

## Somewhere South of Chungking!

"The most beautiful girl I've ever seen was a nurse in Butte, Montana."

Sixteen thousand miles from Butte, Montana, in the cabin of a troop and cargo transport, they're talking today as casually as this... scarcely even aware of what it means.

It means that hundreds of far-away places, unknown or inaccessible wilderness a few months ago, are "whistle-stops" today on the military routes of the United Nations . . . It means that tons of military cargoes and increasing thousands of our fighting men are daily shuttling through the sky, meeting the greatest challenge of our time with an achievement by America's aviation industry — its airlines and manufacturers; an achievement that

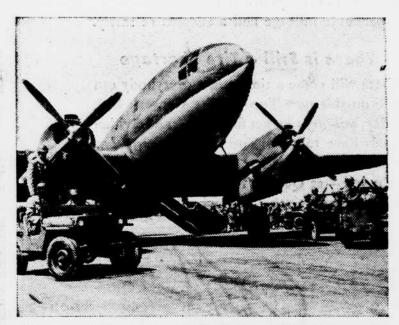
even now only a few people are aware of.

Such is the story of our new logistical weapon, the cargo and troop transport, which is today at the top of the priority list alongside the four-engine bomber. And one of the busiest of these is the famous Curtiss COMMANDO, in service throughout the world, aiding the gigantic task of our Air Transport Command.

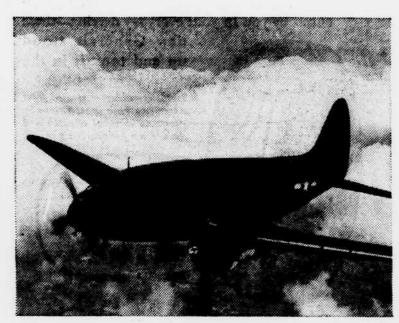
Today this freighter of the sky is helping to meet one of the greatest of all our military needs — speed and flexibility in the transportation of troops and vital war materials, out at the end of our supply lines.

And little does the American lad dream — in the clouds above Chungking — that after the war is over, his girl in Butte, Montana, will be living on the "main line" from Fort Worth to Shanghai, in the air trade routes that are being established today by global war.

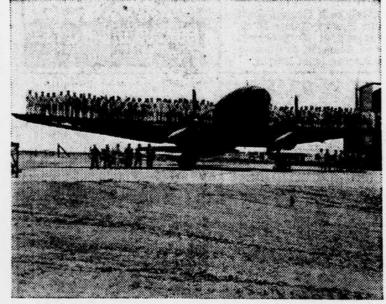
For a whole new age of air transportation has been born of war. It is real, it is here. This war is still far from won, but it will be won. And already the greatest peacetime era in history is the legacy to American men and women who are working, fighting, sacrificing for a better world . . . LOOK TO THE SKY, AMERICA!



Known as "Troopship of the Sky," and "Flying Arsenal" — now winning new laurels on the invasion front... the C-46 Commando carries troops, jeeps, artillery, ammunition, supplies. Speed and capacity — military secret.



Commandos recently made a record 15,000 mile mass flight from the United States to a foreign base on what the Air Force experts enthusiastically termed "the biggest and longest flight in transport history."



"A hundred men and a giant" — dramatizing the 108-foot wing span of the Curtiss-Wright C-46 Commando, world's largest twin-engine plane. Described in recent OWI Transport Report as "the most efficient of its type."

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