BOMBER!

By Carl Sandburg

Commentary for the Defense Film, "Bomber," Produced by the Office for Emergency Management

One American factory—one of many—
One bomber—thousands on the way.
An angel of death—
Death to those who mock at free peoples,
Death to those who tell the world they are out to
wreck the American democratic system. Hundreds here—thousands—tens of

thousands on the way. TEST FLIGHT

Every part tested—every piece of metal tested-Every bolt, rivet and welded seam-tested under the pressure of combat conditions.

Off the ground now-for the first time as a complete fighting unit. Power—power to travel far, dump her bombs and return.

Power to say, "I can outfly and outfight any pursuit ship now fighting over Europe. I am the strength of the people of the free

MEN, MACHINES, AND MATERIALS

Here, you get her insides—aluminum alloy—light and strong—Steel, copper, brass—a dozen other metals
Put together like a fine watch.

Wings made strong to hold her high in the air while she delivers— Each wing built to take all the pounding a super-powered motor

Here is the fire bath, where the bombers begins to grow. Born in fire to fight fire with fire.

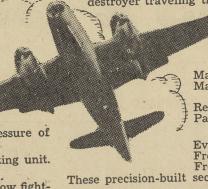
She is going to have the guts, wind, stamina, to fight and deliver death—a bellyful of it—to those who are asking for it.

Made of metals tempered and strong—

Woven together—strong—
American mass production, American knowhow.....
Hands with knowhow minds with American knowhow.....
These workers—these riveters, welders, drillers—
All these craftsmen have pride, a genuine pride in their share—their participation in the titanic job we call "National Defense

ASSEMBLY

Parts-more than twenty-five thousand for each ship.



Parts stacked up, waiting to be assembled and woven into a living destroyer traveling the sky. We are taking these parts—weaving them into a thing that breathes and lives.... Breathes with the Spirit of America That says, "Don't tread on me."

Made to stand heavy toil and struggle—Made to stand shock and storm and storm and the favy travel. Ready to flank and outflank the ener y Packing enough power to climb over the highest anti-aircraft barrage.

Everything under control. From hundreds of sub-assemblies-

From scores of major assemblies— These precision-built sections roll into final Assembly. Day and night Twenty-four hours a day Seven days

Three hundred and sixty-five days a year
Body, bones and wings roll and join into the form
of a finished breathing bomber.

Bombers thousands in the air now
Tens of thousands on the way.

Wires—miles of wires link the nerve centers of the ship.
A giant wing spar protects the cables from enemy gun fire.
She packs guns—so many guns the Army won't let us tell about it—
A flying arsenal—she's the toughest, fightinest ship of her size

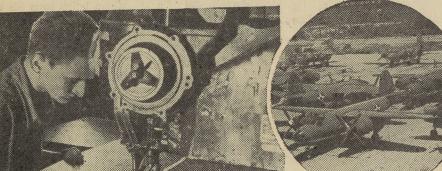
Here is America strong-hearted-Keen—aware—alive.

Massive-honest-this wing seems to say, "You can count on me!"

DAWN FLIGHT

Dawn.....daylight. Over Europe, over Asia—night, black night. America flies into the dawn. Bombers for a new day.

Humanity with all its fears, with all its hopes of future years, is hanging breathless on thy fate!"





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THE LISTENING POST By THE VETERAN

You wouldn't know about it; not unless you had snooping proclivities Roosevelt, an inveterate sailor, and then were of the mind to go one floor higher than the elevator knew the Maine coast-line. He sails reaches in the marble place which is your county court house. Hidden it often on his way to Campo Bello, away in what a naive architect designed as a jury room, a chamber in which the panel sitting on a given case was to have conferred for con- Stark was a Lieutenant-Comclusion of a verdict, there is a staff.

picture in Luzerne County.

ing the courthouse fourth floor—or at the same time affording a rea- Stark replied: "You may be one of didn't you know there are that sonable opportunity for the popula- my Navy bosses; but I am in commany floors in the million-dollar tions contiguous to their plants. mand of this ship. You tell me for mafloors: One sub-b chinery and its attendants; one United States into five regions over Strangely enough, it was in remembasement for office workers and which are 121 field directors. In the brance of that rebuff that Roosevelt maintenance men; one business district embracing Ohio, Pennsyl- as President went down fifty-five floor; one Orphans Court and law- vania, West Virginia, Delaware, Vir- names on the seniority and promooffice floor; and the top floor given ginia, New Jersey, Maryland and tion list to make Admiral Stark over to what is described in Bulletin | District of Columbia there are 36 | Chief of Navy Operations, after Ad-338, issued by Pennsylvania Depart- field agents with duties similar to miral William Leahy had been sent ment of Public Instruction, as "Ap- those of Mr. Loiselle. prentice Education Program and Plan of Co-Operation With Other gress adopted in 1937 was far in ad-Agencies.'

and two of them Federal, have co- because it was two years earlier a candidate for Governor next year operated toward the perfection of than the first step toward aggression unless they go along with United an apprentice program. Besides the and war in Europe. So, a mead of States Senator Joseph F. Guffey. tion there are: State Apprenticeship law-makers. They foresaw a need of drama by which Guffey seeks to ship in the U. S. Department of Labor, and the Office of Education of was discovered that even with the time when the G. O. P. and New

ica and the Commonwealth of Penn- development tremendous shortages In nominating of Governor candisylvania, therefore, are responsible soon became apparent. For instance, date, the people have most to say for taking over your county court there are jobs for 17,000 trained when they entrust their desires to house fourth floor and installing men in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh their State committees. In local conthere a French-American, Lester A. alone; but there are no trained men tests the Primary election gives the Loiselle, as director of a plan by which all industries of Luzerne ments of National Defense swamped will. The reason for the difference County and nine neighboring coun- all business and industrial manage- in favor of State conventions and ties are afforded means of planning ments ,even after an increase of 300 committee nominations is that if apprentice feeding of their interests. per cent had been made in the fix- the Primary alone were trusted, taken from the mechanical depart- ment could be gauged. ment of the Washington Times-Herald. With an executive staff housed ments have taken place in conform- and influence at the court house, he himself studies the industries and meets the One at Vulcan Iron Works in ary to replace the committee selecmanagements of all manufacturers in Wilkes-Barre, one at West Pittston tion of a Governor candidate. He Luzerne, Columbia, Union, Snyder, Vulcan, and one under guidance of tried the plan out when the State Northumberland, Montour, Tioga, the unionized workers who are Committee voted him down in 1938; Lycoming, Center and Clinton coun- chartered with the Wyoming Valley he tried it again, without success,

miss affair with all the industrial end. magnates, training employees from the ground up when they needed them, delayed for unconscionable times when a sudden spurt was needed in production and the slow Wilkes-Barre native was named system of getting the qualified men stood as a handicap. If Loiselle and States Navy, thrill to the story of his staff succeed, there will be an how he was chosen by President apprentice program from which all Roosevelt against fifty-four senior for the citizens of Pennsylvania may the indutsries may draw.

schools and libraries are tied into the nickname of "Betty" among tion statements about inquiry into the preparations, and the plan is to navy men; and that is because his the forgery case stemming out of enroll young men at the age of six- Revolutionary ancestor, fighting the State Treasurer's office, and the teen years. Vocational training pre- against the British, went into battle scandal in the Department of Unempares them for crafts, skills, trades with the war-cry: "We'll lick the ployment Compensation that and business. The Federal-State Red Coats or Betty Stark is a wid- brought about discharge of State

of Federal workers that seems des- planners offer the means, set up was head officer of that war vessel. tined to change the entire industrial the systems, bring about co-ordina- As they approached a port mention of resources and co-operation aced by the rocky coast, Roosevelt The hide-away room is at the top of facilities; then the industries go suggested that he take over comof the walk-up flight of steps reach- ahead to make their future secure, mand and get the ship in. To which

It is apparent that an Act of Convance of the actual emergency that

the U.S. Department of the Interior. foresight of the planners the start Deal will square off for the guber-Both the United States of Amer- had been made too late. With plant natorial set-to. ester A. Loiselle is a practical man, ation of standards by which employ- with all factions entering candi-

How Stark Got Command

Stark, millions of them since the Chief of Operations for the United naval officers higher up on the pro- be expected, provided Governor Universities, colleges, public motion list. Admiral Stark carries James was sincere in his pre-elec-

Rebel did win the battle.

Back in 1918, when Franklin Roosevelt was Assistant Secretary of treatment, was named in a warrant the United States Navy, he commissioned a war vessel to a junket in the waters off the Coast of Maine. velt was a vigorous young man and mander. It happened that Stark

to Free France as Ambassador.

Wide-Open Primary

Four services, two of them State at present faces the United States, find themselves helpless to nominate in 1938. State Department of Public Instruc- commendation is due the people's The third and concluding act of a Council of the Department of Labor, an apprentice supply and they pro- make himself all-powerful is ex-Federal Committee on Apprentice- ceeded to have the need fulfilled. pected to be out in full glare of the

> dates, the certainty would be on the In Luzerne County, three develop- side of the man with most money

Carpenters. Inclusion of a program last year, when he opposed the It is true that no industry in all in any industry or business is en- State committee selection of Wagthat territory has ever had a suf- tirely up to voluntary action by the ner and Ross. But, in his third efficient program by which its ranks plant and business managements. fort it appears that Guffey may could be supplied from labor pre- But, if they are interested, for them- win, thanks to war and his Number pared to enter upon duties essetnial selves and for the public, the new One position with the Roosevelt Adto success. It has been a hit-and- service will furnish the means to the ministration. If his plans carry there will be a wide-open nomination of the Democratic Governor candidate, with the State wide balloting to de-Fan-followers of Admiral Harold termine the choice. That choice just naturally would be the man Senator Guffey picked for the job.

Excitement In Harrisburg

With election over, a real break

ow." Betty was his wife and the old Director Kelly. The man who was Harold Wagner's first choice as an assistant, at present under hospital which the Governor's attorney general was prepared to serve.

Governor James said there was more back of the \$13,000 alleged forgery of the Deputy Treasurer than had been presented and he was determined to find all the truth. Ernest Kelly at the same time said that the million-dollar fraud in unemployment compensation also will require considerably more exposure than has been given up to this time.

Let James and Kelly do as both promised to do and the post-election period ought to make interesting reading. The only regret then would be that Colonel Philip Mathews, West Pointer, seems to be contented in being ousted as State Director of WPA. Friends of Mathews, who ran WPA without political interference, are sure his release is merely preliminary to appointment of Senator Joe Guffey's friend, Ralph Bashore, to prepare for the Governor fight next year in behalf of Guffey's choice. Bashore, it is remembered, even though he was Secretary of Labor, went along with Guffey in opposing Governor Earle, his boss, Democrats of Pennsylvania may and the Guffey-Mundy ticket back

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