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Mass production of U.S. bombers is under way. The long months of spedework beer fruit as the Lockheed Hudsons flow from the factory lines, on the way to active service with the RAF.

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To make this plane alone 20,000 workmen maintain capacity output on one-and-a-half million square-feet of floor space. Production figures here are secret, but it is known that America now turns out as many planes as Germany. Sprayed with anti-rust oil the bombers are ready for shipment.

At British ports the planes and other Lease-Lend cargoes now arrive at a rate only coped with by record unloading speed. America and Britain are now both making as many aircraft as the enemy. Overwhelming air-superiority is therefore in sight.

Much of the anticipated spectacle is taken from the unloading operations by the peacetime look of the cases in which the goods are packed. Nevertheless the dock cranes are clanging to the work of hoisting materials invaluable in war.

Machine-tools, truck bodies, munitions are swung from the holds in which they ran the Atlantic gauntlet, on to the goods' trains that transport them to scheduled destinations.

The Free French forces get their quota. Some of the goods go into barges, to complete the journey by inland waterways. In bars comes the indispensable copper - used for shell driving-bands and for a score of munition manufacturing processes.

Shells for howitzers and anti-aircraft guns, for which the appetite of war runs literally into millions. A few hours at the port brings it home to the spectator that Germany versus the free world resolves itself into a battle of production, with the scale in the long run weighted in our favour.

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incendiary bombs. In our zeal to produce planes there was perhaps some danger that the equal necessity of tanks would be overlooked. Now, both Britain and the States keep tank-production fully in mind.

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- 1. Title.
- 2. OPEN FOR SUPER: ONE DAY'S BOMBERS FOR BRITAIN.

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LOCKHEE-built "Hudson" bombers peel off the factory line for the flight to Canada--thence to Britain--thence to drop deadly bombloads over Hitle's invasion ports.

- In this one plane, America's airplane factories are really getting into their stride! Assembly lines stretch over one and one-half million square feet of factory floor. More than 20,000 workmen are rushing the Hudson bombers, Production figures are secret, but this year's figure will be thousands.
- 10. TITLE: P-38, POWER PLUS!
- America's speed demon---so fast that ordinary men can't fly it without chemical help. Test pilot (Milo Burcham) dons an oxygen mask. For thirty minutes he'll breathe deep, and ride a bicycla---cramming his system with oxygen to prevent black-outs when flying--at 500 miles an hour plus! A special air-pressure helmet and a flight oxygen mask---and it's all aboard the P*38 interceptor---the world's fastest plane!
- 18. With twin propellors turning in opposite cirections, the heavily armed POB "cruises" around 400---opened up. WELL!
- 1. TITLE: HE SITS IN THE AIR
- 2. America sees enother new marvel of aviation...the Sikorski helicopter. The take-off---90 degrees straight up: This experimental model a veteran of hundreds of test flights, goes aloft to attempt to break the world's endurance record for flight over one spot.
- 6. Vertical flight. Since 400 B.C., man has tried to build helicopters. This American invention came out in the 1920's---did not rise. This windmill plane was another product of a decade ago. Freaks; people called them, laughed at them--and air-minded dreamers went ahead building, scheming, and failing----but each time aviation learned something new, something important.

These flapping flops of yesterday, each played a pert in today's great triumphs of aviation—though more than faith took a shaking...

7. And hovering in a May, 1941 sky, Igor Sikorski and his helicopter prove that vertical flight has arrived. U.S. military observers see important uses for this craft, that supported only by its main rotors down draft (notice the blown grass), utilizes three tail propellors for control of (see next page #2)

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flight forward, sideways, backwards or in circles. Sikorski has at last achieved in a machine, the humming cird's flight--- the poised suspension in the air of the little bird that started Leonardo De Vinci drawing helicopter plans 500 years ago.

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One hour and 32° minutes of flight in suspension, a new world's record! Able to land within 18 irones of any given spot, the helicopter may open a vast new field of air tectics to American airmen who won't belive the phrase---"there aint no such bird!"