

# OUR FIRST UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT

Sherman departed Guantanamo Bay during the afternoon of 3 April and proceeded enroute to Panama. At the beginning of our passage to the Canal Zone we recorded another "FIRST" for Sherman. USS Marais was waiting offshore for us and we conducted Sherman's first underway replenishment for fuel. As we prepared for breakaway with Marais, the Navy oiler displayed her flying "A" flag and this prompted us to design our own breakaway flag to use during the many unreps we would have in South-east Asia.

A contest was sponsored by the ship's morale committee and soon we adopted "SNOOPY" as our mascot and official figure for our breakaway flag. Being a little "WHITE CHARGER" and having lots of "TIGER \*\*\*\*TIT"; Snoopy proved himself to be a truly perfect mascot for Sherman.



*The refueling hose is being hauled aboard for connection to our intake pipe.*

