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Douglas Awarded 'Largest' Commercial Contract 10,000,000 Air Transport Business Already on Books

Douglas Aircraft company will begin post-war operation immediately . . . after end of hostilities, or sooner if the government permits, with the largest backlog of commercial aircraft in the history of aviation.

It was revealed here this week when three of the largest in the world signed contracts with Douglas for construction of 93 new high-speed, four-engined air liners to the excess of \$50,000,000.

At the same time Donald W. Douglas, president of the company, who went to New York for a series of conferences with government and airline officials on war production, reconversion and post-war plans, disclosed Douglas already has on its books more than \$100,000,000 in commercial air transport business, with other contracts running into many additional millions of dollars under negotiation.

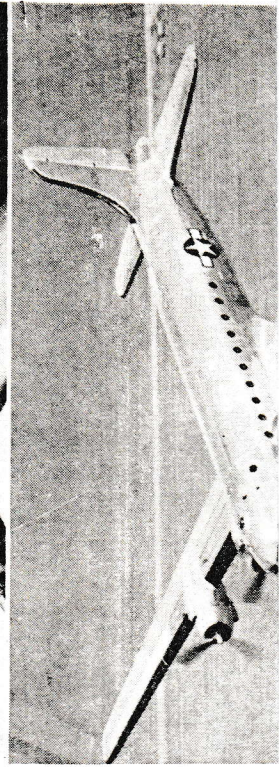
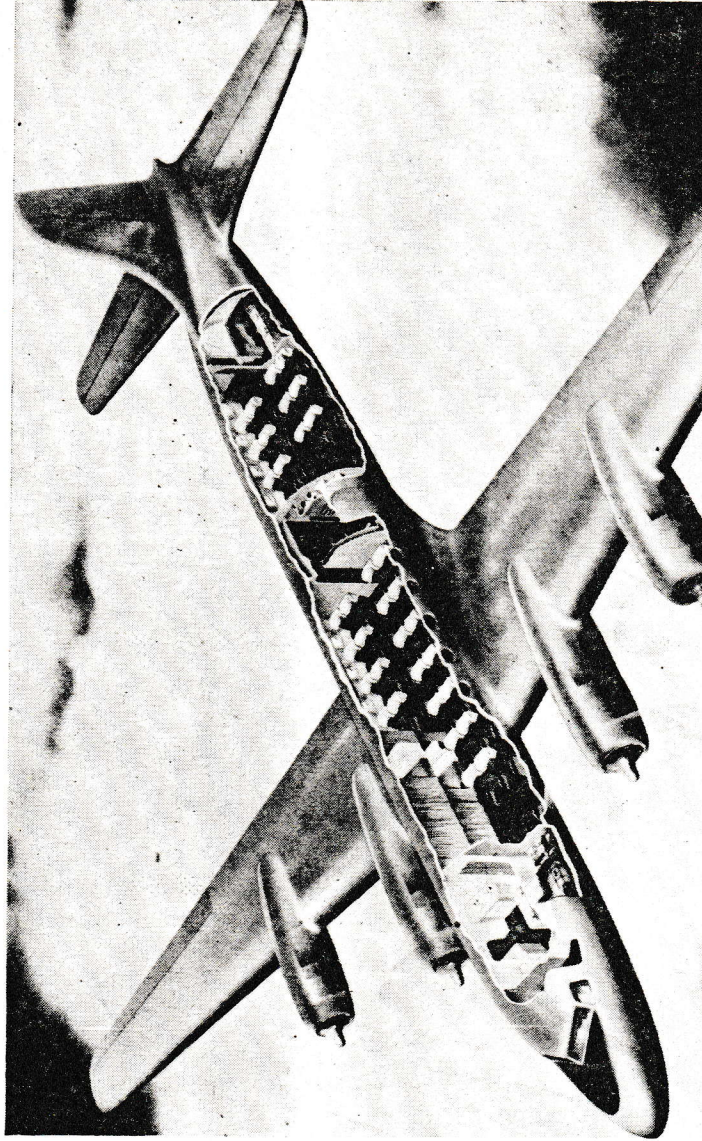
Signing of these contracts* fully assures post-war supply for the United States in world air transport," Douglas said after all signatures were affixed to the documents.

Their unrivaled speed, and operating efficiency in new transport planes represent a long stride in domestic and international airline service. The sincere hope of management and of the

planes on order before the war, and other large operators in the United States and abroad.

United Air Lines announced that within a week it would sign contracts for an additional 15 DC-6's, making a total of 50 four-engined planes in all for this company.

This will make the total to be placed into production by Douglas in excess of 100. American also expects to



SUPERLINER—The DC-4's and DC-6's ordered by the airlines are expanded commercial adaptations of the famous war-time C-54, shown below. Above, an artist's cutaway drawing of the

and women in our plants
...ed such an important
...bringing victory
...tremendous war pro-
...that the new sky-
...to be built for peace-
...erations will be equal-
...rtant and effective in
...struction and rehabi-
...of the war-torn na-

The Douglas DC-6 is a five-
...cribed as a four-mile-a-min-
...ute, 44 passenger and cargo
...transport plane equipped with
...1,450 horsepower Pratt and
...Whitney twin-Wasp engines.
The Douglas DC-6 as a five-
...mile - a - minute 56 passenger
...and cargo air liner equipped
...with 2,100 horse-power dou-
...ble Wasps.

Both will be commercial de-
...velopments of the military
...Douglas C-54, which with
...more than 6,000 ocean cross-
...ings to its credit, is the most
...*(Continued on Page 4, Col. 4)*

Here's Where to See About Bonds

Now that cash war bonds
...are being sold at the Welfare
...offices, mezzanine 7, Col. 69,
...all changes in payroll deduc-
...tions must be made through
...the Payroll department, room
...232 on the second floor of the
...Administration building.

Welfare offices will be open
...to bond purchasers from 6:30
...a. m. until midnight every day.
No war stamps will be sold
...at Welfare, since not many
...employees bought them when
...they were on sale at the bond
...house.

The bond booth will open
...again Armistice Day, Novem-
...ber 11, when the Sixth War
...Loan drive begins.

backlog of commer-
...ers already on hand,"
...Douglas said, "is three
...as large as the highest
...of non-military busi-
...the books of the com-
...before the war."

contracts were placed
...merican Airlines, Pan
...an-Grace and United

called for: delivery of
...glas DC-4's and 30
...DC-6's to American,
...C-6's to Pan American-
...and 15 DC-4's plus 20
...to United.

...ating with Mr. Doug-
...history-making event
...N. Kemp, president
...merican Airlines, Harold
...president of Pan
...an-Grace, and W. A.
...n, president of Unit-
...Lines.

contracts were signed
...ings club and were
...by many high offi-
...all companies.
...discussion, but not
...signature, are addi-
...contracts with Eastern
...one of the original
...which had these

Old Miscellaneous Crew Tells War Experience Here Tuesday

Tuesday's the day! "Old Miscellaneous," valiant Skytrain
veteran of the South Pacific, will land here with her war-
weary crew, who will relate their experiences in the Douglas
built plane. Plant employees will hear the crew at 2:45 p. m.
for the first shifters and at

Swingshift Follies Rehearsal Sunday

All employees with talent are
asked to attend a rehearsal of
the Swingshift Follies from 3
until 6 p. m. Sunday at the
Y. W. C. A. ballroom.

The Follies, a musical re-
view to be presented October
11 at Convention Hall by Wel-
fare, is being directed by Ce-
cil Hunt, Development, and
Toby Young, Welfare.

Al Fox, formerly with the
Welfare department, and now
an announcer with KOMA will
assist with the show.

Tentative plans are for the
show to be given not only for
swingshift workers, but for
day workers.

The musical will open with
the Douglas theme song, "Out
of the Sky," with all members
of the cast on stage and the
audience participating.

If you like to act, come join
the show.

War Chest Drive Begins at Plant September 27

When you give to the Tulsa
War Chest, you contribute to
the National War Fund and
all its world wide activities.

The Tulsa USO and all other
USO activities throughout the
world are financed entirely by
this fund as are the United
Seamen's Service, War Pri-
soners Aid and twenty other
war relief agencies.

It is in effect a national or
international community fund.
The Tulsa War Chest Drive
will open here September 27
... and on that day special
rallies of all War Chest cap-
tains, appointed by depart-
mental supervisors, will be
held in the cafeteria.

Complete instructions about
the handling of special payroll
deduction cards will be given
these employees. No cash or
checks will be accepted.

Because contributions to this
fund mean that all charitable
gifts are made at one time
through this organization, em-
ployees are asked to give at
least \$5.

Only 40 per cent of the funds
are retained locally; the rest
goes for national emergencies.

2,000 Missions

With 2,000 missions and
3,000 operational hours com-
pleted, "Old Missy" is said to
have "made more deliveries
than the best stork that ever
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