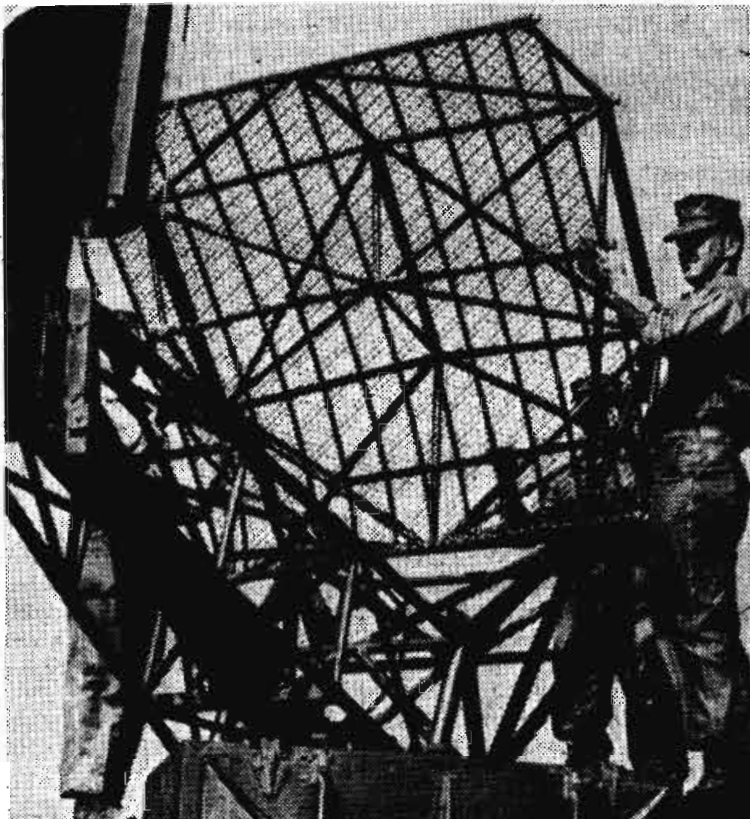


THREE HAWK RESERVE UNITS TRAIN



STEADY AS SHE GOES is the by-word for these Fresno Leathernecks of the 2nd LAAM Btry. LCpl Ed C. Bruno, left, guides loader operator PFC Alvin R. Clark as Cpl Gaylan E. Dickey checks the HAWK alignment as it is moved for placement on the launcher. The two weeks of training concludes Friday, June 30.



FIRE CONTROL OPERATORS from San Jose's 3rd LAAM Btry. look over one of the radar equipment structures. PFC Peter R. Hunt, a college student, stands on the right. This group of Reserves is scheduled to depart on July 1.



INSTALLATION OF THE BOOM is being performed by this group of Pasadena's Reserve Marines. PFC T. E. Donahue in the foreground readies a cable to secure the boom onto a HAWK missile loader in the 2nd LAAM Battalion's Gun-park.

Top Team Of HAWK Marines Training Here

Annual Field Training for members of the Organized Marine Corps Reserve is well underway at this Hi-Desert missile and artillery installation, with the 1st LAAM Battery of Pasadena, the 2nd LAAM Battery of Fresno and the 3rd LAAM Battery of San Jose all in the final week of their two-week training period.

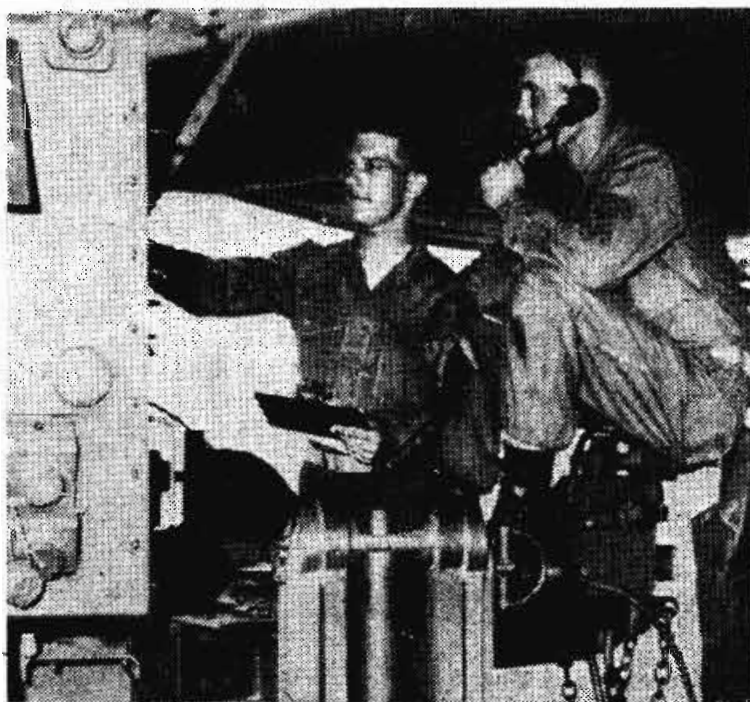
Since their arrival here on June 17 and 18 the Reserve Marines have lived up to the Marine Corps' tradition of readiness. On Monday morning, June 19, the Leathernecks moved right into the training areas where they began classes on the HAWK missile and all of the equipment which is used in its operation and firing.

Training of the HAWK-men was not limited to the missile itself, but was broken down into four categories. The men who are directly concerned with the operation of the missile and its equipment were trained at the missile parks of the 1st and 2nd LAAM Battalion. Motor transport personnel received instructions on preventive maintenance of their vehicles and on-the-job training.

The training of the Reserve Leathernecks will wind up on Thursday, June 29, when all three batteries under the supervision of the 1st and 2nd LAAM Battalions will participate in an actual live firing exercise with the HAWK on the desert gunnery ranges.

The three are the first and only units in the Marine Corps Reserve to be equipped with the new HAWK missile. The sister missile batteries, which were formerly 75mm AAA batteries, were redesignated as LAAM units in March of this year.

The second phase of Annual Field Training will get underway on July 17 when seven Reserve units arrive at this Base.



TRACKING THE TARGET is practiced by two Reserve Marines from Fresno's 2nd LAAM Btry. From left, PFC Craig D. Kiggins and LCpl Robert J. Hollender, simulate a tracking mission during their first week of training.



INSTRUCTION IN THE BUBBLE is underway for two men from Fresno's 2nd LAAM Btry. during the first week of summer training. Sgt. R. W. Anderson of the 2nd LAAM Bn., center, runs over the procedures with Marine Reserves SSgt. C. N. Garabedian and PFC M. J. Bendes. These men will work in the control center during the live-firing of the HAWK tomorrow.



LIBERTY CALL was sounded for the week-end. From left, PFC James S. Ferguson and Cpl Samuel C. Fezzolare check with the Duty NCO, Cpl Allard F. Law. All three Reserve Marines are members of San Jose's 3rd LAAM Btry.