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BULLETIN V

Just as our war correspondents in Germany are having difficulty keeping up with the news of our armies' progress, so your correspondent in Farmingdale is hard pushed to keep you informed of latest "Seabee" developments.

FULL STEAM AHEAD

The long expected initial Army order for "Seabees" to be used for rescue work in the Far East has at last materialized. It is for our commercial version modified only as to horsepower of the motor (gear drive vs. direct drive), rearrangement of the right side of the cabin (to take two litters) and addition of Army furnished flight instruments including radio.

Fred Marchev yesterday ordered full steam ahead to engineering, tooling and manufacturing divisions involved. At the same time, we are preparing request on the War Production Board to permit us to manufacture for test purposes a limited number of our commercial version. Please keep this between ourselves until we report that permission has been received.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

You can strengthen Republic's position with the War Production Board and with the Army if you will send us immediately as many actual orders for the "Seabee" as you can get in which some essential need is indicated. Use the WPB Form 1319, a copy of which is attached to this bulletin.

Send us all completed forms to us. We will file them for you. Don't try to guess what is essential use but use the 1319 form for anyone who wants a "Seabee" as soon as he can get it. Henry Nelson for the War Production Board may give priority to all your orders when Germany falls. Any WPB office can supply more 1319's, but if not available, wire us.

DISTRIBUTOR SALES AGREEMENTS

If you have not received formal agreements covering your territory, look for them in an early mail. Except for a few delayed by minor questions over border lines, all are now ready for execution.

Northwest Air Service, Inc. of Seattle, Washington, through its famous Vice President, Joe E. Crosson, will establish "Seabee" distribution for Republic in Alaska. Few men know Alaska as well as Joe and no one is better known in Alaska.

Distribution for the Greater New York markets, with its population of over 12,000,000, is beginning to take shape. For Northern New Jersey, with headquarters at Bendix Airport, Republic announces appointment of O. P. Hebert operating under the name "Safair".

For Westchester and six counties to the north of New York City, including Fairfield County in Connecticut, Republic has appointed Air Commuting, Inc., Richard Benson, President. This company is an affiliate of the North American Airport Corporation, Edward Rowe, President, the new operators of Westchester's four-million dollar county airport. Both Hebert and Benson will share Manhattan Island and the Bronx as open territory.

For all of Connecticut except Fairfield County, Republic appoints the Simsbury Flying Service, Inc. of Simsbury, Jerome E. Respass, President.

For the greater part of Kansas and Missouri, another grand name in aviation steps forward -- William a. Ong, President of Ong Aircraft Corporation of Kansas City. Bill needs no introduction but I hope that you will write him and our other new distributors a word of welcome to the Republic family.

BIG BOARD LISTING

Republic's Common Stock now listed in the New York Curb market will move to the New York Stock Exchange on May 6th. Closing price April 16th, \$8.00 a share.

REPUBLIC'S FLYING CLUB

Both C.A.A. and the Army have approved operations of Republic's new employee's "Rac-aero Flying Club". Flying for the first one hundred active members starts this week. Five reconditioned trainers will be used for instruction until "Seabees" are available.

ANNUAL REPORT

Additional copies of Republic's Annual Report to Stockholders are available on request. Much information not releasable during earlier years of the war is published for the first time.

FRED MARCHEV RETURNS

Having traveled 25,000 miles by air in exactly 31 days, Fred Marchev recently completed a tour of Thunderbolt bases in the Pacific as guest of General O. P. Echols, who is a member of General Arnold's staff.