



GUIDED BY "ELECTRONIC CREW," here is America's answer to air invasion threats, the Lockheed F-94C Starfire, an almost automatic jet warplane armed with new type radar and 24 2.75 inch rockets housed in ring of firing tubes around nose. It carries no guns. Crew merely guides plane aloft. Radar and specialized "brain like" instruments enable Starfire to spot enemy miles away, lock on to target, track it down, open fire, all without crew's guidance. Starfire's speed is believed faster than sound. Photo was made over Muroc, Cal., testing grounds. (International Soundphoto)

'Almost Automatic' Supersonic Jet Plane To Intercept Enemy

Palmdale, Calif. —(U.P.)— The Air Force has revealed any attacking bomber will be met beyond the borders and shorelines by an "almost automatic," high-flying supersonic jet warplane.

Although still security classified, test pilot Anthony William (Tony) Levier demonstrated the new Starfire F-94C. He jockeyed the plane through turns, rolls, loops and other combat maneuvers, often only 50 feet off the ground.

All Rocket Armament
The Starfire is the first fighting plane ever to have all rocket armament. It carries 24 rockets, 2.75-inches in size, and a ring of firing tubes around the blunt, radar-encased nose.

Lockheed Aircraft at Burbank, Calif., already have begun delivering the new Starfire to the U.S. Air Force.

Specialized "brain-like" instruments and radar enables the airplane to stop the enemy miles away, track down the target and open fire—all by itself, according to Lockheed vice president and chief engineer Hall L. Hubbard.

In addition to the pilot, the Starfire carries a radar operator. The main duties of the crew are to take the plane off, maneuver to the general target area under direction of ground radar watchers, switch on the "electronic crew," monitor automatic operations during the attack, and land.

The interceptor type plane was designed specifically to knock out invading bombers in any kind of weather, night or day.

"She's a honey," test pilot Le-

vier said. He said the plane was the fastest climbing aircraft he ever had flown.

The Starfire's speed is "con-

siderably more than 600 miles per hour," and it rapidly climbs straight up if necessary, to its fighting altitude of more than 45,000 feet.

Levier revealed he made a pass 50 feet over the airfield going more than 600 miles per hour "by quite a bit."

He made a second pass from 50 feet off the ground flying from "100 to 140 miles per hour." The pilot was amazed at the wide range of speed.

Pickin' Pears News, Gossip, Comment From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH

The American Legion's Department of Oregon has been hiding its light under a bushel.

As an organization, a real service is being performed systematically and efficiently for the veterans entitled to benefits under the law.

In one field of activity alone, approximately \$1,000,000 in compensation and pensions have been recovered during the past year without any fanfare of publicity.

Three department service officers travel about the state reviewing claims and making contacts. Occasionally they appear before chambers of commerce and other bodies to explain their work.

Last week G. R. Shaw, Portland, was at Camp White and he was busy continuously all day holding conferences with domiciliary members. A room in the administration building was made available for this purpose.

He has just completed a nine months report up to June this year which shows what the Legion has been doing for veterans, irrespective of membership.

The report shows total recoveries of \$1,558,850, of which \$998,249 is in pension and compensation, \$239,765 in death benefits, \$150,195 in insurance, and \$118,641 in other adjustments.

The volume of business involved is disclosed in the summary of interviews and contacts of various kinds. Office interviews numbered 3,073, hospital contacts 1,344, phone calls 2,994, letters handled 9,447. There were 1,216 notarizations in this group.

Power of attorney was granted in 476 cases. Rating board appearances numbered 1,306. There were 1,609 cases reviewed and 27 appealed. More than 900 new cases were handled in the nine month's business.

"We do not require membership as a condition for performing this service," Shaw stated. "In many instances the men are without sufficient funds to pay their dues. Besides we are inclined to regard such a requirement as contrary to the spirit of the law authorizing this service to veterans."

Quietly and effectively this powerful body is moving in Oregon to correct some of the injustices and injuries which have resulted from the chaotic conditions faced in the past quarter century of war and its aftermath.

Bill Kaiser, of the Central Point Legion post, which sponsors the Veterans Hour radio quiz show, suspended until September, was present with Shaw as he interviewed the Dom members. He reports that the merchants of Central Point made a \$140 outlay of merchandise in the prizes received by Camp White vets who answered the questions correctly.

Bill is working on the program for the "hour" when it is resumed under a direct hookup arrangement. And some of his performers he must book far in advance. In the case of musicians he has to write James C. Petrillo personally to obtain their services for this type of appearance. The union, he says, is more than willing to cooperate, but it does

take a lot of trouble to line up their services.

One reason for the arrangement of the program, placing the star performers first, is the fact that in most instances they have other engagements calling them away before 9 p.m. With these and mechanical difficulties ironed out Camp White members can look forward to the Veterans Hour with considerable enthusiasm.

Billy Giles won first prize in the "funniest" hat contest staged by the Junior Red Cross at their final party of the season last Wednesday night. Second and third places were taken by the youngest and oldest members at the domiciliary, George W. Lord, 24, and D. L. von Needa, 89.

Oregon City —(U.P.)— Stanley

Western Union Rate Increases Delayed

Washington —(U.P.)— The Western Union Telegraph Co. rate increases, scheduled to become effective Sunday, have been delayed to August 1, it was disclosed Friday.

The Federal Communications Commission, on the company's request, delayed the effective date so filing of documents supporting the request for higher rates could be completed.

Miles MacNess, 62, Clackamas, was fatally injured Wednesday night when he was struck by an automobile driven by John R. Walter of Clackamas.

Friday, July 4, 1952

Californian Drowns Near Cave Junction

Grants Pass —(U.P.)— Walter Kenneth Renfro, 39, of Palo Alto, Calif., drowned Thursday afternoon in the waters of Sucker creek where it enters the Illinois river near Cave Junction, Ore.

Renfro had been visiting his brother, Harlan Renfro, at Cave Junction. Witnesses said he was swimming underwater when his swimming trunks evidently caught on a submerged snag and he drowned before he could free himself.

His brother was called and narrowly escaped a similar acci-

dent trying to save the other man.

Syracuse, N. Y. —(U.P.)— Firemen not only put out fires and save lives and property but also a lot of money, according to Fire

Chief William Connelly. He said: "There's always the guy who leaves a couple of hundred dollars in his wallet when his house catches fire. Money is the biggest thing they forget."

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United States Government Bonds	221,788,821.53
Municipal and Other Bonds	58,181,167.10
Loans and Discounts—Net	210,158,174.76
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	900,000.00
Bank Premises (Including Branches)	7,371,159.42
Customers' Liability on Acceptances	296,612.74
Interest Earned	1,996,153.91
Other Resources	215,816.86
	\$ 643,409,725.19

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 14,000,000.00
Surplus	16,000,000.00
Undivided Profits	13,151,359.35
	43,151,359.35
Reserves for Interest, Taxes, etc.	2,212,683.18
Acceptances	296,612.74
Dividends Declared	420,000.00
Deposits	594,580,475.31
Interest Collected Not Earned	2,429,131.12
Other Liabilities	319,463.49
	\$ 643,409,725.19

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