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COVERS—Front: Ted Carlson photographed this formation of F-14 *Tomcats* over California (top to bottom): two from VF-11, one from VX-9 and one from VF-143. Back: this SNJ *Texan* was based at NAS Oakland, Calif., in 1950. Photo by William Rockwell. This page: a CH-53E *Sea Stallion* from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 263 banks over *Wasp* (LHD 1) as the amphibious assault ship steams off the East Coast. Photo by Mike Wilson.