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'Very much on top of his mission'

Flawless launching puts Cooper into orbit

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI)—L. Gordon Cooper, 38, rocketed into space on America's longest orbital flight today and hours later was reported in good spirits and health "and very much on top of his mission."

The Air Force major rose into the sky atop an Atlas rocket at 6:04 a.m. PDT under orders, if all goes right, to soar around the earth 22 times in about 34 hours.

As he went into his fourth orbit at 10:35 a.m. PDT, Walter C. Williams, operations chief of the Mercury flight program, issued this word:

"He is very much on top of his mission. He is in good spirits and in good health."

Cooper completed his first orbit at 7:38 a.m., his second at 9:06 a.m., and the third at 10:35 a.m. He had reported at the end of his second flash around the world that he was "very comfortable."

Williams said after the third round trip that Cooper was performing all of his space experiments — designed to aid the longer Gemini and Apollo moon flights of the future — on schedule.

Releases Flashing Lights

One of his experiments, however, did not work out well. In this third orbit he released a 10-

pound sphere, about the size of a duck pin bowling ball, carrying two flashing lights.

The idea was to see whether astronauts could easily spot beacons in the sky. Such beacons might be used to guide astronauts of the Gemini and Apollo programs to other spacecraft in orbit.

But Cooper, according to the Mercury control center here, reported he was not immediately able to see the lights from the little ball traveling near him in space.

In an effort to get a glimpse of them, he took over personal control of his Faith 7 cabin, swing-

ing the craft around in space. Williams said it was possible the sphere was drifting too close to the cabin to be easily seen.

Earlier, after reporting he was very comfortable, Cooper had added, "In fact, I had a little nap." He is scheduled to grab a full eight hours of sleep, if he wants it, starting after his ninth orbit tonight.

At the start of his fourth orbit Cooper passed the marks set by America's first four astronauts—Alan Shepard and Virgil Grissom, who made suborbital flights, and John Glenn and Scott Carpenter, who each made three orbits.

Spaceman Walter M. Schirra Jr. did six orbits last October.

Length of Orbit

Asked how long Cooper could stay in orbit, Walter Williams, Mercury operations director, said only that the capsule's orbit was such that it could stay aloft for "the expected lifetime of the mission."

On previous manned flights, however, officials had said capsules in similar orbits probably could have stayed up for a week or perhaps longer. This would be far too long for Cooper, who carried only a three-day supply of oxygen.



ASTRONAUT L. GORDON COOPER
Out to smash previous U.S. records

Bulletin

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI)—Astronaut L. Gordon Cooper began his fifth orbit of the earth today at 12:30 PDT.

Mercury control reported that Cooper's Faith 7 spacecraft could stay up for as many as 92 orbits if the necessary life support equipment were aboard.

"As we refine our data further we may find it (the spacecraft) may be good for more orbits than that," one official said.

Just before the astronaut went into his fifth orbit, his wife heard her husband talking by radio during the spacecraft's pass over the United States.

Mrs. Cooper was quoted as saying it was "most reassuring" to hear his voice.

One of the astronaut's first remarks after his roaring climb into orbit was, "It felt real pretty."

At the end of the first orbit, clocked at 7:38 a.m., his mentors on the ground told the blue-eyed, 147-pound astronaut he could go on for at least seven orbits.

Would Land in Pacific

If he is getting along all right at the end of seven orbits, he will go on for 17, then for the full mission of 22 circuits. Completion of the planned flight would bring him down in the Pacific Ocean about 100 miles southeast of Midway at around 4:20 p.m. PDT Thursday.

If Cooper goes the full 22 orbits, he will pass over more than 100 countries and possessions. For the first time an American astronaut will fly over Communist territory. The planned track crosses Red China six times.

After two orbits, the space agency recalculated the speed and flight path of Cooper's Faith 7 capsule as follows:

Peak velocity: 17,546 miles an hour.

Low point of orbit: 100.2 miles.

High point: 165.3 miles.

Time for one circuit of globe: 88.45 minutes.

Lipscomb death heroin caused

BALTIMORE, Md. (UPI)—Baltimore medical examiners announced today they have concluded from laboratory tests that professional football star Gene (Big Daddy) Lipscomb died "of an overdose of heroin."

Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Russell Fisher, in a statement, said a contributory factor in Lipscomb's death Friday morning was "nonintoxicating amount of alcohol in the blood."

Fisher revealed that his assistant, Dr. Paul Schweda, reported this morning that his analysis found "unchanged heroin at the injection site in Lipscomb's arm, and large amounts of degradation products, mainly morphine in the bile as well as a trace of the same in the urine."

Rural budget voted, 128-30

A handful of voters at six polling places passed the 1963-64 levy for the Deschutes County Rural School District Tuesday. The vote was 128 yes, 30 no.

The vote was on the amount of the rural budget which exceeds the six per cent limitation. The amount voted was \$285,759.45. The total levy is \$866,828.68. Most of the amount is to provide a tax offset for equalization purposes.

Only noticeable opposition was in the Bend district, where the vote was 20 yes, 18 no. Terrebonne had 13 yes votes; 6 no.

The vote at other polling places follows: LaPine: 18 yes, 2 no; Sisters, 38 yes, 2 no; Turmalo, 13 yes; Redmond, 26 yes, 2 no.

DOW JONES AVERAGES

By United Press International

Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 724.34, up 4.50; 20 railroads 167.90, up 1.59; 15 utilities 141.41, up 0.56, and 65 stocks 257.68, up 1.66.

Sales today were about 5.65 million shares compared with 4.74 million shares Tuesday.

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Horses topic for discussion

A city ordinance with restrictions on the keeping of horses inside city limits will be discussed tonight when city commissioners assemble for a regular meeting, 7:30 in city hall.

Owners of horses and other livestock are expected to express their views and objections.

In other action, the board will hear a planning commission report concerning a new city street-improvement policy; discuss Bend's dilapidated buildings, and consider an offer of assistance on street improvements made last week by the Deschutes County Court.

REPLACEMENT SET

SALEM (UPI)—The House voted Tuesday afternoon to allow Douglas County to replace its present county court with a board of county commissioners.

Perfect launching thrill for Coopers

TAYLOR LAKE VILLAGE, Tex. (UPI)—"Beautiful," Mrs. L. Gordon Cooper said today of her husband's flawless flight into space.

Mrs. Cooper sent the one-word description of her reaction out by Dave Schwartz, a public affairs officer for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, almost an hour after her husband's journey started.

She said she would have no more to say for the time being. But Schwartz reported that Mrs. Cooper had a big smile on her face.

Mrs. Cooper and her daughters, Camala, 14, and Janita, 13, went into a bedroom by themselves to watch the liftoff on a television set. Schwartz was in the living room. The family wanted to be alone at a moment when they might have watched Cooper die.

Wife Smiles Broadly

Instead, Cooper's wife and daughters saw him safely soar into space. Schwartz said Mrs. Cooper and the girls stayed in the bedroom about 15 minutes. Then Mrs. Cooper came out, smiling broadly.

Cooper telephoned about 30 minutes before the launch. About 20 minutes before, Dr. Charles A. Berry, chief of NASA's medical operations, telephoned Mrs. Berry went into the Cooper home about an hour after the liftoff.

Schwartz said that Mrs. Cooper has asked him not to tell about 30 waiting reporters and television men anything not authorized by her.

Mrs. Cooper and the girls were up at 4 a.m. p.d. They had a breakfast of hot rolls and grapefruit. The girls drank milk and Mrs. Cooper had a second cup of coffee.

The only sign of life about the house when Cooper rocketed into space was a gray and white cat, sitting on top of the chimney and flicking his tail.

Europe sees TV pictures of launching

By United Press International

Television viewers on two continents saw astronaut L. Gordon Cooper soar into orbit today.

Americans, President Kennedy included, watched the Air Force major blasted into space on instantaneous live telecasts from Cape Canaveral, Fla., and within a few hours millions of Europeans also saw the liftoff in a videotaped transmission across the Atlantic via Relay satellite.

Other millions in Europe, Asia, Latin America and Africa followed the early stages of Cooper's orbital mission on radio. His flight was covered minute-by-minute in some European countries and on the U.S. armed forces worldwide radio network.

Pictures of the launch and other activities at Cape Canaveral were beamed to a 12-nation European network in a six-minute transmission via Relay, beginning at 9:25 a.m. p.d. when the satellite made its first usable pass after liftoff.

"The pictures were of excellent quality," European technicians reported to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. From the British ground station at Froomhill Downs, the Relay telecast was transmitted on landline to a European network stretching from Spain to Finland and including four Communist countries.

Another transmission to Europe via Relay was scheduled between 3:55 and 4:17 p.m. p.d. today and telecast by Telstar-2 was to follow an hour and a half later.

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County Superintendent asks big increase for his office

By Ila S. Grant
Bulletin Staff Writer

The passing of the Little Red Schoolhouse as a symbol of rural Americana, placing the big schoolhouse just as much "in the red" as the little one was, puts the office of the county school superintendent in the position of being liaison between the big districts, the small districts, the ever more powerful state Department of Education and, like it or not, the federal government.

The county school superintendent's office can go one way or the other. It can be eliminated entirely, or it can become a powerful giant controlling large sums of public money, offering extra services which local boards are not apt to refuse, and influencing curriculum.

In Deschutes county, the office of Superintendent David Potter seems headed to empire builder's proportions. His budget for 1963-64 shows estimated expenditures of \$58,212, up from \$39,435 for the current year. The increase alone is almost as much as the total expenditures for the 1960-61 tax year. From \$21,375 that year, expenditures climbed to \$27,032 in 1961-62.

Big Salary Increase

The new budget includes \$11,000 for the superintendent's salary, an increase from \$8,500 this year, Potter's first in the office. His predecessor, Mrs. V. E. M. Buckingham, received \$6,749.88 in 1960-61, and \$8,043.75 in 1961-62.

Among new items in this year's budget are \$8,000 for a supervisor to work with curriculum development, \$6,302 for visual aids and \$1,000 for educational TV. Both the latter two sums are to be matched by the federal government, through the National Defense Education Act. The NDEA went into being six years ago, when the first Sputnik pushed the panic button and the current emphasis on math, science and foreign language education had its beginning.

The bigness of the county superintendent's office has been known for some time to the Rural School Board, some of whose members admitted, in conversations with a Bulletin reporter, feel they are being subjected to pressures from all directions.

Rent Item Submitted

The bigness of the school superintendent's office became known to the general public a week or so ago when a \$900 item for his rent, submitted to the county budget board, smoked out the information that the superintendent is planning to move his office to Redmond. This stirred up a good-sized hornet's nest in Bend.

Having the superintendent's office in the courthouse is traditional, and in Bend a matter of sentiment. (A matching \$900 for rent is included in the Rural School District budget.)

The reason for the move, the superintendent says, is that there isn't enough room in the courthouse for his materials — particularly a film library now being built up — and a more central location is desirable for servicing the Deschutes county schools and developing a film lending service which is being negotiated with Crook county.

It's no secret that the courthouse is bulging at the seams. The increased space required by the assessor, because of the reappraisal program and subdivisions, and the ever-increasing files of records in the county clerk's office, contribute to the congestion. The county court is aware that a remodeling program to provide an addition to the building, or use of machinery to replace bulky files, will have to come.

Brought to Head

The acquisition of the county

school superintendent's film library brings the matter to a head. His office is on the top floor, and it is inconvenient to carry heavy films up and down the stairs. There's no more space on that floor.

A move for the school superintendent — somewhere — apparently is indicated, unless existing courthouse space can be utilized more efficiently.

At present, about 60 per cent of the use of the county school superintendent's film library is by the Bend district. The audio-visual aids director of the Bend system delivers films to and from the district's schools, including Young and LaPine. If the office moves, the superintendent's office will have to do its own leg work for the big Bend district.

The county film library now consists of some 429 films, including those on rental and lease arrangements. This year the superintendent spent \$10,000 for films, beginning a four-year program. Half that amount came from the rural board, and half from the National Defense Education Act.

Some 100 Films

The Bend district now owns approximately 100 16 mm movie films, averaging \$100 in cost, and approximately 2500 film strips, at \$5 apiece. Present indications are that the Bend district will discontinue its own purchase of visual aids, and will borrow from the county film library.

The two secretaries in the school superintendent's office, Mrs. Gladys Gardner and Mrs. Fernie Fies, live in Bend. Moving the office to Redmond would mean a 30-mile drive daily for them. Potter makes his home in Madras, in Jefferson County, another bone of contention.

Bend administrators agree that having a large selection of films available within the county would be a convenience. Orders from the State Department of Education must be scheduled in March and April of the year preceding their intended use.

A poll of Rural Board members who could be reached indicated unanimous approval of the move to Redmond. They are Hamlin Perkins, Turmalo, chairman; Emil J. Howell, Terrebonne; R. Wayne Hamby and Curtis Carlin, Bend, and Vernon Giles, Redmond. Lloyd H. Luelling, Bend, and Jesse C. Edgington, Sisters, could not be reached.

If — and when — county school district reorganization is completed — the area would logically be divided into two, or three, administrative districts. (Added to the Bend district would be Redmond and Sisters districts, or possibly a joint district to administer the entire north end of the county.) In that event, the county school superintendent's office could logically be eliminated.

But there is good reason to wonder, with the Rural School Board acting on reorganization matters, and the Board's chief employee, the superintendent, actually doing most of the work, whether or not the superintendent — embarked on an empire-building spree — will look with favor on a program which would eliminate his \$11,000 per year job.

Plan offered for lower Deschutes

SALEM (UPI)—A \$565,000 project to open up a 20-mile section of the lower Deschutes River in Sherman County was presented Tuesday to a joint meeting of the Senate and House Natural Resources Committees.

Russell E. Getty, state director of the Bureau of Land Management, said the project would be financed with federal funds if the money became available. The plan was prepared by a special state-federal inter-agency study group.

Getty recommended construction of a two-lane public road from Sherars Bridge — on State Highway 216 near Maupin — 20 miles north along the east bank of the Deschutes to Mack Canyon.

He also called for construction of three public recreation sites with camping and boat launching facilities.

Long Range Plans

The development plans for the Deschutes below Sherars Bridge are the first part of a long range recreation study of the entire lower Deschutes River basin, Getty said.

Most of the land is not now accessible to the public, he said.

Getty explained the proposed road would dead-end at Mack Canyon to preserve the wilderness character of the river downstream from that point.

He said Congress is considering an appropriation measure which would include finances for the project.

He estimated the proposed development would increase usage of the area from 3,000 to 75,000 people a year.

Getty said the BLM would continue to administer the lands, road, and camping facilities. The State Game Commission would be responsible for fish and wildlife resources.

Public schools set art exhibit

Students of all Bend public schools, elementary through high, will participate in the final art exhibit this year on Friday and Saturday, May 17-18, in the Reid-Thompson School auditorium.

Friday's exhibit hours are 4 to 7 p.m.; Saturday's 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. These entries represent work performed during the second school semester or which was not shown in the previous exhibit. All work must be original. Exhibits include drawings, paintings, clay models, sculptures and prints.

New racial tension hits in Raleigh

By United Press International

Racial tensions eased in Birmingham, Ala., and Nashville, Tenn., Tuesday but flared again in North Carolina's capital city of Raleigh.

More than 800 Negroes staged a "freedom march" through downtown Raleigh Tuesday night to back up desegregation demands. Police arrested 34 demonstrators.

There were no incidents during the march but there were some tense moments when the demonstrators passed street corners crowded with white youths. Police charged 15 of the arrested group with assault against Leslie Ferguson, assistant manager of a cafeteria, who was "put in a state of fear" during a sit-in attempt.

Ministers Back Desegregation

A bi-racial committee held a two-hour meeting in Raleigh Tuesday and bank official Victor Bell Jr. said "I think we made good progress in understanding each other and the problem." Earlier the Raleigh Ministerial Association voted 42-1 in favor of desegregating business facilities.

Birmingham was relatively quiet Tuesday and federal observers said the city's racial atmosphere was "improving." They added, however, that federal troops would remain at nearby military bases because of the chance of "trouble developing quickly."

Alabama Gov. George Wallace sent another telegram to President Kennedy demanding either the removal of the troops or publication of "the true fact of your military operation..." Wallace said the presence of the troops was an "open invitation to a resumption of street rioting by lawless Negro mobs, on the assumption they will be protected by federal military forces."

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Our new look

Readers of The Bulletin will notice that today's edition has a new look.

Changes include dropping the word "Bend" from the name of the paper and addition of a full editorial page. There are also new features, a redesigned headline schedule and a rearrangement of inside page material.

For a discussion of the changes see lead editorial on the "new look" editorial page.

Haiti reins still held by Duvalier

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (UPI)—President Francois Duvalier remained firmly in control of Haiti from within his heavily fortified palace today despite the arrival of an announced deadline for his assassination.

Rumors circulated outside the country, however, that he planned to fly to European exile today via the Dutch island of Curacao.

A Haitian exile leader in Santo Domingo, capital of the neighboring Dominican Republic, charged Tuesday night that Dominican authorities blocked preparations for an invasion of Haiti today by raiding rebel headquarters near the border and taking arms away from 67 men.

"We planned to invade Haiti early Wednesday when constitutional government ends, but now we are forced to postpone it," Jacques Cassagnol said.

In New York, a spokesman for Pan American World Airways said Tuesday night that "a party of four registered in the name of Duvalier" had booked passage on a Pan Am flight from New York to Paris tonight.

The spokesman said there was no indication the "Duvalier" or the passenger manifest was the Haitian president.

Both Pan Am and the Dutch airline KLM have direct flights to New York from Willemstad, Curacao, about 500 miles southeast of Haiti off the coast of Venezuela.

All indications in Port-au-Prince were that Duvalier, whose legal six-year presidential term ended today, was still inside the massive white presidential palace in downtown Port-au-Prince with his wife and two teen-aged children. He has been seen out of the palace only once since April 21, when Haitian exiles announced in pamphlets air-dropped on Port-au-Prince that they would remove him by May 15.

The palace was guarded by all five of the army's tanks, the palace guard which is believed to be fanatically loyal to Duvalier, and about 2,000 troops from the nearby Dessalines barracks.

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Boy, oh boy, is it ever clear up here!

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI)—A partial transcript of the conversations between ground control communicators and astronaut L. Gordon Cooper aboard Faith 7:

At the time of liftoff:
Control: 4, 3, 2, 1—
Cooper: Roger—liftoff, and clock is operating.
Control: Roger, clock.
Cooper: Sigma 7, Faith 7 on the way (Cooper was addressing Walter M. Schirra whose capsule was named Sigma 7. Schirra was the control communicator at Cape Canaveral.)
Control: You look good here, Gordo.
Cooper: Roger. Real good, buddy.
Control: Good sport.
Cooper: Thirty seconds and fuel is go, oxygen is go, cabin pressure... is working.
Control: Roger, you're looking beautiful.
Cooper: (Inaudible)
Control: That's a beauty, your clocks are in sync.
Cooper: Faith 7, one minute and fuel is go, oxygen is go, cabin pressure 10 PSI (pounds per square inch) as scheduled, all systems go.
Cooper: There goes the tower.
Control: Roger. Confirm your tower.
Cooper: Retro jettison switch off.
Control: Retro jettison switch off.
Cooper: Roger. I am on pitch.
Control: You look real pretty here.
Cooper: It felt real pretty.

Going into orbit:
Control: Faith 7, you're right smack dab in the middle of the plot. (The narrow "window" in space the capsule must enter to achieve orbit.)
Cooper: I am?
Control: You're smack dab in the middle of the "go" plot. Faith 7, your turnaround looks beautiful.
Cooper: Roger. Turnaround very nicely. What a feeling! Boy, oh boy!

boy! And there's the booster.
Control: Looks real pretty?
Cooper: Boy, oh boy, is it ever clear up here!
Control: Great sport, isn't it?
Cooper: Yeah. FBW (fly-by-wire—a method of operating capsule controls) is working just like advertised.
Control: Roger. I'm getting real good indications and pitch from here. A real good gadget.
Cooper: Booster's still smoking. It looks silver. Wally.
Control: Roger.