

LONG BEACH, CA.

Los Angeles-Long Beach Harbor, the finest and largest man-made port on the West Coast. Home of the Queen Mary, the Spruce Goose, and the gateway to Southern California. After loading 300 tons of supplies for Palmer Station, we were ready to kick back and relax. Some of us headed for Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm, the Wax Museum and Hollywood. That tour at Universal Studios gave all those movie stars a chance to see us.

It was our last weekend in the United States for at least four months, and it was Thanksgiving. We'd had enough training and enough stevedoring, and we were ready to get Operation Deepfreeze '82 on the road ...

