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FOIDING STAIRS IN VICKERS VISCOUNT AIRLINERS.

Forwarded, herewith, is dupe negative of a length of 35 mm.film (approximately 200 ft.) taken of some new Folding Stairs developed for the Vickers VISCOUNT Airliner. They are shown fitted to an aircraft for Capital Airlines, of Washington, D.C.

These built-in Folding Stairs are quite an achievement and it is the first time that such a medern refinement has been built-in to a British aereplane. They save time in turnaround and also enable the aircraft to be independent of expensive ground equipment.

Folding Stairs can now be part of any new VISCOUNT at a custemer's request and they will be part of the standard equipment in the new VANGUARD.