



**GUARDS BAY**—NIKE missile which helps protect the Bay area from enemy air attack, shown in firing position on a hill near

San Francisco. The NIKE display will be one of the features of the Armed Forces Day exhibit Saturday at the Presidio.

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## NIKE Display Saturday

Deadly Weapon Will Be  
Shown to Public

The NIKE, deadly anti-aircraft missile which guards the Bay area from enemy attack, will be one of the many weapons on display in the Presidio during Armed Forces Day Saturday.

The thirty foot long weapon, poised on its launcher, will be shown at the main parade ground. A detachment of the Thirtieth Anti-aircraft Artillery Group, men trained in operating the device, will be on hand to explain it to the public.

The NIKE is controlled by an electronic brain. It is rocket propelled and carries a warhead which is exploded automatically when the missile reaches a target.

To provide for maximum safety, the warhead is constructed to explode only when in flight. The control system by which it is guided from launcher to the path of approaching enemy planes is made up of 1,500,000 parts.