

U.S. MARINES TEST NEW BATTLE-KIT

Over Quantico, Virginia, troop-carrying helicopters go into action for the first time as America's Marine Corps comes to earth in the biggest manoeuvres staged since the end of the war. Piling out of the 'copters, who (like the men they carry can land almost anywhere) the Marines storm key enemy fortifications within an imaginary beach-head.

New equipment, which will become standardised among the Atlantic Pact powers, proves its battle-worthiness. With America's three services divided by fierce rivalry, the Marines live up to their old title - the Devil Dogs.