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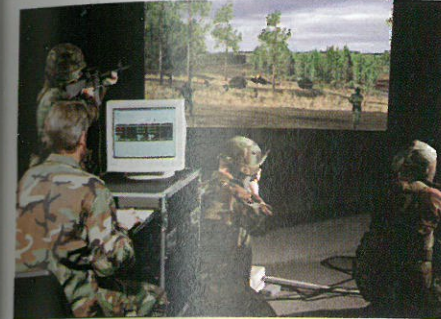
- Converts a 155mm howitzer into a training system
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### 14 Not to Be Denied

*It was only after the civil rights movement did segregation in the Guard in several states end, changing a policy that dated from the period of Reconstruction a century earlier. But African-Americans could not be denied their right to serve. They participated in militia units almost from their first arrival in the New World, forming their own units when they were unwelcome in others. They served for the same reasons as white soldiers: the personal rewards of serving their community and nation and the fraternity of military life. They also served with distinction.*

### 20 Stimulating Simulators

*One minute, you're standing in an Orlando, Fla., research park. The next, you're a platoon leader in urban combat. Or, in a Civil Support Team taking samples after a possible chemical attack. Simulators are becoming more realistic and more widely used throughout the Guard. Not a replacement for the real thing, they are effective training devices for those limited by time and money.*

### 24 Passing with Flying Colors

*As unforgettable as the war was to Nevada Air National Guard Lt. Col. Rodney Mathisen, his and the performance of the other 5,239 Air Guardsmen serving in the Persian Gulf 10 years ago left a similarly lasting impression on Air Force leaders. Many current and former Guard officials believe the Air Guard owes its current role in Air Force operations to its accomplishments during the war.*

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