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AMERICAN ROCKET SLEIGH.

George Smith, the only man to survive a supersonic bail-out has a dummy namesake. The dummy George is placed in the cockpit of a rocket-propelled sleigh, whose ejection seat flings him out at 800 miles an hour.

This does the dummy a power of no good - but the experts learn a lot. The object of these experiments at Edwards Air Base, California, is to test equipment for protecting pilots who may have to abandon ship at tremendous speeds.

Thus, science is trying to solve one of the trickiest problems of the supersonic air age - how to bail out, and live!