# AERIAL MAIL

## GUILLAUX FLIES FROM MELBOURNE TO SYDNEY.

MELBOURNE, Thursday. — Maurice Guillaux, the French aviator, entered upon his long flight from Melbourne to Sydney this morning at 9 o'clock, carrying the first Australian aerial mail. It was his intention to make stoppages, but he stated that he would cut out some of these places and set out for speed recording.

Starting from Melbourne at 9 o'clock, Guillaux passed over Seymour, 60 miles from the capital, at 10.15, and landed at Eura, halfway between Melbourne and Albury, 40 minutes later. He was due to reach Albury at 1 o'clock, and was there ahead of the schedule time. The average speed was 50 miles an hour.

Amongst the mail matter which the Frenchman is carrying are messages from the Governor of Victoria, the Lord Mayor of Melbourne, and the French consul.

Guillaux arrived at the Albury Racecourse at 12.30 p.m. He made two stoppages en route, one at Seymour, and the other at Wangaratta. His actual flying time from Melbourne was 2 hours 15 minutes. After having lunch he took in more petrol, and left at 1.35, after a stay of 40 minutes, for Wagga.

Guillaux is carrying about seventeen hundred letters and postcards. He passed over Albury at an altitude of nearly 3000ft., and over Wagga at an altitude of 2000 feet flying strongly. He sailed right over the centre of the town, and hundreds of spectators watched the flight from the streets.

LATER.—Guillaux was an hour and 40 minutes ahead of time at Wagga. At 3.30 he again rose in the air, and, circuiting the town, flew away north, and in three minutes was out of sight.

SYDNEY, Friday.—Owing to heavy rain the continuation of Guillaux's flight is delayed.