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FLYING PANTECNICIENS.

Pantecnicien is the nickname given to the huge gliders employed by Army Co-operation command, to transport squadron personnel from place to place. They are flown by members of the Glider Pilots Regiment, while the Whitleys, which do the towing, are manned by the R.A.F.

Fixing the knitting. In other words, the tow line which connects the motorless aircraft with the Whitley.

Airborne troops have to get accustomed to the strange sensation of gliding.

The tow rope has gone and the Glider sails free. The angle of descent shows how manoeuvrable these aircraft are. A much steeper approach to base than a power-driven plane. In the words of a Glider Pilot - "You can put these kites just where you want them".