

On the outskirts of ~~Bedford~~ Bedford, a combination of top British aircraft manufacturers has built a giant wind tunnel for joint use in testing new designs of high-speed planes.

The Duke of Edinburgh, before formally opening this million-and-a-half-pound enterprise, stressed the fact that science alone is useless without imaginative designers --- and the rest of the men who do the work.

At the touch of the button, the powerful motors went into action. The main motor alone can maintain twenty-five thousand horse-power.

In California, scientists have contributed another factor in increasing the safety margin for aircraft landing and taking off. It's a system of ^{three} TV cameras --- giving the control-tower an uninterrupted view in all directions at the same time. [^]
But imagine making a mistake in tuning in --- and getting three comedians.

And now --- from New Jersey --- an air story in which the safety margin is cut down to ^a split second. It's the latest sport --- bird flight.delaying the opening of the parachute as long as you dare.

Here's the champion checking his timing device; and watch him swoop like a hawk --- down, down, --- watch him!

[^] This is no time to be absent-minded.