



IN ITS LATEST FORM: Officially designated the Hurricane IID, this type with its two 40mm. cannons is more picturesquely known as the Tank Buster.

THE Hawker Hurricane has, without doubt, proved itself to be the most versatile weapon of this war. On these pages the Hurricane is shown in a number of its many types—from the prototype which flew in 1935 to the new 40 mm. cannon-armed tank attack IID model, which has played such a large part in the series of victories of the 8th Army.

Our story deals almost exclusively with the deeds of the Hurricanes in the Middle East Command wherein, over a long period, they have been fighters, bombers, Army co-operation and close Army support aircraft rolled into one.

At the same time, it must not be forgotten that the Hurricanes bore the brunt of the Battle of Britain nor that they were our standard "cat's-eye" night fighters for a while.

Hundreds of Hurricanes have also been delivered to the Russian Air Force, and the Russian pilots are very impressed by their fire power and flying qualities.

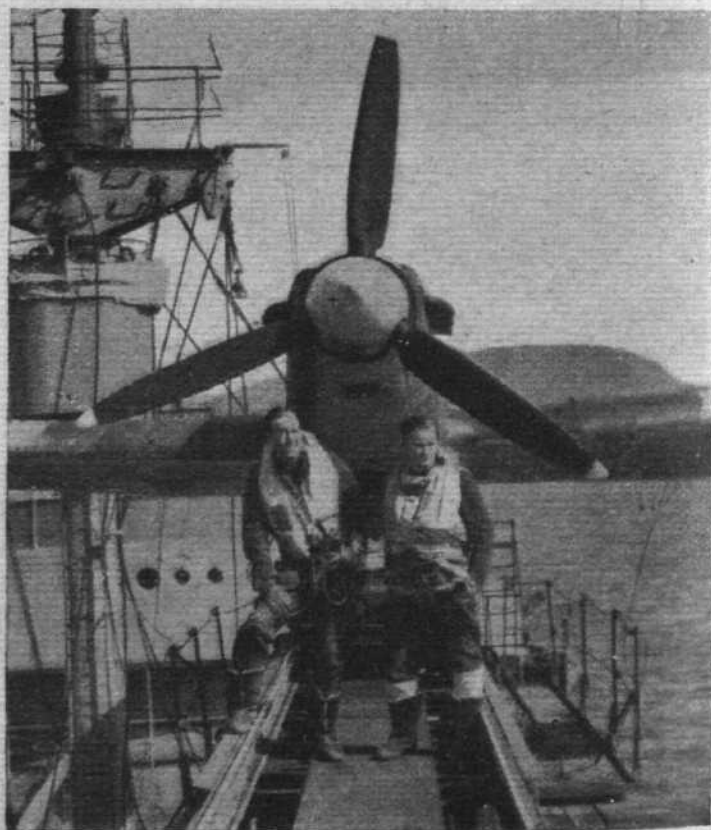
The Harassing Hurricane

*Its Exploits in the African Theatre:
Greece, Crete, Abyssinia,
Somaliland, Eritrea*

TAKE the skill, courage and devotion of the fighter pilots during the Battle of Britain. Take the determination to oppose the enemy, no matter what the odds and where the place. Take the perfect co-ordination of man and machine—and you have some assessment of the



The Hurricane IIC as employed in the Middle East. It has tropical radiator and air intake, two 20mm. Hispano cannons in each wing, long range tanks which are interchangeable with bombs and ejector exhaust stubs.



To protect our merchant convoys out of the range of our land based aircraft, a number of ships have been fitted with catapults to shoot off Mark I Hurricanes. When the fuel is exhausted the pilot either bales out or alights on the sea and is picked up.