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6,354 Planes in May

U. S. aircraft production for the month of May totaled 6,354 units while 6,345 aircraft were scheduled. This figure represented a one percent decrease in production from the April total of 6,412. Of the May output, 2,168 were bombers, 3,019 fighters, 617 transports, 184 trainers, and 366 special purpose.

10,004 Corsairs Since 1942

Ten thousand Corsair fighters have been built for the Navy, Marine Corps, and the Royal Navy since the craft was placed in production three years ago. The Corsair's prototype, the XF4U-1, made its first flight on May 29, 1940, while first production model left the assembly line late in June, 1942.

Discussing "Aviation's Place in Civilization" before the Royal Aeronautical Society in London recently, Civil Aeronautics Administrator T. P. Wright predicted that U. S. aviation within 10 years after the war will employ 12 times as many persons as before the war (610,000 compared to 50,000), carry 20,000,000 passengers per year on U. S. airlines 300 m.p.h. at 3c a mile, and that aviation will provide an international policing medium for collective security of all nations.

Administrator Wright cited four new developments which he expects to lead to the greatest period of aeronautical advancement yet seen:

- The gas turbine and jet power plant.
- Aerodynamic design improvements that will make supersonic speeds possible.
- Electronic devices making all-weather operation safe and practicable.
- Advanced designs of private planes and helicopters, to supplement scheduled air transport as the automobile does the railroad.

Concerning the international air police force problem, the Administrator suggested a figure of 50,000 planes, including cargo and training types as well as combat planes, and 50 air bases scattered throughout the world, as an adequate organization.

Carrier Landing Record

In what is believed to be a record for a single day's operations, a Marine Carrier Air Support Group in training off the West Coast recently completed 602 landings on an escort carrier. This number of landings, without a single accident, is about twice what is regarded as a very heavy day's activity on a carrier.

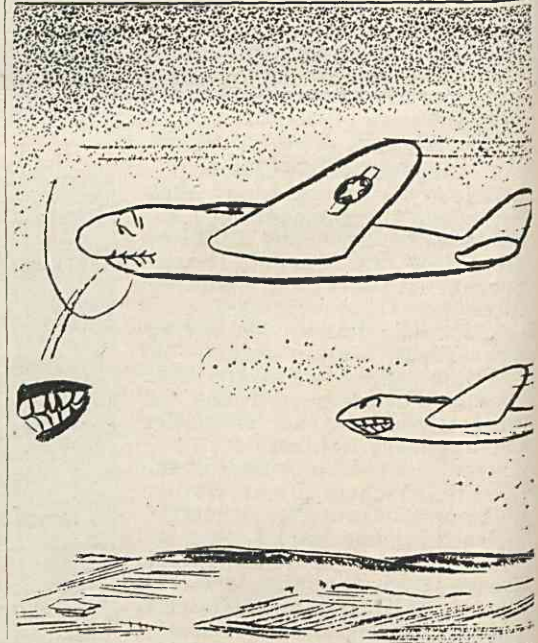
The Wolf by Sansone



Jimmy, age eight, was assigned by his teacher to write a piece about his origins. Seeking cooperation, he questioned his mother.

"Mom, where did Grandma come from?"
"The stork brought Grandma, darling."
"Well, where did you come from?"
"The stork brought me, too."
"And me, too?" pursued Jimmy.
"And you too, dear."

Resignedly, Jimmy wrote the lead for his composition: "There have been no natural births in our family for three generations."



The Lighter Side...

The preacher finished his sermon with "All liquor should be thrown into the river."
And the choir ended by singing, "Shall we gather at the River?"

Woman: What's your cat's name, little boy?
Boy: "Ben Hur."
Woman: "That's a funny name for a cat. How did you happen to pick up such a name for it?"
Boy: "Well, we just called him Ben until he had kittens."

Why is it that if you tell a man there are 276,679,874,638 stars in the universe, he'll believe you, but if the sign says "Fresh Paint," he has to make a personal investigation?

Take a tip from radio advertising. Never admit you're fat. Just say you come in the large economy size.

Said the preacher as he slipped on the banana skin: "It's odd how old forgotten words spring to mind, isn't it?"

She was just a used furniture dealers' daughter and that's why she wouldn't allow much on the old davenport.

One stockman said to the other stockman: "I shipped 100,000 bulls last year." The other stockman said: "I shipped 200,000 bulls last year."

The first stockman replied: "We are about the biggest bull shippers in the country."

Daffynitions:
November—open season for pheasants, political candidates and Japs.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



Protective Coloration

