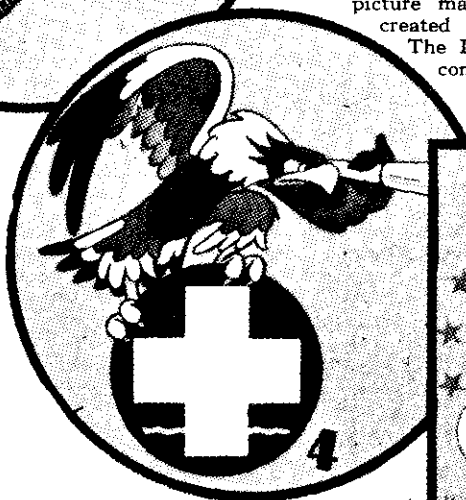
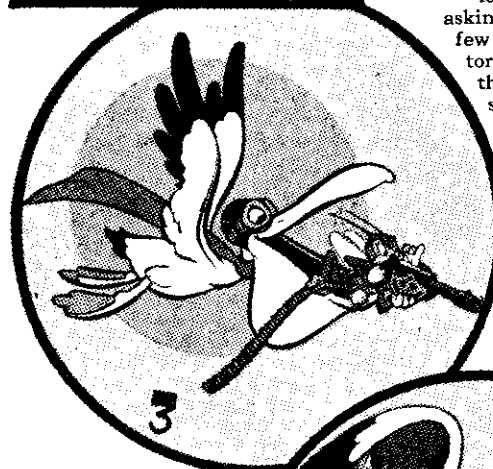
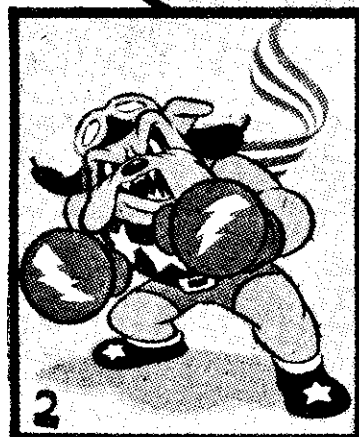




1. Insignia of the Eagle Squadron of Americans flying for Britain.
2. A pugnacious bulldog drawn for the 62nd Pursuit Squadron.
3. A pelican and a fly with machine gun represent the 37th Pursuit Squadron.
4. This sharp-eyed eagle is for the 100th Observation Squadron.

5. Dusty, helmeted and amiable, was drawn for the 45th Air Base Squadron.
6. Brenda, a clever seal, is the mascot of the Alaska Defence Force.
7. This insect with field glasses is for the 15th Observation Squadron.
8. A flying squirrel for the Jacksonville Air Station.
9. Butch, a falcon, was drawn for a pursuit squadron stationed at Puerto Rico.

ONE day about 18 months ago, when new U.S. Navy torpedo-boats were being launched, a Naval Operations officer wrote to Walt Disney in Hollywood asking him to design a suitable emblem for this new "mosquito fleet." A few days later he received the emblem painted outside the bridge of the torpedo-boat shown in the picture above. The little mosquito streaking through the water with a torpedo held between his many legs made such a hit that every torpedo-boat in the fleet soon had a similar mosquito. As the news spread through the Army and Navy, the Disney office was deluged with requests for fighting insignia for tanks, minesweepers, bombers and fighting planes. When Brigadier General S. B. Bruckner, commander of the Alaska Defence Force, received his design of a seal balancing the letters A.D.F. on his nose, he wrote to Disney gratefully: "Since the arrival of the insignia all of the seals in the Behring Sea have been out on the ice pack balancing D's on their noses, sneering derisively at the polar bears and cavorting merrily over being chosen to represent our defence forces." Apparently, observes *Life*, the American picture magazine, Disney and his artists have created a whole new system of heraldry. The Disney studios have announced completion of several hundred designs.