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slas Torrance facility.

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Harry Weller, flight dispatcher at Douglas Baker and test pilot duction airplanes through the

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MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB

Aircraft designers of the future are receiving a helping hand from Edwin E Clark, 1683 262nd st. Harbor city, a leadman at the Torrance location of Douglas Air-

This is a model aircraft club dedicated to the motto, "Fly Straight, Play Fair,

Leadman Machinist Edwin E. Clark, of the Torrance location of Douglas Aircraft's El Segundo Division, has built model aircraft for many years and is now training Harbor City youth. This model is the result of incorporating the best features of all previous models. It has the unusual capability of doing "square loops." Designed for maximum fuel load, speed, and lift, it can fly at a top speed of better than 100 mph.

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line, combat, aerobatic, stunt, time combat leaders-ranking Amphibious Corps in the South stormer. time communication reaches out Army, Navy, Air Force and Pacific: "America must mainas far as 2000 miles, and day Marine Corps men who led tain the greatest possible pro- gievn these boys in designing, time contact can be from up to American forces in battle to duction of oil if we are going building and flying their own from 500 to 800 miles.

American forces in battle to duction of oil if we are going building and flying their own model aircraft paid off in the day pledged their support of to make an aggressor nation semi-finals at Santa Ana this Proposition 4, the Oil Conservathink twice before attacking year. Several members were

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Doolittle, Air Force leader of the historic Tokyo bombers and the historic Tokyo bombers and second; third and fourth places Spearheading the newly later the mighty Eighth Air portant of all is the effect it Junior speed at 13.5 mph. will have on . . . the security of our nation."

chief of the Pacific fleet and osition 4.

participate in national and international meets. "Prior to the club's sponsorship by the Harbor City Chamber of Commerce," Clark says, "model flying was dangerous and disheartening. Many of the models, built without proper guidance, crashed on the first attempt to fly. Under our rules. children must learn a basic knowledge of aerodynamics. As weekend barnstormers, we operate under typical Navy flight deck rules.' A boy starts as a Kiwi, a bird who doesn't fly, serving on the flight line as Stooge, Marshal, and Ringmaster until that thrilling day when he solos. He is now a Novice. After learning how to do wing-overs, outside and inside loops, he enters the company of Experts. When he has placed or won in a monthly contest, he is eligible for election into the Expert ranks. From there, he goes into all fields, or a specialized field of flying. This includes radio control, precision control

The careful indoctrination finalists and competed in the

in national combat flying. Jim Force in Europe and the South Pacific: "The benefits of Prop. Ivey Jr., placed second in Junior osition 4 to labor, to business, to the motorist, to all our people are obvious. But most im. other events such as first in

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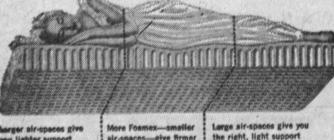
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