

FLASHES

Francis

Mr. and Mrs. / Douglas flew to Cyprus to see their son,

John

Senior Aircraftman M/ Douglas. He was seriously

wounded when his two companions were ~~murdered~~ assassinated

in Nicosia. Mr. Douglas is a 29-a-week fitter, ~~at~~ of

Chippenham, Wiltshire. ~~He~~ He had to borrow more than

£200 to ~~get to Cyprus~~ give John a lovely surprise.

In your car-luggage why not carry an airplane? You can, now that they've <sup>made</sup> a rubberised fabric-plane // you just have to <sup>inflate</sup> ~~inflate~~. A gadget on the car does that. Then mounted above the fuselage is a 40-horse 2-stroke and it begins to look as if Wilbur Wright flies again. A bit windy for taking your girl home after the dance; otherwise fine.

Till now there was just one thing helicopters hadn't done - refuel in the air. So the U.S. Marine Corps showed how, ~~it could be done~~. Actually it's much easier than air-refuelling ordinary planes, as helicopters can go slower and manoeuvre much more easily.

This was the scene in Malta after the crash of a troop carrier. <sup>All on board</sup> ~~Everything~~ ~~annihilated~~, 49 men and the air hostess were killed instantly. ~~Their changed bodies were~~ recovered afterwards. The York aircraft ~~belonged to~~ ~~Scottish Airlines~~ was bringing men home from the Suez Canal zone. The air hostess and plane's first officer were to have been married at Easter.