

Also, we must mention the climax of our unreprs – the breakaway. Sherman, with her far superior speed, would always give the other crew a show for their money and not breakaway by simply veering off, but rather, by accelerating to twice her speed. With both turbines opened wide and smoke screaming out of her stacks, she would set her stern down in the water, “rev” her vari-pitch props, and leave an impressive rooster tail behind while Snoopy rode the yardarm.



Vertreps were held underway also, but sometimes as much as two miles from the providing ships with helicopters making the transfer. After each load the crew would scramble up to the flight deck to move the cargo before the next load arrived.



*The providing ship with the helo picking up a load for transfer to Sherman*

*Then the helo hovers over our flight deck while the load is detached.*

