

Latest air news centres on Arctic rescue - the salvaging of ^{an American} C.47 bomber lying helpless in a frozen wilderness. Once, such planes were written off - but to-day, U.S. Army Engineers tow them home with their snow-train - even when ~~there's~~ it's 200 miles to the nearest repair-base.

There's news, too, of a startling new development in the helicopter field. In Algeria, the French Army is using jet-helicopters in the fight against terrorists. Besides carrying patrols to inaccessible places - the helicopter (which develops 560 horse-power) transports food and supplies. Lastly, we go to Stuttgart, where a new craft seems strangely out of place in this jet age. It's the launching of Germany's first post-war airship - but the bottle seems to be of PRE-WAR vintage...

~~It is 185 ft long and with a speed of about fifty miles an hour - the airship makes its maiden flight - a reminder of Germany's ^{long-standing} ~~firm~~ faith in lighter-than-air craft.~~