



FLORIDA BOUND . . . Giant trailer vans receive Ryan Firebee jet targets at the Torrance plant of Ryan Aeronautical Co. for transcontinental delivery to Tyndall Air Force Base Fla. They will be used in the Air Force's world-wide weapons meet, "Operation William Tell II," Oct 14-23. (Ryan Aeronews Photo)

Torrance-Made Firebee Jets to Challenge Top Air Force Pilots

Ryan Firebee jet targets for the second consecutive year will be the simulated enemy to challenge the Air Force's keenest fighter and interceptor pilots in Project "William Tell II" at Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida, Oct. 14-23.

The speedy, remote-controlled "birds" made history last year when they were designated the first free-flying targets ever used in a military weapons meet — Project "William Tell I."

Their performance when pitted against missiles and rockets fired from Air Force jet aircraft was so reliable that Air Force officials pronounced the 1958 World-Wide Weapons Meet, also at Tyndall AFB, the most successful competition of its kind ever conducted, and ordered a return engagement of the Firebees as the exclusive targets for Project "William Tell II."

REALISTIC testing of the Air Defense Command's ability to stop an air attack on this country will be provided by the Firebees, which have replaced "sleeves" towed by comparatively slow-flying aircraft as the principal target of the Air Force as it sharpens the interception skills of its pilots.

Many of the veterans of last year's rugged target missions will reappear on the range over the Gulf of Mexico in Project "William Tell II." The Q-2A Firebees which survived the

1958 missile and rocket barrage were rehabilitated at the Torrance plant of Ryan Aeronautical Co., and brought up to the latest configuration in the constantly improving target program at Ryan.

ENGINEERING modifications have been incorporated to improve performance, and extensive changes were made in augmentation devices and scoring equipment to adapt the Firebees to the new tactical requirements of Project "William Tell II." Electronics scoring systems will evaluate the pilots' accuracy.

In addition to these "battle-tested" Firebees — some with numerous parachute recoveries — a large number of recently completed Q-2A's have been supplied Tyndall AFB. The total available for use in this year's weapons meet is 110 — 12 more than in 1958.

THE AIR FORCE'S "hottest" operational fighter teams, chosen after competition at air bases throughout the world, will fire against the jet-fast Firebees under simulated combat conditions. They will fly F-104 Starfighters and F-100 Super Sabres (for the first time this year), F-80J Scorpions and F-102A Delta Dargers.

For the first time also, the heat-seeking Falcon GAR-2 and Sidewinder GAR-8 missiles will be used in this weapons meet. Other weapons will include the unarmed version of the atomic warhead, MB-1 Genie rocket, and the GAR-1D radar version of the Falcon guided missile.

Firebees will be flown at various altitudes, depending on the missions, ranging from below 15,000 feet to above 30,000 feet. The newest Air Force Firebee, the Q-2C, has attained 59,800 feet in tests at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico.

Stamp Club Meeting Set

The Torrance Stamp Club will meet Monday evening at 7:30 at 1115 Hickory Ave., it was reported here yesterday by club spokesman Walter Taylor.

Plans will be discussed on a proposed swap session, where members will swap sheets of stamps with other members, sight unseen.

Some good stamps can change hands this way, Taylor reports.

Persons interested in stamp collecting will be welcomed at the meeting, he said.

Housewife's Bread Wins Fair Awards

Mrs. Rosalie Weber, 23002 Kathryn Ave., is listed among prize winners in the culinary display at the Los Angeles County Fair which closed its 1959 run Sunday. She received a first place award for baked brown bread.

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- Conducted
 - Face
 - Foundation
 - Plus
 - Sacred image
 - War god
 - Hamp
 - Perplexes
 - Breaks
 - Admired
 - Short jacket
 - Proceed
 - Prefix
 - Conflict
 - Direction
 - Simian
 - Exalted
 - Residue
 - Exclamation
 - Young boy
 - Three-toed sloth
 - Sun god
 - Change
 - Worthless
 - leaving
 - Pronoun
 - Ebible seed
 - Likely
 - Pronoun
 - Beasts
 - Laughing
 - Contribution
 - By way of
 - Seed coating
 - Tidy
 - Cloth measure
 - Apportion
 - Totals
 - Observe
- DOWN**
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 - Paradise
 - Feeble-mindedness
 - Bones of body
 - Fruit drink
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 - Blue part
 - Feet
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