

AMERICA STEPS UP AIR POWER

America's Air Force puts on its biggest display to show the world what's new up above. President Truman and General Eisenhower go to Maryland to get a close look at the latest six-jet bomber.

To catch the world's fastest bomber, take the world's fastest fighter, the F.86.

With the Atlantic Pact drawing America still closer to the defence of Western Europe, the completion of these new "trans-Continental" bombers (capable of carrying 4-ten blockbusters) means yet another step forward in the U.S. policy of armed preparedness.

To accommodate these giants, new airfields are springing up in every State. In Louisiana, this oversized wooden hangar heads for retirement. Two thousand sticks of dynamite demolish the structure. It housed three blimps during the war and now has to make way for a new aerdrome.

The way is cleared for the airfield to take shape.