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Revolutionary development transforms the humble helicopter into a hard-hitting submarine killer - designed specially for use on Royal Naval vessels.

It's the new Westland "Wessex" - the world's first helicopter to be powered by a free turbine engine.

Making its first public flight, it revealed amazing versatility - even to flying backwards.

~~.....~~ Though equipped chiefly for submarine hunting - the Wessex is capable of carrying 2½ tons of freight.

British skill and foresight has produced yet another winner, the "Accountant" - a twin-engined turbo-prop airliner which has carried out successful flight trials, at Southend Airport.

Designed to replace the war-time "Dakota" for civil or service use - this low-priced plane with the top-performance figures, incorporates an anti-spin tail-parachute.

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Now comes ~~.....~~ of the ~~.....~~ the De Havilland "Firestreak" - ^{A BRITISH} air-to-air guided missile. Launched by a high-speed fighter, it selects its unerring course by picking-up infra-red rays emitted from the enemy aircraft.

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For Americans - the push-button age became larger-than-life when the U.S. Army's Redstone rocket was displayed in Grand Central Station, New York. ~~.....~~

Meanwhile, at Yucca Flat, Nevada, a plastic balloon carried aloft the biggest atom bomb ever to be exploded in the United States, Scientists and technicians prepare for the blast - as research continues into the production of a ^{so-called} "clean" bomb - to reduce radio-active fall-out.

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~~Reported~~ A blast three times ^{as} ~~was~~ great as the one that destroyed Hiroshima...

Three miles from the blast centre - Marines (huddled in trenches) await the order to plunge forward in an ^{imagined} imaginary attack. So at least progress has been made (if you can call it such) in reducing the deadly after-effects of an atom blast.