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FRANCE'S AIR FORCE.

Already the Air Force of Britain's great ally has demonstrated its superiority over the German. These pictures of the French Air Force taken before the war are therefore of especial interest now. They show how the mighty power of the wings of France goes into action. Look at these enormous bombs --- presently we shall see them ~~explode before the enemy~~ hit their target with a colossal roar --- and while they load up, consider what aircraft France can use in attack. The 16-ton Farman --- the Amiot --- the Bloch --- dreadnoughts of the air that carry huge loads of explosive to shatter the enemy gun emplacements.

How does France deal with the bombers of the enemy? Predictors pick up the drone of the approaching raider almost as soon as it leaves the aerodrome. Waves of sound establish its position and speed. The mechanical eye and ear change into feet per second the throb of a petrol engine and the scream of a propellor. Exact calculations spin an invisible web of destruction around the raider as he approaches.

Automatically, never making a mistake, predictors ~~are~~ direct the angle of gunfire and work out the range. ~~And in a few seconds~~
~~under their upward path destruction.~~

It is good to know that our defence against the bomber should be so complete and so accurate. But that the Nazi system is less efficient is proved by the ease and safety with which our ^{own} Royal Air Force planes have flown over the German defences and even Berlin itself. Imagine this cargo --- dropped on the Siegfried Line!