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TA-4E FIRST FLIGHT -- U.S. Navy's new jet trainer -- the TA-4E -- takes off on maiden flight of 1 hour and 10 minutes. Sleek, two-place aircraft, ready for test two months ahead of schedule, is fifth in versatile Skyhawk series and was developed from Navy's A-4E attack bomber. Both TA-4E and A-4E are produced by the Douglas Aircraft Division at its Torrance, Long Beach and Palmdale, Calif., facilities. In addition to its primary role as a trainer, the TA-4E will retain the A-4E's combat capabilities with bombs, rockets, missiles and guns. First of the new jet trainers is scheduled to be delivered to the Navy