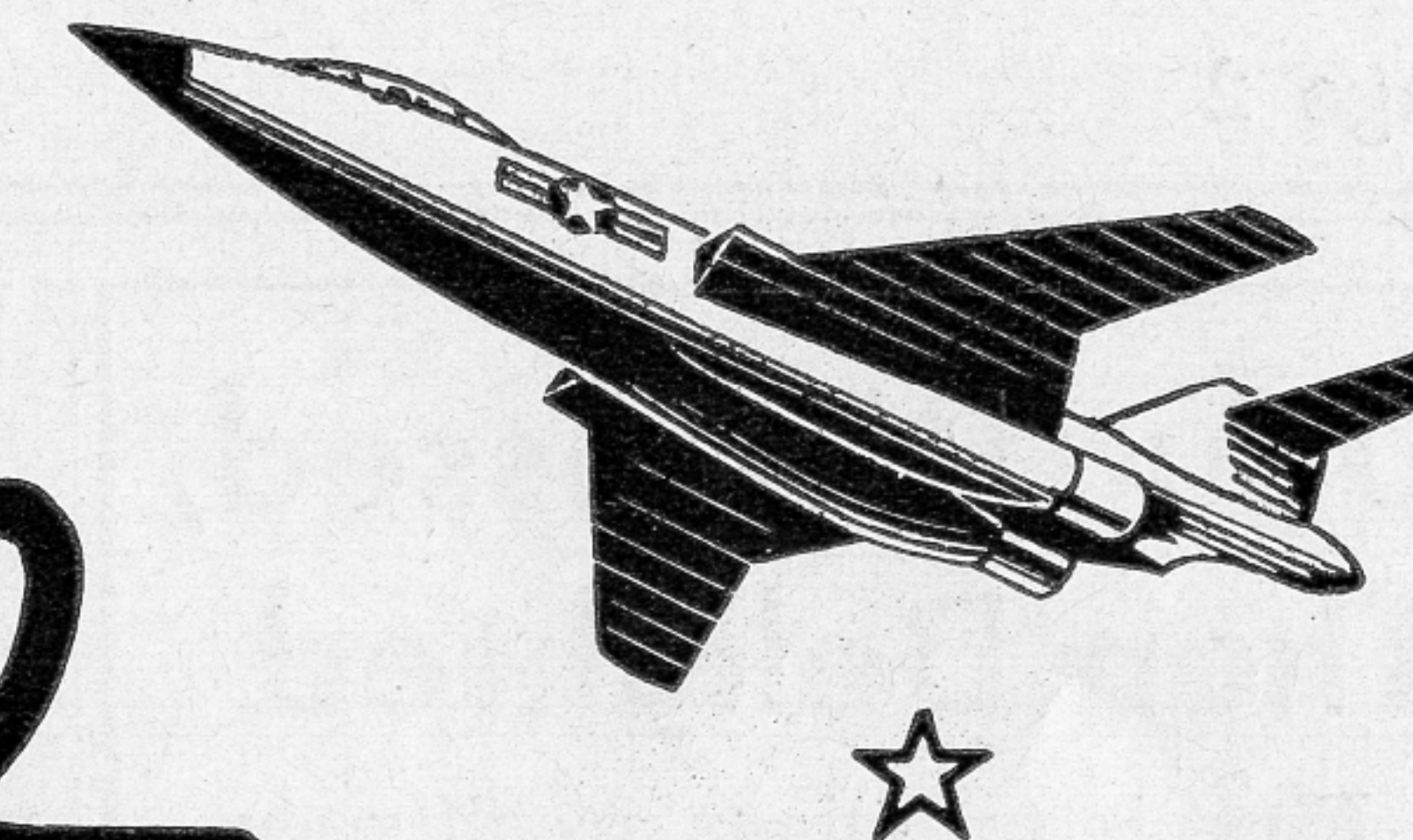


U. S. Navy F3H-1
Demon

MCDONNELL *Airscoop*



U. S. Air Force F-101A
Voodoo

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New Year Appears Bright and Happy For Our Company

As 1955 gets underway, McDonnell Aircraft Corporation can look forward to a promising new year with great confidence.

The secret first flight of the F-101 Voodoo at Edwards Air Force Base in California and the later less confidential first flight of the airplane from Lambert-St. Louis Municipal Airport climaxed the old year, 1954.

The airplane, built by M.A.C. for the Air Force, was almost immediately looked on with enthusiasm by the press not only throughout the nation but throughout the world. National TV stations and daily newspapers published the news as soon as the Air Force and our company released it. Newsreel releases and weekly magazines carried more extensive coverage, interpreting the importance of the airplane to defense. TIME Magazine's article sounded as if it might have been written by people at M.A.C.

The nation-wide interest sparked by the advanced Air Force jet fanned into a new interest in the company which had developed and built the airplane. BUSINESS WEEK started its new publishing year on January 1 with a cover story on Mr. Mac and including a backward glance at the company's brief 15-year history.

The fact that world-wide interest in the company was stepped up

A Brief Pause in Progress



Members of the M.A.C. Board of Directors were present on an important occasion last month—the delivery to Lt. Commander B. V. Turner, Engineering Officer of the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics Staff by Mr. Mac of the log book of the 1000th aircraft to be built by our company. LCR Turner and Mr. Mac are in the center. Others in the picture, left to right, are Directors Thomas S. McPheeters, Robert H. Charles, James Lee Johnson, C. Warren Drake, Kendall Perkins, Sidney W. Souers, William A. McDonnell, James E. Webb and W. R. Orthwein, Jr.

1000th Airplane Built by M.A.C. Stars in Ceremony

Our company reached a milestone in its growth on December 29 when it delivered the 1,000th aircraft to be built since the company's founding in July, 1939.

The occasion was marked by a brief ceremony on the flight ramp. Mr. Mac delivered the log book of the 1,000th aircraft—a U. S. Navy F3H-1N Demon—to Lt. Commander B. V. Turner, Engineering Officer of the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics Staff.

Members of the Board of Directors in addition to Mr. Mac attended the ceremony. They were Thomas S. McPheeters, Robert H. Charles, James Lee Johnson, C. Warren Drake, Kendall Perkins, Sidney W. Souers, William A. McDonnell, James E. Webb and W. R. Orthwein, Jr.

Several days before the ceremony, Mr. Mac spoke to the 13,000 employees of the company over the public address system and told them of the coming event. He remarked, "Because of the firm foundation laid by the McDonnell Team, I predict that the next 1,000 aircraft will be delivered within the next four years."

New Self-help Classes Starting

Supplementary training classes for employees in the Engi-