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Titan Missile Explodes On Launching Pad

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI)—A Titan intercontinental ballistic missile lost thrust one second after ignition today and fell back to explode in a huge ball of orange flame on its launching pad.

The spectacular failure occurred on what was intended to be the Titan's most critical test—an attempt to achieve ignition of its upper, or second stage, in flight.

But UPI photographer Russ Yoder, at a vantage point only one mile from the Titan launching pad, said the missile apparently lost thrust and fell back to the pad before exploding.

The Air Force said it knew of no persons injured by the blow-up. No one has ever been injured by a launching here.

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The measure, toughest of three bills considered by the House, was approved over vigorous opposition of union leaders and lobbyists. They charged that its controls would punish honest unions and their members.

Passage was on a roll call vote of 303-125. The 178-vote margin was in contrast to Thursday's 23-vote margin on tentative approval of the bill.

Final Passage Delayed
A Senate-House conference committee will be assigned to work out a compromise.

Final House passage was anticlimactic. The floor battle which began Tuesday ended for all practical purposes Thursday when the House tentatively approved the measure, 229-201. Final passage was postponed until Monday on a technicality.

Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-Mich.) had blocked final action on the measure Thursday by demanding an "engrossed copy" of the final version. This required an overnight printing job.

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TOP COWBOY'S PRIZE

Duchess Wanda Cox, left, and Duke Mike Stitzel of Union show-off the saddle that will be awarded by the Oregon, Washington, and Idaho Junior Rodeo Association to the Junior Champion All-Around Cowboy. The royalty will reign over the Union Junior Rodeo this weekend at Union.

Cuban Army Grabs Arms-Laden Ship To Smash 'Invasion' Try

HAVANA (UPI) — The Cuban army Thursday night captured an arms-laden transport from the Dominican Republic to smash a 5-day-old "invasion" attempt in central Cuba, the government announced today.

Government sources said that an American, Maj. William Morgan, played "double agent" in order to trick the invaders into sending the arms and munitions to Trinidad Airport.

Premier Fidel Castro was in the area to direct the smashing of the "invasion" from the Dominican Republic, the government announcement said.

It said the captured transport was piloted by former Cuban army Lt. Col. Antonio Soto, who flew ousted Dictator Fulgencio Batista into Dominican exile last Jan. 1.

Trujillo is Blamed
The government announcement placed blame for the "invasion" attempt squarely on the shoulders of Dominican strongman Rafael Trujillo.

Government sources said Castro was present at Trinidad Airport when the plane was captured late Thursday night, but did not personally take part in the clash between his forces and the invaders.

Announcement of the capture of the transport ended five days of government silence on the fighting in the mountains of central Cuba.

Government sources said Morgan, 31, Toledo, Ohio, joined with Cuban army Maj. Eloy Gutierrez cameras.

Morgan was said to have been contacted by plotters from the Dominican Republic, and, to convince them he was with them, he agreed to be military chief of the planned anti-Castro flight.

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Menoyo in a cloak and dagger operation that successfully lured would-be invasion leaders and munitions into Cuba.

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The sources said Morgan, a World War II paratrooper who fought with Castro against Batista, falsely told his contacts in the Dominican Republic the invasion forces had been joined by ex-Batista soldiers and even some Castro men.

To make it impossible for the would-be invaders to check the false information, the government sources said, army forces cut all transportation and telephone communications between Las Villas and the rest of Cuba.

Faubus Blasts Tactics Of Little Rock Police

Wallowa 4-H Fair Monday

ENTERPRISE Special — It's Fair time again! Four-Hers representing the 493 club members in Wallowa county will exhibit their finished products and compete for the opportunity to go to the State fair. The four-day exhibit begins Monday.

This year all the home economics activities will be centered in the fair grounds hall. Contest and demonstrations will begin at 3 p.m. Monday.

A special feature this year will be a talk and showing of slides by Friedrich Winnenhan, International Farm Youth Exchange from Germany, at the style show which begins at 8 p.m. Tuesday, at the Fairgrounds hall.

Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. the new 4-H casting contest will be held by the livestock barns. This contest displays the accuracy of the 4-H fishermen with their casting outfits. The grand champion livestock showmanship contest will be held in the covered showing at 8 p.m.

At 8 p.m. on Thursday at the Enterprise Auction Yards a record number of fat beef, sheep, and swine will be sold as part of the annual 4-H fat stock sale.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
HOME ECONOMICS
Monday — Judge exhibits — Dollar Dinner and Cake baking contests at 3 p.m.

Tuesday — Judge exhibits, 2:30 p.m. pre-judging style show, 8 p.m. style show and IFYE talk, and demonstrations and contests all day.

Wednesday — Judge contest and demonstrations, 11:30 judges comments.
MISCELLANEOUS
Tuesday — Judge exhibits and demonstrations, 3 p.m. tractor driving contest.
Wednesday — 8 p.m. Casting contest for 4-H wildlife members.
LIVESTOCK
Monday — Horsemanship events all day.
Tuesday — 1 p.m. Bring stock to fairgrounds.
Wednesday — 8 a.m. Livestock meeting, 8:30 judge exhibits, 1 p.m. All Livestock Showmanship, 8 p.m. Grand champion showmanship.
Thursday — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. judge exhibits, 8 p.m. Livestock Auction Sale.

COMPANY SPIRIT BY THE GALLONS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UP)—The employees of a firm here apparently are sold on their own product. The firm — a liquor company — testified at a tax hearing that it sold whisky to its workers and sales representatives at retail prices.

Revenue Commission Alfred MacFarland did some fast figuring and discovered that the sales came out to about a half-gallon a day for each employe.

Bitterness Mars Talks In Santiago

SANTIAGO, Chile (UPI) — Western-Hemisphere foreign ministers gingerly resume today a conference thrown into turmoil by a violent Cuban-Dominican exchange of insults which may have included threats to murder Cuban Foreign Minister Raul Roa.

Conference President German Vergara expressed hope that the meeting would "develop normally," but other delegates feared that new outbreaks might demoralize it completely.

The bitter exchange Thursday was touched off by Roa's charge that this week's uprising in Cuba was "organized and financed in Ciudad Trujillo," the Dominican capital.

Dominican Foreign Minister Porfirio Herrera Baez heatedly denied the charge, calling Roa a "sneaky who stains the Caribbean red." The Cuban leaped to his feet, calling Herrera a "filthy, heartless assassin."

Vergara, who is Chile's foreign minister, hastily adjourned the meeting and began efforts to patch up the quarrel. Late Thursday night, after conferring separately with Roa and Herrera, he said the situation "has been overcome."

As Roa stalked out of the conference hall in Santiago's Hotel Carrera, a bodyguard — apparently the bodyguard of a delegate — was heard muttering threats against him.

Likens Action To Reds

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) — Gov. Orval E. Faubus charged today that Little Rock police handled an anti-integration demonstration Wednesday at Central High School like the Russians handled the Hungarian revolt.

"Of course, it's quiet now," Faubus said. "It is not likely to be peaceful here for a long, long time."

Faubus held his first new conference since the "voluntary" and limited integration of two Little Rock high schools.

He said that if Little Rock police had failed to control anti-integration violence at Central Wednesday, he "was prepared" to take over with state police and the National Guard.

Firemen and city police broke the back of a demonstration at Central High School Wednesday with high pressure fire hoses and nightsticks. Police threw 24 persons into jail.

There has been no trouble since. Three Negro girls went to classes peacefully at Hall High School today for the third straight day. The police guard at Hall was reduced to 11 men.

The White House withheld comment on an appeal by Mrs. L. C. Bates, leader of the integration movement in Little Rock, to President Eisenhower to protect her home.

Mrs. Bates telegraphed the President late Thursday after state police arrested three Negroes, she had had serving as volunteer guards at her home, for carrying concealed weapons.

Vandalism Told To City Police

An act of vandalism was reported to La Grande police this morning.

Robert Smith, 1306 N. Ave., reported that someone had let the air out of the tires on his car during the night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hall, 1002 N. Ave., reported to police that persons attending meetings at the Latter Day Saints church, Fourth and N, block their driveway. Cars park on either side and make it impossible for the Halls to use the drive.

Two stray dogs were picked up by police yesterday. A female, white shepard was picked up at the park and a yellow, male cocker picked up at Oak and O.

Both dogs were impounded.

Valsetz Buys Timber Land Near Elgin

Valsetz Lumber Company has just completed negotiations to purchase 6,000 acres of timber land 10-15 miles north of Elgin from the Blanc family.

"This is an excellent growing site for wood fibre and the land will be managed from a forest production standpoint. It will fit into the tree farm program and forest management program of the Valsetz Lumber Company," said M. Gale Beals, general manager of the Mt. Emily firm.

Although the land is not being logged now, it will be handled on a selective basis.

Preparation for seeding on the land is now underway and logging roads in the area are built.

Valsetz Lumber company has purchased the mill and logging equipment of the Fir Pine Lumber Company at Cove, from Chauncey Payne.

Man Admits He Killed Three Persons For Fun

ISLIP, N.Y. (UPI) — Francis Henry Bloeth, 27, diagnosed in his teens as an incurable psychopath who strangled cats for fun, confessed Thursday night that he had killed two men and a woman for no more reason.

"If I had had more bullets, I would have shot more people," Suffolk County Dist. Atty. John P. Cohalan Jr. quoted Bloeth as saying.

"These people were just like flies on Bloeth's hand," Cohalan said. "He just rapped them and killed them, just like that."

Bloeth's victims, all killed within an eight-day period, were all night workers on duty alone in eating places in three different eastern Long Island towns.

He was arrested Monday for a non-fatal "Russian roulette" hold-up and as a "prime suspect" in the killings, but he insisted he was innocent until Thursday night.

Elgin's Curfew Law In Effect

ELGIN (Special)—Elgin's police department was instructed by the city council this week to begin enforcement of the curfew ordinance.

The law provides that at 10 p.m. all children under 18 years of age shall be home, unless accompanied by parents or legal guardian.

A second offense of breaking the curfew law makes parents and guardians of the children, violators.

It is also illegal for children under 18 to be out after 10 p.m. with 19-year-olds, or any other except parents or guardians.

The city council met Tuesday evening.

NIXON GIVES HIS VIEWS ON VISITS

East-West Exchanges Said To Be Hope Of The Future

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon said today that East-West exchanges like the forthcoming visit of Soviet Premier Khrushchev are "the hope of the future."

Nixon gave this estimate of the importance of the Soviet-American exchanges in one of 19 television-radio interviews he has recorded with members of the Senate and House.

He told Sen. Karl E. Mundt (R-S.D.) that there are "some misuses as well as pluses" in the Khrushchev visit. But he said President Eisenhower "had in mind the problems that are involved" in inviting the Soviet leader to this country.

Nixon's series of filmed and taped interviews with legislators, including Senate Democratic campaign chairman George Smathers (Fla.), gave him a special "grass-roots" audience for a report on his recent trip to Russia and Poland.

The vice president narrated two network TV film reports on his tour last Sunday night, but has not made a full-fledged TV speech on his 15-day trip.

Seven senators and three House members invited Nixon to join them for interviews for showing on their local or statewide TV-

radio programs. First of the group to be released was that made with Smathers. Nixon told the southern Democrat, a personal friend, that "when the chips are down" on a very important decision he did not think Khrushchev would act "impetuously."

In his appearance with Mundt, Nixon reiterated his view that the "alternative" to talking with Khrushchev is "verbal bombshells" followed by the "real ones" in all-out war. The advantage to the visit, he said, is to "remove some of the miscalculations he actually has" concerning the United States.

WEATHER
Sunny Saturday; high 78-83; low tonight 40-45.