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Fifty years have passed since the Korean War, and while many things have changed, the technology that sprang from that era and some of the lessons learned during the conflict are still visible today. Beginning with the May–June 2000 issue to coincide with the war’s beginning, and continuing through this issue, *Naval Aviation News* has commemorated the war’s 50th anniversary. The photo essay “The Fast and the Furious” (pp. 26–29) and the inserted “Marine Corps Warbirds in Korea” poster in this issue complete our Naval Aviation in the Korean War series.

Above, an F4U-4 Corsair prepares to take off from *Boxer* (CV 21) for a strike against Communist targets in Korea in 1951 while an HO3S helicopter flies plane guard. Facing page, an F9F Panther is fueled by crewmen on board *Boxer* in 1951. The Korean War became the proving ground for both the jet engine and the use of the helicopter in combat.

