

Over to California for some ~~low~~ air-news - a lightweight helicopter has its first outing. Simple in design and operation, the craft can carry a nine-hundred pound load - that's more than its own weight.

Most helicopters ^{are easily manoeuvred} have high manoeuvrability, but ^{judging} ~~judging~~ from a passenger's view-point - this one seems ready to turn itself inside out...

If's an ideal machine for police patrols or crop spraying, it can make an emergency landing on skis.

Skimming across Southampton Water, a high-speed diesel passenger launch bursts into the headlines in a cloud of spray.

A sixty-eight foot vessel ~~with~~ with a speed ^{of} (over thirty knots), ~~comparable~~ to that ~~of an Atlantic liner~~, the launch has Napier "Deltic" engines - hitherto only used in Naval craft.

The first of three (built by Thornycrofts) the launches will carry workers to Venezuela's rich oil ^{wells} ~~wells~~ in Lake Maracaibo.

Meanwhile, ^{in Venezuela -} a mountain-top hotel is but one ^{of the social projects -} ~~of Venezuela's social projects~~ ^{THE} financed by mounting oil revenues.

Seven thousand feet up, the hotel is reached by ^a cable railway that took two years to build ^{at cost} ~~costing~~ twenty million dollars.

Situated just outside Caracas, the capital, ^{THE} ~~the~~ modernistic hotel outlines the country's social achievements - exploiting her rich natural resources for the benefit of the people.