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Dear Alex,

Thanks a lot for your letter, I was pleased to see that you had a good time when you were on leave and hope that you have been able to get home again since, or have you been too busy!

It seems ages since I was on leave, it will be about eight weeks since I had leave from OTU., anyhow I could just use some right now but don't think we shall get it from here as we go right to a Squadron, and we should be going some time this week as we only have one more trip to do here.

Last night was the first night we have had free for a week, the rest of the week we have been flying, however we were scrubbed quite a few nights due to weather and

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our misfortune to strike U.S kites which besides keeping us on the ground also ruined our night. Friday night was one of these nights, the kite wasn't fit and we hung about until it was too late to do the exercise which I had been looking forward to as we were going to be diverted on our return, and was annoyed when I found out that they came down at Riccall. I believe they had a wizard night in Leeds.

Many's broke, the one in the Light Army, is back in this country, and the Saturday before last day had a binge which I was invited to but couldn't make, at least it turned out that I could have done if I had just hopped it and I certainly wish I had. We were due to fly on the Saturday night but was scrubbed too late for me to catch the

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train and Sunday was a stinker of a day so again no flying, and therefore I could have made it. This weekend they had another binge and again I had to fly so have been rather cheesed off, however we only have one more night of it here and it might be tonight.

Roland Nattledge was married a week last Saturday at a small village near Lincoln. I was invited but again the same tale, I couldn't make it, anyhow I sent them a wedding present and received some of the cake so it must have happened. I was rather surprised when I learnt that he was going to be married as I never knew he was engaged again, but knew that he was going out with a girl. She was a bus conductress, has a twin sister which I thinked fooled Bill at first,

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and is a farmer's daughter which is all the gen I know about her, however I guess I shall meet her some time, perhaps soon. We might be posted to the same drome as Bill, as there is a Rhodesian squadron there and they are trying to get as many Rhodesians there as possible and the AOC. asked Arthur the other day if he would like to go there. Arthur is getting his commission very soon, it appears that all pilots in V Group get their commissions, he also put in a word for me so that after I have been on the squadron for a short time I shall put in for one.

Well I guess that is all the gen for the present so TTFN.

All the Best,

Marjory

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