



Venus Now Visible as Star In Morning, Not Evening

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"What has happened to the evening star? It seems to have disappeared," someone remarked a few days ago.

The "evening star" alluded to is the planet Venus and its dazzling radiance no longer gleams in the twilight. However, the "goddess of love and beauty" has now become a "morning star" and is visible low in the eastern heavens just before sunrise.

Inferior Conjunction

On June 22, Venus reached inferior conjunction, or a position directly between the earth and the sun. Due to the greater brilliance of the sun, the planet was rendered invisible to earth-dwellers. Moving on in its orbital journey, Venus appears to brighten as the angular distance from Old Sol increases.

To illustrate what is meant by angular distance, take pencil and paper. Place on the paper a large dot to represent our sun. Around this dot draw three concentric circles. The circle nearest the sun will be the smallest of the three and represents the orbit of Mercury. The second circle, more distant from the sun than the first, represents the orbit of Venus. The third and largest circle will be the path of the earth.

Now, place dots to represent the earth and Venus in such a way that Venus will be in a direct line between the earth and the sun. Venus was in this position, inferior conjunction, on June 22, and it can be readily understood why the planet was invisible to us.

Daily Movement

Again, place three or four dots on the orbit of Venus (second circle) to represent the planet in its day by day movement. Draw a straight line from the earth through Venus to the sun. As stated before, Venus is not visible to earth-dwellers when in this position.

Draw straight lines from the earth to each one of the dots that represent Venus in its journey around the sun. This shows that the planet is moving to one side of the sun and inhabitants of the earth can view the light of the planet with less interference from the sun's greater light.

On the fourth of July, Venus rose an hour before the sun but by the end of July, Venus will be visible three hours before sunrise and reaches its greatest brilliancy July 29. Throughout the year 1936 Venus continues to be a morning star.

Other Planets

How are the other "naked-eye" planets placed for observation? Jupiter is low in the west at sunset and disappears from view within an hour or so. During the last of August it is too low in the sky for easy observation.

About two and one-half hours after sunset, the brilliant red light of Mars becomes noticeable in the southeastern heavens. The "god of war" can be easily distinguished by its reddish hue and steady glow. Mars has brightened considerably during the last few weeks and is steadily increasing in brilliance.

Farming Virgin Land Has Creative Power

London — (U.P.) — Nikita S. Khrushchev has told Soviet farmers that farming virgin land in undeveloped regions of the Soviet Union has creative power equal to a hydrogen bomb, radio Moscow said Friday.

Khrushchev, leader of the Soviet Communist party, is touring Kazakhstan, primarily a cattle-raising country.

"Look, now, what good wheat grows here," he told the farmers. "This wheat can be compared with a hydrogen bomb. The difference is that the hydrogen bomb has the greatest destructive power, whereas the wheat of the virgin land has the greatest creative power."

Claremont, Calif. — (U.P.) — Earl J. (Fuzz) Merritt, veteran Pomona College football coach, celebrated his 60th birthday July 8 by making his first ski jump at nearby Mt. Baldy on plastic snow. Merritt began skiing at the age of 40.

Travel Division Lists Two County Events

The Shakespearean Festival at Ashland and Jacksonville Jubilee are listed by the travel information division of the Oregon State Highway department as unusual events taking place in August in this state.

Dates of the Shakespearean Festival, Aug. 1 through Sept. 1, are listed along with names of the plays to be presented, Richard III, Love's Labour's Lost, Romeo and Juliet, Cymbeline and Titus Andronicus. The Jack-

sonville Gold Rush Jubilee, slated for Aug. 4, takes place at the same time as the Shriners' annual trek to Mary's Peak from Corvallis and the Emerald Empire Round-Up in Eugene.

Other events listed include the International Sourdough Reunion in Portland Aug. 16-19; the Fly-In Fish Fry at Pacific City Aug. 19; and the annual Huckleberry Feast at He-He Mill in Warm Springs Aug. 10.

SDA Pastor to Return Wednesday From Camp

Elder E. F. Coy, pastor of the Medford Seventh Day Adventist church, will return Aug. 1 from the Gladstone Park Seventh Day Adventist campground, where the 70th annual Adventist camp meeting closed Saturday.

Pastor Coy remained on the campground to assist in taking down the 1400 tents and help in storing camp equipment and furniture. During the 10-day encampment he served on the platform committee.

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