

**TWENTY-SIX YEARS AGO**—Just four years after the present Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation was born at East Greenwich, R. I., a daring young flier, Charles A. Lindbergh, completed the first non-stop plane crossing of the Atlantic, hopping from New York to Paris in 33 hours, in the famed Spirit of St. Louis.

## CONVAIR PLANES-'23 TO '53

Below is given a chronological review of the types of airplanes Convair has built since its start in 1923:

Year	Designation	Type
1923	TW-3	Single-engine primary trainer
1925	PT-1	Single-engine primary trainer
1929	XPY-1	Twin-engine Navy patrol seaplane (Admiral)
1929	Fleetster	Single-engine commercial transport
1929	Commodore	Twin-engine commercial flying boat
1931	XO-932	Single-engine liaison plane
1931	XP2Y-1	Three-engine Navy patrol seaplane
1932	XBY-1	Single-engine-dive bomber
1933	Fleet 10	Single-engine seaplane
1934	A-11	Single-engine attack plane
1934	P-30	Single-engine pursuit plane
1935	V1-A	Eight-passenger commercial transport
1935	PBY-1	Twin-engine Navy bomber (Catalina)
1939	YA-19	Three-place Army Air Corps attack bomber
1939	B-24	Four-engine bomber (Liberator)
1939	P-66	Single-engine pursuit plane
1940	Voyager 105	Single-engine personal plane
1941	BT-13	Single-engine basic trainer (Valiant)
1943	XP-54	Twin-boom, pusher-type pursuit plane
1943	PB2Y-3	Four-engine Navy bomber (Coronado)
1943	B-32	Four-engine heavy bomber (Dominator)
1943	A-35	Single-engine dive bomber (Vengeance)
1943	C-87	Four-engine transport
1943	L-5	Four-engine liaison plane (Sentinel)
1944	PB4Y-2	Four-engine Navy bomber (Privateer)
1944	RY-3	Four-engine Navy transport
1944	AT-19	Single-engine advance trainer (Reliant)
1945	XP-81	Twin-engine prop-jet fighter
1946	B-36	Six-engine heavy bomber
1946	L-13	Single-engine liaison plane
1947	XB-46	Four-engine jet bomber
1947	XC-99	Six-engine transport
1947	Voyager 125	Single-engine personal plane
1947	Convair-Liner 240	Twin-engine 40-passenger pressurized commercial transport
1948	XF-92A	Single-engine jet fighter (delta wing)
1949	T-29	Twin-engine navigator-bombardier trainer
1949	B-36D	Ten-engine heavy bomber (six pistons and four jets)
1950	XP5Y-1	Four-engine turboprop patrol seaplane
1950	Convair-Turboliner	Twin-engine turboprop commercial transport
1951	Convair-Liner 340	Twin-engine 44-passenger pressurized commercial transport
1952	XP-60	Eight-turboprop engine bomber

## Enviably Record

# Navy and AF Officials Send Congratulations to Convair

The Secretary of the Navy, Secretary of the Air Force and the Air Force Chief of Staff have sent their congratulations upon the completion of 30 years by Convair.

Secretary of the Navy Anderson said:

"On behalf of the Department of the Navy, I wish to extend hearty congratulations upon the 30th anniversary of the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.

"During the last 30 years, Convair has built an enviable record in war and peace as a pioneer producer of aircraft and guided missiles. The delta wing interceptors, turbo prop flying boats and guided missiles you now have in development and production will help the United States Navy command the seas in peacetime as well as in the event of another World War.

"All Convair people can take pride in the substantial contribution their company has made to the seapower of our nation." They have the Navy's best wishes for continued success and productivity.

Air Force Secretary Talbott said:

"This year the United States is celebrating the 50th anniversary of powered flight.

"On this, Convair's 30th anniversary, the United States Air Force should like to congratulate you for the considerable role you have played in the advancement of U. S. aviation.

"The future of air power as an instrument for peace depends in great measure upon healthy and progressive aircraft industry.

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denberg, Air Force chief of staff, came this message:

"I am happy to have this opportunity of sending my congratulations and best wishes for the 30th Anniversary of Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.

"The men and women of Convair are playing a most essential part in making air power a prime factor in the fight for peace."

## TOO OLD TO MARRY ANYONE SO YOUNG

DENVER, May 30 (AP)—Norma Jean Koller filed suit in district court Saturday to have her marriage of seven weeks annulled because her husband is "too young."

She claims Clyde Leroy Koller misrepresented his age to her as 19 when actually he is 18 and adds: "If the plaintiff had known the defendant was only 18, she wouldn't have married him."

Consolidated Aircraft was the first company to install 2,000 horsepower engines in heavy aircraft. Two of these units powered the Model 31 flying boat.

## For Gold Star Parents

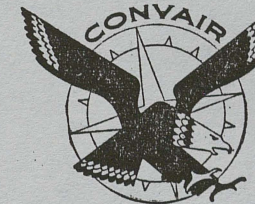
MATADOR, May 30 (Spl). — Gold Star parents of Motley County will be guests of honor at a banquet in the VFW hall here June 11, Mrs. Melvin Meason, president of the VFW auxiliary, has announced.

Members of the auxiliary will serve as hostesses for the dinner.

## Powered Assembly Line

First powered mechanized chain-gear assembly line for producing heavy bombers started operating at Consolidated Aircraft's San Diego plant in December 1941 for production of the famous four-engine B-24 Liberator.

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## Reds Recruit East Germans For Indochina

BERLIN, May 30 (NANA). — Russia is recruiting a German "volunteer" army to fight alongside the Chinese Communists and Vietminh troops in Indochina.

This latest step by the Kremlin, in its new policy of talking peace and acting war, is revealed in American intelligence reports which have just been sifted in Berlin. It is known that a force of regimental strength, picked from the East German army, already has been formed and is being supplemented with several hundred communications and transport technicians.

The "volunteers" will be shipped to Indochina via Moscow over the trans-China rail line. The rail route to be used was completed as recently as October 1951 and the last link of the rail line connects the Chinese supply center of Nanning, in Kwangsi Province, to Chennankuan — on the China-Indochina border.

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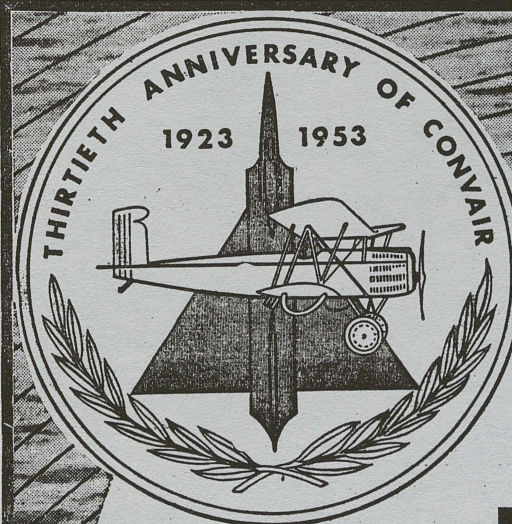
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1953 (Scheduled) R3Y	Four-engine Navy turboprop seaplane transport (Tradewind)
YF-102	Air Force supersonic delta-wing interceptor

## Britain Expects New Weapon Will Change Aerial Warfare

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Powered by jet rockets using special vapor fuel, the air destroyer is launched by a master radar brain in Britain which perpetually scans the earth with radar pulses.

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At a certain height, part of the rocket tail is ejected and the destroyer flies level, while the master brain transmits course, speed and height of the enemy aircraft

## Philippines Expect To Export Rice Soon

SINGAPORE, May 30 (AP).—The Philippines are looking forward to the day when they will, like Thailand, be able to export rice to surrounding Asian countries.

V. R. Concepcion, assistant general manager of the National Rice & Corn Corporation and Filipino delegate to the Rice Consultative Committee conference said here:

"We have progressed from a rice importing country to a self-supporting country with a reasonable rice surplus."

## Matches Produced In Portuguese India

GOA, Portuguese India, May 30 (AP).—Goa's first match factory hopes to reach a target of 1,000 boxes per day gross output soon and plans exports to Pakistan, Portuguese East Africa, and British East Africa.

Launched by M. B. Shah, formerly of Zanzibar, the venture followed Shah's 1950 visit to Japan. He purchased machinery from the Toa Seiki firm for \$210,000. Two hundred workers are now employed.

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