

On "Battle of Britain" day - the R.A.F. led the Nation's tribute at a service in Westminster Abbey - where "the many" remembered anew - their debt to the immortal "few"

At Biggin Hill - the parade of colours for the Drumhead Service formed a poignant link for relatives and friends.

Joining ~~the~~ homage to his brave pilots was ^{that great} ~~the~~ fighter chief - Lord Dowding - while Hunter fighters roared a jet-age tribute. ~~SOUND.~~

Now - a hunting-horn sounds a symbolic "stand-down" ~~SOUND~~

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Meanwhile, at R.A.F. Stations throughout Britain - the traditional "open days" ^{also marked} ~~commemorated~~ the anniversary.

But at Hendon, the air display was the final ~~chapter~~ chapter in the stirring history of ~~London's~~ London's first airfield.

To-day, the airfield is too small for ~~the operation of~~ jet aircraft: but these pictures recall many a thrill ~~at~~ at the Hendon Shows between the world wars.

The R.A.F. was training for the momentous day when the fate of Britain depended upon the ^{skill & boundless courage of} ~~heroic sacrifice of~~ the gallant "few".