

Moving Pictures of Flying Saucer Shown

Alamosa, Colo., Apr. 26—(U.P.) An amateur movie enthusiast who made colored motion pictures of what he believes were two "flying saucers" held a showing of the film here today.

Grant Edwards said he made the movies about three weeks ago while on a fishing trip at the Trinchera reservoir six miles southeast of Fort Garland, Colo. The movies, made on eight-millimeter film, were taken at midday, the Center, Colo., man said.

Harvey A. Kadish, editor of the Alamosa Daily Courier, said the movies revealed two unidentified objects in flight. The objects left vapor trails across the sky, Kadish said.

Gaffney, S. C., Apr. 26—(U.P.) A divorce decree listing the plaintiff as Judge Littlejohn was signed by Circuit Judge Bruce Littlejohn.

Little Jane Shows Boy Athletes How Girls Can Excel in Sports

Pittsburgh, Pa.—(U.P.)—Athletic directors at Penn State's Behrend Center at Erie, Pa., are excited about a diminutive all-around athlete who is "the most natural athlete, barring none," they have ever seen.

The main cause for excitement is the fact that the five-foot, 18-year-old sports star is a girl.

Sarah Jane Whitney, Little Jane to her friends, can throw a football accurately 50 yards. She regularly plays touch tackle with the boys at the Behrend athletic field and can outdo most of them at the game.

Amazed spectators gasp out such comments as, "I've never seen a man throw a ball like that," when Little Jane goes into her act. The boys, often embarrassed, just stand around and shake their heads while the

pretty freshman co-ed flips the ball from receiver to receiver with the ease of a Luckman or a Lujack.

She leads her target and hits him like a bullet. Her timing and co-ordination are faultless. Even male physical instructors admit they can't pass a football any better.

Football isn't the only sport at which Little Jane is outstanding. She's high scorer on the girls' basketball team at the Penn State extension school and usually averages better than 10 points a game, which is high for girls' rules.

"I'm slightly small for good layup shots," Little Jane said. "I like to make set shots from farther out."

Despite her modest admission, persons who have seen her play say her lay-up is the scourge of the opposition. Her one-handed hook shots would do credit to anyone and her set shots are sure cord whoppers.

Little Jane admits playing "a pretty good game of soccer." She likes baseball, bowling and acrobatics. The latter activity she practices atop a 40-foot ladder at her parents' farm in West Springfield, Pa.

"I'd rather pitch than play any other position in baseball," Little Jane said. "But I can catch, too. My hitting is—well, just fair, I guess."

Those who have watched the tiny dynamo on the diamond say her hitting is "just fair" when compared to boys' against girls' pitching. But under any circumstances, it's good.

"I'm going to learn to play golf and tennis this spring," Little Jane said. "And I'm learning to swim, too."

Her deep interest in sports hasn't interfered with either her femininity or her studies. Her high school graduating average was 94.4 and she made three A's for a spot on the honor roll during her first college term. She is a home economics major.

United States Steel Reports on Profit

New York, Apr. 26—(U.P.)—United States Steel Corp. today reported a net profit of \$49,217,742 for the first quarter, equal to \$1.64 a share on common stock after preferred dividends.

The profit was just under the best level for a peacetime first quarter and the company retained the usual 65-cent dividend.

It compared with \$32,685,420 (revised) or \$1.10 a share on common in the fourth quarter of 1949, and with \$49,928,670 or \$1.67 a share on the present stock basis in the first quarter of 1949. The stock was split three for one in mid-1949.

Total sales for the quarter amounted to \$634,781,527 against \$358,666,171 in the last quarter of 1949 and with \$664,892,529 in the first quarter of 1949.

Big Steel estimated its federal income taxes for the first quarter at \$36 million against \$16 million in the fourth quarter of 1949, and \$42 million in the first quarter of 1949.

The common dividend is payable June 10 to stockholders of record May 5. Directors also declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 a share on the \$7 cumulative preferred stock, payable May 20 to stockholders of record May 1.



MARAGON PERJURY PROBE OPENS—John Maragon (left), charged with lying about his job and income at the Senate "five percent" investigation, arrives at District Court in Washington, D. C., for the opening of his trial. With him are Mrs. Maragon and Attorney Edward J. Hays.

San Francisco Painter Builds Real Flying Saucer With Available Tools

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Armed with a butcher's saw, a paring knife and some balsa wood, a 31-year-old house painter has set out to build a "real flying saucer."

After four-and-a-half months' work, Tony Alani revealed his partially completed "saucer," about seven feet in diameter.

"It's a real saucer," he said, "not a disc like some guys have built."

Alani modeled his saucer by placing two saucers (coffee type) face to face.

The outer frame model looks like a multiple-spoked giant wheel. Later he hopes to attach an engine after covering the saucer with model airplane paper.

No Experience
A friend's excitement over "flying saucer" reports gave Alani the urge to build one "to show people what a saucer really looks like."

Alani never had any engineering experience. He never built model airplanes as a boy. In fact, he hasn't even any drawing plans. He began by tossing pie plates in the air and then started moulding appendages on them.

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Most of the additional work will go for a model airplane motor, mounted in the center. Alani said he will use delicate gears to reduce engine turns to 800 revolutions per minute.

Normally that type of engine turns at 8,000 r.p.m.'s.

Alani figures that slanted ducts will draw the air in at the top and expel it at the bottom as the umbrella-shaped model rotates.

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How will it go forward? That's easy, the painter smiled. "I'll run gears down from the engine to propellers. They will give it forward motion, and counteract the torque caused by the rotating saucer."

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Students Find Food Goes Well in Plastic

Seattle—(U.P.)—Students at the University of Washington school of fisheries have gone into the business of canning seafood in plastic cans.

Clifford Soderstrom, 28, discovered that transparent plastic cans are just the thing for holding chilled or frozen seafood.

"I filled a can with oysters and put it in the freezer," Soderstrom said. "When I took it out six months later, the oysters were in perfect condition."

Three other fisheries students saw commercial possibilities in the transparent containers. Peter Wilson, Edward Stroup and Bixby Bonney sent two shipments of chilled crab packed in plastic to Honolulu. It worked fine.

Bonney, a salesman of the group, said they plan to develop a machine so they won't have to make the can by hand.

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Ship To Fire Rocket From Equator Point

Los Angeles, Apr. 26—(U.P.)—The USS Norton Sound will sail tomorrow from Port Hueneme, Cal., to fire a viking rocket from a point on the equator in connection with the navy's cosmic ray research, it was announced today.

The armed force's public information office said the rocket was expected to go higher than any missile yet launched in the equatorial region.

The viking, largest U.S.-built rocket used for upper-air research, is nearly 50 feet long and 2½ feet in diameter. It is propelled by a liquid oxygen and alcohol rocket motor.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Cleveland, O.—(U.P.)—Careless handling of automobiles kills more persons on our highways than there are men in the army and air force combined every year, the street and traffic safety lighting bureau reports. The two services have a combined strength of 920,000, but 1,400,000 died on the highways last year.

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