Big as a bomber, fast as a fighter... the first U.S. warplane ever designed especially for night fighting

NORTHROP BLACK WIDOW P-61 NIGHT FIGHTER

This revolutionary new fighter has a “combat urgency” designation. Our Army has now increased by 30% its original order for the Northrop Black Widow... the P-61 Night Fighter.

This deadly fighter stalks and finds enemy planes in pitch darkness as no other airplane can. It packs enough 20 millimeter cannons and .50 caliber guns to blast apart anything that flies.

Big as it is, the Black Widow is fast as smaller fighters. Yet it can literally hover in the sky when need be. It takes off quickly, climbs sharply, and has a very slow landing speed for additional safety.

It's powered by twin 2000 horsepower engines. It has plenty of room for its fighting crew of two or three specialists—and long-range fuel tanks.

The remarkable Black Widow is Northrop designed and produced. Into it has gone the far-reaching Northrop know-how in aerodynamic development. Through the war and in the peace ahead, Northrop's proven talents will continue to serve America.