

Mid-December Space Shot, One of Biggest, Being Made Ready



PANAMANIANS HELD BACK — Panama National Guardsmen hold back Panamanian demonstrators intent on carrying a Panamanian flag into the Canal Zone where battle-ready GIs stood grim vigil behind barbed wire barricades. The National Guard cooled off the demonstrators in about three hours. —(UPI Telephoto)

Probe Would Give Ike Prestige on Europe-Asia Trip

Cape Canaveral, Fla. —(UPI)— Scientists are preparing this nation's final 1959 space rocket for a mid-December shot described as one of the biggest yet undertaken by the United States.

If all goes as planned, the shot into deep space will give President Eisenhower's European and Asian tour — which starts Thursday — the same kind of prestige that Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev got from the Russian moonshot before his trip to the United States.

Not As Powerful
America's last big chance for 1959 rests with a Thor-Able IV rocket, only one-fifth as powerful as the big Russian space rockets.

The Thor-Able will carry a small payload which scientists hope will escape earth's gravity and cross into the orbit of the planet Venus. The man-made planetoid will carry a radio "voice" to send back information from as far away as 50 million miles. This is more than 100 times farther than America's one sun satellite, Pioneer IV launched last March 3, was able to transmit. Russia also has one satellite in orbit around the sun, Lunik I launched Jan. 2, 1959.

To Relay Information
The probe will study communications at interplanetary ranges in preparation for later shots to Venus and Mars. It also will relay information about conditions in space such as solar radiation.

Beyond the deep-space probe, America's space research future is a bit clouded. Critics of this country's current progress in the space race are putting pressure on the administration for a speedup, and at least one administration official hinted last week that the government is considering another attempt to orbit the moon soon.

Kennedy Sees Importance of 1960 Election

Cheyenne, Wyo. —(UPI)— Sen. John Kennedy (D-Mass.) said Sunday that the 1960 presidential election might become more important to the nation than the 1932 victory of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"In 1932, the security of the country depended on the election of a Democratic president," he said. "In 1960, the election of a Democratic president involves the cause of freedom around the world."

Soviet May Outstrip U. S.
Kennedy told a Democratic Party reception here the Soviet Union may outstrip the United States within the next decade if a Republican administration is returned to the White House next year.

"In the next 10 years, unless we bring some sense into our farm policies, the Soviet Union may outproduce us in food and find some better way of distributing it to a hungry world," Kennedy said. "By 1975 the Soviet Union may outproduce us in hydroelectric power."

Works To Discredit
"Every time the Soviets are first, whether they are first in education, hydro-electric power, space, or food, it augments the totalitarian system and works to our discredit."

At a news conference Sunday, Kennedy said he thought the 80-day back to work provision of the Taft-Hartley law was a "one-sided tool" which broke the steel strike at a crucial time for management.

Kennedy said he thought the industry was reluctant to bargain because it felt an injunction would be issued.

Girls Found Safe At Multnomah Falls

Multnomah Falls —(UPI)— Two teen-age girls, stranded all night in rugged cliff terrain near scenic Multnomah Falls in near-freezing temperatures, were located safe by a search party about dawn today.

The girls, Jeanie Harkins, 17, and Marlene Masco, 16, both of Portland, had become separated from a hiking party Sunday and wandered off the main trail.

Searchers who found them said they were cold, hungry and tired.

They were brought back to the trail where a warming fire was built and then were brought to Multnomah Falls lodge.



LEAVE SHELTER—Mr. and Mrs. Brent Parker are shown entering the California sunshine after spending their two-weeks honeymoon underground in a nuclear fallout shelter which they say leaks dust. Brent, 19, and his wife, Renae, 17, were given a \$1,000 check for their testing of the shelter. Their only links with the outside world were a telephone, a battery-powered radio and a battery-operated television set. —(UPI Telephoto)

Couple Completes 2 Weeks in Atomic Fallout Shelter

Downey, Calif. —(UPI)— A 19-year-old youth and the teenage bride he married Nov. 14 start today their first full week of married life above ground.

They spent the first two weeks of marriage in an 8 by 8 foot underground atomic fallout shelter.

Brent and Renae Parker emerged from the shelter Saturday, blinking in the bright sunlight and a little paler, but apparently none the worse for their experience.

Cooking Difficult
"It wasn't too bad," smiled Renae. "The only difficult thing was cooking." She had to prepare their meals on a hot plate, and she admitted, they had overeaten the stored groceries so that their last two days in the shelter they were without meat.

They had to eat fruits and vegetables the last 48 hours, they said.

Congressman Chet Holifield (D-Calif.), chairman of a House subcommittee of radiation, was on hand to meet the couple and inspect the small family shelter with reporters and civil defense officials.

Renae caused some concern among civil defense men when she reported by telephone several days after entering the shelter that dust was sifting into the concrete bunker. Dust after an atomic attack probably would carry deadly radiation and imperil inhabitants of shelters if it seeped in.

Doubts Dust Harmful
Holifield said he found some dust on an air intake ventilation pipe, but he said he doubted the amount would be harmful to occupants even if it

had been contaminated. They were locked in the shelter for the full length of time, and when they emerged they received a \$1,000 check for their ordeal from a finance company which built the shelter to see whether a couple could actually live in it.

Rail Stocks Gain In Early Trading

New York —(UPI)— Rail stocks picked up fractions to more than a point in early trading, continuing the rally in progress at the close last week and highlighting a generally higher, moderately active market.

The improvement in rails lifted New York Central, Illinois Central and Northern Pacific around a point each, eliminating the average losses suffered in the early part of last week.

Allegheny Corp. added a point, its preferred more than 4.

In Spotlight
Among industrials, aircrafts, electronics and chemicals held the spotlight. Chrysler had one of the few losses of size, dropping over a point in a generally steady auto group. Ford added nearly 1.

Among the electronics, International Business Machines gained 6. Texas Instruments 4½, Ampex 4½, Zenith 2, RCA over a point, General Time more than 2.

Aircraft gains ranged close to 2 points in Bendix, Jones & Laughlin rose over a point

Vicious Crimes on Increase

Washington —(UPI)— FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover reported today that vicious crimes such as murder, rape, stabbings and violent assault are on the increase throughout the nation.

Hoover declared that these terroristic crimes have risen 7 per cent in the first nine months of this year even though the overall crime statistics dipped 1 per cent for the same period of 1958.

Using figures reported by cities of more than 25,000 population, the FBI chief stressed that murder showed an increase of 4 per cent through September; forcible rape, 5 per cent, and aggravated assault, 7 per cent.

Decrease 'Insignificant'
Only a decrease in "crimes against property such as larcenies, burglaries and auto thefts offset the increase in crimes against persons," Hoover said. He termed the over-all 1 per cent general decrease "almost insignificant."

Of non-violent crimes, Hoover said reports for the first nine months of the year showed a 7 per cent decrease in robberies, 2 per cent in burglaries, 1 per cent in auto theft, and 1 per cent in larcenies over \$50.

But Hoover said: "Violent assaults against the person continue their upward climb." **New York, Chicago Lead**

A breakdown of crime statistics for 134 cities of more than 100,000 population showed New York and Chicago led the list of murder cities.

New York reported 303 cases of murder and non-negligent manslaughter; Chicago, 247; Philadelphia, 91; Los Angeles and Houston, 89 each; Detroit 84.

Los Angeles had the highest number of rape cases—745. New York reported 581; Philadelphia, 483; Chicago, 441, and Detroit, 198.

For aggravated assault, Philadelphia, 4,959; Detroit, 3,665; Hoover listed these statistics: Philadelphia, 3,345; Chicago, New York, 8,668; Los Angeles, 3,243.

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'Rocky' Not Opposed To Birth Control Assistance if Sought

New York —(UPI)— Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller said today he would not oppose this nation's giving birth control assistance to a foreign nation provided the other nation requested it.

"This is a very sensitive subject to various individuals, and, of course, to certain religious groups," Rockefeller said.

"Naturally, a program involving activities relating to birth control would not be undertaken if it was offensive to the people of that country," he added.

Home From Venezuela
Rockefeller, considered a possible contender for the Republican presidential nomination in 1960, spoke to newsmen after returning here from a six-day rest at his Venezuelan ranch.

His remarks on birth control were the latest in a series of statements over the week end by declared or undeclared aspirants for presidential nomination. Birth control has been proposed in many quarters as one possible answer to the problem of populations expanding faster than food production — too many people and too little food.

Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) a Roman Catholic, said he believed it would be unwise for this nation to advocate birth control to other countries. This would be interfering in a totally domestic

problem of those nations, he said.

Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.) said he would approve of furnishing planned parenthood information to other countries "where the government believes it is in the interest of our country." He

Hepatitis Outbreak Gains Momentum

Portland —(UPI)— Oregon's current outbreak of hepatitis picked up momentum last week, according to the Board of Health.

The outbreak is already the fourth worst for the disease in Oregon's history, the board said. Last week's cases brought the Oregon infectious hepatitis total so far this year to 773, twice the 385 reported during the same period a year ago.

Douglas county continued to be the focal point of the outbreak with a total of 150 cases so far this year.

Straub To Be Honored At Party on Dec. 12
Salem —(UPI)— Robert Straube, new chairman of the State Democratic Central Committee, will be honored at a statewide party dinner to be held here Dec. 12.

noted that poverty and disease are "two of the foremost allies of Communism."

Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) said the United States should not try to influence the policies of other nations on birth control but should not deny birth control information to nations that desire it.

4-H Clubbers Told Of Responsibilities

Chicago —(UPI)— The president of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. told delegates to the National 4-H Club Congress today that they have certain important responsibilities evolving from their trip to the meeting, one being to sell the 4-H program.

Raymond C. Firestone, vice president of the National Committee on Boys and Girls Club Work, was host to 2,000 4-H club delegates at a breakfast. Firestone pointed out that the delegates chosen on the record of their performance, not only represent their local clubs but the 2,250,000 4-H club members.

ACTOR DIES
Hollywood —(UPI)— Lester Vail, 59, an actor and director, died Saturday. Vail had played in such movies as "Dance, Fools, Dance" and "The Women Between" in 1931.



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