

Conquest of Space Soon To Be Within Man's Grasp, Group Told

Chicago — An Air Force physician predicted today that aircraft soon will be capable of flying at altitudes of about 38 miles and speeds over 3,000 mph, putting the conquest of space within man's grasp.

Capt. W. M. Snowden of the Aviation Medicine Division, Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, spoke at an atomic symposium during the 22nd annual congress of the International College of Surgeons. "Scientists and engineers backed by the United States government are headed for outer space," Snowden said.

He said the cost will be "as astronomical as its objective," but added its success is a national necessity because "no nation will be safe unless it can also navigate the vacuum that hangs overhead."

Scientists say the earth's atmosphere is an insignificant film, the doctor said, and "military technology is about to outgrow it, as it outgrew the earth's surface two world wars ago. Navigation of the air film is no longer enough."

Within The Grasp
"It is not speculative to say that soon we will see aircraft capable of flying at 200,000 feet altitude and at over 3,000 miles per hour, and also that the conquest of space is now within the grasp of engineers," Snowden continued.

"Already, rockets have carried animals well into the fringes of the earth's atmosphere."

Snowden reported the Navy presently is perfecting a full pressure space suit "which completely enfolds and protects the pilot regardless of what the altitude might be." He said that in the near future, a pressure cabin or sealed capsule must be devised.

"Man must carry his own

earth-born atmosphere along with him in this sealed cockpit," the Navy physician continued. He said research also is underway to solve the problem of disposing of the metal-melting heat generated by aircraft flying at more than 1,000 mph.

Judgment Needed
Although much attention is being given to guided missiles, Snowden concluded, "The little 'black box' will never replace the judgment inherent in a trained pilot in a well guided weapons system."

Another speaker, Capt. Harry J. Alvis, Washington, director of the Navy Bureau's Submarine Medicine Division, called the crew of nuclear-powered submarines the unsung naval heroes of the future.

He said the atom submarines "will be an integral cog in the machinery of massive retaliation which keynotes our national defense policy."

The crews will do outpost duty in far parts of the world, Alvis said, spending long periods in isolation from the rest of the world and constantly combating boredom.

Alvis said the best future counter-weapon of the submarine will be another submarine.

Bill Morgan Wins Junior Title at Camp White Event

Bill Morgan was presented the junior championship trophy at the play-day sponsored by the Eagle Point Desert Pegasus at Camp White Memorial field Sunday.

The trophy was donated by the Desert Pegasus club of Eagle Point.

Morgan placed first in the Texas barrel race, first in the scurry race and third in the pole bending event.

Dale Dest won the trophy in the special event for all riders under nine years of age. Mrs. James Dunn made the presentation. Ribbons in the event went to Kenneth Foley, Katy Bever and Leslie Krambeal.

All other events were divided into three age groups with trophies awarded the all-around champion in each group.

Judges were Sam Keim and Ray Barnard. Timers were Bert Simmons and Mike Hayes of the Eagle Point Junior Chamber of Commerce. Announcer was Bob Bever.

The program started with a grand entrance and introduction of guests. A square dance on horseback was presented by the Medford Trail Riders with Pat Murphy calling.

The various events and winners to three places were:

Pole Bending—Ages 9-13—Charlotte Zimmerlee, first; Jim Ackerman, second; and Bill Morgan, third. Ages 14-18—Penny Sampert, first; Jim Bunker, second; and Joan Owen, third. Adult—Clyde Bunker, first; John Zimmerlee, second; and Jim Wilson, third.

Texas Barrel—Ages 9-13—Bill Morgan, first; Jim Ackerman, second; and Mike Higday, third. Ages 14-18—Jim Bunker, first; Penny Sampert, second; and Ann Higday, third. Adult—John Zimmerlee, first; Jean Estramado, second; and Jim Wilson, third.

Scurry Race—Ages 9-13—Bill Morgan, first; Don Higday, second; and Mike Higday, third. Ages 14-18—Penny Sampert, first; Ray Moore, second; and Jim Bunker, third. Adult—Jean Estramado, first; Jim Wilson, second; and Keith Krambeal, third.

Musical chairs—Juniors—Marcka Ackerman, first; Jim Ackerman, second; and Charlotte Zimmerlee, third.

Seniors—Jean Estramado, first; Jim West, second; and Ray Moore, third.

Purge To Tighten Security in Cuba

Havana, Cuba — The government today counted on a sweeping purge of high military and police officers to tighten security measures against the rebels of Fidel Castro.

The purge, announced Wednesday, resulted in the arrest of three naval officers and the relieving of another of his command. Two other naval officers and three national police officers were retired from service.

At the same time the government renewed its pleas for armed rebels to surrender. A military communique reiterated a statement issued last week guaranteeing personal safety and a fair trial to any rebel who gives himself up.

Bicycle Rider, 11, Killed by Automobile

Hillsboro — Arlo Lahti, 11, died in Hillsboro hospital Wednesday night after being struck by a car while riding his bicycle.

State Policeman Wesley Crownson said the youth and a companion, Matthew Turner, both of Hillsboro, were crossing the highway to the Turner driveway and were nearly across when the Lahti youth was struck.

Ora V. Davis, driver of the car, said he did not see the bicycle, which he said had no lights.

Adverse Winds Again Delay Atomic Test

Las Vegas, Nev. — Adverse winds for the second straight day forced the Atomic Energy Commission to postpone triggering the 19th nuclear device of the summer series.

Scientists Wednesday night announced that a sudden shift in winds made it necessary to call off the test scheduled for 4:30 a.m. (pst) today. The shot, called "Whitney," was rescheduled for the same time Friday.

Littrell Reviews Plans to Introduce Bill in Session

State Rep. E. A. Littrell, Medford, who will attend the special session of the Oregon legislature, told Kiwanis club members yesterday of his plans to introduce legislation for a 25 percent reduction on the 1958 tax on income and for restoration of the personal property tax offset in force before the 1957 legislative session.

Gov. Robert Holmes has called the special session to open Oct. 28 to consider what should be done in the way of tax relief as the result of anticipated \$70 million surplus.

Representative Littrell said he felt any surplus more than \$5 million at the end of a biennium should be used to pay off bonded indebtedness. He expressed also the feeling that if the funds are not tied down in some special

interest groups in the state will be asking for handouts.

Sees No Reason
The legislator said he saw no reason for a special session on the surplus matter. He brought out that the state could be saved money by having the next regular session of the legislature pass a measure for direct credit relief on past taxes. Littrell pointed to the expense of

the legislative session although legislators would not get paid. He said he would be surprised if the legislators got out of the special session in 30 days.

Speaking of the governor's proposal to add \$10 million to basic school support as a means of affording some local property tax relief, Littrell remarked that in a lot of counties in the state property owners would not get the offset.

The luncheon was at Rogue Valley Country club.

Hoffa Rivals Have Scattered Backing, Survey Discloses

Washington — Rivals of Teamster chieftain James R. Hoffa in the race for Teamsters Union president have only scattered backing from union convention delegates, a United Press survey showed today.

A poll of a dozen major centers of Teamster strength indicated that Hoffa, tough-talking Midwest vice president of the union, has more than twice as many delegate votes lined up than all three of his rivals together.

492 For Hoffa
Of the 707 delegates included in the poll, 492 lined up for Hoffa, 53 were pledged to one of his opponents and 162 were undecided. A total of 1,924 will be eligible to vote for president at the convention. A total of 963 are needed to elect.

The figures contrast sharply with the claim by one candidate, Thomas J. Haggerty of Chicago, who has said that he will have 700 sure votes when the convention opens Sept. 30 in Miami Beach.

Three Contend With Hoffa
Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of a Chicago milk wagon driver's local; Rep. John F. Shelly (D-Calif.) and Teamsters Vice President Thomas L. Hickey of New York are contending with Hoffa for the \$50,000-a-year post now held by retiring President Dave Beck.

The three Hoffa rivals have hinted that they will form a coalition and unite behind one anti-Hoffa candidate if necessary to insure Hoffa's defeat.

The Western Conference of Teamsters, meeting in Seattle, Tuesday refused to endorse any of the four candidates. Labor sources believed this would help Hoffa's opponents nail down more delegates.

The survey by United Press showed the Ohio Joint Council, with 131 delegates, would cast 124 votes for Hoffa. The St. Louis Joint Council said it expected all 60 of its delegates to vote for Hoffa.

Some Refuse Figures
In Chicago, Haggerty's hometown, the head of the district council said Hoffa should "easily receive 80 per cent" of the council's 186 votes.

Big Teamsters' organizations in New York and Los Angeles refused to provide a breakdown on their delegates' choices. Hickey, a New Yorker, has claimed he has 350 votes lined up already.

The Philadelphia Joint Council—representing 81,000 members in three states—voted to cast its 102 votes for Hoffa. But Council President John B. Jackhus, an outspoken foe of labor racketeers, said the decision may not be binding on the delegates.

Beck Arraignment Scheduled Today

Tacoma — Dave Beck was scheduled to be arraigned in U. S. District Court here this afternoon on charges of evading income taxes.

His son, Dave Beck Jr., and two officials of the Teamsters' Union were to be arraigned on charges of conspiring to help the elder Beck cheat the government. The officials are Norman Gesert and Fred Verschueren Sr.

Judge George Boldt was expected to set an arraignment date for Nathan Shefferman, Chicago labor relations consultant, and his son, Shelton. They also are charged with conspiracy to help Beck evade taxes.

The six were indicted by a federal grand jury which deliberated here for four weeks.

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