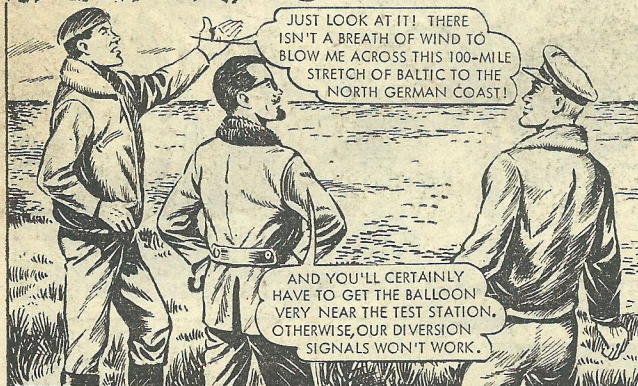


Britain's top spy sets out on the last perilous lap of his secret mission—over a hundred-mile stretch of sea which is patrolled by German ships and planes!

# THE WATCHER



IN 1944, the Watcher, Britain's crack secret agent, and Professor Parkin, a top scientist, landed at the estate of Karl Angstrom, a Swede sympathetic to the British. Their task was to capture one of the new rocket weapons which the Germans were developing, so that it could be examined and a counter worked out to it. The rocket was controlled by radio signals and it was the Watcher's intention to jam the signals of a rocket on a test flight, diverting it to the estate. But to jam the signals, the Watcher's radio had to be situated near the rocket base in Germany, and as this was impossible, he was using a captured German barrage balloon as a mobile radio station!



A camouflaged gondola had been constructed under the balloon so that the Watcher could navigate it. The gondola had an array of small radio transmitters and was also fitted with air jets to give fast manoeuvrability.

