

The Vickers Viscount has climbed up into the headlines by capturing the largest order for the sale of British airliners in the expert market. Following ~~the sale of~~ a contract to supply five ~~Vickers~~ Viscounts to Central African Airways, ~~they~~ <sup>forty more</sup> have been sold to Capital Airlines of America. With ~~three already~~ an option for a further twenty, this means about twenty million pounds.

Another story of big air business comes from Japan. Here the Mitsubishi Aviation Factory has done a deal for maintenance of the planes of the Far East Air Forces of the United States. For Japan, it means re-entry into the aeroplane business. Their plants were shut down after their defeat in the Second World War.

And from Burbank, in California, here's one of the new peg-stick planes <sup>horizontal</sup> undergoing tests. The designers claim that this plane, intended for service with aircraft-carriers, <sup>can</sup> climb almost like a helicopter.

Last on the list is America's new long-range fighter. It is armed with a hundred and four rockets. And although they call it the Scorpion, it's got more stings in its nose than if Schnozzle Durante took up beekeeping.