

WELLINGTON BOMBER.

Latest addition to the ranks of Britain's Air Force is the ~~W~~ Wellington Bomber, now undergoing its first trials. It is of ~~a~~ Geodetic construction, which means that it has the whole of the interior available for accommodation. . . . free from obstruction from supporting struts and wires. / The Wellington is a twin-engine monoplaner, with retractable undercarriage and capable of carrying a crew of seven. The armament includes three guns --- one forward, one amidships and one aft. Particulars of weight, range and speed are on the secret list, but they are said to compare favourably with any in the world. But there is another aspect of Royal Air Force activity which is less re-assuring --- the number of fatal accidents. At Hanworth an R.A.F. plane was about to take off when it was hit by another plane landing. The pilot of the ~~stat~~ stationary plane was killed, and all that was left of the machines was this mass of wreckage. Two other Royal Air Force planes crashed on the same day, each with fatal results. . . . one in Northamptonshire and one near St Andrews. On the following day this R.A.F. 'plane from Northolt crashed at 300 miles an hour on the road at Hillingdon, Middlesex. The machine buried itself in the ground and the pilot was killed ~~instantaneously~~.

With the re-assembly of Parliament, this question must weigh heavily on the shoulders of those concerned. Here is Sir John Simon walking to the House / --- and Mr Anthony Eden, whose duties as Foreign Secretary include the handling of the ~~handling~~ anti-piracy talks. / Mr Malcolm ~~of~~ Macdonald attended of course as

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~~Secretary of State for the Dominions,~~ and Sir Thomas Inskip will have his hands full as ^{Defence} Minister, for the ~~Co-ordination of British~~ ~~Defence.~~ Leaving ~~Number 10~~ Downing Street for the House of Commons, Mr Neville Chamberlain the Premier was inscrutable as ever.

But there is also the question of ~~B~~ombers which bring death to British subjects ~~xxxxxx~~ from the wars of other nations. Three warplanes belonging to General Franco's Air Force, dropped bombs near the London steamer Thorpeness --- and seven of the crew were killed. Spanish Government troops paid them a last tribute at their funeral in Tarragona, near Barcelona. The Thorpeness carried on her top deck a Union Jack painted on a tarpaulin 25 feet by 18 feet.....
~~Two Union Jacks were painted on her bows and she flew the Red Ensign~~
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