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Photo Contest Winners

Versatility Through Progress Is Theme



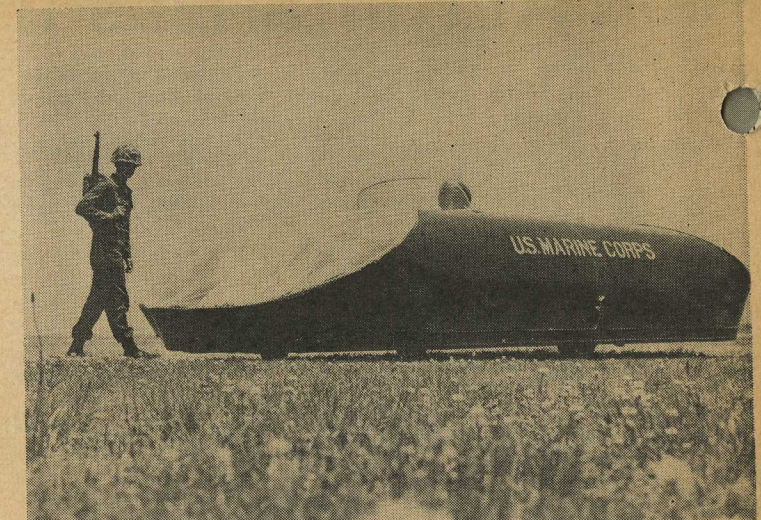
PUNCH--Marine gun crew on a "convertible mule" vehicle tows an Italian developed 105mm pack howitzer to an area where the weapon will be emplaced for firing.



TRIPLE THREAT -- The M-14 Rifle, ABC protective clothing and light portable flame thrower along with the M-60 machine gun pose a threat to any enemy.



"DEADLY"--Marine takes up firing position with 106mm recoilless rifle mounted on "convertible mule".



IT FLOATS! -- An experimental vehicle under test is this ground effect machine which floats on a cushion of compressed air.

Modernization And Development Provides Corps With Big Punch

Amphibious combat readiness and modernization are two primary objectives of today's Marine Corps. Facing the threat of total war, limited war, and potential enemy nations armed with modern weapons systems, the Corps is conducting an extensive research and development program aimed at insuring Marine Corps readiness to execute amphibious operations under a wide range of combat conditions, nuclear and conventional. Men and material are geared to the future. Modification and change have become routine. The object of this activity is to provide today's Marines, and tomorrow's, with the best weapons and equipment U.S. military technology can produce.

Much of the Corps's research and development activity is concentrated at the Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia. Here, the Marine Corps Landing Force Development Center tests and evaluates the weapons, equipment, and combat techniques which will be used by Leatherneck fighting men in event of war or national emergency.

The accompanying photographs illustrate some of the weapons and equipment which have been or are in the process of being tested at the Development Center. Some of the items are in an early developmental stage; others have reached Marine combat units in the field.



FIRE POWER -- These Marines are armed with M-14 and M-60 machine gun which soon will be issued to Marine Corps combat units.

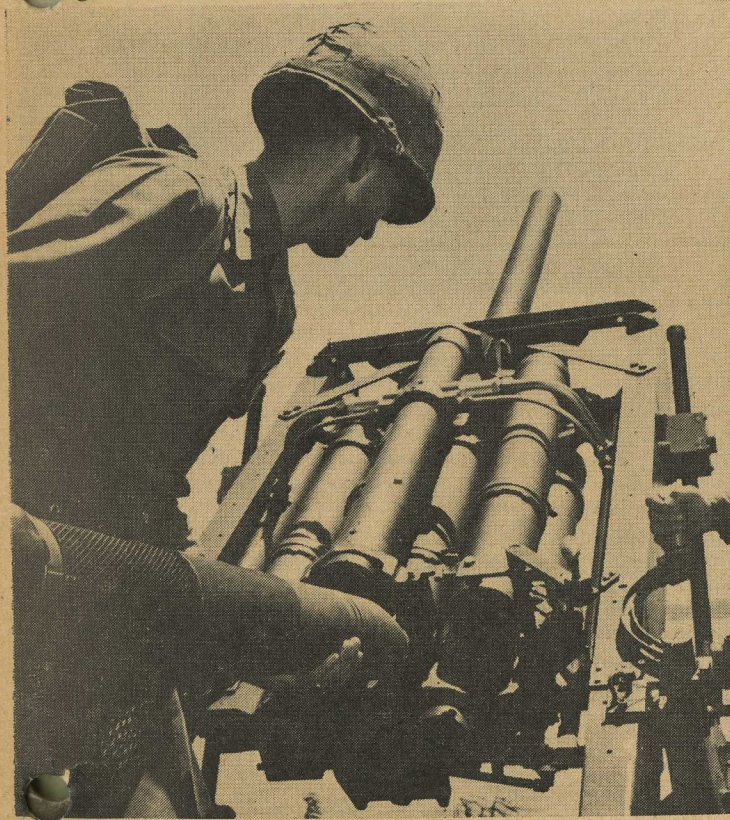
Of United States Marines In 1960



OUT OF THIS WORLD -- Marine carrying a light flame thrower and wearing experimental atomic, biological, and chemical (ABC) protective clothing looks like he might have dropped in from another world.



"SIGHTING IN" -- Among the experimental weapons currently undergoing test is this light anti-tank weapon (LAW), which resembles a sawed-off 3.5 rocket launcher (bazooka).



"FAST AND FURIOUS" -- Marine loads a shell into 115mm rocket boosted XM-70 during test firing.



"MIGHTY MONSTER" -- A ground crewman directs a Marine Corps HR2S into position preparatory to the airlift of a 6,000-pound rolling container of fuel.