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SPIRIT OF SCOTCH PLAINS, N. J.

Already the fastest, most powerful planes of their type in the world, the U.S. Navy's Curtiss SB2C Hell-Diver dive-bombers are now rolling off the mile-long assembly line, equipped with an even mightier engine and four-bladed propeller. Curtiss Wright has revealed that the latest models of the hard-hitting "Hell-Diver" are powered by an air-cooled Wright Curlone engine while to turn Wright Cyclone engine, able to turn up substantially more horsepower than the 1,700 H.P. Cyclones with which the earlier types were equipped. Horsepower rating of the new engine is restricted information.

Replacing the three-bladed Cur-tiss propeller which was standard on earlier Helldivers, is a Curtiss electric constant-speed, full feath-

SERVICE MEN'S ADDRESSES STILL SOUGHT

Acting County Clerk Grover C. Tranor, appealing anew for latest addresses of Union County's men and women in the armed forces, announced he will keep sending out absentee ballots so long as it appears humanly possible for them to reach the service people in time for return by Election Day, November 7th.

A state - wide impression has arisen that Aug.15 was the absolute deadline for transmission of the ballots, but Tranor explained the new absentee voting law actually directs county clerks to send them as soon as possible after that date. Some 22,700 have been mailed from Elizabeth.

"HELL DIVER"-The Fastest Divebomber

As early as 1924 the Navy began experimenting with the maneuver of divebombing and today the Hell-diver is considered the most advanced of its type. It will carry heavier bombloads faster and further than any known divebomber.

ering propeller with four six-foot hollow steel blades.

Already boasting speed enough to keep up with the latest U.S. Navy fighter types, the Helldiver - with its new power plant - now also has a better rate of climb -a factor which will prove invaluable in combat, where quick getaway after bombs are dropped is of vital importance.

A heavyweight, the Helldiver weighs almost seven tons. Its wing span measures almost 50 feet. Armament and performance data are restricted. The wings of the Helldiver fold to facilitate handling and storage aboard the Navy's aircraft carriers. The crew of the Helldiver consists of 2 men.

Such a ship is the "Spirit of Scotch Plains" which the people of the township have made possible, through their purchase of War Bonds.

The closing figures of the Bond Drive showed Scotch Plains with a total of \$220,150.25 against a quota of \$100,000. Isn't that a showing of which to be proud?--220% of quota Golly-gee!!

Subsequent lists of service names and addresses are expected both from the adjutant general'S office and from relatīves of service men and women who should give the new addresses, if any, to Tranor's staff at the courthouse. Air raid wardens in the county are still soliciting service addresses, Tranor said. Absentee ballots will be sent out until five days prior to the General Election.

As a service to local service men and women, an editor of The Scotch Plains man staff spent a full day at theCounty Clerk's office correcting Scotch Plains service addresses. Families Plains service addresses. Families and friends of service men and women are urged to report latest address-changes to The Scotch Plainsman as well as to the County Clerk.

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* * NOTICE * * *SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' BALLOTS*

Lists of Union County men and women in the Armed Services of the United States have been certified to the Office of the County Clerk of Union County and are on file in said office.

All persons having knowledge of any change of service addresses appearing on said lists should advise us of the changed address.

Some of the service addresses are missing, these may be supplied by those having knowledge of same.

These matters are called to the attention of the families and friends of the men and women in the military services in accordance with the law; a check of the lists should be made at this office as the ballots for the General Election will be mailed to such parties within 10 days.

The County Clerk's Office is open daily from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. and on Saturdays from 9 A.M. to 12 noon. Call at Room B-3 (base-ment). PLEASE DO NOT PHONE.

HENRY G. NULTON, County Clerk, Court House, Elizabeth, N.J.

SCOTCH PLAINS GIRL WINNER IN "PLAINFIELD VICTORY BELLE" CONTEST

Miss Helen Reidy, of Scotch Plains, representing the Newmarket Steel and Harris Structur-

al Steel Compan-

ies, was pro-claimed first place winner of the "Victory-Belle" Contest sponsored ·in connection with the Fifth War Loan Drive. A \$25. E War Bond purchase in the Plainfield area during the drive qualified as a vote and could be cast for one.

of the contestants by the purchaser. A number of the Scotch Plains bond purchases were cast for Miss Reidy. ****