. Introducing the "Fireflash"

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On an unnamed airfield, a top-secret weapon is attached to a Meteor for flight trials. These are the first Newsreel pictures of the Fairey "Fireflash", the new air-to-air guided missile, on order for the R.A.F. For this demonstration, a pilotless "Firefly" takes off, controlled by radio, as the target plane But the "Fireflash" has been perfected, after long months of research, as the answer to the supersonic atom-bomber The Meteor takes off - armed with a weapon that will revolutionise aerial defence.

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In the Control Room, the operation is treated with full emergency drill except that the Interception is planned for a safety area. The target plane flies into the safety zone, grimly followed by the Meteor. Evasive action would be of no use are an "Electronic brain" keeps Fireflash on course.

One hundred yards behind, the camera-plane trutte keeps the Meteor and its quarry in full view as zero hour nears ...

All set in the control room as the Meteor Pilot ticks off the seconds.

The Fireflash (the first weapon of its kind to be ordered for theR.A.F.) will prove a more deadly weapon that the standard 30 m.m. cannon. Powered by solid-full rockets - it can reach supersonic speeds as it brings deadly purpose to the defence of our islands.