

Satellite Launching To Require Largest Rocket Yet Put To Use

Evanston, Ill. — (U.P.) — The launching of a tiny satellite weighing no more than 100 pounds will require a multi-stage rocket larger than any yet fired, a rocket fuel expert said today.

Dr. Noah S. Davis Jr., said the rocket will have to be larger than the combined WAC Corporal and V-2 launched at White Sands, N.M., in mankind's closest approach yet to outer space.

Davis, liquid fuels specialist of the Buffalo Electro-Chemical co., is one of the nation's top rocket scientists attending a symposium on gas dynamics sponsored by the American Rocket society at Northwestern University.

Problems Licked
He said most of the technical problems in launching the proposed satellite already have been licked.

"It's mostly a question of manpower, materials and money," he said.

The satellite would circle the earth at an altitude of about 250 miles, he said, and this height already has been attained by the two-stage White Sands rocket. Another stage would be required, he said, to launch the satellite proper on its orbital course around the earth.

James J. Harford, executive secretary of the Rocket society,

said rockets have been traced back to 1200 A.D., when they supposedly were invented and were first used as a military weapon in 1232.

Justice Department Gets Best Graduates

Washington — (U.P.) — The justice department is going to increase its recruitment of law graduates in its "get-the-best" program.

Under the program, started last year by attorney-general Herbert Brownell Jr., the department will select an additional 15 of the nation's top-flight graduates. Last year's pick of young lawyers has met with considerable success, the department announced.

The recruitment program was described by Brownell as having two purposes:

1. The department wants and needs the services of young top-flight lawyers.

2. The legal profession as a whole will benefit by the training of the young lawyers should they eventually leave government service.

The attorneys, who are recommended by their deans, will participate in a five-day orientation course in department procedure before being given a legal position.

News of the development spread quickly to Europe, Harford said, where they were commonly used as fireworks and as a "strictly unreliable" weapon. But, for a while, he said, it seemed as if the rocket might replace the cannon. Then improvements in artillery rendered the rocket obsolete.

Spectacular Comeback

Not until World War II, he said, did the rocket make a spectacular comeback in the form of the German V-2 and the American bangalore torpedo, or bazooka.

Davis and Harford said the United States lost the lead to Germany in rocket development before and during World War II despite the fact an American, the late Robert Goddard, opened up the field of modern rocket research with experiments that began in World War I.

Goddard showed that rockets could be used to carry scientific instruments to altitudes never before reached.

FIVE BY FIVE

South Bend, Ind. — (U.P.) — At 5:55 p.m. on the fifth day of the fifth month of 1955, Car 5 of the South Bend, police department received a call to 555 Ostemo Place to "see the complainant." Five minutes later, the two patrolmen in the car reported they could find no such address.

John Earl Spicer Sought by Sister

The Medford police department received a long-distance call early this morning from Mrs. Hazel Millie Polm, 441 Brownie st., McFarland, Calif., asking for help in locating her brother, John Earl Spicer.

Mrs. Polm called at about 6:30 a.m. and stated that there was a serious illness in the family, police said. She added that Spicer was believed to be working in the fruit near Medford and was driving a yellow, 1948-model convertible.

Anyone having information of the whereabouts of Spicer is requested to contact the Medford police department immediately.

GRANGE

Gold Hill Grange

The regular meeting of the Gold Hill Grange was called to order by Master Herman Kamping.

There was very little business to be taken care of, as so many members were interested in the two fairs being held at the time.

Owing to the dry condition at Roxy Ann, it was decided to hold the picnic in Lithia park in Ashland.

The next serving committee will be the Ferd Jones and the Gabys.

CONTRIBUTIONS ASKED

Stuttgart, Germany — (U.P.) — The American Red Cross in Europe asked Americans living abroad Monday to contribute to relief funds for victims of the severe floods in the northeastern United States.

Bell's Pre-Trial Hearing Under Way

San Francisco — (U.P.) — An Army colonel was conducting a pre-trial hearing today on the possible court martial of Otho G. Bell of Hillsboro, Miss., one of three American turncoats who returned from Communist China recently.

The hearing, presided over by Col. Bethuel M. Kitchen, opened Monday. Kitchen declined to say how long he expected the proceeding to take.

Kitchen said he will present his findings to Lt. Robert Young, commander of the Sixth Army here, and Young will determine whether Bell must face a court martial.

A Sixth Army spokesman said the record of the hearing would be withheld until Kitchen has made his report to Young. The other turncoats are William Cowart, 22, of Dalton, Ga., and Lewis Griggs, 22, Jacksonville, Tex. Cowart's pre-trial hearing has been set for Aug. 25 but no date has been set for Griggs' appearance.

The three, all former corporals, have been dishonorably discharged from the Army. They are being held at the Fort Baker stockade across the bay in Marin county.

Lima, Peru — (U.P.) — The wife of President Manuel Odría of Peru left for the United States Monday for medical treatment. The nature of her illness was not disclosed.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—SEVEN

Wrong Interpretation Relieves Defendant

Ogden, Utah — (U.P.) — After many years as a district court judge, John Hendricks thought he had become practically immune to shock.

That is, until one time he finished giving a divorce defendant a sharp lecture and ended with: "So, I've decided to award your wife \$50 per month."

The defendant's face was covered with a broad smile as he answered enthusiastically:

"Gee, thanks a lot, Judge, and I'll try to slip her a few bucks myself now and then."

BODIES RECOVERED

Barranquilla, Colombia — (U.P.) — The bodies of seven of the 20 persons who drowned when a motorboat capsized in the Magdalena river were recovered Monday. Ten other passengers escaped alive.

Man Uses Slingshot In Hunting Squirrels

Blountsville, Ala. — (U.P.) — "Shorty Hutchen is so good with a sling shot that he can shoot a steel ball through the neck of a soft drink bottle and knock the bottom out.

And he just carved the 57th notch in the handle of his lethal little weapon for killing another rattlesnake.

Shorty goes "rooting" about three days a week, which means he goes into the wood seeking wild herbs to sell. He always carries his slingshot to kill snakes, varmints and game—and even mad dogs. He is so accurate that he can dust the ashes off a cigarette at 15 paces.

From 40 feet, Shorty shoots squirrels in the head. But he has cut down a few from 100 feet with head shots. He says it is definitely not true that he shoots them only in the left eye. And he admits that when squir-

rels are running, he doesn't try for head shots. Shorty, whose real name is Henry, is a 66-year-old farmer. He took up serious shooting with a slingshot when he was a boy and has stuck with it. Now, he is so good he spurns firearms when it comes to hunting.

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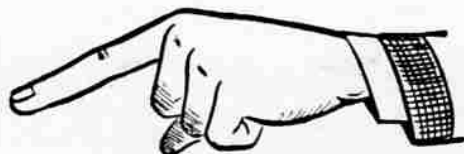
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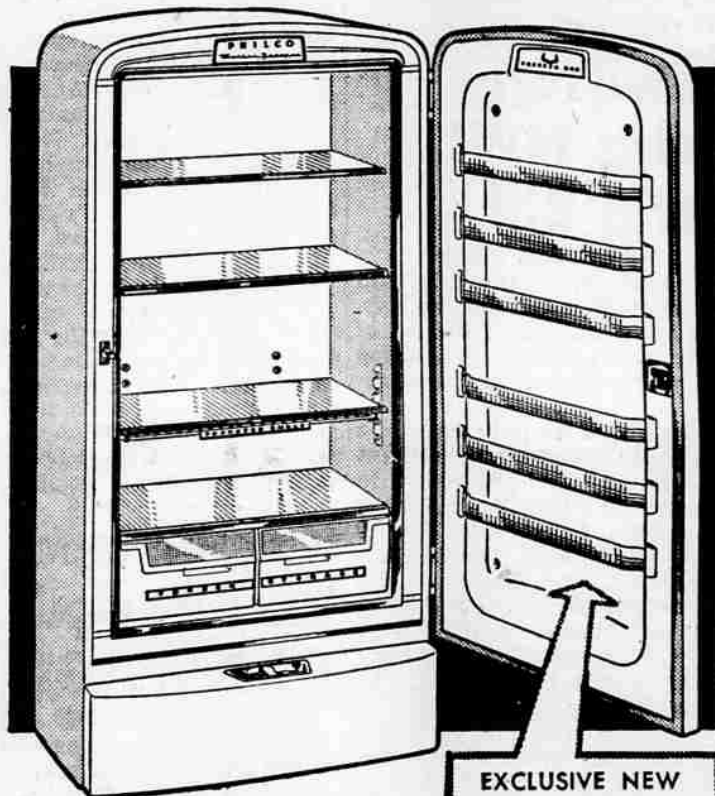
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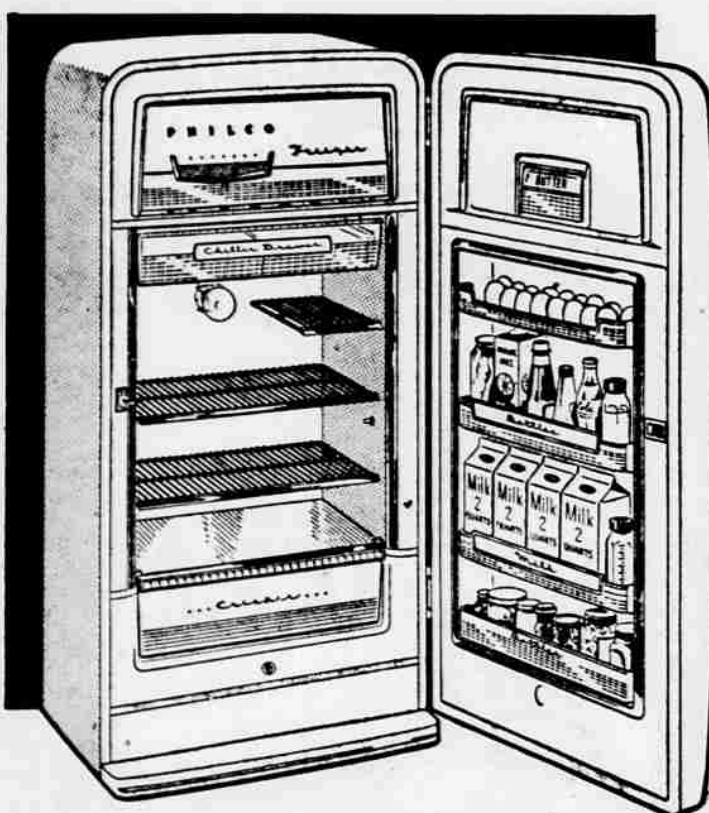
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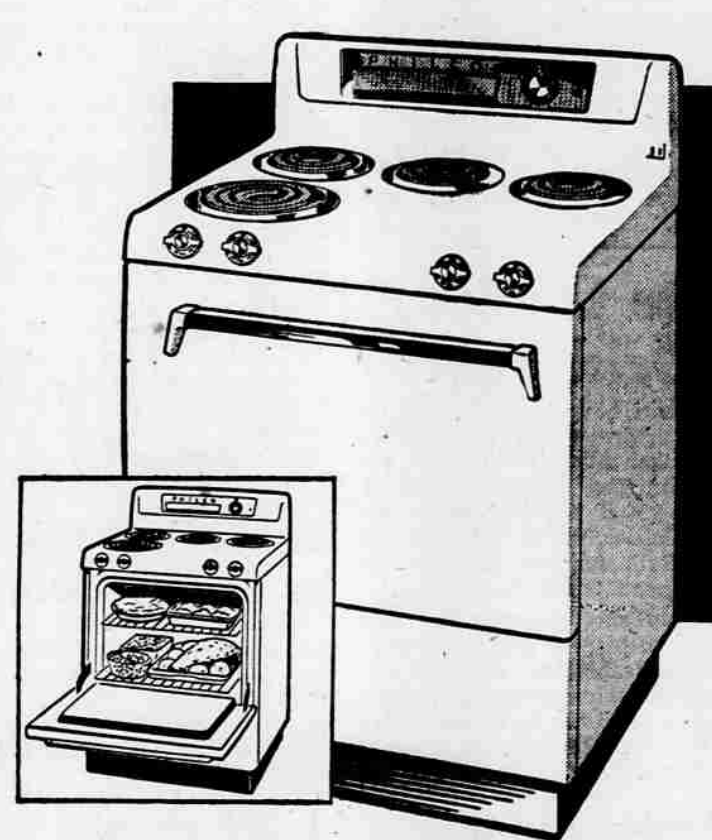
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