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"EXERCISE FLASHBURN".

At Fort Bragg, North Carolina, nine thousand paratroopers of the Eighty Second Airborne Division board giant Flying Boxcars for the Biggest was paradrep since the assault across the Rhine during the war. At seventeen second intervals, the troops tumble out. All are wearing the new American T-10 parachutes which are claimed as the world's best.

The big jump is part of Exercise Plashburn, a training test for many branches of the U.S. Army. Joops, three-quarter-tim trucks, howitzers and other heavy equipment are also dropped, an exercise designed to prepare America's airborne troops for any future emergency.