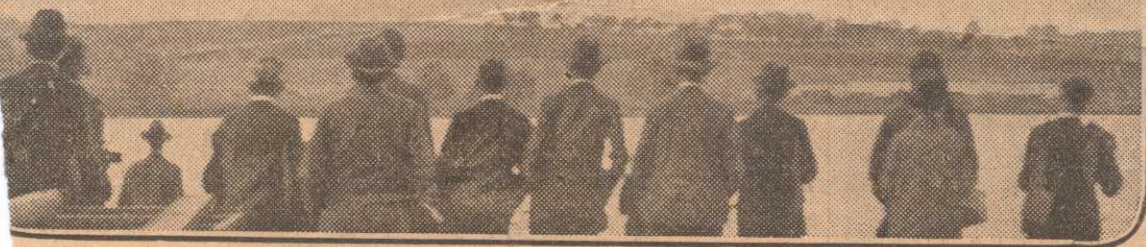
Your own loving son

Harold



SEAPLANE TEST.—Claimed to be the biggest seaplane, the Valetta, constructed by Messrs. Short Bros., was tested at Rochester yesterday. It has three Bristol Jupiter XI F engines and has a cruising speed of 120 miles an hour.

~~C. 1930~~ C1931.



FASHIONS OF THE SKY are changing. The monoplane is tending to supersede the biplane. This picture was taken during trials at Rochester yesterday of a giant new monoplane built for the Air Ministry. Its performance aroused much interest.

...TD., at Northcliffe House and Carmelite House, Carmelite-street, E.C.4, and Northcliffe House, Deansgate, Manchester, Thursday, S