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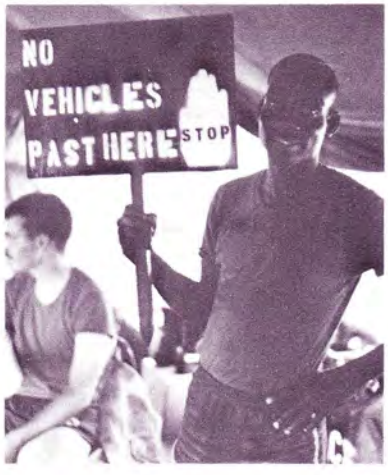

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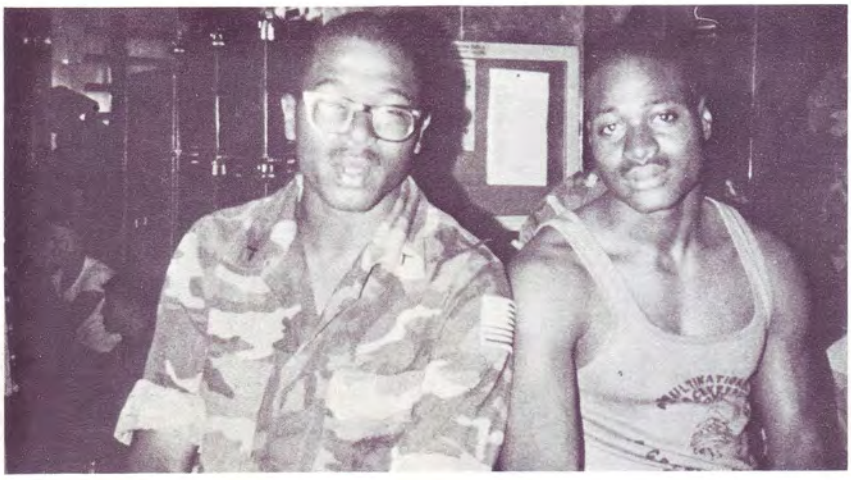

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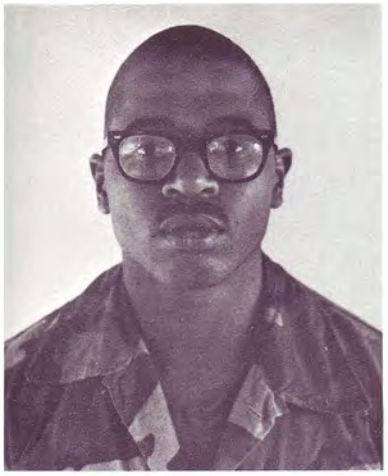

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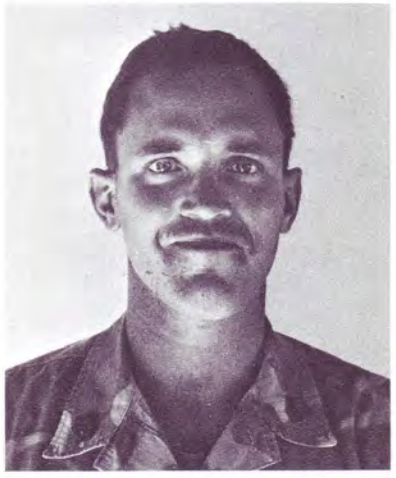

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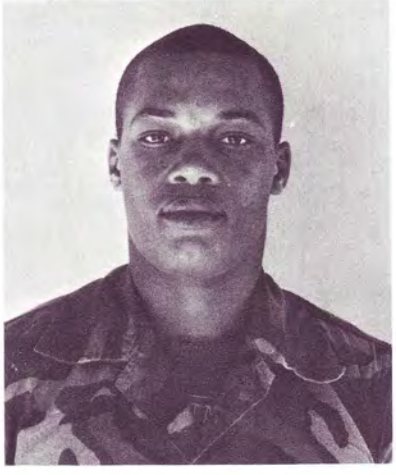

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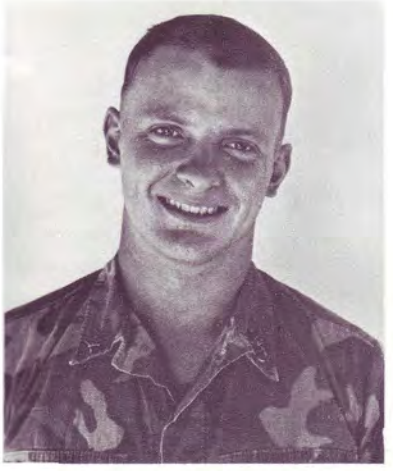

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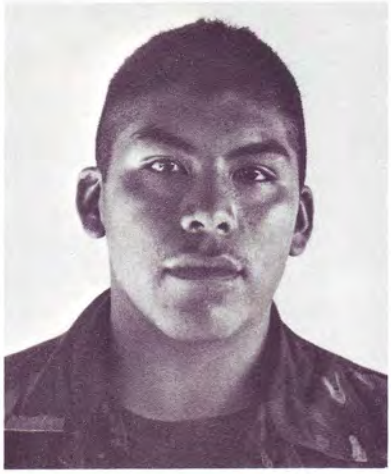

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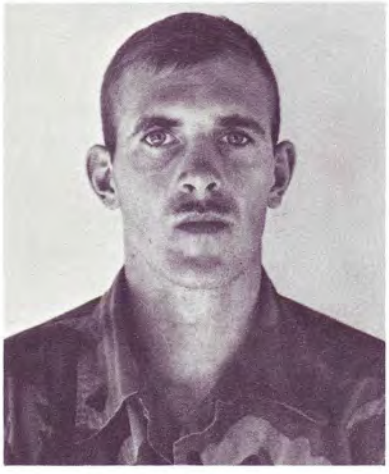

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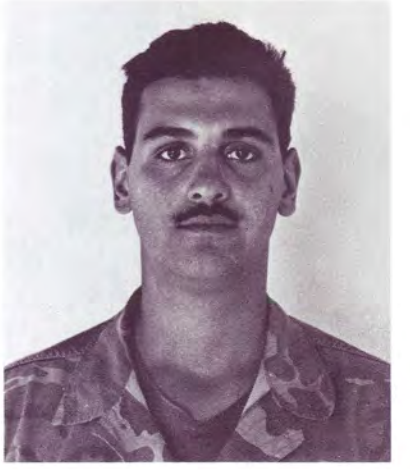

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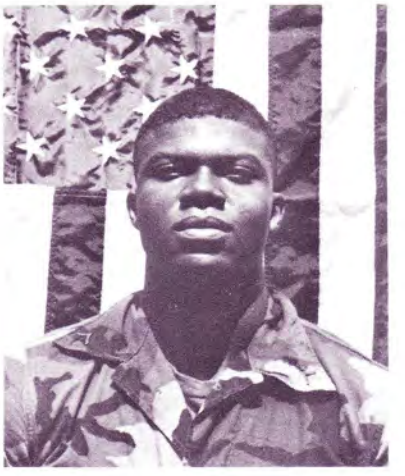

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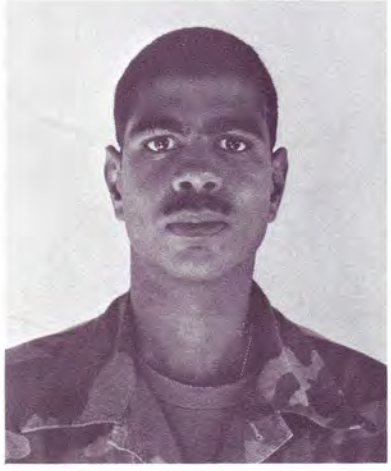

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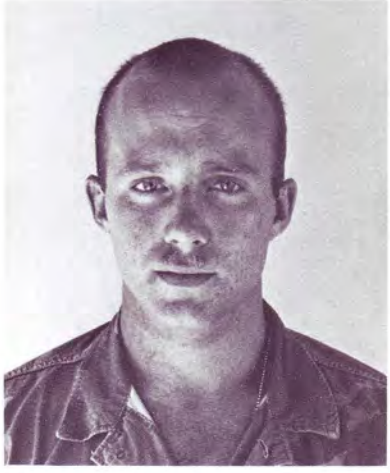

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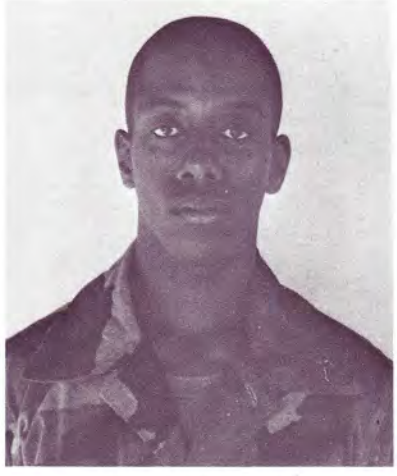

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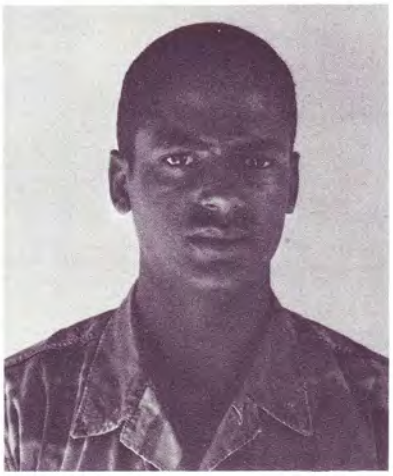

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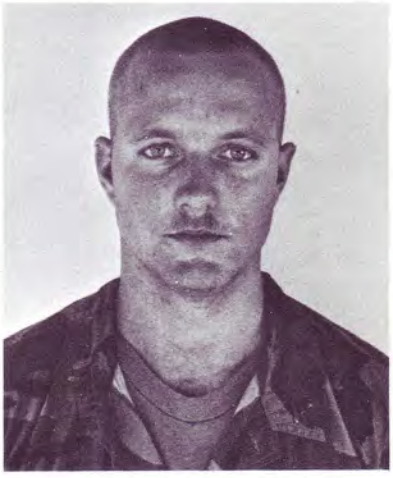

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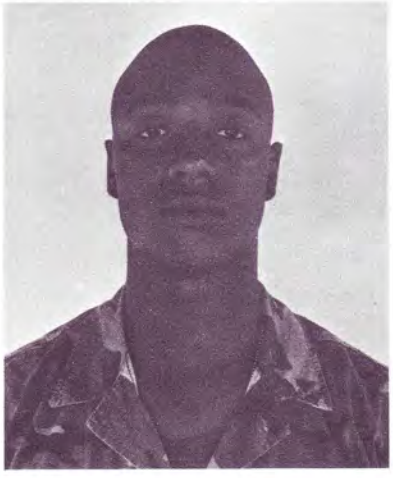

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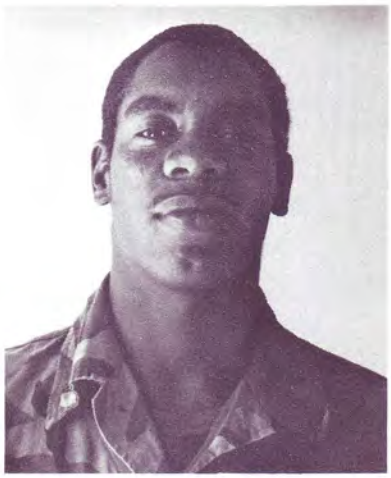

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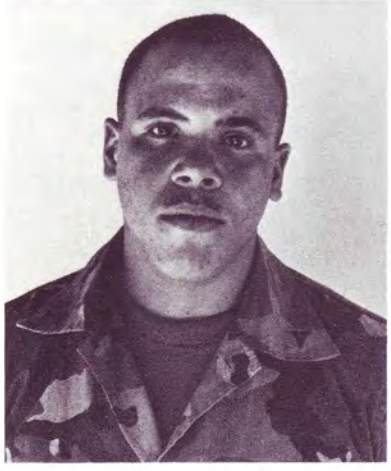

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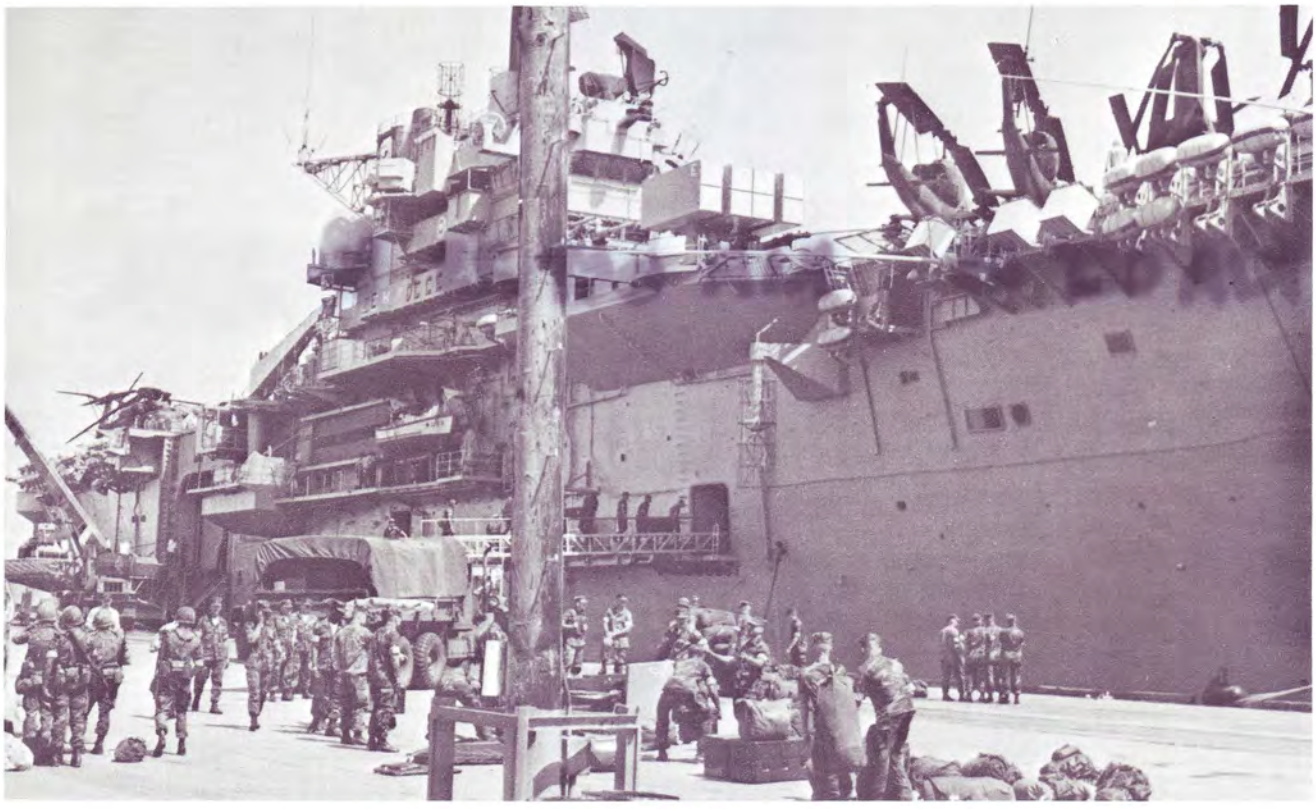

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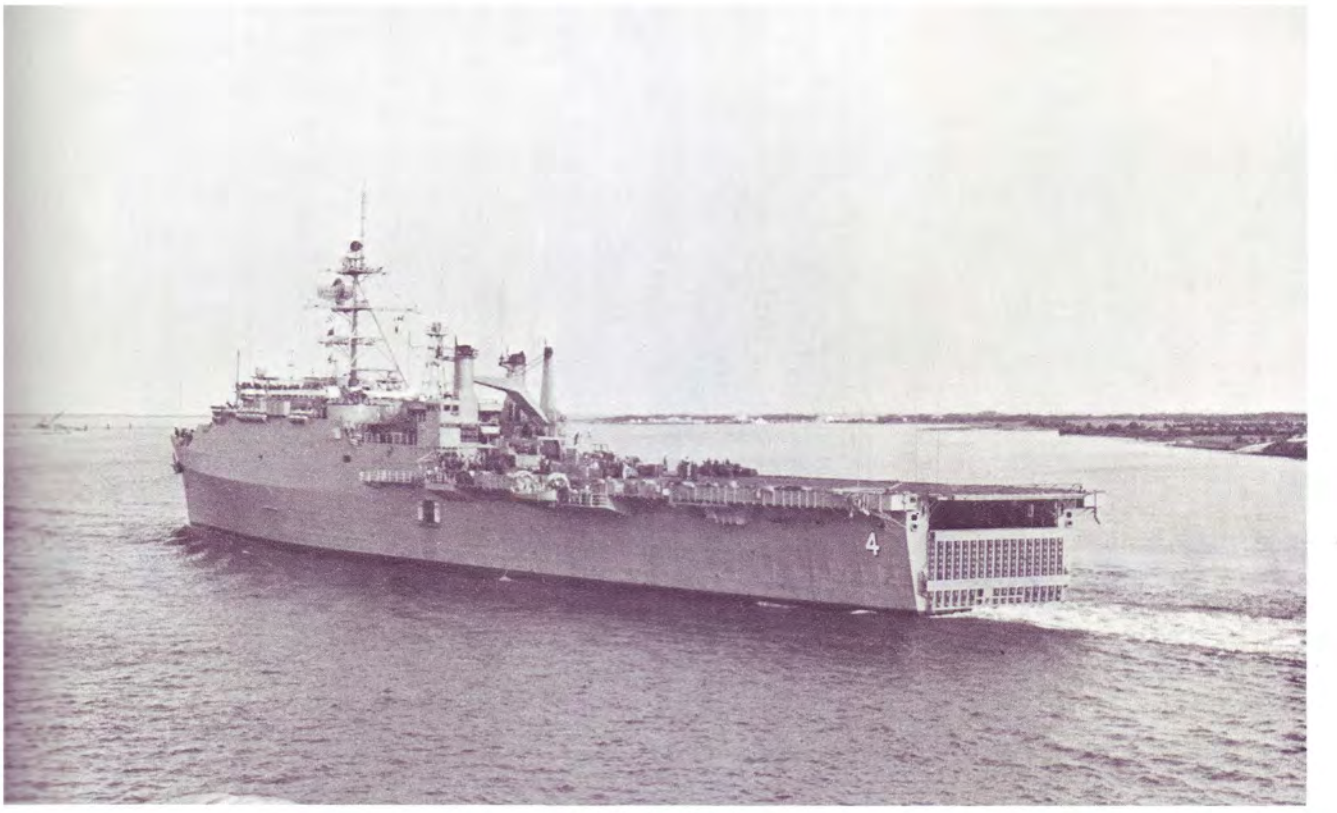

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SUNDAY PICNIC
AT
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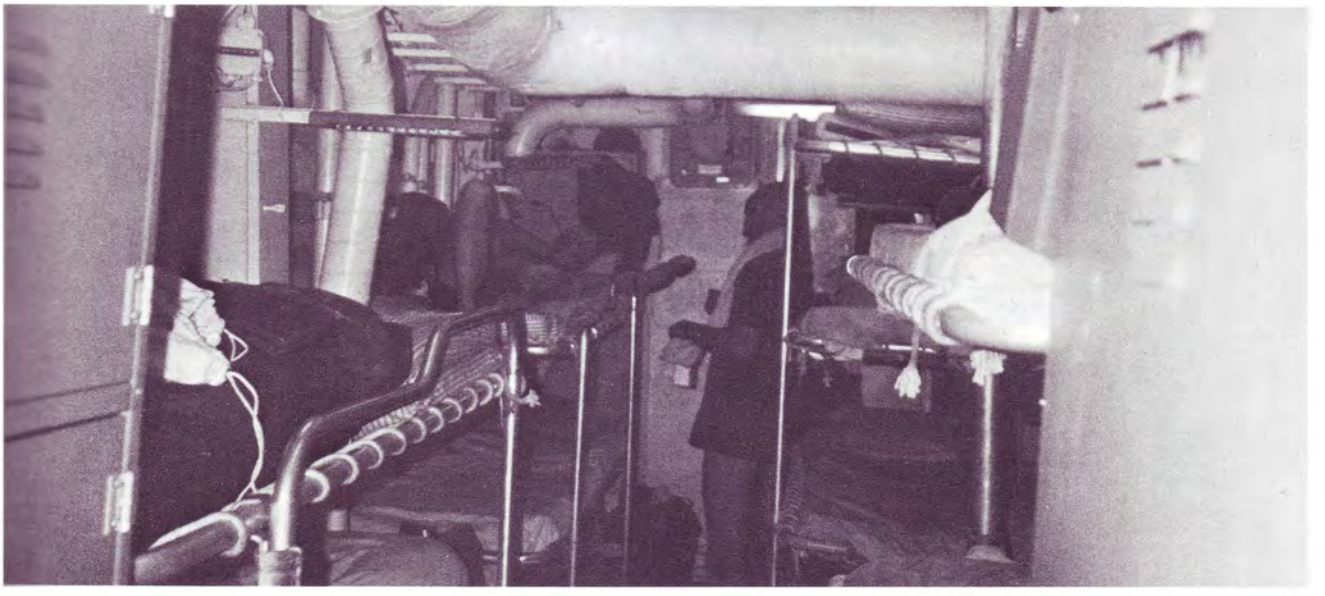

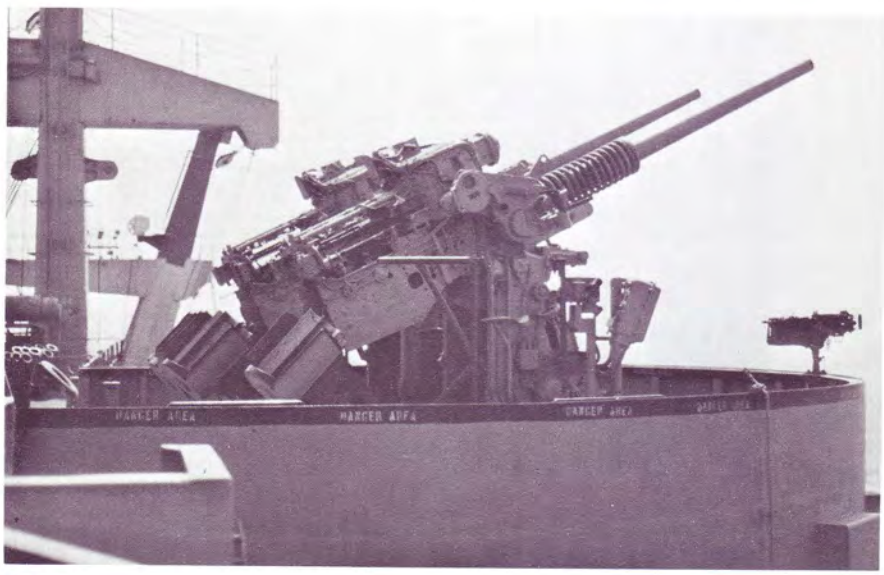

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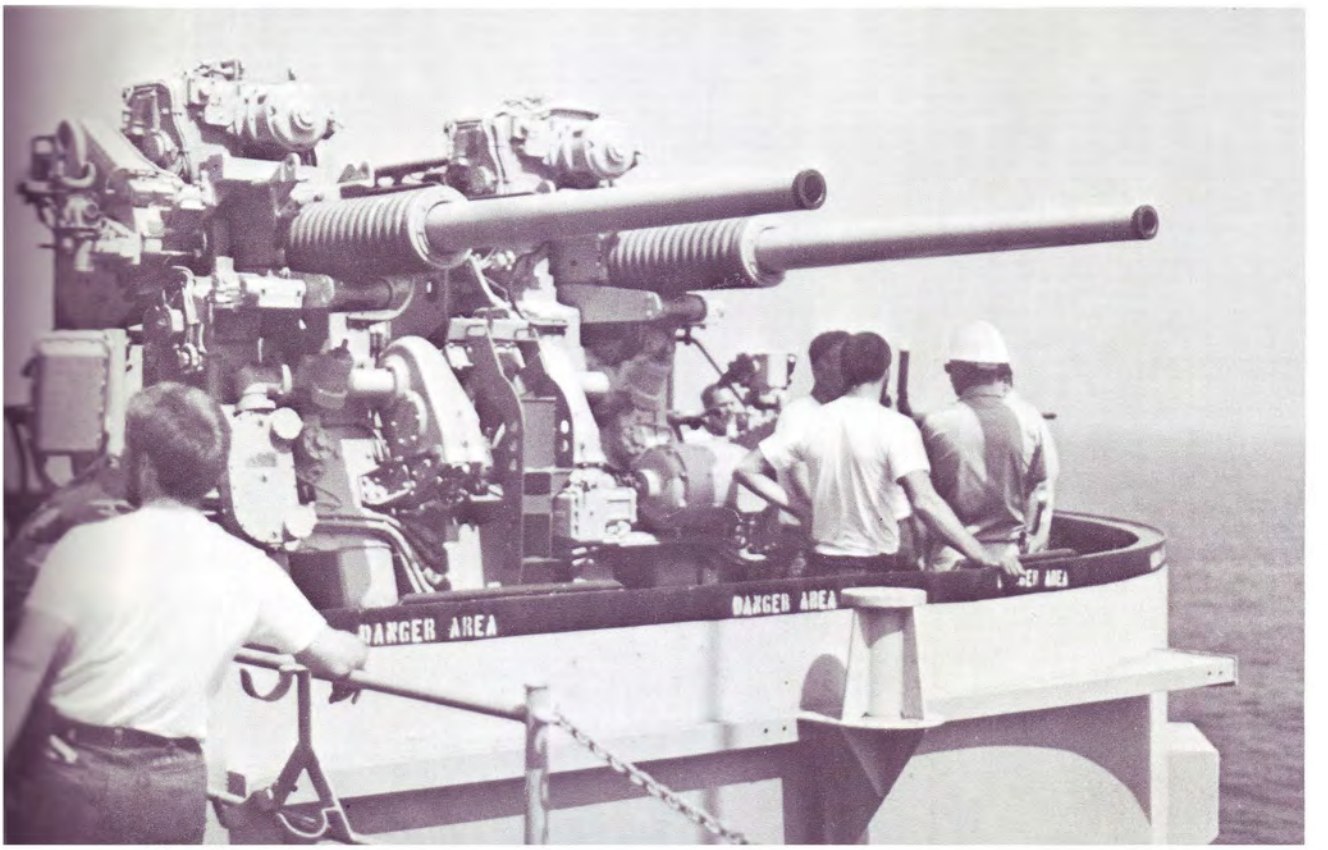
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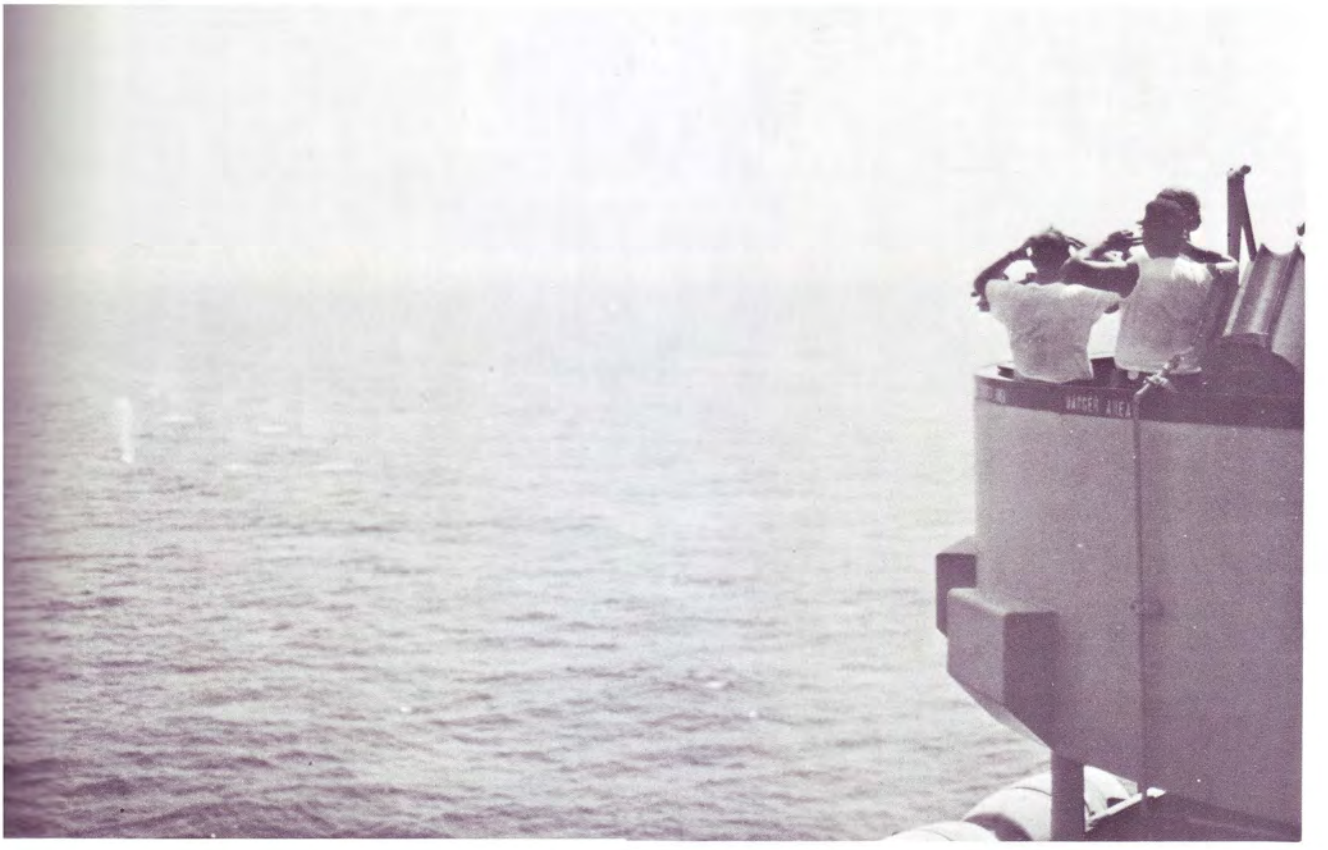

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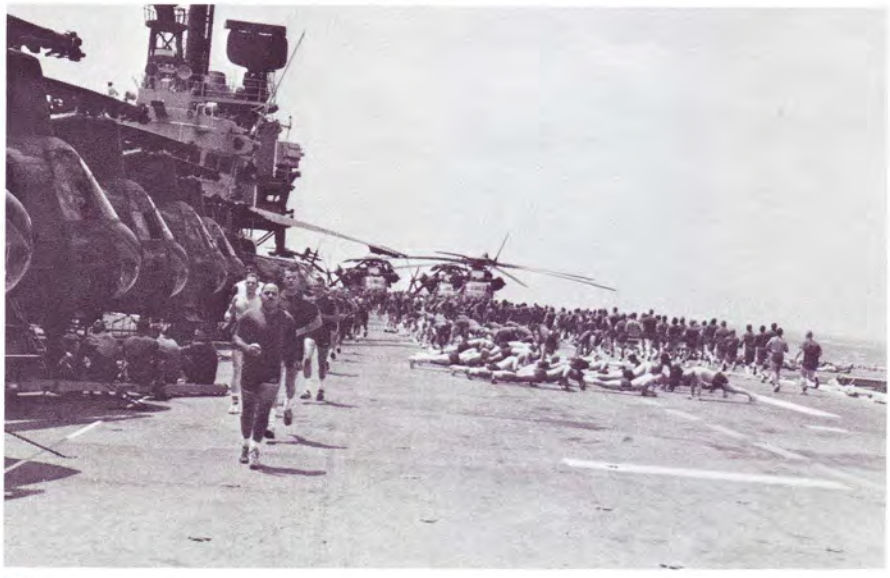
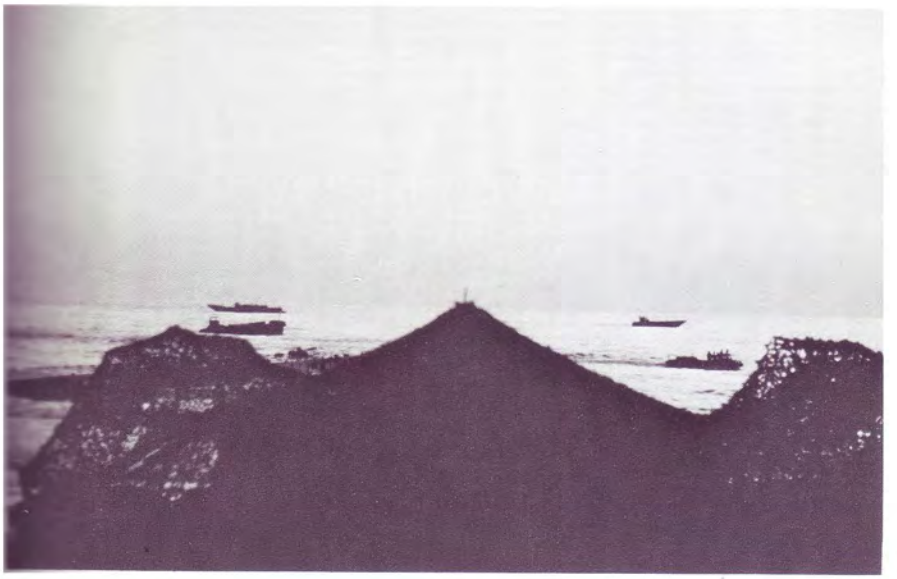


EIGHT LAPS PER MILE

WHAT FLIGHT QUARTERS?

FORT OF CALL... BEIRUT



IS THIS THE RIGHT BEACH?

29 MAY 83

OUR POSITIONS

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When civilized man cannot stand the horrors of war, and declares that he will no longer fight, he will surely be killed or enslaved by the uncivilized...

— Author Unknown

EAS:

Release — the date of my emancipation from this endentured servitude I've obligated myself to serve, for which I can say with pride, «I did carry the burden, for some time, of defending the freedom which Americans at home take for granted,» or not say it, but I will know...

I have paid for the liberty which rightly should be every mans.

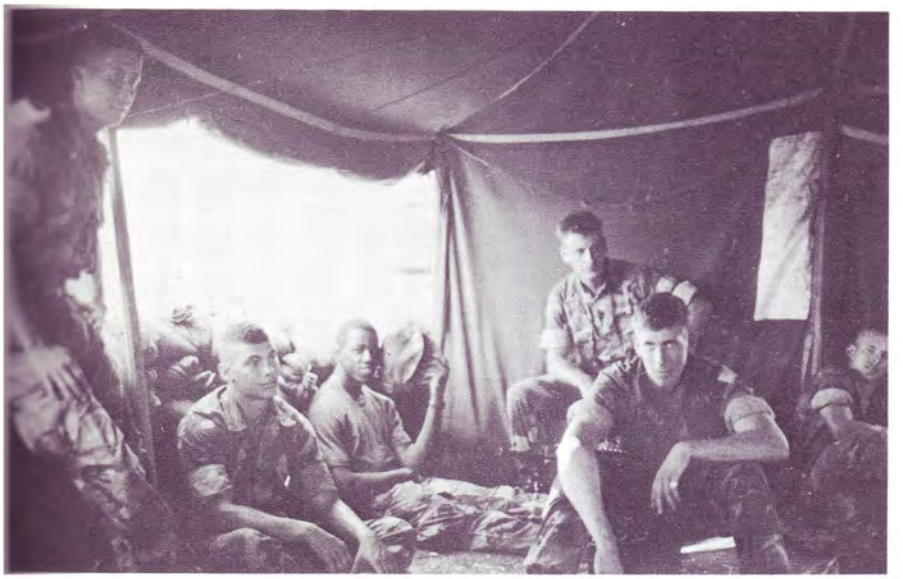
R.L. McCLAIN
Cpl USMC

OP 1

CHECKING POSTS

HOW MANY UNSAFE WEAPONS CAN YOU SEE IN THIS BUNCH?

ABDUL A FIFTH
OF JOHNNY
WALKER, PLEASE



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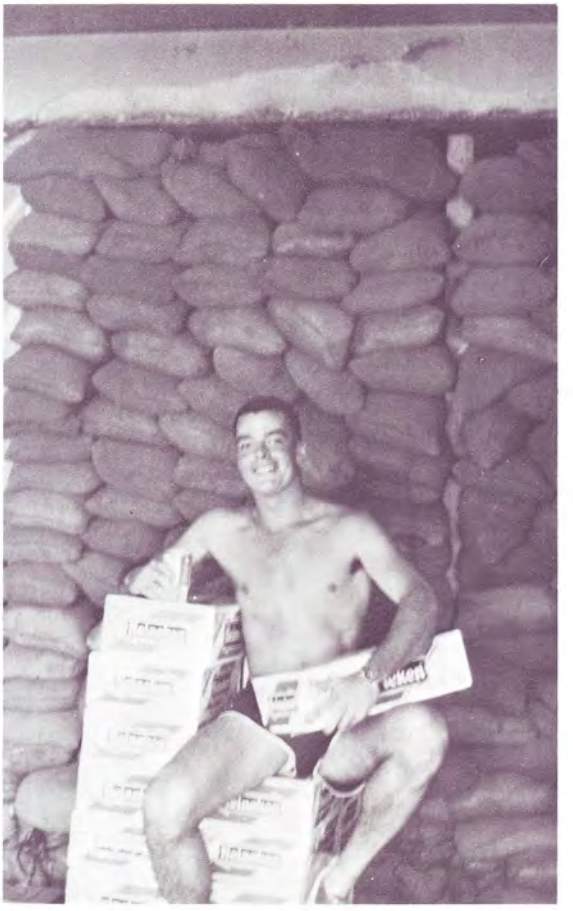
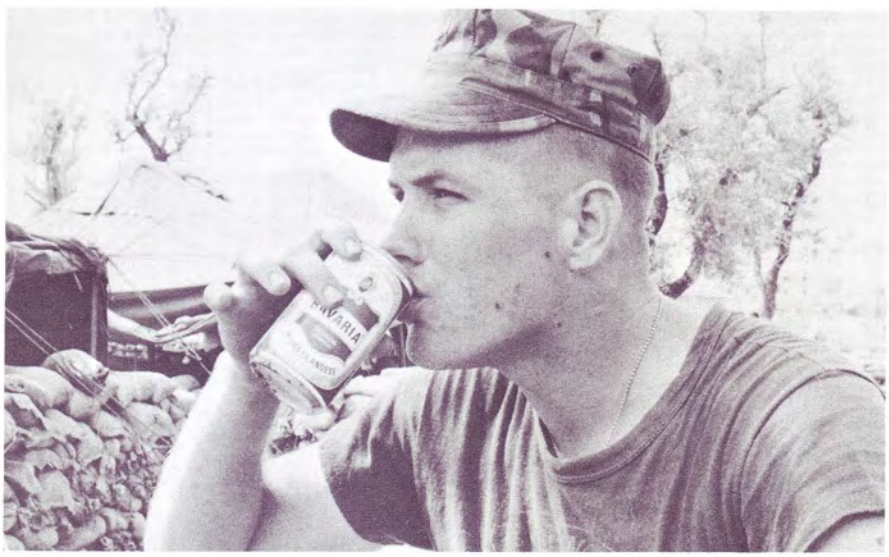


SANDBAGS

MORE SANDBAGS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!


BAVARIA

SIR, I FINALLY GOT THROUGH!

ANY COLD ONES?

HERE, KITTY KITTY...

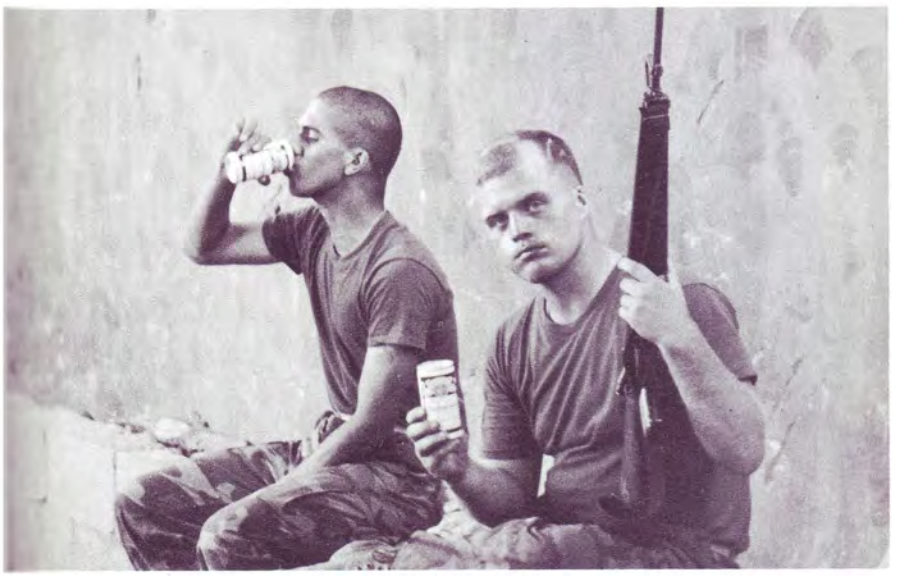
THE DRUSE BROTHERS

NO, I'M NOT ACTING!

FINALLY
FIRST SERGEANT

IS HE SERIOUS?

AND THE S - 2 SAYS...



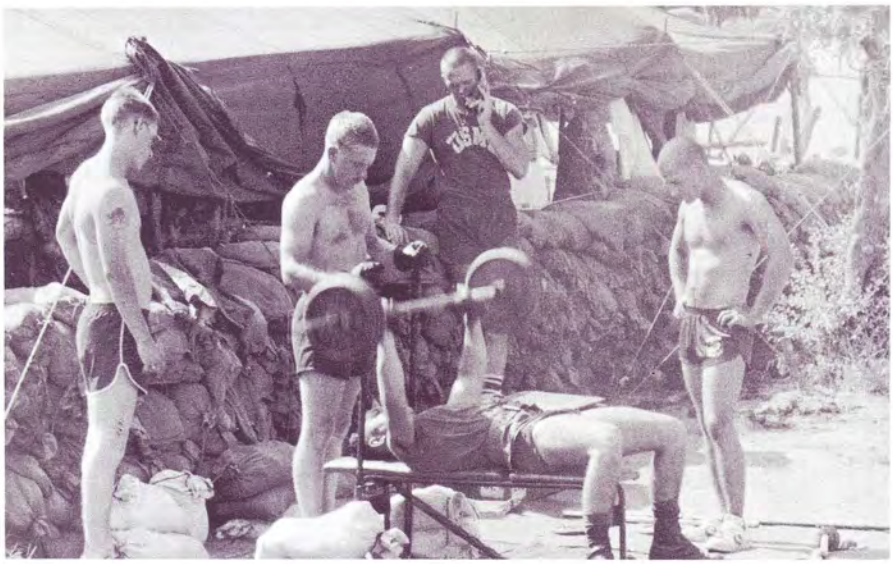
THIS BUD'S FOR ME!

MORE FOOD STAINS?

SGT. CAMARA
CAUGHT WORKING!

I'LL NEVER STICK MY NECK
OUT AGAIN!

«YES SIR, WE JUST TOOK ANOTHER ARTILLERY ROUND!»



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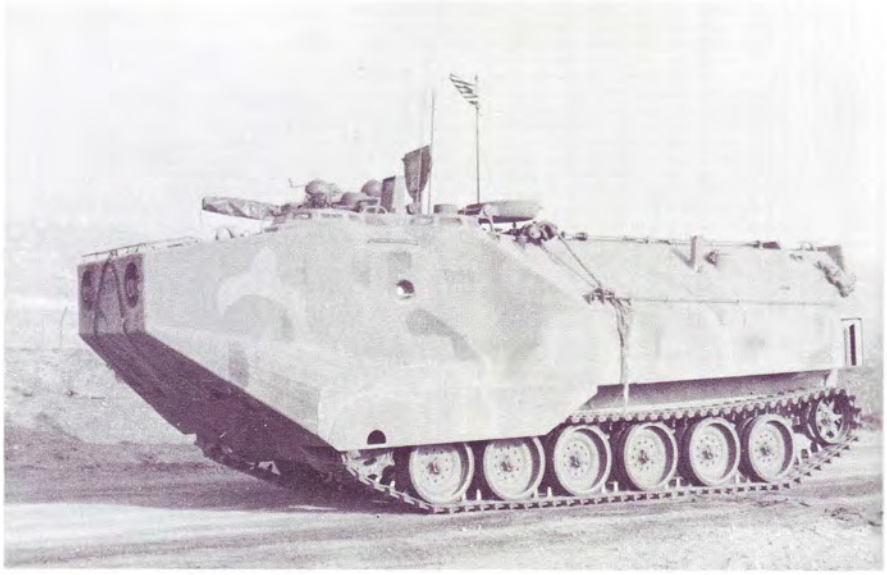


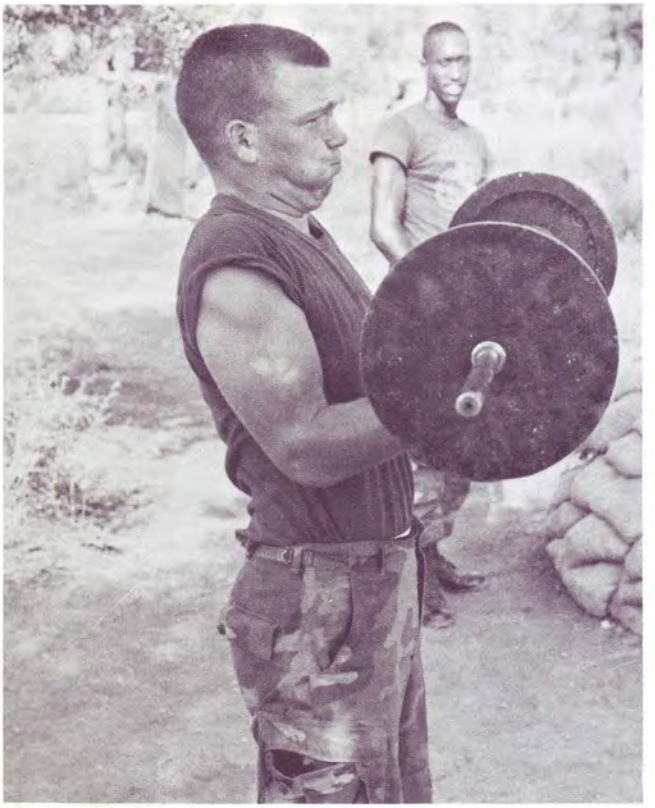
HOGS

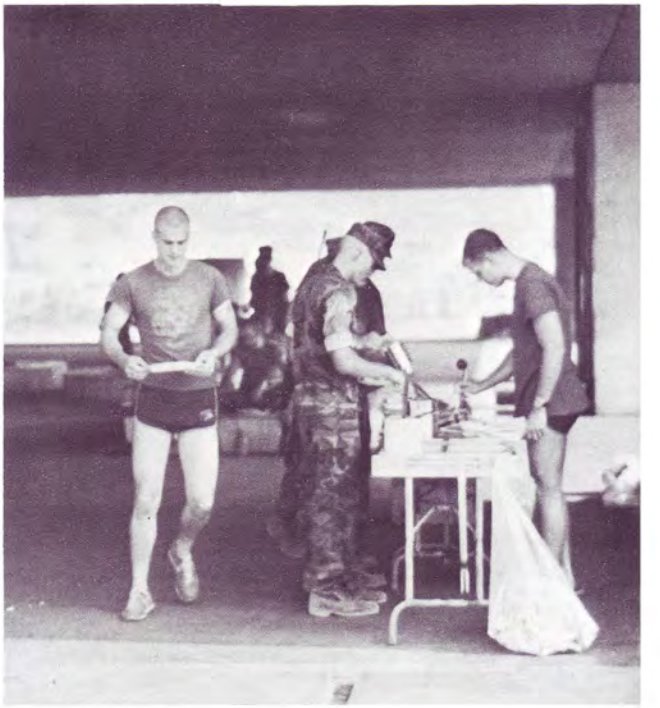
TANKS

... FOR THE MEMORIES

A LITTLE HELP FROM
OUR FRIENDS

THE QUEEN'S DRAGOON GUARDS





GET A WEIGHT GET A WEIGHT CURL THE

RACK OPS

COMPANY PICNIC

EVENING COLORS

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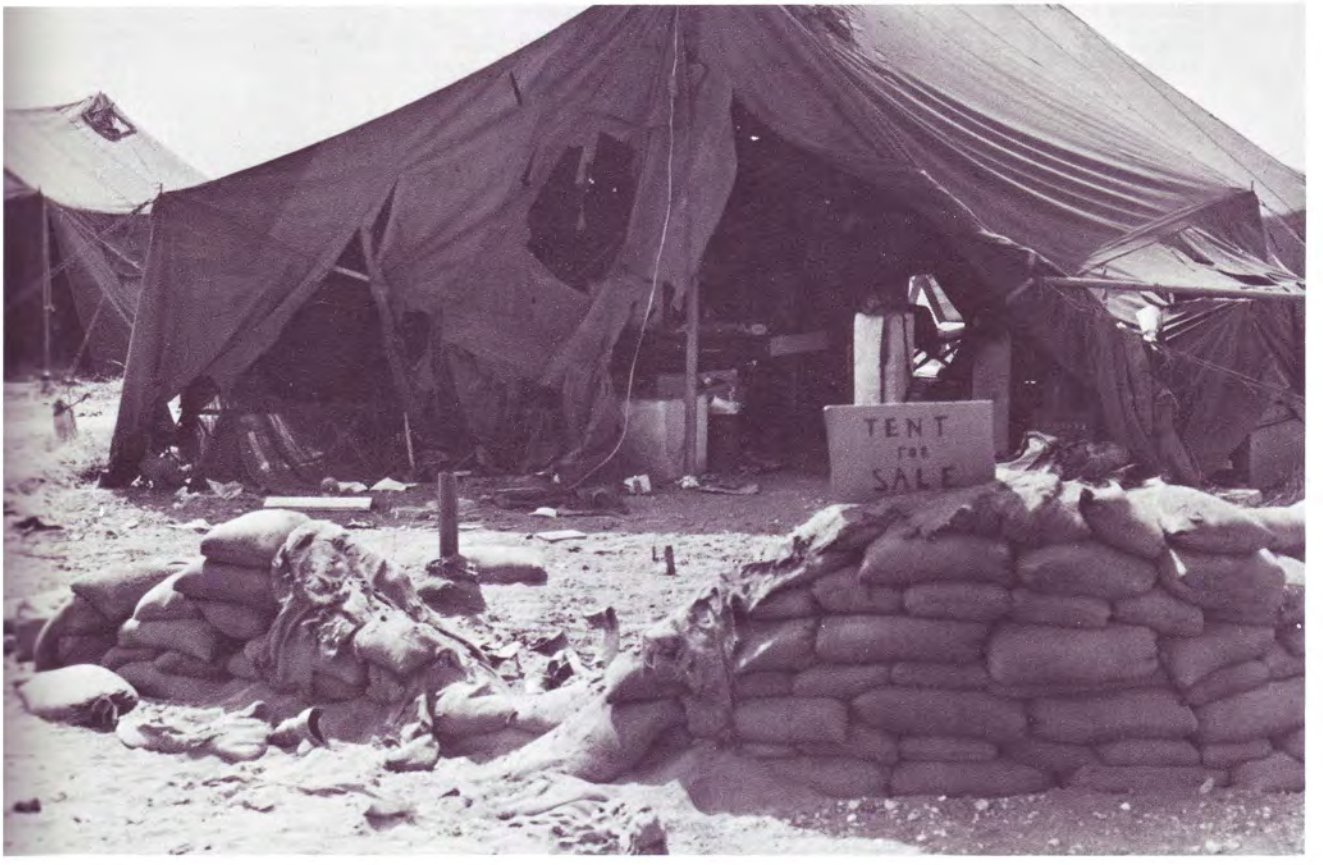

TENT
FOR
SALE

STRAY
ROUNDS?

A MARINE

I was that, which others did not want to be.
I went where others feared to go,
and did what others failed to do.

I asked nothing from those who gave nothing, and reluctantly accepted the thought of eternal loneliness.

SHOULD I FAIL

I have seen the face of terror,
Felt the stinging cold of fear,
and enjoyed the sweet taste of a moments love.

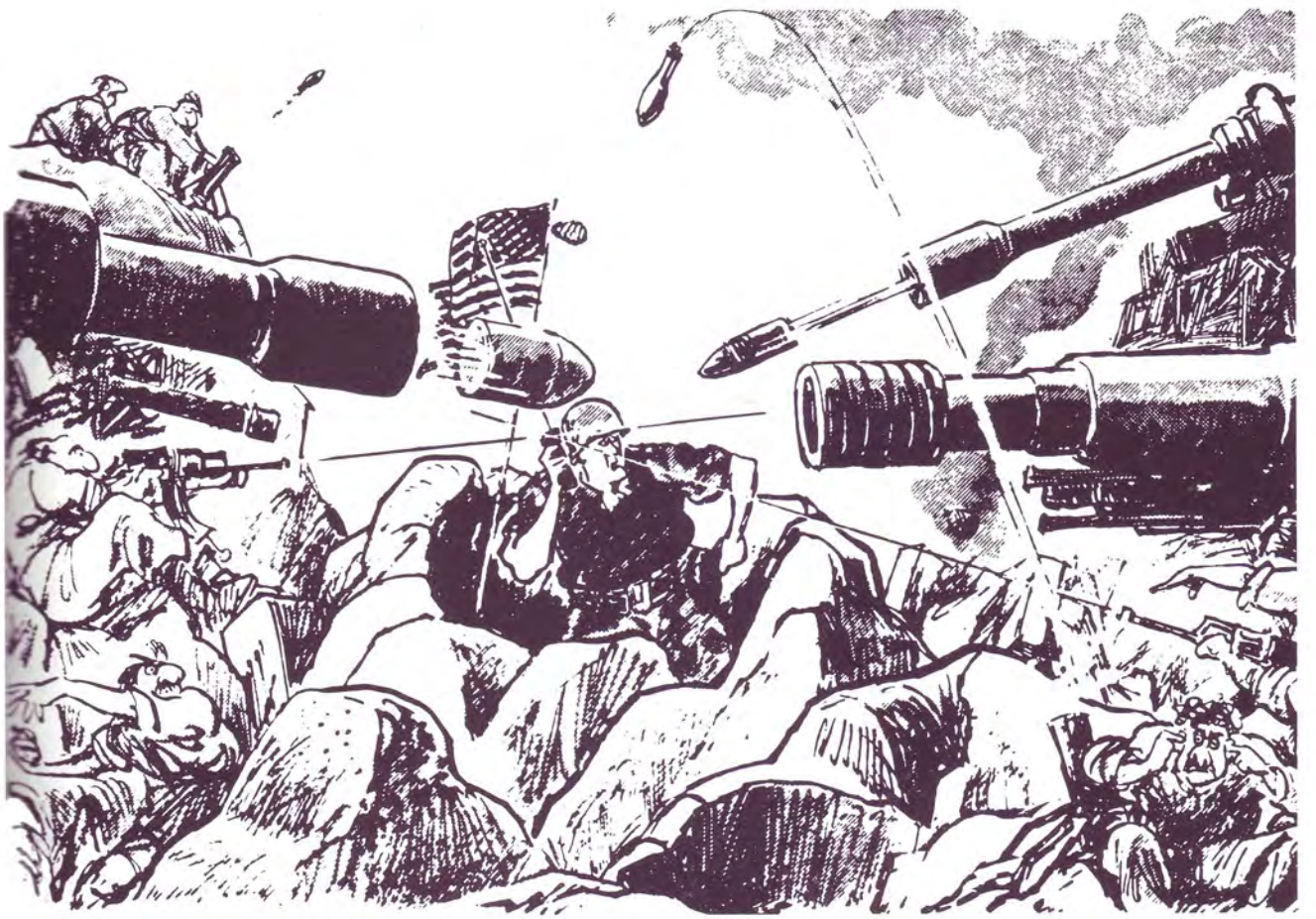
I have cried, and pained, and hoped.

But most of all I have liked times
Others would say were best forgotten.

At least some day I will be able
To say I was proud of what I was:

— A MARINE —

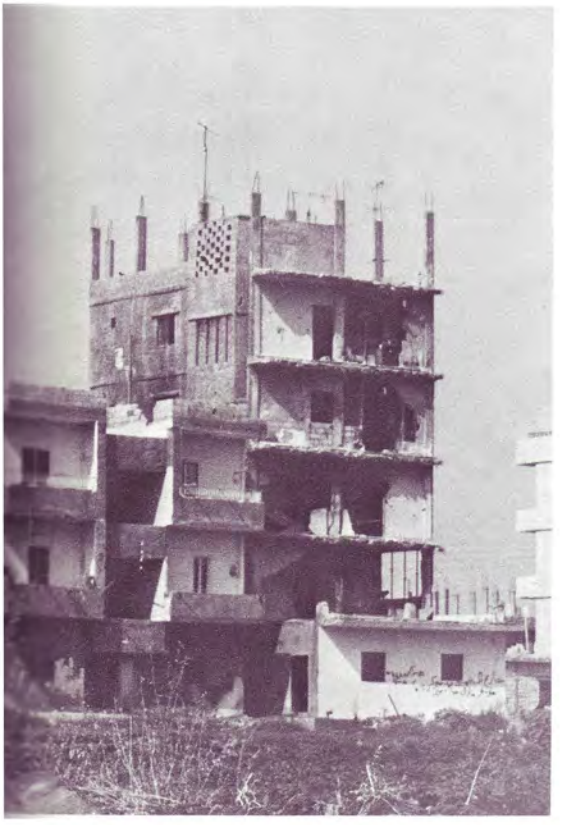
122 MM
KATYUSHA
ROCKETS



«YES SIR, IT'S HARD TO TELL IF WERE THE TARGET. DO I DRAW?»

BEIRUT AND HER PEOPLE

MARTYRS' SQUARE
BEFORE AND AFTER



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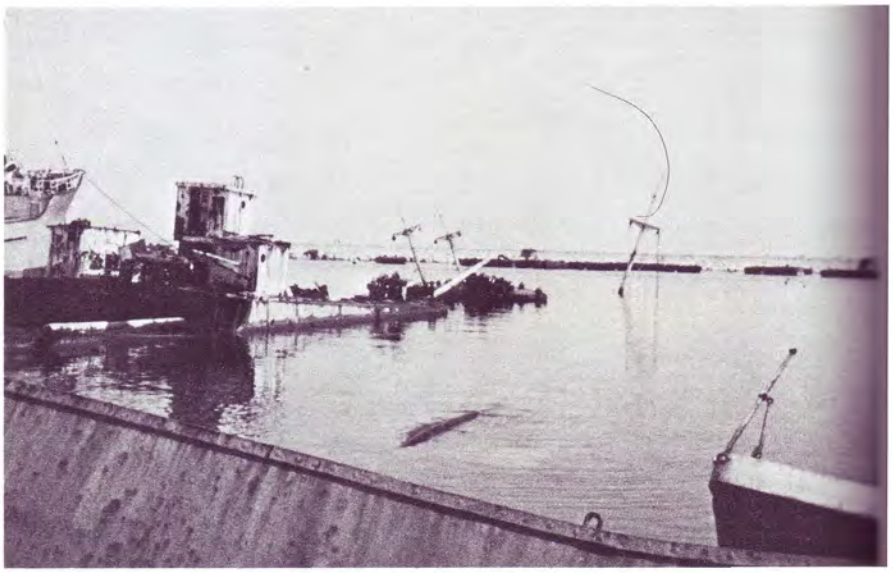

APARTMENTS LEBANESE
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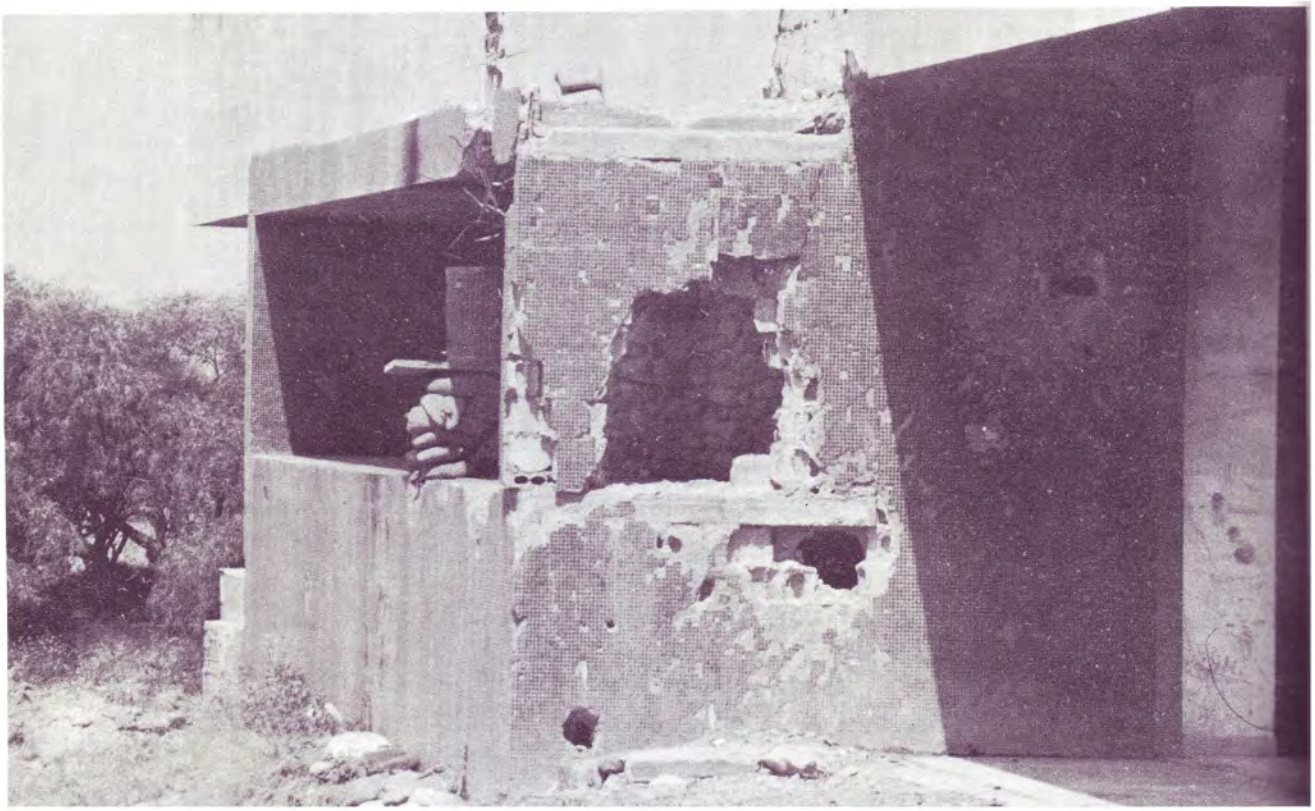
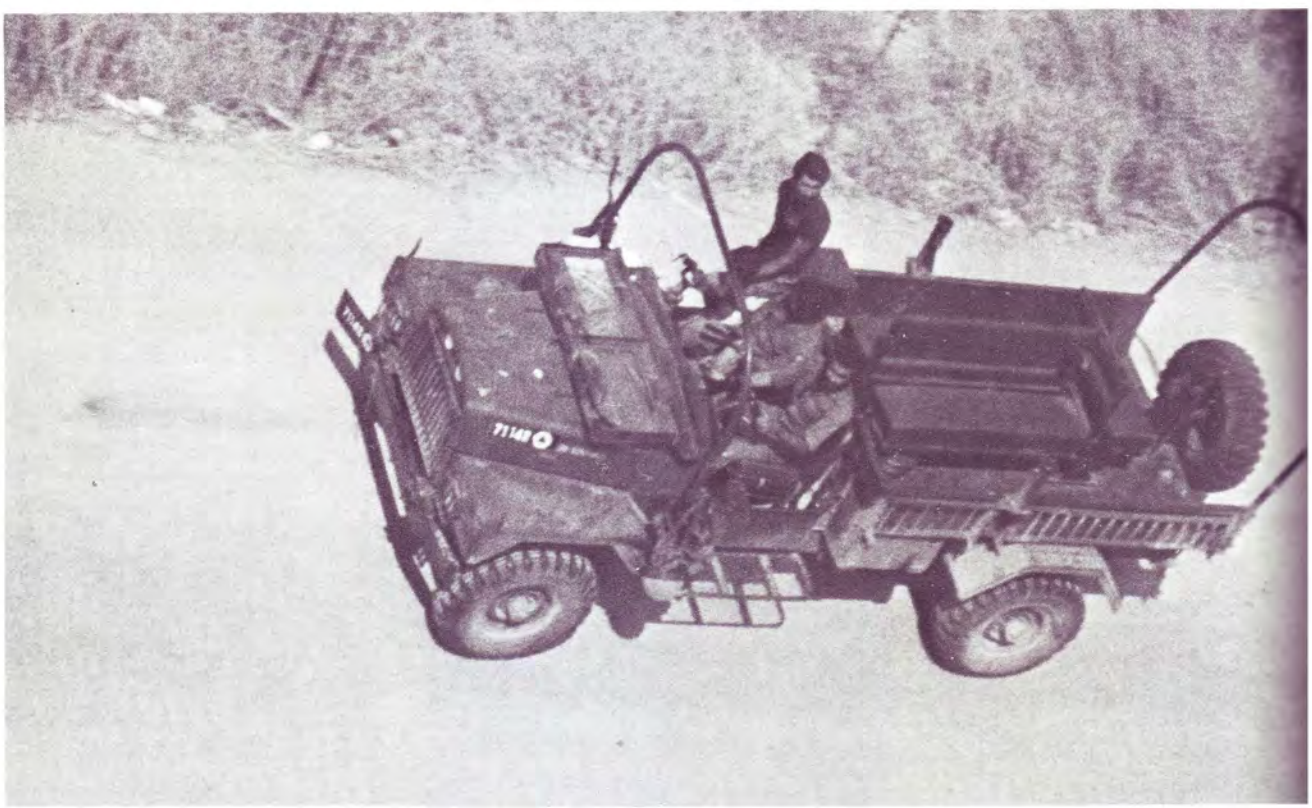




CHRISTIAN PHALANGISTS

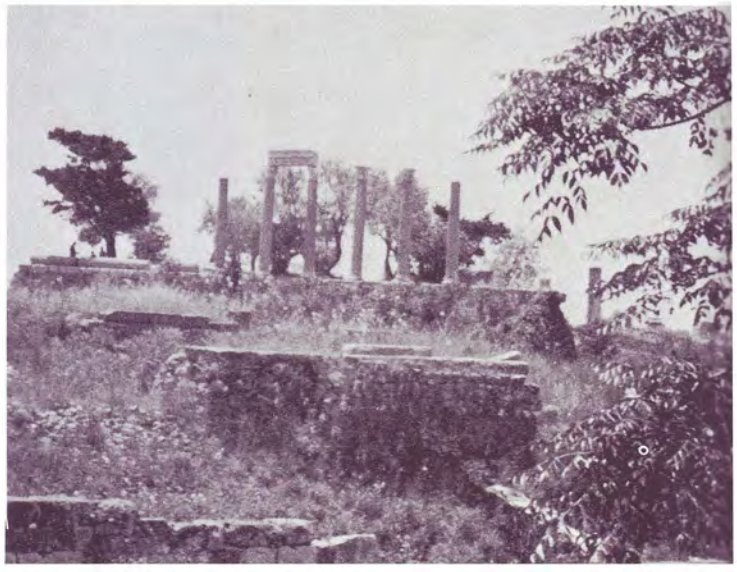
AMIN AND BECHIR GEMAYEL

OLD U.S. EMBASSY

AYATOLLAH KHOMEINI

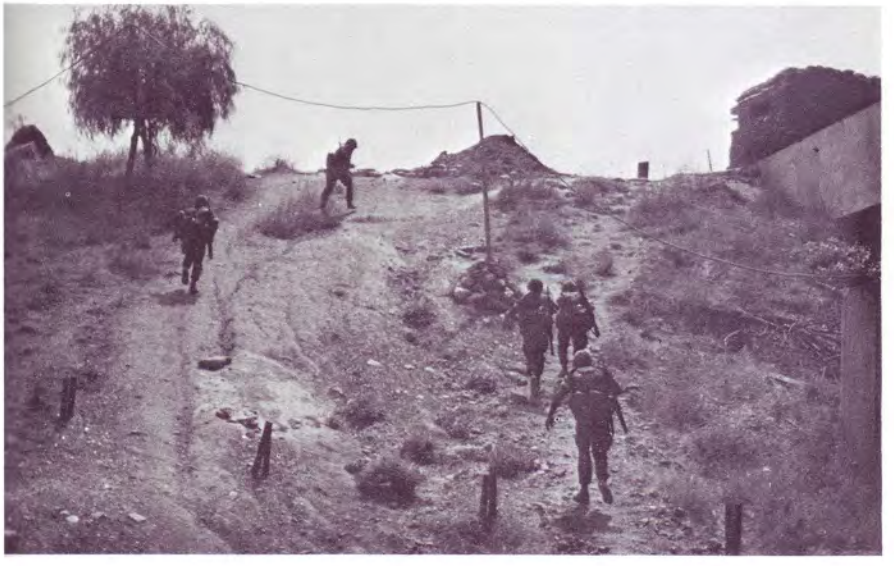
«... OBSERVE EVERYTHING WITHIN SIGHT OR HEARING.»

MA AND PA



PATROLLING AND GUARD

HAY-EL-SELLUM
(HOOTERVILLE)



WHERE ARE WE?

«LINE SIERRA
... 36 - 24 - 36!»

«I THOUGHT THESE PEOPLE WERE POOR»

«THREE HOURS, FIFTY - NINE MINUTES...»

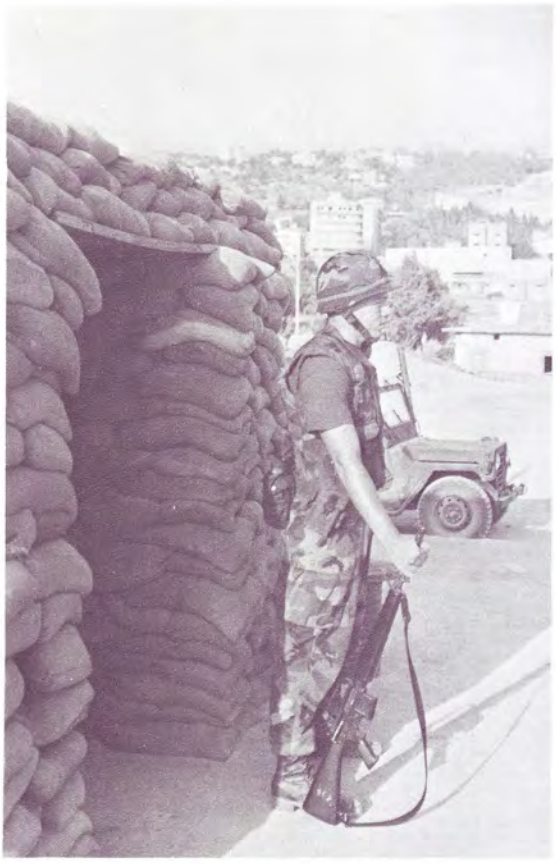
POST THREE, LEBANESE UNIVERSITY

POST ONE, CHECKPOINT 69

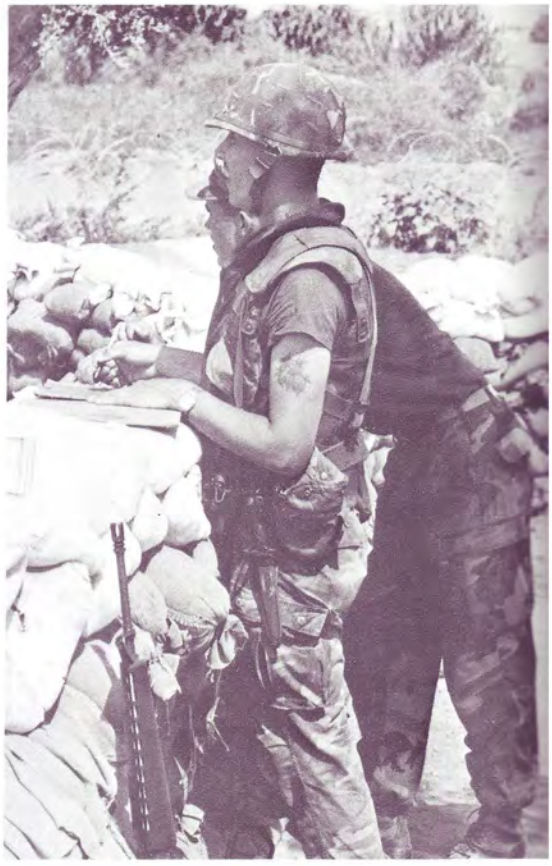
RINGSIDE

«... KEEPING ALWAYS ON THE ALERT...»

«SCHOOL OF HARD KNOCKS»



«GET A GUN, GET A GUN...»



«WHAT'S THE RANGE TOHER WINDOW?»

WHO'S OUT OF STEP?

«YOU'RE RELIEVED.»

BACK TO THE BARN

CHECKPOINT 35

ABDULLAH'S BAR AND GRILL

CHECKPOINT 69

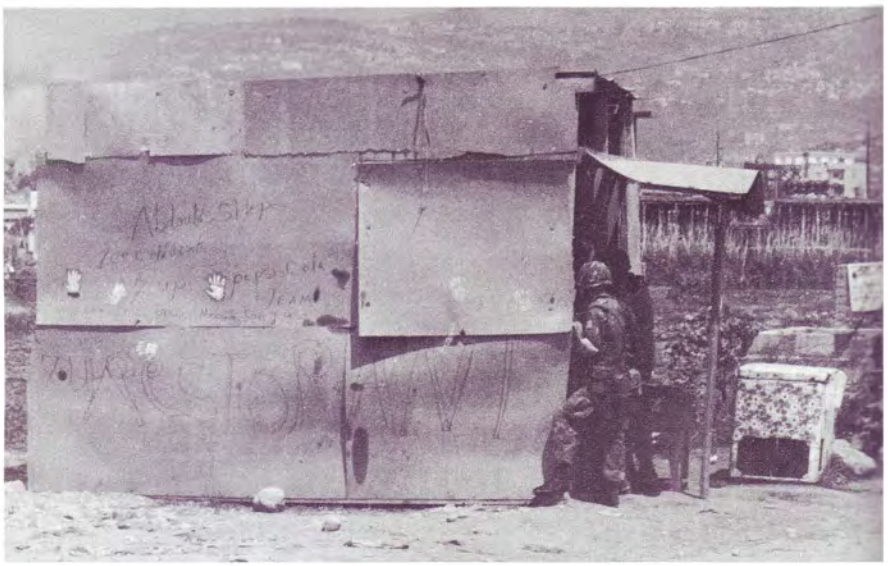
GUARD MOUNT

«GEE, SENATOR,
THIS IS SO TOUGH!»

«GO AROUND.»

«HELP!»

«SORRY, KIDS.
THE POOL'S CLOSED!»



A TOAST TO THE FLAG

Here's to the red of it -
There's not a thread of it.
No, not a shread of it
In all the spread of it
From foot to head.
But heroes bled for it,
Faced steel and lead for it,
Precious blood shed for it,
Bathing it Red!

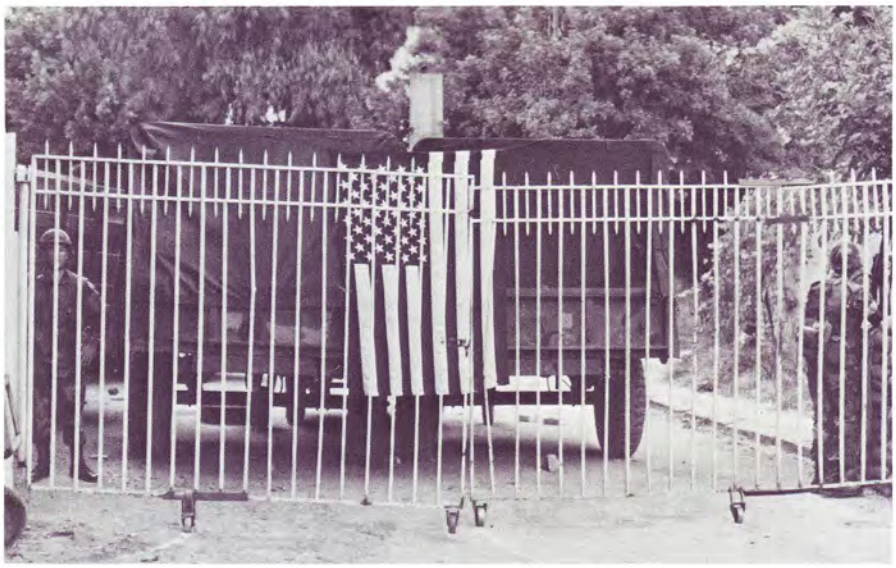
Here's to the white of it -
Thrilled by the sight of it,
Who knows the right of it
But feels the might of it
Through day and night?
Womanhood's care for it
Womanhood's care for it
Made manhood dare for it,
Purity's prayer for it
Keeps it so white!

Here's to the blue of it -
Beauteons view of it,
Heavenly hue of it.
Star-Spangled dew of it
Constant and true;
Diadems gleam for it,
States stand supreme for it,
Liberty's beam for it
Brightens the blue!

Here's to the whole of it -
Stars, stripes, and pole of it,
Body and soul of it,
O, and the role of it,
Sun shining through;
Hearts in accord for it,
Swear by the sword for it,
Thanking the Lord for it,
Red White and Blue!

RELIEF IN PLACE 29 MAY 83

THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA, EMBASSY
IN BEIRUT, LEBANON



«FACE ABOUT, GO
TEN PACES, AND TURN»

«STAY AWAY FROM
MY PALM TREE!»

BRITS ON PARADE

MR. PUGH
DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION

«FIRST SERGEANT»

«GUNNY»

AL REGIONAL SECURITY
OFFICE

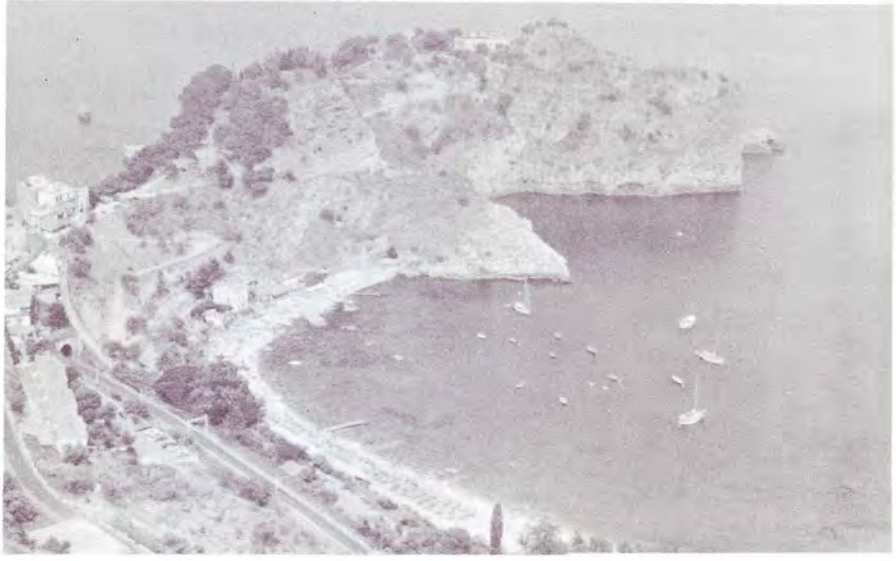
WAR IS HELL!

LIBERTY

LIBERTY CALL

ANTALYA, TURKEY

NOT BAD LOOKING



GIARDINI NAXOS
SICILY, ITALY

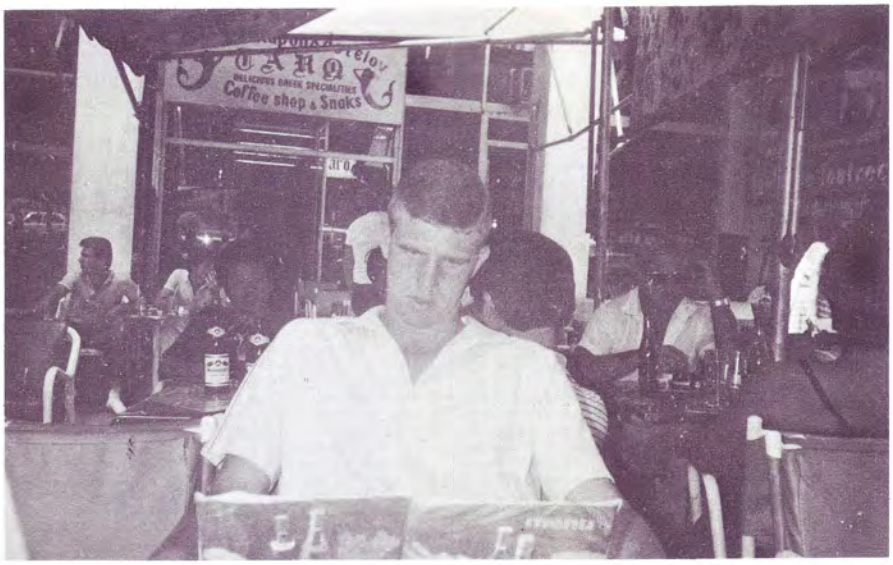
CATANIA SICILY

«HEY,
MARINE!»

ATHENS, GREECE

TOMB OF THE
UNKNOWN SOLDIER

«HEY, O'DONNELL, I THOUGHT
THIS WAS COFFEE.»



«THIS IS GREEK TO ME!»

THE ACROPOLIS

TEMPLE OF ZEUS

THE TEMPLE OF THE VIRGIN

THE VIRGIN?

IF LOOKS COULD KILL...

WELCOME BACK!

FOREIGN FORCES IN LEBANON

BRITISH FERRETS FIRING BROWNING
30 CALIBER MACHINEGUNS AT
AIRPORT RANGE

SWEDISH FORCES WITH UNITED NATIONS INTERIM FORCE IN LEBANON (UNIFIL)

ITALIAN MOBILE PATROL

CROSS - TRAINING WITH
FRENCH FORCES

FAM - FIRE WITH BRITISH

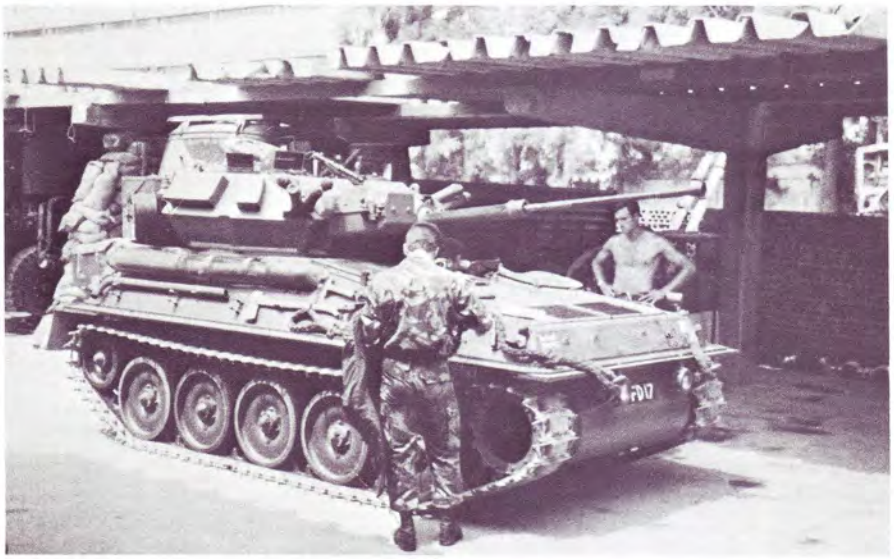
CPL. PRICE WITH FRENCH SNIPER RIFLE

TEAM WORK

FRENCH SOLDIER FIRES M 60

«A JOLLY GOOD WAY TO GO»

ISRAELI HEADQUARTERS



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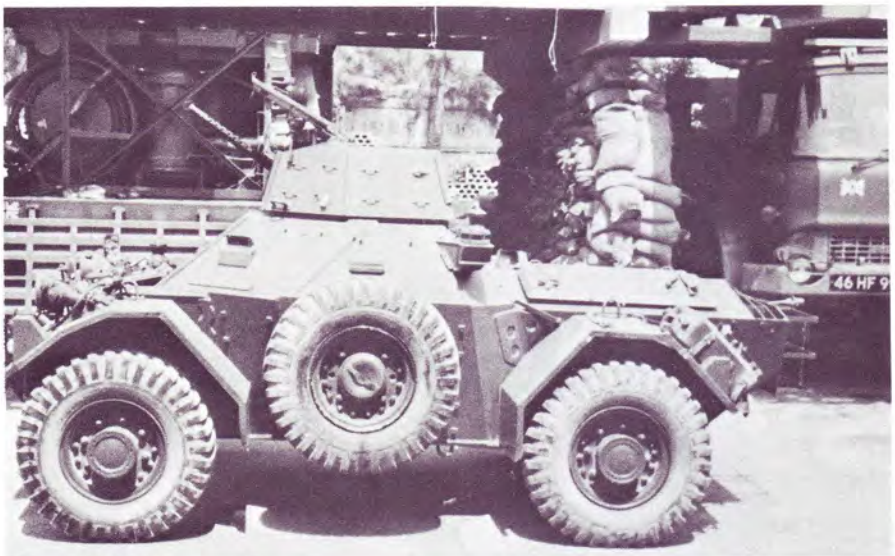
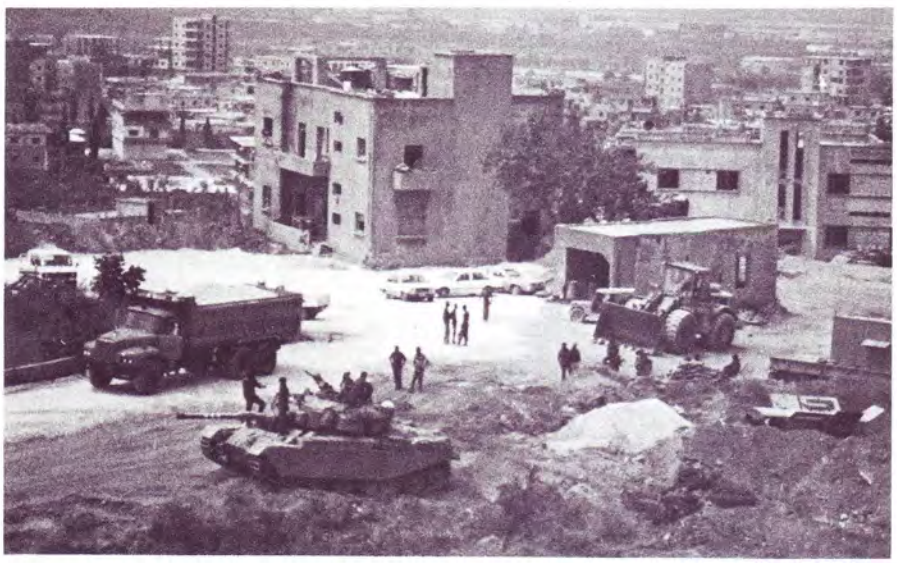


BRITISH FERRET

ISRAELI CENTURION TANK

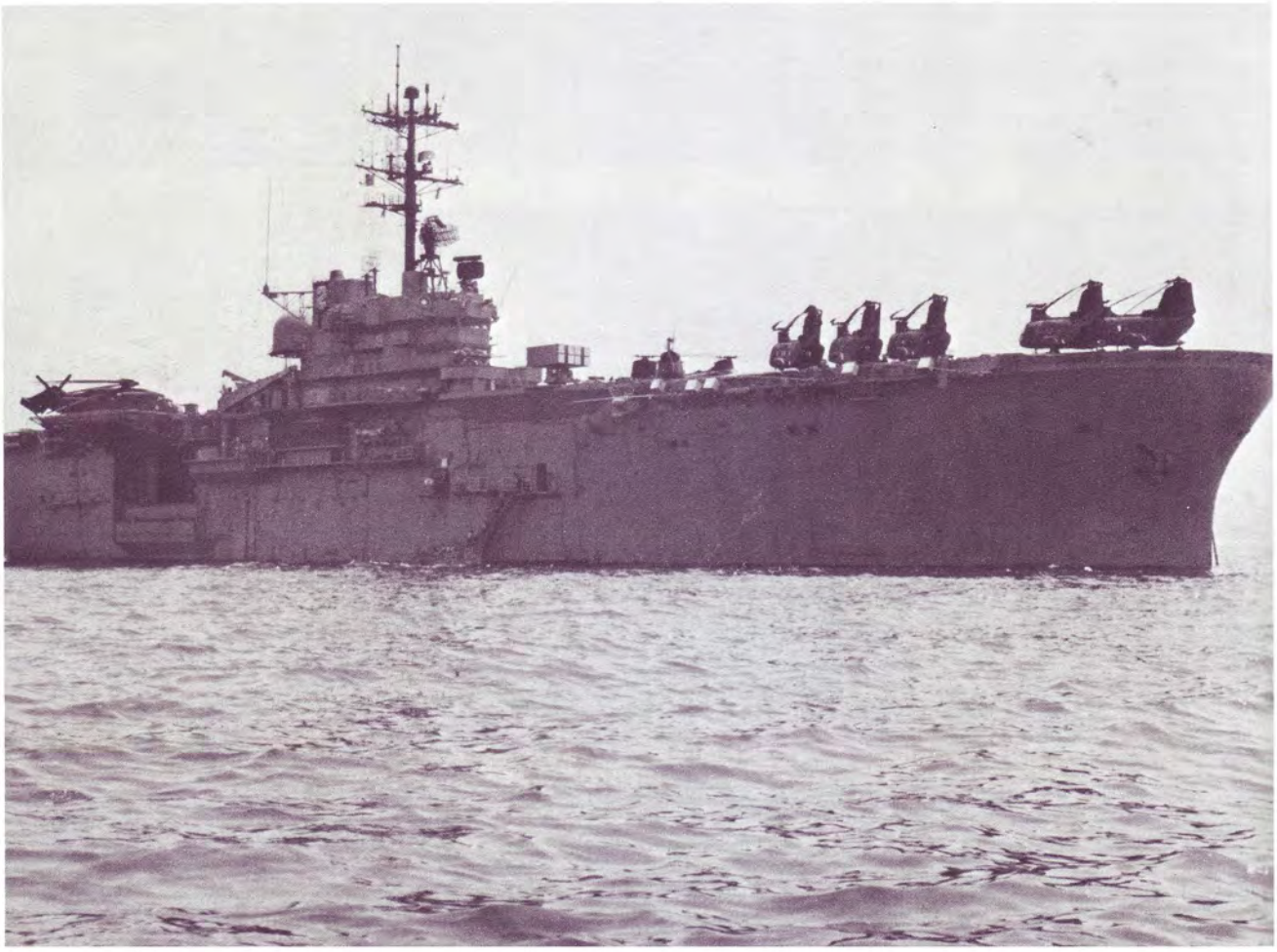
ISRAELI M 60 TANK



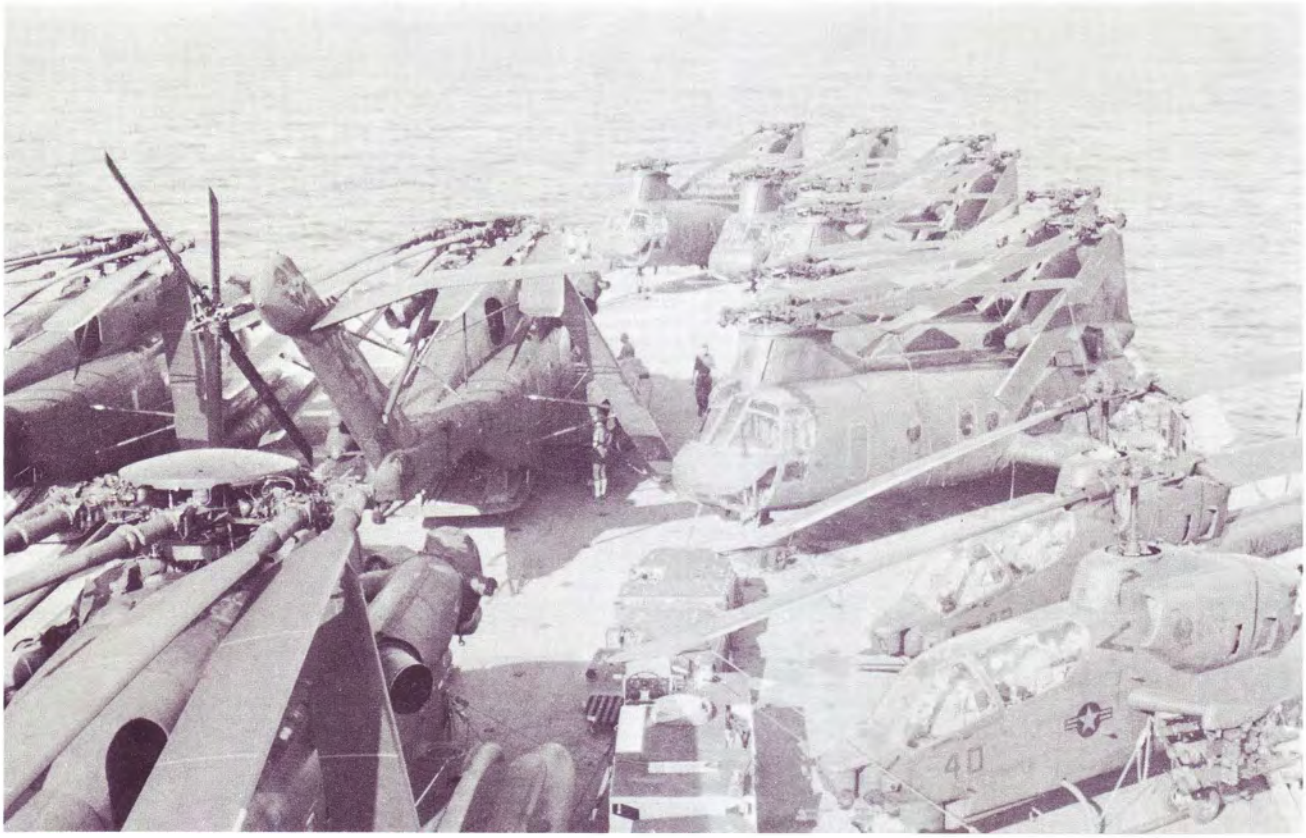
ISRAELI C.P. FROM REAR

I.D.F. M 60 WITH ADD - ON ARMOR

GOING HOME



«... BUT I LIKE IT HERE.»



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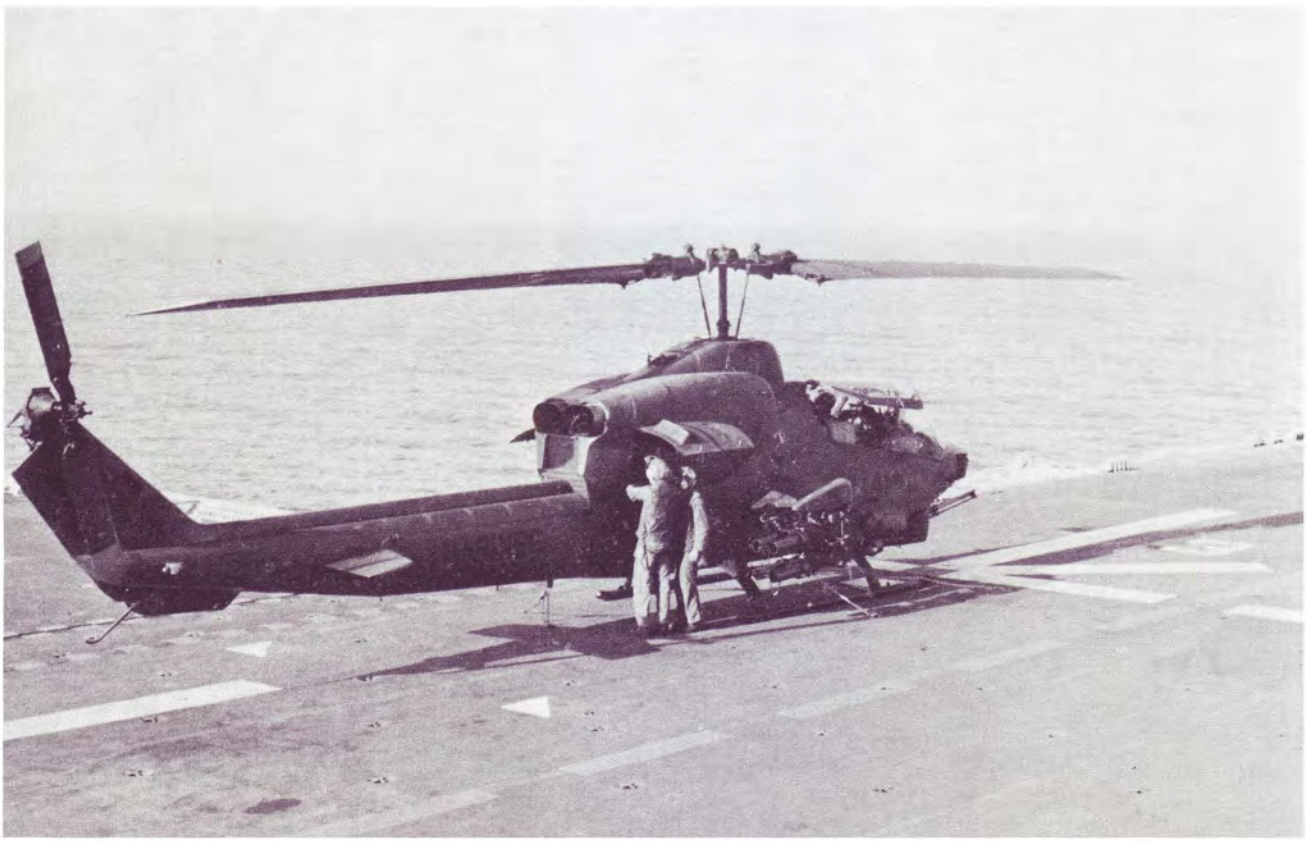

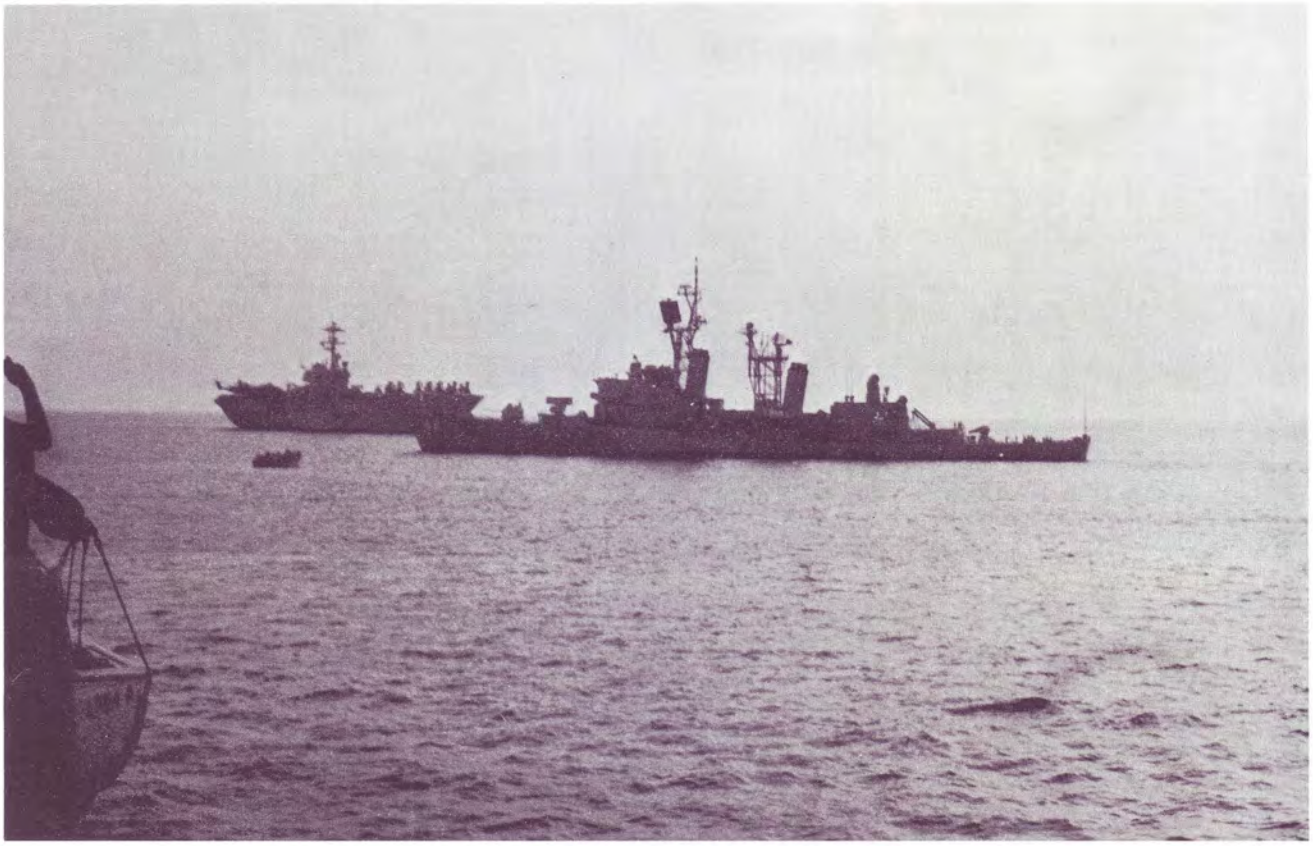

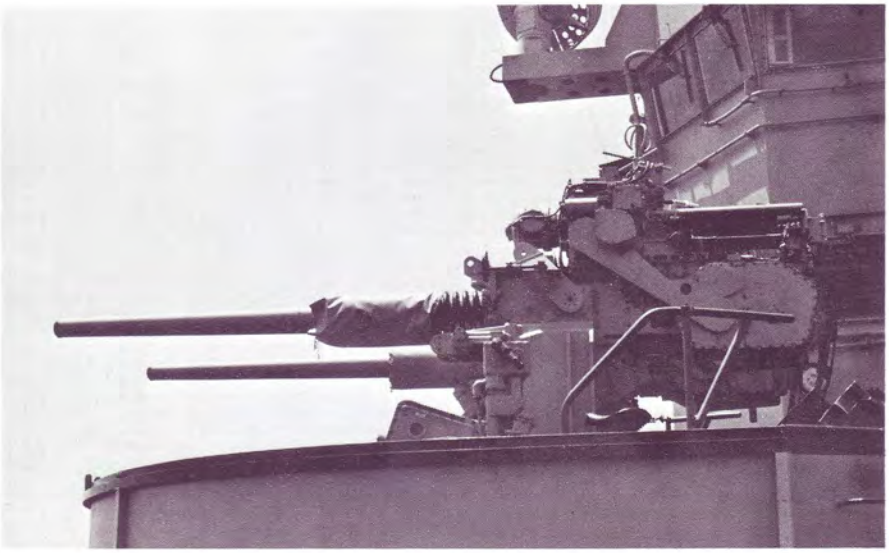

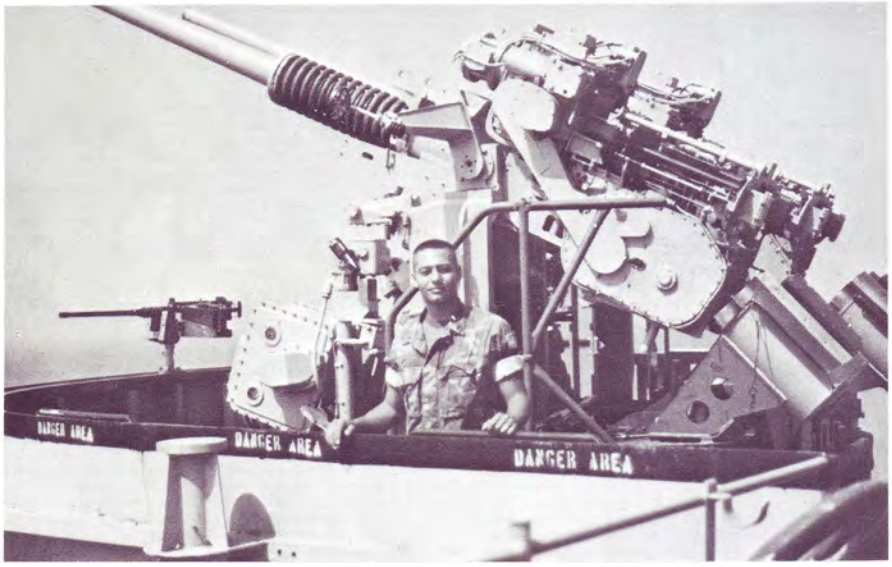
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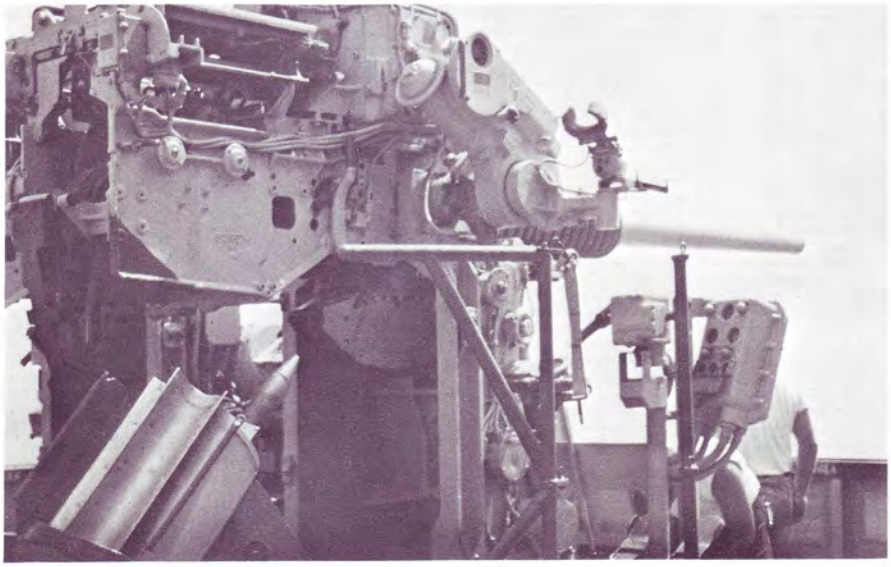
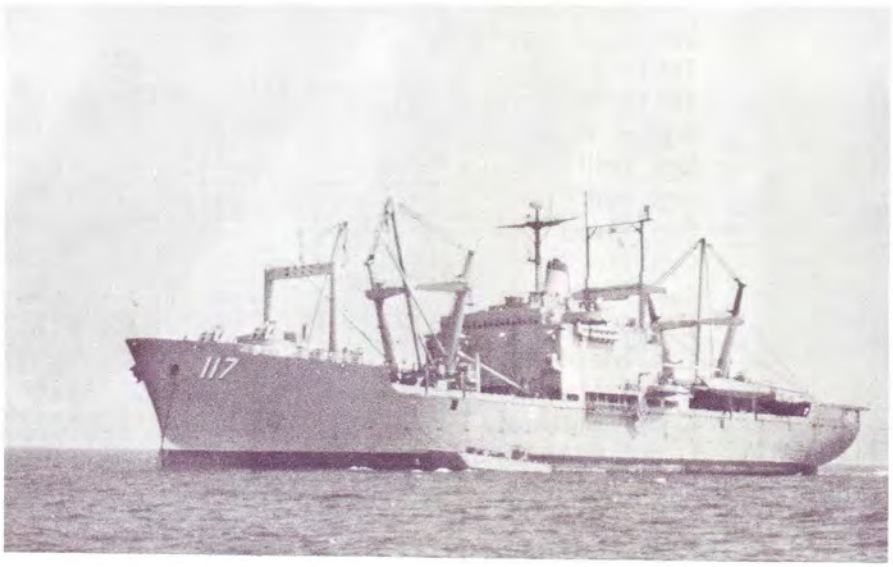


«... AND THEN SPIDERMAN SPRANG FROM HIS WEB...»

«I HOPE THIS IS THE LAST FIELD DAY!»



To The Marines of Company C (Rein)

This cruise book is dedicated to you in the hopes that it has captured in picture form, a small part of your spirit and enthusiasm. I sincerely hope that it will remain with you and serve as a reminder of your professional performance as peacekeepers and members of the Multi-National Forces, Beirut Lebanon. Through your dedication to your corps and country you successfully accomplished a difficult mission under the most strenuous of circumstances. No one ever said it was going to be easy; most tasks worth accomplishing seldom are. Hopefully your achievements in Beirut Lebanon will have a lasting affect on that country and its people. Peace in Lebanon, when it does come will be in part because of your efforts, and lasting peace will increase both the merit and worth of your performance and that of your fellow Marines.

I would like also to take this opportunity to personally thank each and every Marine in C Company that looked past the long hours on duty, the discomforts and pain and were consistently seen out front leading, motivating and safeguarding his fellow Marines. You are the heroes of Company C.

Through your efforts we were able to return home with everyone in good health and in good spirits. You have a great deal to be proud of and you have made me extremely proud to have served with you. Realizing many of you will be leaving upon our return, I would like to wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors in or out ot the Marine Corps. I am sure you will be successful in whatever you do.

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