

# Russian Space Ship Rocket Tests Finished; Missiles Mass-Produced

London—UPI—The Russians have completed tests of a rocket capable of boosting a 10-ton space ship into orbit and are mass-producing missiles of the type they say downed Francis G. Powers' U-2, it was reported today.

British experts skilled at evaluating the scantiest scraps of information about Russia placed this interpretation on the report on Soviet rockets appearing in the new edition of Jane's "All the World's Aircraft."

The air annual was able to assemble only three pages of data on Russian rockets, most of it culled from Soviet publications, against 34 pages on U.S. rocket developments.

Jane's also noted "persistent reports" that Russia has submarines capable of launching nuclear missiles while submerged.

**Pilotless Plane**  
European military writers were interested in Jane's re-

port that the United States is developing a pilotless plane which could be used in germ and chemical warfare. Jane's said the drone, designated as the SD2, is being built for the U.S. Army by the Aerojet-General Corporation.

It is smaller than the smallest light aircraft, Jane's said, and could carry more than 200 pounds of germ agents as much as 115 miles. Experts said the range undoubtedly could be increased if necessary.

The SD2, said Jane's, is designated to be launched by two rocket boosters from an Army trailer, to be directed by remote control and to fly at a speed of 345 miles an hour.

Both the aircraft handbook and other sources believe the long-range rockets Russia fired into the Pacific last year are designed for use either as space boosters or weapons. One of these rockets is said to have traveled 8,000

miles and landed within a few miles of its target.

**Moon Landing Next Item**  
British authorities believe the rocket could boost about 10 tons of satellite or space ship into orbit or land a lunar laboratory on to the moon. One British expert recently on Russia, Patrick Moore, is certain a moon-robot landing is the next big item in the Soviet space program.

The same rockets could be used for manned space flight since they could orbit a capsule roughly twice the reported weight of the heaviest satellite yet launched by the Russians.

As potential weapons, these rockets apparently have not yet superseded the Russian T3 intercontinental ballistic mis-

sile described by Jane's as a three-stage liquid-propelled rocket weighing about 300,000 pounds.

"Test firings of the ICBM over long ranges have been detected frequently by the U. S. radar listening post on Mount Samsun in Turkey," Jane's said, "and adaptations of this weapon are said to have been used to launch Russia's IGY (International Geophysical Year) sputniks."

In the manned aircraft section of Jane's, as well as in rockets, the scope and diversity of American activity swamp the known Soviet efforts—but the Russians apparently have made some impressive achievements in those fields in which they are pressing ahead.

## Almost All Cuban Judiciary Said To Be Underground

Miami, Fla.—UPI—An exiled Cuban Supreme Court justice said today that almost the entire membership of the Cuban judiciary has gone underground.

Former Judge Francisco Alabau Trelles, 35, said it was the desertion of the judges which prompted Fidel Castro's announcement today that 17 supreme court justices have been fired, and that the governor will reorganize the lower court system.

**Freedom Said Gone**  
Alabau Trelles, who arrived in Florida, in a small boat Dec. 12 said "all freedom" of Cuban judges to administer justice "disappeared" about four months ago.

He said the Association of Cuban Judges decided then to oppose Castro. He said 522 of the 528 members agreed with the plan.

It called for them either to go underground or leave the country, the refugee judge said.

The plan was upset when Castro ordered the Supreme Court to ensure the chief justice, Emilio Menendez. Of the 30 justices on the court

with Menendez, 12 voted in favor of the censure, nine refused, and eight hid out to avoid voting.

**Tipped Off to Plan**  
This forced Menendez, Alabau Trelles said, to take refuge in the Argentine Embassy. And this tipped off Castro to the judges' plan.

Alabau Trelles said he decided to try to get out of Cuba and direct the efforts of the other judges to escape.

After two unsuccessful attempts to flee, he escaped in a boat and arrived in the Florida Keys Dec. 12.

**Sheep Receive Grazing Approval**  
Portland—UPI—A herd of sheep in Coos county—accused of eating trees—have a court's permission to remain on government property for the time being.

The ruling was handed down Tuesday by U. S. District Court Judge John F. Kilkenny, who refused to grant the government's request for a no-trespassing injunction against the sheep.

Defendant in the case is Howard Leatherman, president of the Coos County Sheep Co., Inc.

Leatherman holds several government grazing leases, and, he admits, his herds occasionally wander onto adjacent reforestation projects.

The controversy started when U.S. Forest Service men contended the sheep not only were grazing on grass, but also were dining on newly-planted Douglas fir trees.

Leatherman said the trees that were destroyed, died from natural causes.

Judge Kilkenny said he would take the matter under advisement until May. In the meantime, he suggested, Leatherman and the government might work out leases farther away from reforestation projects.

## Chemawa Man Gets Sea Water Permit

Salem—UPI—Eugene V. Cordell of Chemawa near here has contracted with the state land board to remove water from the Pacific ocean, treat it with chemicals and develop it for medicinal and bathing purposes and sell it to customers.

The board Tuesday granted

him a one-year permit for \$80 plus one tenth of a cent a gallon for all water taken from the ocean in excess of 60,000 gallons.

Cordell proposes to use a truck on the beach with a portable tank and remove the sea water by hose.

**THIEVES CUP OF TEA**  
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**WEDDING DATE NEARS**—News commentator John Daly and his fiancée, Virginia Warren, are shown as they posed for photographers at San Francisco. Daly, a TV personality, and Miss Warren, daughter of Chief Justice and Mrs. Earl Warren, will be married Thursday at Glide Memorial Church in San Francisco. (UPI Telephoto)

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## Straus Relected ASC Chairman

Albert L. Straus, Gold Hill, was relected chairman of the county agricultural stabilization and conservation committee this week to serve during 1961.

Other members elected were Ray Vogel, Central Point, vice chairman; Vernon Gebhard, Central Point, regular members; Donald Nichols, Ashland, first alternate, and George Jess Jr., Eagle Point, second alternate.

The committee has the responsibility of administering the federal farm programs in Jackson county. The programs include the agricultural conservation program, wheat quotas, wool incentive payments, support loans and the soil bank program.

## Apostolic Faith Display Placed

After a two-year absence, the display depicting the nativity may be viewed on the north lawn of the Apostolic Faith church, North Central ave. and Third st.

According to the Rev. Loyce C. Carver, pastor, the scene had been shown annually for a number of years until two years ago when it was loaned to the Apostolic Faith church, Port Angeles, Wash. Upon its return the life-size figures were repaired and repainted by Mrs. Lydia Shultz who, with Mrs. Naomi Williams, originally designed and painted them several years ago.

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