

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

London—Kenneth W. Gatland, vice chairman of the Council of the British Interplanetary Society, hailing the successful firing of the American intercontinental ballistic missile Atlas as a "great achievement":

"It means the United States is right in the field with the Soviet in the development of long-range missiles. This development will enable them to put larger satellites into the air."

Little Rock, Ark.—Mrs. L. C. Bates, president of the Arkansas chapter of the NAACP, charging one of the nine Negro students who integrated Central High school was suspended for three days after being jostled into a bowl of chili on a white boy:

"If it had been any other kid, they probably would have helped him clean up the mess, let him offer to pay the cleaning bill and forget about it. But because it was one of the nine Negroes, different action was taken."

Cape Canaveral, Fla.—Gen. Donald N. Yates, commander of the Cape Canaveral missile test center, describing the successful firing of the intercontinental Atlas Tuesday:

"We passed landmarks and we checked them off."

New York—The son of an African tribal chief, Theophilus Adepoju Adenomonu, announcing his decision to give up a chance to win \$128,000 on a TV quiz show because of "embarrassing" questions about his two marriages and his visa qualifications as a medical student:

"I hope that you all will come to conclude that I was a good man."

Stanford, Calif.—Russian-speaking Detroit physicist Robert Herman, on the Sunday outing here of Russia's five-man delegation to the American Physical society meeting:

"They had a wonderful time. They talked about physics and looked at the scenery."

Lincoln, Mass.—Boston Museum of Science Education Director Norman Harris, telling parents not to worry about a baby boa constrictor which escaped from a local science classroom and is believed hiding under a school building:

"A baby boa constrictor could live a month or two in hiding, but would probably die of starvation. Or at least could not grow up enough to be dangerous."

Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
Ranger-Naturalist

Although Antarctica is the most forbidding, hostile land on earth with not one living land mammal on it, nonetheless its surrounding waters are perhaps the earth's richest in foodstuffs. Surrounding the continent is a belt of "sea-ice"—drifting ice which girdles Antarctica. During winter, the seas around the coast freeze. Under the buffeting of violent storms, this sea

Yet, this water is so dense with tiny living creatures that it resembles a murky soup—the living creatures being plankton, tiny one-celled plants together with tiny animals that feed on them.

Per acre, this freezing water may be the richest on earth—either on sea or land. And on this thrive millions and billions of other creatures, who in turn are swallowed by larger fish, by great 90-pound jellyfish, and by birds and sea-dwelling mammals. Even the largest of all animals, the blue whale depends for its food on this tiny life.

Whales Have Enemies

In addition to the huge whales which may weigh up to 150 tons are their enemies, the killer whale which although only 30 feet long attack in packs and rip out this great blue whale's tongue.

The ice pack also abounds in seals, none of great commercial value. What fur seals once existed have almost become extinct due to man's depredation. Protected, they make a comeback.

Of the seals, the most numerous is the crabeater seal—and yet, precious little is known of them, reports Walter Sullivan in Quest for a Continent. Less than half a dozen pups have been seen. Yet it is logical to suppose that these 500-pound beasts must migrate to shore somewhere to give birth and nurse their young. Surely, thousands must congregate, yet no one has seen such a spectacle.

Pup Born on Ice
A yet larger seal is the Weddell seal—the male weighing up to 900 pounds, and roughly ten feet from nose to flipper. The pup is born on the ice, a snug roll of fuzz about 57 inches long. On the tremendous amounts of rich milk, the pup gains about seven pounds a day and within two weeks is six feet long.

The only other sizeable animal living off this "world's richest pasture" is the sea leopard. A vicious killer, rivaling the killer whale, he has been observed leaping out and snatching a three-foot Emperor penguin which he consumes at one meal. As yet, no one knows where they give birth to their pups—presumably it is somewhere in the vast reaches of the ice pack.

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Girl Scouts

Troop Elects

Members of Girl Scout Troop 151 organized this fall into a senior troop with a membership of 12 girls. Officers elected to serve for the first half of the year were president, Julianne Yoakley; vice—president, a scribe, Dayle Ann Stratton; secretary, Muriel Bledsoe; and treasurer, Ann Barker.

Carolyn Finch was chosen as the troop's permanent representative to the Senior Planning board.

Other members of the troop are: Janice Nelson, Carolyn Hitt, Diane Lewis, Cassie Thompson, Karen Christensen, Donna Husong, and Linda Samuelson.

Mrs. Richard Finch is the troop advisor.

Plans were completed at last week's meeting for a Christmas party. This will be a progressive dinner with all of the girls helping to prepare a course of the meal. Five homes of the girls will be used and the girls are planning to carol on their way to each one.

The party will be held Monday, December 23, and an exchange of "white elephant" gifts is planned. Senior scouts of Troop 151 have participated in several service projects this fall and are working to complete the five-point senior program by next spring.

QUICK ELECTION

Lowell, Mass.—Just two months after he registered to vote for the first time, 21-year-old William S. Kane was elected to the city's school committee.

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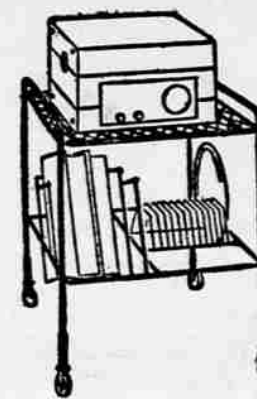
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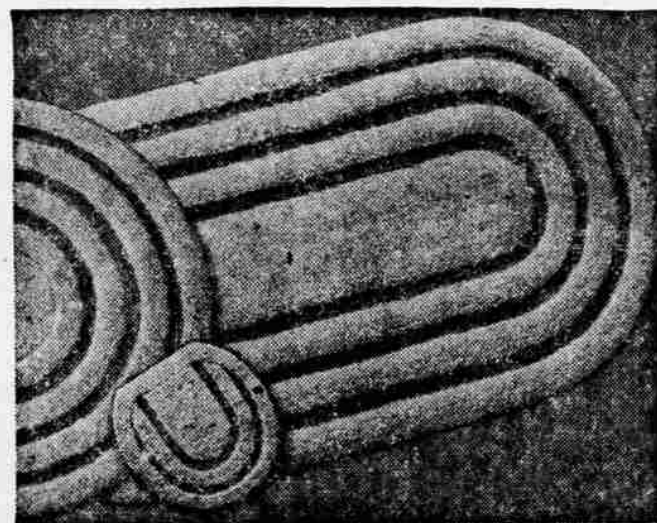
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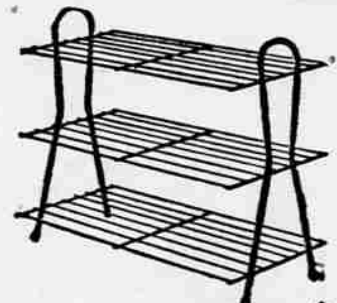
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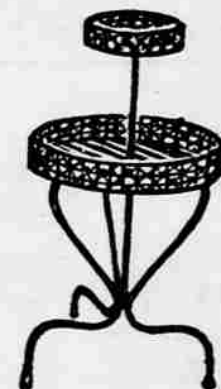
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