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Countdown For Orbital Shot Starts As Weather Improves

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—A brightening weather picture buoyed hopes today that astronaut John H. Glenn Jr. will be launched toward a round-the-earth orbit Tuesday after months of delays.

At a morning briefing, Project Mercury officials reported "generally improved conditions" in the Atlantic recovery areas where Marine Lt. Col. Glenn's capsule would descend.

The first half of a split two-day countdown was started at 2:30 a.m. The precount was finished at 6 a.m., with both the Atlas booster rocket and Friendship 7 spacecraft described as in "go" condition.

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The French Cabinet regularly meets on Wednesdays. It was not immediately known whether a special session would be held before Wednesday.

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Accompanied by 11 military and diplomatic officials, McNamara arrived Sunday night from Washington and repeated remarks made earlier that the South Viet Nam government appears to be making progress in the fight against Communist subversion and infiltration.

He declined specific comment when asked whether the United States was becoming directly involved in guerrilla warfare against the Viet Cong troops.

Before leaving Washington however, McNamara said that President Kennedy had made it quite clear that U.S. military personnel in South Viet Nam serve only in technical and advisory capacities, and discounted a suggestion that U.S. involvement might develop into another Korea.

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COSTA MESA, Calif. (AP)—Folks complained about the honking so the Humane Society picked up the culprits—a Canadian goose and four wild ducks.

The fowls were jailed, so to speak, under the city leash law for pets.

A bird lover anonymously hired attorney Ramon Poitevin to go to bat for the geese.

The lawyer told police his client's detention violated the U.S. Migratory Bird Act. They were ahead of him.

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Cease-Fire May Be Due In Algeria

PARIS (AP)— French officials said today that secret peace talks with the Algerian rebels had ended, heightening speculation that a cease-fire is imminent in the bloody North African rebellion.

President Charles de Gaulle's Algerian Affairs Minister Louis Joxe, who led the French government negotiators, returned to Paris to give a report.

Diplomatic observers said the French announcement saying the talks had ended almost certainly indicated that an agreement had been reached with the rebels. These observers said if the talks were going to be continued—or if they had broken down—the announcement normally would have said they had been suspended.

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By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Five of the six killed in the shattering crash of two cars on U.S. Highway 99 early Sunday were Tacamans, the oldest only 22.

They were James R. McClelland, 21; James Kinsley, 22, and his wife, Patsy Lou Kinsley, 20; Kinsley's brother, Jay M. Kinsley, 20, and Julie A. Klockner, 18.

The sixth victim was a Seattle employee of the Boeing Co., Russell J. Nyland, 47.

Driver Survives

Nyland's son, Gary, 22, driver of one of the two cars, was the only survivor. Badly shocked, battered and bruised, he was able to give state patrolmen little information on the cause of the accident.

Joseph Suiter Dies In Arizona

Funeral services were scheduled Thursday in Wilson's Chapel of the Roses, Roseburg, for Joseph William Suiter, 66, late resident of 1206 NE Walnut St., who died Feb. 17 in Phoenix, Ariz. He had been vacationing there for the last month.

Suiter, founder and acting president of Suiter's Building Supply Corp., of Roseburg, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Suiter, Dec. 8, 1895, in Houston, Tex., and moved to Kansas early in his life. He was married to Lulu Fry in Golden, Colo., Sept. 10, 1920.

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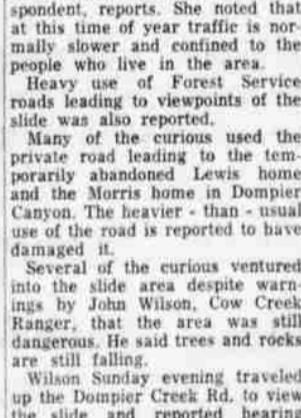
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THOMPSON FILES — Dist. Atty. Avery W. Thompson today filed in Salem as a candidate for the Democratic nomination to the post he now holds. Thompson has been DA since 1957.



ELECTED PRESIDENT of the Oregon Dairy Industries last week was Pat V. Sullivan, Roseburg. Sullivan represented Umpqua Dairy at the meeting at Oregon State University, Corvallis. He replaces Francis C. Sparks of Clatskanie. (News-Review Photo)

The Weather

AIRPORT RECORDS

Mostly cloudy with fog late tonight and Tuesday morning. Partial clearing Tuesday afternoon. Cooler tonight.

Highest temp. last 24 hours	52
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	43
Highest temp. any Feb. (58)	70
Lowest temp. any Feb. (56)	13
Precip. last 24 hours	.16
Precip. from Feb. 1	2.44
Precip. from Sept. 1	23.93
Excess from Sept. 1	3.26
Sunrise tonight, 5:49 a.m.	
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Portland

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Fire Chief LeRoy Selbold was a publicizing the drill today "so that residents will know what is going on and won't be excited into turning in fire alarms."

"There will be quite a bit of fire there at times," he said.

The chief said the department will confine the fire to a pit formed from an old house foundation.

Purpose of the drill, he explained, is to train fire personnel in the control of flammable liquid fires by use of water fog. He said about 40 firemen will participate in the practice, which is expected to start at 7 p.m. and continue until about 10 p.m.

Fuels for the drill have been donated by distributors in the area. Selbold and the battalion chief, George Thompson, both qualified instructors, will be in charge.

Few Showers Due

The five-day weather outlook, according to the Weather Bureau station at the Roseburg airport, calls for temperatures below the seasonal normal. There will be a few showers, mostly toward the end of the week. High temperatures will be in the 40-degree range and lows will be 25 to 35.