

Launch Test Model Of Satellite That Will Tote Humans

RIDERLESS CAPSULE FALLS SHORT BUT IS RECOVERED

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI) — A test model of the Mercury satellite which will carry a man into space was launched today as one of the nation's seven astronauts looked on. The riderless capsule fell short of its mark but was recovered by a Navy destroyer.

"If I had my suit on, I think I would have gone this time," Navy Lt. Cmdr. Alan B. Shepard Jr., one of the future spacemen, said before it was known that trouble in the Atlas intercontinental missile caused the capsule to fall several hundred miles short of its target.

Feud On Between Probers

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Chief Counsel Robert F. Kennedy is closing out his spectacular career with the Senate Spectacles Committee in a blazing feud with Republican members.

Long-smouldering tensions between Kennedy and the GOP senators suddenly erupted into open warfare Tuesday as the committee resumed hearings on the United Auto Workers Union.

Sens. Carl T. Curtis (R-Nebr.), Karl E. Mundt (R-S.D.) and Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.) have been pressing for such an inquiry almost since the committee began investigating union corruption nearly three years ago.

The committee staff looked in to matters called to its attention by the GOP group, but Kennedy contended they did not warrant a public hearing.

A Republican team of investigators under Curtis' direction then began collecting evidence on its own. The Republicans began presenting the material at hearings last month.

Kennedy at first took no part in the proceedings although his brother, Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.), joined with union officials in protesting some of the procedures and the type of testimony being presented.

When the hearings resumed Tuesday after a three-week recess, the chief counsel denounced the investigation as a fraud and exchanged heated words with Curtis, who accused him of following UAW President Walter Reuther's "line."

Combat Ready Atlas Roars Over Pacific

VANDENBERG AFB, Calif. (UPI) — The first combat-ready Atlas — America's big stick in the cold war — roared over the Pacific today on its maiden flight as an operational missile.

It was the first Atlas fired by an Air Force Strategic Air Command crew, and the first from this Base. The shot primarily was a training exercise for the initial U. S. operation Atlas squadron. The launching here was the second Atlas shot of the day. Earlier, at Cape Canaveral, Fla., a riderless test model of the man-carrying Mercury satellite was launched, but fell short of its mark because of engine failure.

Today's training shot Atlas left the launch pad at 10:50 a.m. p.d.t.

Cove Schools Have Opening; Officers Picked

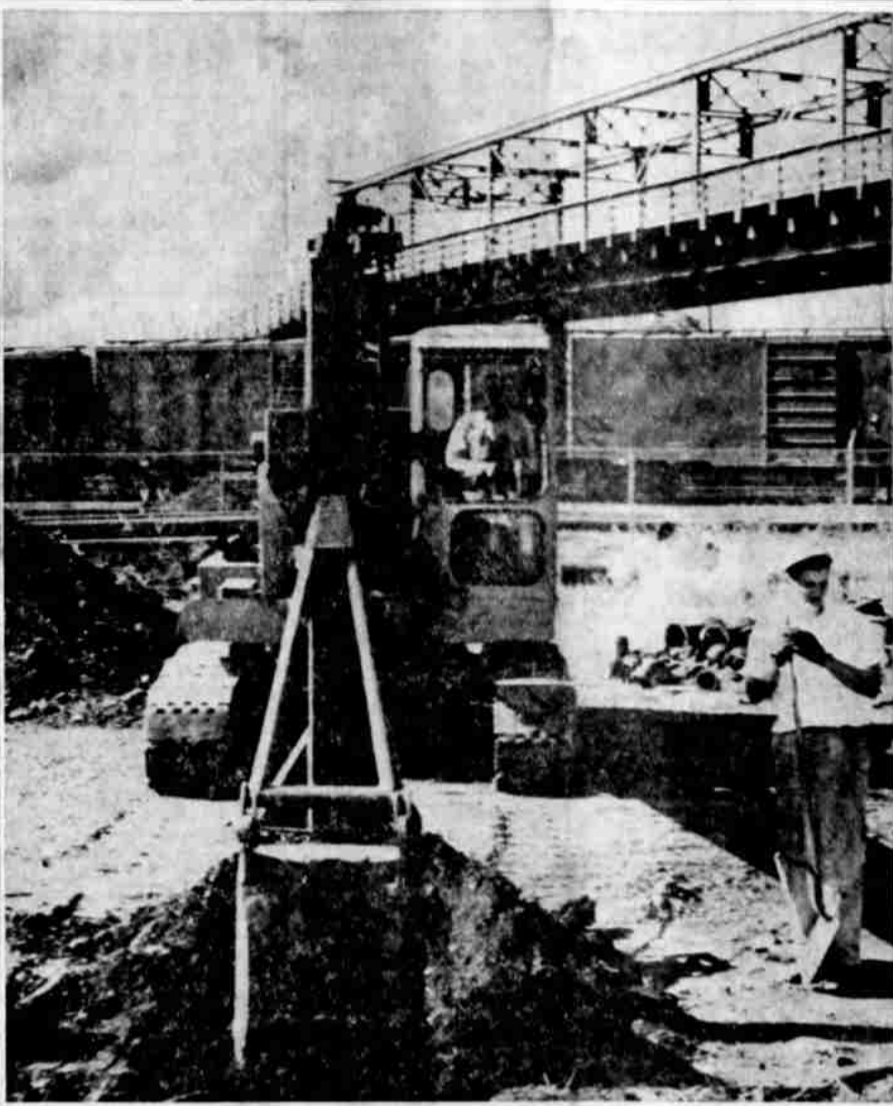
COVE (Special) — Cove High School and elementary opened Tuesday with registration, election of high school class officers and the hot lunch program being initiated.

Sixty students were enrolled at the high school with several more expected to register by the end of the week. Largest class enrollment was the freshman group, 21 boys and girls registering.

Class presidents elected were the following: Seniors—Bob Valade; Juniors—Jim Mansfield; sophomores—John Chase; freshmen—Jim Cash.

A total of 152 students and teachers participated in the hot lunch program at the school cafeteria. This number did not include the first grade elementary pupils, however, as they returned home after registration.

Friedrich Karl Schmitz-Winnen-thal, German, IFYE student, will address the high school body Thursday morning.



PIPELINE WORK UNDERWAY

Work is well along on the city water connection with the Union Pacific Railroad wells. A crew is digging the pipeline near the city water station at Second and W Streets. Handling the heavy equipment is Harold Wise, with Jason Finley (standing) his helper. Both are members of the city street department.

Government Man Is 'Confused' By Steel Strike Negotiators

NEW YORK (UPI) — The government's chief mediator, Joseph P. Finnegan, said today the negotiations in the 57-day-old steel strike are "the oddest kind of bargaining" he had ever seen.

Finnegan made this comment when asked about President Eisenhower's criticism that "half-hearted bargaining is not enough," and his demand that the industry and union begin "intensive, uninterrupted, good-faith bargaining."

Finnegan, asked if he thought the President's letters to both sides urging action would speed up the negotiations, said: "Sometimes it jars people loose from their ideas but only if they want to. In other words, only if they want to bargain and compromise."

Asked if he agreed with the President's statement regarding "half-hearted bargaining," he said

"it happens to be consistent with the statements of both parties. They have said they are right where they were when they started."

Hold Separate Meetings
"It certainly is the oddest kind of bargaining I've ever seen if you can call it that," he said.

Steel management and labor officials held separate meetings this morning to select a dozen subcommittees to assist the top-level negotiating committees.

David J. McDonald, president of the United Steelworkers of America, held a private session with 450 USW officials in the ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel.

R. Conrad Cooper, executive vice president of the U.S. Steel Corp., was meeting with industry officials in the Chrysler Building to choose their 12 subcommittees. The subcommittees will begin

work Thursday under the supervision of the Cooper-McDonald top-level Negotiating Committee.

The strike by 500,000 steel workers entered its ninth week today. Tuesday night negotiators from both sides replied to criticism by Eisenhower.

State Opposing Views
McDonald said the Union was trying to do just what the President asked. But he said the industry negotiators "have either refused or lacked the authority to negotiate, except on the basis of complete denial of any justice to the steelworkers."

Cooper charged that the only settlement the union has made possible so far would be a surrender to pressures for an inflationary agreement.

Rockefeller In Campaign To Aid Youths

NEW YORK (UPI) — Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller sparked today a statewide crash program providing for the construction of youth labor camps and expansion of detention facilities in an effort to turn the rising tide of juvenile crime.

State authorities are making a survey of sites for the camps, which will be modeled on the Civilian Conservation Corps camps for unemployed youths during the depression years of the 1930's. Rockefeller said he hopes that some existing facilities can be converted into camps, possibly by next January.

The governor announced a comprehensive program to combat teenage crime after a meeting Tuesday with Mayor Robert F. Wagner and 30 other officials and civic leaders. The program included plans for improved probation and parole supervision, revised work laws to allow youngsters 14 years and older to work, and increased opportunity for job apprenticeships for teenagers.

Rockefeller said there would be two types of outdoor youth camps located in state lands and forests. The state Conservation Department will run camps for potential delinquents with the purpose of developing vocational skills useful in urban areas. The state also will operate camps for the rehabilitation of youths sentenced for minor offenses.

The latest youth arrested for homicide occurred Tuesday when police nabbed Angel Davila, a 20-year-old unemployed Puerto Rican, shortly after he allegedly stabbed Estelle Green, 41, a Negro, to death on a Bronx street corner.

Reds Demand India Pull Back All Troops

Piping To UP Wells Being Laid

Work which began last Thursday on the laying of an 8-inch pipeline from the city pumping station and clear wells on Second and W Streets to nearby Union Pacific Railroad wells will be completed this week.

Dave Slaght, city engineer, said that the actual tie-in with the UP wells take place next week, adding 1,000,000 gallons of water daily to the city system.

Negotiations with the railroad for usage of the two wells began in 1954 but legal red tape slowed the process until the pact was signed late this August. Participants included W. E. Waddell, member of the city commission and UP official; Richard Neely, assistant city attorney; Fred Young, city manager; and Slaght.

Slaght, also acting city manager now that Young has tendered his resignation and steps out of the office Saturday, hailed the beginning of work on the project.

He said that the extra water should more than get the city "over the hump" during periods of dry weather when water users have been cautioned in the past to conserve their supply.

Actual cost of the pipe-laying project (including piping) is estimated at \$12,000.

FIREMEN GET INTO PICTURE

MIDLAND, Calif. (UPI) — A friendly fire dispatcher phoned firemen on duty at Midland's air terminal last night to tell them "There's a fire story on KMID-TV."

The firefighters misunderstood the message and rushed to the television station. They had been watching the fire story when the dispatcher called.

He's Man Without Country

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Nicholas Petrulli, who renounced his American citizenship in hopes of becoming a Soviet national but now regrets it, appeared today to be a man without a country.

State Department legal experts called the case unprecedented. They searched for ways to help Petrulli out of his dilemma but said the law seemed stacked against the Valley Stream, N.Y., man who got carried away by what he saw in Russia as a tourist.

Petrulli formally renounced his U.S. citizenship last week during a trip to Moscow, Tuesday, he said he had done "a stupid thing" and asked if he could come back to this country.

The State Department was waiting for the official documents on what they called a "freak" case. These papers, including Petrulli's renunciation of his oath of allegiance to the United States, were en route to Washington from the embassy in Moscow. They were expected to arrive Saturday.

One State Department official said "he's a man without a country at the moment, but very frankly we don't know too much about the case. It's squarely in the laps of the legal people."

The legal experts said their initial reading of the law indicated very little flexibility that would permit them to disregard the action Petrulli already has taken.

Fire Sweeps Through Eight Warehouses

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (UPI) — A towering fire triggered by two tremendous chemical explosions today swept eight warehouses along a 1,000-foot stretch of waterfront opposite New York City.

Six or seven firemen were overcome by smoke battling the inferno which shot flames and smoke hundreds of feet into the air.

Fire Capt. Lawrence Connin said officials were inclined to let the intense fire burn itself out rather than risk injury to some of the hundreds of firemen battling the blaze.

An assortment of chemicals including antifreeze, lubricants, and repellants for insecticides stored in the buildings added fuel to the fire.

Chunk Of Border Is 'Disputed'

LONDON (UPI) — Communist China demanded today that India withdraw its "trespassing" troops from the tension-ridden border area that has been the scene of armed clashes between the two countries in recent weeks.

The demand was made in a letter from Communist Chinese Premier Chou En-lai to Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. It was dated Tuesday and broadcast by Peiping Radio today.

Chou said that if his demand was met "the temporary tension on the Sino-Indian border would be eased at once and the dark clouds hanging over the relations between our two countries would be dispelled."

India claims the border area as its territory and has accused the Red Chinese of making incursions into it. Nehru sent Chou a letter March 22 asking for Kew China's views on the question, one of a series of messages sent on the issue. It was the March 22 letter to which Chou replied.

Chou rejected Indian claims to the frontier region, and said that Indian attempts "to impose upon China its one-sided claims on the boundary question" will "never succeed."

He also blamed Britain for the "long term disputes and non-settlement of the Chinese-Indian boundary question," accusing the British of "aggression" against China in the days when India was under British rule.

In London, a Foreign Office spokesman said only that there was no question of any British aggression against China when India was under British rule.

Tot Brutally Assaulted By Detroit Naper

JACKSON, Mich. (UPI) — A blonde, 3½-year-old girl kidnapped in Detroit by a thief who stole her mother's car, was criminally attacked before being found wandering naked on the street here today.

Little Debbie Roland was examined by the city health director, F. I. Van Wageningen, who said there was no question that the girl had been molested.

The little girl, "pretty as a picture" was discovered walking along the street near the Aeroquilo factory, just outside the Jackson downtown shopping district. The mother's car, with Tennessee plates, was found in a nearby parking lot.

In Detroit, police announced that the girl's mother, Mrs. Joan Holland, 23, was being held on a charge of child neglect.

Gary Smith, 19, an airman from Selfridge Air Force Base, who was with Mrs. Roland in a Detroit Park Tuesday night when her car disappeared with little Debbie, was being taken to Jackson from Detroit to examine his luggage that was found in the car. His suitcases had been cut open and ransacked.



'KEYS TO THE CITY'

Outgoing City Manager Fred Young, left, hands "keys to the city" to City Engineer Dave Slaght, acting city manager (seated in chair), as City Commission President Gordon Clarke looks on. This action took place in the city manager's office this morning upon arrival back in La Grande by Clarke, who has been on vacation.

(Observer Photo)



NEW MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION HEARD D—Named recently to head the Ministerial Association of La Grande, was the Rev. E. W. Kasten (left) as president; Lt. Oakley Summers (center) vice president; and the Rev. Lawrence Ables as secretary. (Observer Photo)