America: It began with cars, then came tanks and Liberty-ships, and now Stratofortresses roll of the assembly lines. This initial massproduction eight-jet global bomber took three years of tests to perfect.

Now it's the "first of the many" to join America's atom-carrying fleet...

A big job well done:

Progress too, in aircraft design, with the U.S. Navy's new fighter - the Lockheed XFV-One... Designed to take off vertically, from a standing start, though one has yet to do so, it could revolutionise flying of the future. No runways are needed - so every Naval vessel could carry its own aerial protection.

This plane can carry thirty-seven passengers and has a cruising speed of over 160 miles per hour.