

CIVIL FLYING STARTS AGAIN

Heath Row, Britain's 20 million pound airfield is opened by Lord Winster.

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"On this first day of the New Year this proving flight starts off from Heath Row which will be the future civil airport of London, and it takes off from the finest runway in the world."

Speaking after the Minister for Civil Aviation, Air Vice Marshal Bennett, former Pathfinder chief says....

"We hope to offer the peoples of this country and of South America, a service of which we will be proud and they will be happy to use."

For the Lancastrian air liner "Starlight" piloted by Bennett this was a double event - opening the airfield, and inaugurating the Britain to South America passenger and freight service. Civil flying gets going again and Britain begins the fight for her old place on the skylines of the world.

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