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Russia Orbits Space Ship

Plants, Animals
Insects Aboard
Five-Ton Vehicle

Reds Said Capable
Of Man in Space

Moscow - (UPI) - The Soviet Union launched its third space ship of the year today carrying plants, animals, insects and two dogs named Little Bee and Little Fly.

A scientist at Britain's Jodrell Bank University said the feat shows the Russians now are capable of putting a man into space and bringing him back safely.

"We expect a similar launching with a man aboard any day now," he said.

That said the "Sputnikship" with the last stage of the carrier rocket, weighs about five tons which makes it the heaviest of all the man-made satellites.

The official Soviet Tass news agency said the experimental animals are being watched with radio-television and telemetering systems.

Ivan Shevlyakov, chief of the Moscow Planetarium's scientific department, said this space ship is circling closer to the earth than previous Soviet space vehicles.

"That means the present space ship cannot fly for a long time," he said. "If they are not going to bring it down to earth, it seems it will burn up very soon in the friction of the earth's atmosphere as it gradually loses altitude. It is flying very close to the earth's atmosphere where the friction is high. We don't know yet if they plan to bring this space ship back to earth."

Tass said the space ship is circling the earth in a cigar-shaped orbit every 88 1/2 minutes. It is following a path ranging from 115 miles above the earth at its nearest point to 164 miles at its farthest.

The vehicle is at a 65-degree angle of inclination to the equatorial plane of the earth, and its radio transmitter is operating on 19,995 megacycles.

Home Rule Group Member Resigns

The Jackson county court Wednesday afternoon received a letter of resignation from Mrs. Lester (Vivian) Adams, Applegate, regarding her position on the county home rule committee.

In her letter Mrs. Adams said that when she accepted the appointment "I believed I could fulfill previous commitments at the forthcoming state legislature and still serve the interests of fellow citizens by working on this important committee."

The scope of the latter is too great and the importance too vital to receive less than undivided interest.

Earlier Wednesday the court appointed E. K. Ricker to fill a vacancy on the committee created by the resignation earlier this fall of Gordon Hudson.

Land-Use Plans for County Should Be Ready By Next Fall, Planners Learn

Land-use plans for Jackson county should be completed by next fall, it was learned at last night's meeting of the regional planning advisory group.

The step will be to tie in an over-all arterial plan, according to Lloyd Anderson, of the bureau of municipal research, Eugene.

After that, right-of-ways should be acquired as soon as possible, followed by imposition of setbacks along the arterial routes and a zoning control for land bordering the proposed arterial routes, Anderson said.

The discussion of arterial routes and connecting secondary roads with the new freeway will be continued at a meeting Wednesday, Dec. 21, in the county courtroom, County Judge Earl Miller said.

Anderson said such meetings are the right step. He suggested that all proposed plans be presented to the group so they could be discussed and evaluated.

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Hatfield Expected To Present Record Budget



L. L. SAWYER
Assumes Bench Position

Sawyer Sworn in As District Court Judge This Morning

L. L. Sawyer, 30, was sworn in as district court judge this morning shortly after 8 o'clock. The ceremony was held in circuit court with Judge James M. Main administering the oath.

Sawyer was one of two lawyers whose names were submitted to Gov. Mark H. Hatfield for consideration for the post. Leroy Bashaw had resigned as district judge effectively today. Sawyer was notified of his appointment about 6 p. m. Wednesday.

The new judge moved to Medford in August, 1959, where he has been in private practice with Robert Dickey, Medford lawyer.

A graduate of the University of Oregon Law School, Sawyer passed the state bar in 1959. He received his undergraduate work at Willamette university. Born in Redmond, Ore., Sawyer attended Portland schools and was graduated from Salem High school.

He had served as a salesman and was on active duty with the U. S. Navy for two years. He is currently training officer for the Medford Naval Reserve Electronics Division with the rank of lieutenant in the Naval reserve. Sawyer is also a member of the Jackson County Bar association.

The new judge and his wife, Annette, have four children, Shannon, 7, Lauren, 6, and twins, Michael and Eric, 2 1/2.

School Support, Medicare Money To Be Included

Salary Increases
Indicated in Plan

Salem - (UPI) - Gov. Mark Hatfield was expected to recommend a record 1961-63 state budget this afternoon, eclipsing the \$313 million general fund figure for the current biennium.

Hatfield has indicated his budget will include money to get the federal-state medicare program rolling, more state support for schools and salary increases for state workers and employees of the state system of higher education.

He was expected to ask for a \$10 increase per census child and this would make basic school support for each child from the state \$115. The idea is to permit a cut in local property taxes.

A \$10 increase would cost the state another \$17 million a biennium.

If Hatfield follows the recommendations of his advisory committee on medicare, he will recommend some \$2.8 million in state money to get the medical care plan for aged underway next July 1. This would be matched by federal funds.

Hatfield said earlier the budget will include \$75,000 for an expanded state scholarship program.

He also announced previously that he is recommending an increase in the share of state liquor revenues to cities.

The recommended hike from 10 to 15 per cent would give the cities another \$1,830,630.

Wednesday Hatfield worked all day on his message to the legislature.

Washington - (UPI) - Mrs. John F. Kennedy picked up her infant son for the first time today and gave him his noon bottle feeding.

Dallas is a newcomer to the Rogue valley area. He is a rare individual. He gave up an attractive profession as a psychologist to move to his present home and adopt a new way of life.

He is not a religious fanatic, isn't trying to gain a religious following and isn't seeking publicity for what he is doing. He is perfectly happy remaining back in the wilderness unnoticed.

But the fact is that some of his activities could benefit all of us.

He is conducting a survival test which has attracted the interest of government officials.



OLD FASHIONED PUMP—Dallas Purcell and his family live in the wilderness north of Table Rock. They have no electricity and no telephone. Purcell is shown demonstrating the use of one of the family water supplies, an old fashioned hand operated water pump. A natural underground spring provides other water.

Survival Test Being Held In Nearby Hills

By JOHN STAFFORD
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Dallas Purcell is not a crackpot! At least he claims he isn't, and after talking with him, visitors are inclined to agree. Purcell is a deeply religious and dedicated man.

He is so religious that he has taken to the hills far removed from civilization and donned a robe similar to that pictures show Christ wearing. He has a beard and wears sandals. At first glance, Purcell looks somewhat similar to pictures of Christ. However, he doesn't claim to be attempting to imitate Christ in any way.

He lives far back in the hills about 25 miles northeast of Medford with his wife and daughter. His house is three miles from the nearest public road. It takes about 30 minutes on a dry day to reach Purcell's home. The road is plain dirt, rutted and steeply inclined. On a wet day any hope of reaching his house by car is remote.

Visitors Welcome
This is the way Purcell likes it. Although he doesn't dislike visitors, he finds the solitude his retreat holds to be ideal for quiet thought and meditation. However, visitors are welcome and Purcell enjoys having people come up to see him.

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Porter's Future Up to Kennedy Administration

By A. ROBERT SMITH
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Washington (Special)—The Kennedy Administration may determine whether Rep. Charles O. Porter, Oregon's recently defeated congressman, stays on in Washington or returns to his Eugene law practice to get set for a return match with his successor, Rep.-elect Edwin R. Durno of Medford.

Congressman Porter is interested in the possibility of an appointment to some reasonably high post in the new Democratic Administration which takes office Jan. 20 with the inauguration of President John F. Kennedy.

If he receives such an appointment, Porter will remain in Washington with no plans for returning to run again for his Fourth district congressional seat in 1962.

If the sort of position he would like to have does not materialize, Porter is planning to return to Eugene in January and to begin mending his political fences while resuming his law practice.

Civil Service Position Rumored
There are rumors going around that he may be appointed to the Civil Service Commission, where two vacancies will open up this winter. This would be an ironic repetition of history. The congressman Porter succeeded, Harris Ellsworth of Roseburg, was appointed to the Civil Service Commission after he lost his seat to Porter in the 1956 election. Ellsworth stayed two years in that post before retiring to his home in Roseburg.

If Porter should take a federal position, he will be following a familiar pattern. More defeated ex-congressmen seem to stay on in Washington than return home, if their party is in control of the executive branch.

In addition to Ellsworth, following the 1956 Democratic victory tide in Oregon ex-Rep. Sam Coon of Baker landed a job with the foreign aid agency, International Cooperation Administration, after his defeat by Rep. Al Ullman. Coon was deputy director of ICA in Peru, but after two years he pulled out with a blast of criticism and returned to Oregon.

Douglas McKay, who quit the cabinet to seek Sen. Wayne Morse's seat in 1956, was brought back to Washington after his defeat to become chairman of the International Joint Commission, the agency which worked out under his leadership the principles on which the recently announced agreement with Canada for upper Columbia river dams was based.

Lowell Stockman Left Voluntarily
Guy Cordon, following his 1954 defeat by Richard L. Neuberger, stayed in Washington to open an office here to represent a number of Pacific Northwest interests, including the so-called O&C counties of western Oregon and several private power companies (including The California Oregon Power company).

About the only recent Oregon congressman to leave here voluntarily was Lowell Stockman of Pendleton, but even he banked after a federal appointment which failed to materialize. Stockman retired from the Second district congressional seat after 10 years, and after being disappointed in his desire to be appointed to a 14-year term on the Federal Reserve Board. He first went into the lumber business, but now has a trailer court at Seattle.

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Last week end Porter went to New York and visited the UN headquarters to become acquainted with its operation. He is hopeful that if Adlai Stevenson is not named State Secretary, that he will be appointed UN ambassador and that an opportunity might develop in that area.

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He said the ruling also applies to most church properties. "That means all properties owned by churches not used solely for religious purposes," the county assessor said.

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Approved at Meeting
The action was approved at a Nov. 21 meeting between the state tax commission and a committee of the Oregon Assessors' association. Schumacher said. It will apply to such lodges as the Elks, Eagles, Moose, Shrine, Mas. Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, community clubs, G. R. A. halls and labor union halls and buildings, the county assessor added.

If the organizations are renting quarters, the taxation will apply only to the property they own, he added.

Until now, taxation of such groups varied from county to county in Oregon because of different interpretations placed on a law exempting

Michigan Man To Be Assistant State Secretary

Specializing in
Africa Scheduled

Washington - (UPI) - Gov. Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut today was named by President-elect John F. Kennedy to be secretary of health, education and welfare in his new cabinet.

Washington - (UPI) - President-elect John F. Kennedy today announced his selection of Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan as assistant secretary of state for Africa in the new administration.

This was the first major appointment announced by the incoming chief executive. Kennedy called the post for Williams, 49, "a position of responsibility second to none in the new administration."

"The fate of Africa which is now the object of a giant Communist offensive will affect vitally the security of every citizen of the United States," Kennedy said.

Williams, who conferred with Kennedy at breakfast, was the first of four men who have been mentioned for top jobs in the Kennedy administration.

Busy Schedule Planned
Also on the schedule was Connecticut Gov. Abraham A. Ribicoff, who has been mentioned for several cabinet posts; Robert Lovett, former Truman Administration Defense and State Department official; Rep. Stewart Udall (D-Ariz.), a possible interior secretary, and several Senate and party leaders whose advice would be expected to weigh heavily in top appointments.

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Committee which framed the aid-to-hospitals resolution, later submitted to the convention as a whole.

He said the AMA feels there is a need to aid old hospitals in financing renovation and reconstruction. It was pointed out to the resolution committee, he said, that 20 per cent of the existing hospitals in the U.S. are "obsolete."

Snider said the convention mainly concerned itself with a discussion of the financial problems of cities. Nothing practical was suggested during the discussion of municipal financial problems, according to the mayor, which Medford as a city has not already considered.

While in New York, he said, he talked with Mayor De Lesseps Morrison of New Orleans regarding the integration problems facing that city. He said he sympathizes with Morrison and admires him because of his determination to enforce the integration laws, whether or not he agrees with them.



G. MENNEN WILLIAMS
Job of Responsibility

Road Conditions

Vehicles needed chains for travel over the Green Springs on Highway 66, according to the morning report received by state police. Conditions were thought to be improving this afternoon although snow was falling. There were four inches of snow on the route this morning and plows were operating.

Chains were not required on the Siskiyou early this afternoon although they had been needed earlier in the day. The route was "pretty well cleared" of snow. Flurries of snow were falling but not sticking. Motorists should be prepared with chains for travel at higher elevations.

Lumumba Reported To Be Safe in Kasai

Leopoldville, The Congo - (UPI)—Deposed Premier Patrice Lumumba has reached Luluabourg, capital of Kasai Province, where he is under the protection of Ghanaian troops of the United Nations force, a Congolese army source reported today.

Hill-Burton Funds Are Sought for Old Hospitals

Mayor John W. Snider said today that the recent American Municipal Association convention adopted a resolution urging Congress to make federal Hill-Burton funds available for renovation and reconstruction of old hospitals, such as Medford's Sacred Heart hospital.

If the resolution is enacted into legislation by Congress, Snider said, Sacred Heart "would probably" be able to qualify for the funds. At the present time, Hill-Burton funds are available only for construction of new hospitals.

Mayor Snider returned by plane last night from the AMA convention held in New York city. He said approximately 1,400 municipal and government officials from throughout the U.S. attended the session.

The mayor attended the convention both as a representative of Medford and as president of the League of Oregon Cities.

Mayor Snider was a member of the AMA resolution

"If We Hurry, We'll Finish Just In Time For The New Tenant To Redecorate"

