

AIR POWER THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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Wings for Victory --- a presentation at one of the many Flying Training Schools near Ottawa. Hub of this vast Commonwealth Training Plan, Canada is turning out thousands of air crews to complete the job with bombs over Germany and Japan and Italy.

Hard winter conditions don't put a stop to training in Canada. ~~The snow bus is one way of getting about the aerodrome --- and although it sticks to the ground it looks air-minded.~~

Snowploughs and rollers ~~complete the job of keeping~~ ^{keep} the snowy surface of the aerodrome fit for take-off and landing. There's no doubt that this Commonwealth Air Training Scheme is playing a vital part in our plan for victory. In this station alone there's a plane taking off every twenty seconds --- training to-morrows Fighter and Bomber and Coastal Squadrons

Wings over Iceland: the other side of Greenland from Canada there's more training. The Royal Norwegian Air Force has been on active service here for nearly two years. The planes are American-built Northrops --- and the tough weather conditions are no hardship to the equally tough Norwegians who fight on to liberate their homeland.

Now across to the Middle East --- to the warmer skies of Libya. Kittyhawks in operation near Marble Arch have done invaluable work harassing Rommel's retreat and shooting down the Luftwaffe.

Big transport planes are in constant use in these forward areas, keeping up the volume of supplies. Hudsons come from distant bases with loads of food ^{and} /ammunition --- including bombs. The Middle East Campaign will probably become a text book on the problems of supplying ~~an~~ an army --- this is one way in which that problem was overcome. And you know the result.