

SPANNING 30 YEARS—Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, left, president of Convair, talks over early days with Maj. Reuben H. Fleet, founder and first president of Convair. Two famed Convair planes, the B-24 Liberator bomber, and the XF-92A, world's first delta wing aircraft, are in the foreground.

Founded in 1923

Major Fleet Was First President of Convair

When a group of aviation pioneers began operations 30 years ago as Consolidated Aircraft Corporation, Maj. Reuben Fleet, the firm's founder and principal investor, became the first president of the new organization.

The firm's first plant, located in East Greenwich, R. I., was founded on May 29, 1923.

Fleet, a veteran pilot and former National Guard officer, obtained his wings in 1917 at the Army's Signal Corps Aviation School in San Diego, Cal. When he left the service in 1922, Fleet had attained the rank of major.

T. McNarney (Ret.) assumed the presidency of Convair on March 3, 1952, after a distinguished military career that began in 1917.

It was General McNarney who succeeded the then General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1945 as commanding general of the United States forces in the European theater and commander in chief of the United States forces of occupation in Germany. General McNarney directs Convair's activities from the corporation offices in San Diego.

EARLY PRODUCTIONS.

Under Fleet's direction, Consolidated Aircraft Corporation developed and produced training planes for the Army and Navy. Observation planes were added to the Consolidated line in 1928. Also developed was a Navy dive bomber, and the company's first flying boat, the PY-1 Admiral. From the flying boat evolved the renowned P2Y and PBV patrol bombers, both of which saw much service during World War II.

Fleet retired as president of the company in 1942 and is currently living in San Diego.

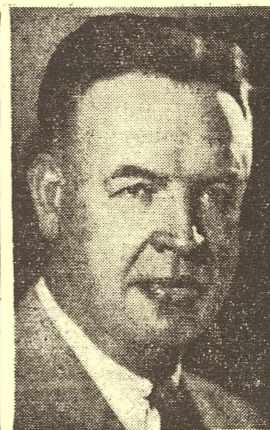
Convair's wartime president was Harry F. Woodhead. He assumed presidency of the company in 1942 and served until 1948.

A native of England, Woodhead came to this country in 1909, at the age of 20, and became a naturalized citizen in 1917. He held several executive positions in the steel fabricating industry prior to joining Convair. He is credited with the introduction of mechanized assembly lines for aircraft manufacture. After leaving Convair in 1948, he joined the staff of Douglas Aircraft Corporation, Santa Monica, Cal. He is currently vice president and general manager of the Tulsa division of Douglas Aircraft.

COHU ELECTED.

LaMotte T. CoHu, aircraft manufacturer and airline executive, was elected president and general manager of Convair on June 4, 1948. At the same time, he became a member of Convair's board.

CoHu came to Convair from Trans World Airlines, where he had been president since 1947. Prior to joining TWA, he and Jack Northrop founded Northrop Aircraft Company in 1939. CoHu



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Camp Mitre Peak Building Fund Drive Is Planned

MIDLAND, May 30 (Sp1).—A Girl Scout building fund campaign to raise \$125,000 will be conducted during the last two weeks of June throughout the Permian Basin Council area, J. W. Gaddy of Odessa, general campaign chairman, has announced.

Proceeds of the drive will be used to construct adequate facilities at Camp Mitre Peak, situated at the mouth of Fern Canyon, near Alpine.

Vice chairmen of the campaign are Judge Allan Fraser of Alpine, who will direct activities in Presidio, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Brewster and Terrell Counties; Elmer Jones of Pecos, who will serve in Culberson, Loving, Reeves, Ward and Winkler Counties, and Jack Sallee of Midland, in charge of the campaign in Andrews, Crane, Ector, Midland and Upton Counties.

Huge Order in 1940

Vultee Aircraft, Inc., in 1940 started production on one of the largest single-unit orders awarded in this country—for BT-13 Valiant trainers—and began experimenting with a powered assembly line for turning them out.

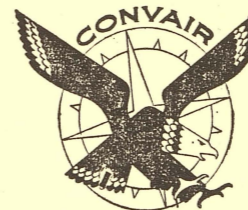
2,100 Machine Tools

The Fort Worth Convair plant has in use approximately 2,100 machine tools and 87,000 production tools. There are 68,000 different shop-made parts and 11,000 different assemblies per B-36 bomber.

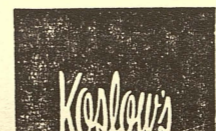
Telephone Network

There are 37 telephone trunk lines, 1,500 telephones and 1,200 internal lines in the Fort Worth Convair plant.

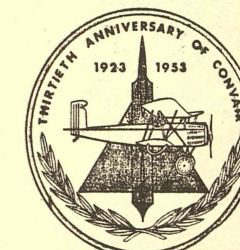
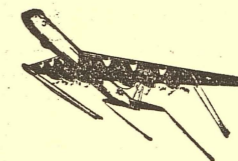
Keslow's Salutes



You at Convair are to be commended for your splendid contribution in aircraft production for the freedom loving people of the world. Your contribution to the community is immeasurable and we are proud to salute you.



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Our Sincerest
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ON YOUR ...

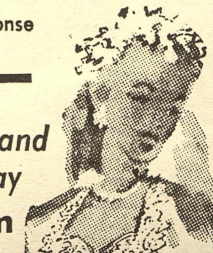


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DIAMONDS from



11,000 Are Owners of Convair Stock

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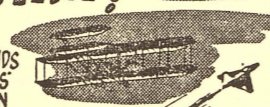
PLANE VIEWS

132 TIMES AS FAST!

IT TOOK TWELVE SECONDS FOR THE WRIGHT BROTHERS' PLANE TO FLY 120 FEET ON DECEMBER 17, 1903.

IN TWELVE SECONDS A COMPLEX MODERN RESEARCH PLANE CAN FLY MORE THAN 4 MILES

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In addition to government-owned or leased facilities operated by Convair, the company owns a plant, property and equipment at San Diego with replacement value estimated at approximately \$40,000,000.

Convair currently has unfilled orders totaling in excess of \$1,000,000,000, mostly in government contracts.

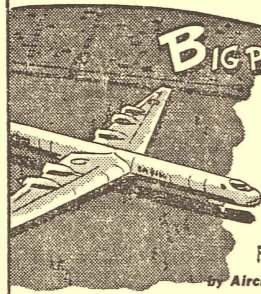
General Dynamics Corporation, which on May 15, 1953, became the principal shareholder of Convair through purchases of stock from the Atlas Corporation, today is, or plans to be, engaged in engineering and manufacturing activities embracing nearly every phase of the science of dynamics.

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BIG PLANES FOR BIG BOMBS

IN AN INTERCONTINENTAL BOMBER, THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE PILOT AND ENGINES EQUALS ONE-FOURTH THE LENGTH OF A FOOTBALL FIELD. AND THE TAIL OF THE PLANE IS OVER HALF THE LENGTH OF A FOOTBALL FIELD BEHIND THE PILOT!..

by Aircraft Industries Association

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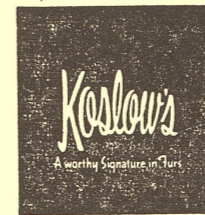
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Following Cohu, Gen. Joseph



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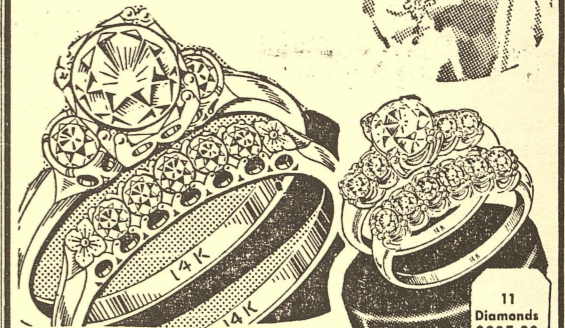
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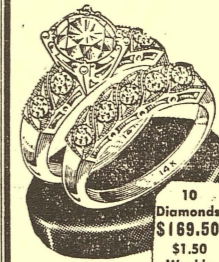


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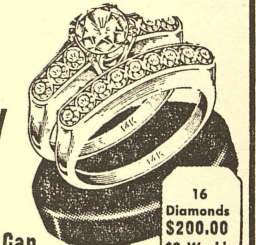
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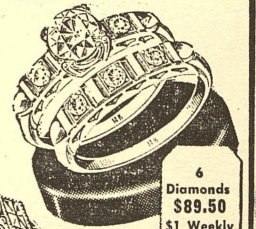


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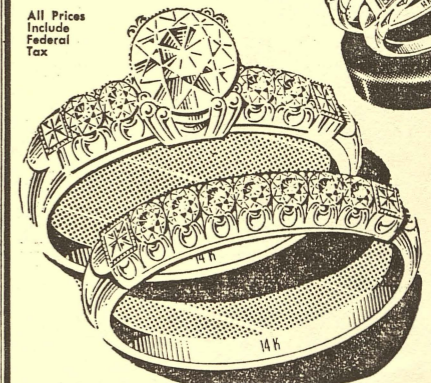


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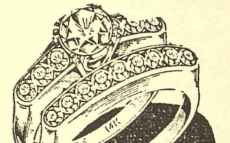


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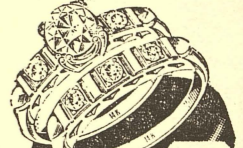


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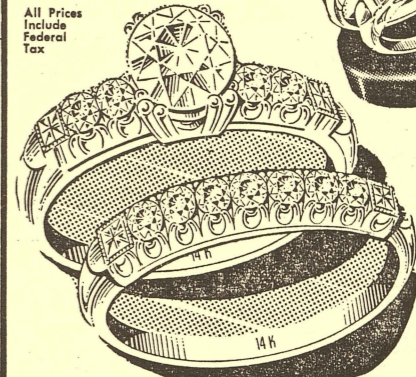


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