

Russians Pleased By Rocket Shot

Moscow — Soviet scientists were jubilant today over the disclosure that a rabbit and two dogs were safely returned to earth from a rocket fired 125 miles into the upper atmosphere.

The high altitude rocket shot was closely linked to the forthcoming Pacific rocket tests which have been announced for July 5-31.

On America's Independence Day, Soviet officials announced they successfully

fired a 4,400-pound rocket last month with the animals aboard.

Director Alexander Mikhailov of the Pulkovo Observatory near Leningrad said he was "amazed" by the weight lifted by the high-altitude rocket shot.

Russian scientists said the rocket shot collected valuable information on conditions of weightlessness in space flight and other significant subjects.

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Convention Delegates Face Preliminaries Before Big Job

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Washington — Delegates to political conventions sit through two or three days of speechmaking, platform writing and other preliminaries before tackling their big job of nominating a candidate for president.

Harmony usually prevails at the warm-up sessions at Republican conventions. But the Democrats invariably get embroiled in one of two preliminary fights in which the slugging gets almost as rough as in the main bout.

Weeks in Advance
Tentative convention programs are laid out weeks in advance under the auspices of the national committees of the two parties. This planning includes the selection of convention officers, who, with rare exceptions, are routinely elected by the conventions.

The officers include the temporary chairman, permanent chairman and the chairman of the platform and credentials committees. The temporary chairman gives the keynote speech for the Democrats, but the Republicans are splitting the two jobs this year.

All states are represented on the platform and credentials committees. During the week preceding the convention proper, the prospective chairmen and some of the members of these two committees start to work.

Most of the opening session at each convention is devoted to speeches — by host mayors and governors, the chairmen of the national political committees and the keynote speakers.

A showdown on seating of contested delegates may come at the opening session during adoption of the temporary roll, or at the second session, after the permanent chairman's speech, on adoption of the permanent roll of delegates.

May Challenge Seating
The seating of some southern delegates to the Democratic convention may be challenged under a "loyalty" rule adopted in 1956 and recommended to the 1960 convention by the Democratic National Committee.

That rule requires each state delegate to give assurances that the presidential nominee of the convention

will appear on the state's ballot under the Democratic Party label. Some delegates balk at giving that commitment before the platform is adopted and the presidential nominee is chosen.

A contest over credentials may mean a denial of seats to some delegates or a choice between rival delegations from the same state.

After these contests, if any, are settled, adoption of the party platform is the next major item of business. The Democrats will have their quadrennial row between their northern and southern contingents over a civil rights plank.

To Honor Eisenhower
The Republicans will devote one of their preliminary sessions this year to honoring President Eisenhower and to hearing a speech from him.

After the preliminaries, the convention moves into its climactic stage with nomination of candidates for president. To avoid boring and losing their TV audiences, each party will limit the number and time of nominating speeches and the time for demonstrations.

By hoary tradition, the nominating speech for each candidate is followed by a noisy demonstration in which his followers parade around the hall, waving placards and singing, and trying to give the impression that practically everybody is for their man.

The mention of the candidate's name is the usual signal for setting off the bedlam, which makes it necessary for the nominating speaker to resort to all sorts of evasions ("the man who...") to avoid mentioning the name before the end of his speech.

Once all of the nominations have been made and seconded, the convention is ready to ballot. The clerk calls the roll of the states, and the chairman of each delegation tells how its vote is to be recorded among the various nominees.

Early Nixon Choice
The Republicans may well nominate Vice President Richard M. Nixon on the first ballot, but the Democrats could be in for several roll calls before any nominee clinches the necessary majority. Back in 1924, when it took a two-thirds majority to nominate a Democratic candidate, a deadlocked convention staggered through 103 ballots.

Then comes the nomination of a vice presidential candidate—usually chosen by the presidential nominee or an inner circle around him—and the acceptance speeches from both candidates.

The convention is then over and the presidential campaign is underway.

Albacore Tuna Spotted Off Coast

Portland — A spokesman for the State Game Commission said today albacore tuna have been spotted about 110 miles off the Oregon coast.

Roger Budlong, public relations officer for the commission, said the tuna were seen by a team of biologists and oceanographers from the Game Commission and Oregon State college.

Budlong said data was not complete enough to say whether the run was commercially profitable. The sighting was made by crews of the ship "Morning Star" of Astoria, about 110 miles west-by-northwest of Cape Blanco.

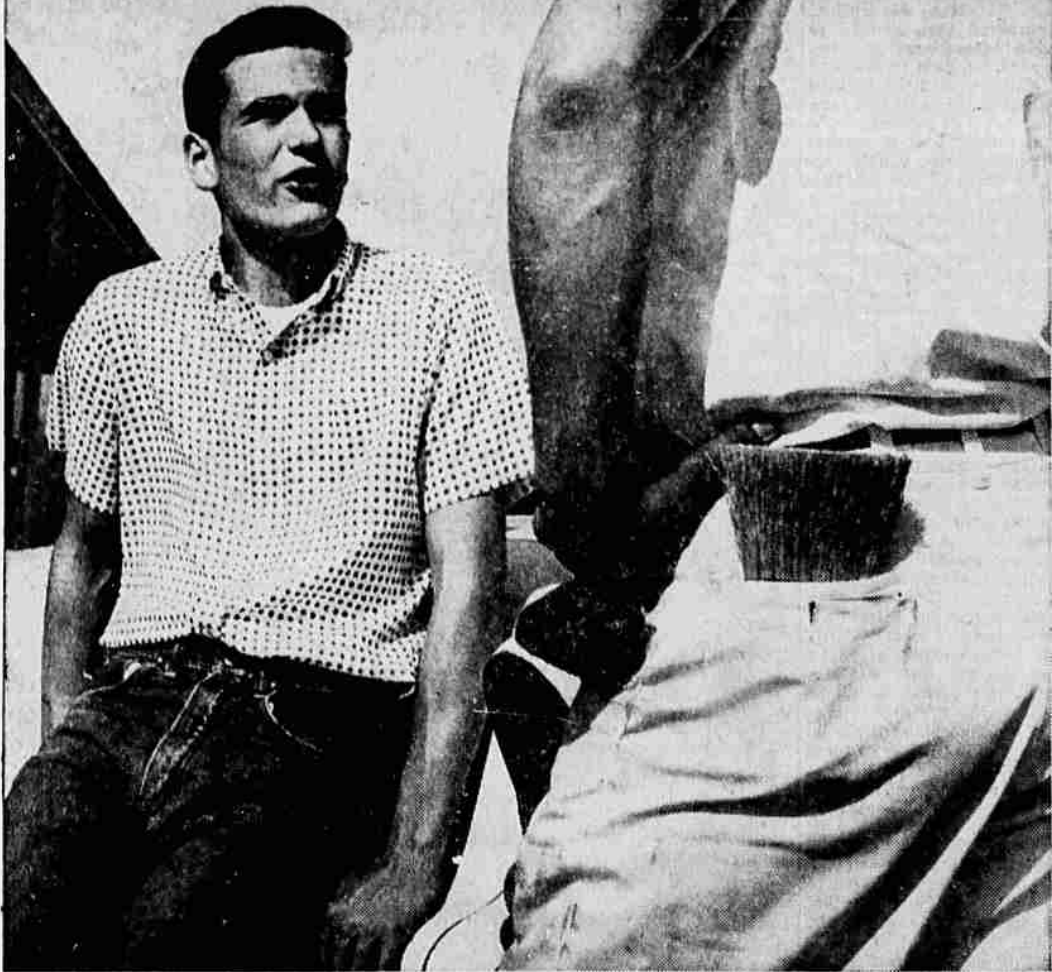
Retirement Home Planned at Seaside

Seaside — Plans for a \$2.8 million retirement home here have been announced by the Rev. Edward Terry, executive director of Oregon Senior Citizens of Seaside, Inc.

The home will be called Seaside Villa and will have 10 stories containing 136 apartments, surrounded by 60 garden-type apartment units one story high. The home will be located on an 18-acre tract on the Necanicum river.

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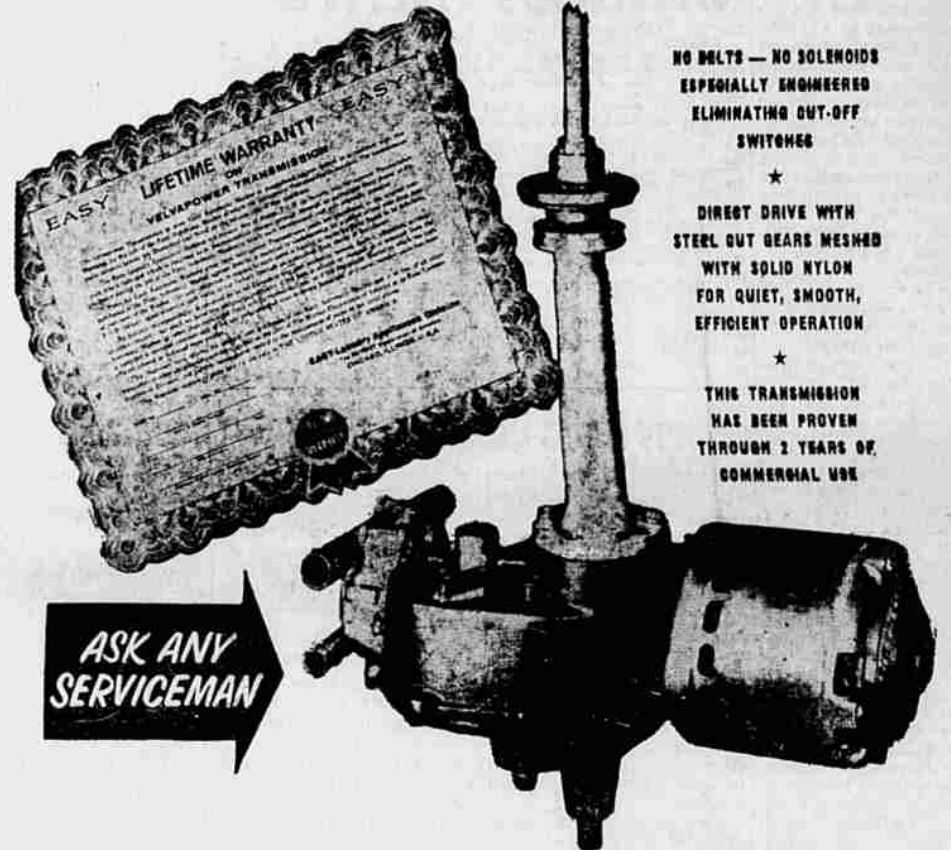
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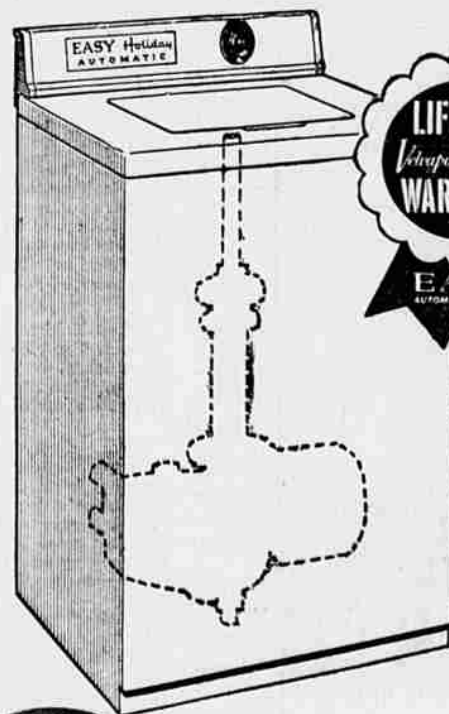
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