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The Lighter Side...

Jimmy Durante, reporting on his Alaskan trip, told Garry Moore he saw a sign outside an igloo which read "Eskimo Spitz Dogs—five dollars apiece."

"Well, what's so unusual about that?" said Garry.

"Unusual!" exclaimed Jimmy, "I got fifty dollars that says the Eskimo can't do it!"

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An SP is nothing but a talent scout for the brig.

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The mistress of the house heard the bell ring and saw a Chinese hawker standing at the open front door. Quickly retiring she called out to the maid:

"There's a Chinaman at the door. You go, Ella."

This was too much for the Chinaman, who stuck his head in and shouted indignantly:

"You go 'ella yourself!"

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Lunatic (to new asylum superintendent): "Who are you?"

Supt.: "I'm the new superintendent."

Lunatic: "Well, it won't take them long to knock that out of you. I thought I was Mussolini when I first came."

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An Englishman returned to his home from a trip to America and was telling his friends of odd American games.

"And they have the queerest game in the movie houses. It's called, 'Oh, Hell,' I think."

"How do they play it?"

"Well, when you go in, they give you a card with a lot of numbers and during intermission a man yells out a lot of numbers. Then someone yells 'Bingo' and everyone else says 'Oh, Hell.'"



In the deadly technological race for control of the air, the American aircraft industry designed and developed a record total of 150 separate types of military aircraft in less than seven years.

Comprising 38 distinct tactical classes to fulfill the widely varying tasks of combat, training and supply, these 150 basic types went through 417 distinct models and additional thousands of detailed engineering changes during their design and production life.

The degree of acceleration of technical advances due to the war is indicated by the fact that in the 20-year period before 1940, a total of 107 separate models of pursuit aircraft were designed and delivered to the Army, while the industry designed and developed 212 pursuit models in the last four years.

Because of its predominant size and variety of jobs, the Army Air Forces accounted for the larger share of these totals, utilizing 255 models of 97 basic designs in 21 separate tactical categories. Naval aviation's role in the war required 162 models of 53 types in 17 different tactical classifications.

Production Miracle

More airplanes were produced during 1944 by the American aircraft industry than the total of all aircraft of all types produced in this country from 1903 to Pearl Harbor. In the 38 years of its history prior to 1942, the industry produced an estimated 85,000 airplanes of all types, military and commercial. In 1944 a total of 96,369 military airplanes was produced.

Airliners Are Busiest

An airliner travels more miles per year than any other vehicle, three times as much as a Pullman car, its nearest competitor. The average truck or bus travels about 50,000 miles per year, and a Greyhound bus about 80,000 miles per year. A Pullman car travels 145,000 miles per year, while the average airliner logs 464,000 miles per year.

Jet Planes Too Quiet

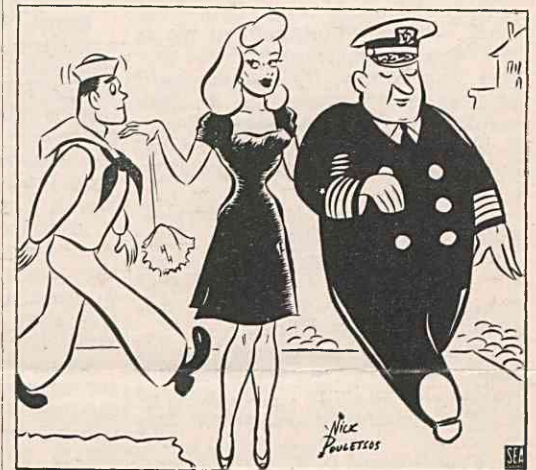
Because of the absence of vibration in the new jet-propelled fighters, small vibrators are attached to the instrument panels to give the constant "jiggle" needed to assure accurate instrument readings.

The Wolf

by Sansone



HELEN HIGHWATER



Y2c: You say, Helen is like a street car?
Y1c: Yeah, she goes right to town.

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CPO: "Our son certainly is clever. He must get his intelligence from me."

Wife: "He certainly must. I've still got mine."

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Overheard at the gate—"You need a tonic, Mac, you're getting to look like the picture on your I.D. card."

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Chief: "May I help you with that soup, Mac?"

S2c: "What do you mean, help me? I don't need any help."

Chief: "From the sounds you're making, I thought you wanted a life preserver."

Male Call

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



No Chicken, Inspector

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