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VULCANS IN SERVICE:

The Avro Vulcan, Britain's revolutionary V-Bomber goes into service with the R.A.F. No 83 Squadron at Waddington near Lincoln, is the first to receive the Vulcan and its members - the cream of air and ground crews - are undergoing intensive training in their various specialities. It's ten years since the V-Bomber specification was laid down, demanding more than 100 per cent advance in performance over the bombers then in service. The Vulcan meets those specifications triumphantly.

Three Vulcan crews from Waddington will be taking their aircraft to America in a few week's time to take part in the U.S.A.F. Bombing, Navigation, and Reconnaissance Competition. They are confident that the Vulcan, the largest delta aircraft in the world, will make a brilliant showing. Apart from anything else, it is believed to be the world's fastest operational bomber, capable of carrying nuclear weapons at about the speed of sound. The huge plane contains enough sheet metal to cover $1\frac{1}{2}$ football pitches, nearly two miles of tubing, and $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles of electric cable. And yet pilots say that when you fly her, you might be forgiven for thinking you were at the controls of a fighter.