



NEW GUN SHOTS WORDS — This new "ray gun" shoots words, silently, invisibly and harmlessly. Being demonstrated here by Fletcher Henseler, it was developed by Minneapolis-Honeywell to communicate by transmitting voice signals on infrared beams. Words spoken into the gun are electronically converted into infrared radiation

and transmitted to a similar gun-receiver that converts the message back to sound. The technique, Honeywell says, is effective up to 20 miles. Called MAXSECOM, (Maximum Security Communications) the system is immune to jamming, interference or detection. (UPI Telephoto)

Request for Dock At Howard Prairie Lake Is Approved

The Jackson county parks and recreation commission has approved a request from the Rogue Aqua Ski club to put a dock at Howard Prairie lake. The commission considered the request at its meeting Monday night. The dock would be used by about 40 family members, and the public, the club noted in its letter. The dock would be about 40 by 60 feet with steel pontoons and a wood deck covered with carpet and surrounded by a guard rail. In its letter signed by Abb Gresset, 702 West Main st., Medford, the club offered to construct sanitary facilities and other improvements and comply with the county park and recreation committee regulations.

The commission approved these recommendations for Howard Prairie by its subcommittee:

(1) Produce an overall development plan. (2) approve funds from the present budget to construct a dock facility which might be expanded and improved in future years, (3) call for proposals from concessionaires interested in operating the limited facilities. Suggest Bid Opening

If the county court approves the recommendation to call for concessionaires' proposals, the committee suggested a bid opening date of Friday, March 3. The commission's choice of concessionaires should be approved March 15.

City-County Parks and Recreation Director Bob Haworth said he has not heard from the county court yet on the recommended minimum fee schedule considered for Howard Prairie. said county judge Earl Miller said the county court is working on the recommendation.

Carroll Brown, Rogue River National forest supervisor, told the commission the Sky Lakes limited area would be reserved as a wild area. Its 75,000 acres extend 22 airline miles from the south boundary of the Crater Lake National park south to Four Mile lake.

The U.S. forest service headquarters here is continuing its study of possible boundaries for the area so it can recommend the exact area to the federal government.

No Vehicles Allowed
When Sky Lakes is classified as a wild area, the forest service will be permitted only to bring a power saw into it. No motor vehicles will be allowed although there is considerable public pressure to permit a motor scooter en-

trance. Brown said hunting and fishing would be permitted, but no sanitary facilities or other improvements would be

allowed. He pointed out that the area is tributary to Medford, but lies entirely within Klamath county boundaries. Haworth reported that

plans are being made for Willow Creek reservoir so 150 cars can be accommodated at opening of fishing season. This is twice as many as last

year. No definite plans have been made, he added. The commission gave its blessing to a Rogue River proposal presented by Com-

missioner John Leyen for construction of an airstrip along the Rogue river. It would be about 250 feet wide and 3,600 feet long. The proposal must be approved by the state highway commission and federal government.

Prisoners Pledge Blood for Youngsters With Rare Disease

Huntsville, Tex. — (UPI) — The two freckled-faced kids needed help. And the men behind bars, with little or nothing to live for — asked one question.

"How much?" Vicki Erler, 13, a pretty little girl with soft brown hair, and her brother, Vaughn Charles, two years younger, were the first children ever to visit the maximum security unit at Huntsville State prison.

Vaughn, they call him Bubba, wore a sweater with a big "W" on it. He's quarterback for his school's pee-wee football team. He looked the picture of health. So did his sister.

Have Rare Disease
But the kids, children of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Charles Erler of Mesquite, Tex., need blood transfusions every week or two because of a rare disease called Mediterranean anemia.

Bubba has had more than 250 transfusions. Vicki has had more than 300. The disease is characterized by an inability of the victim to re-produce red blood cells. Chaplain J. N. Foreman

asked the 450 prisoners present if they would donate blood for the kids when Wadley Research Institute's bloodmobile visits the prison this coming Thursday.

Cheers rang out. A multitude of hands, both white and colored, shot up. Erler, who works for the Texas Employment commission, choked with emotion as he thanked the prisoners for their overwhelming response.

He said if no other illness causes an increase in their needs, the 150 to 200 pints of blood expected to be donated would last for more than a year.

Youngsters Surrounded
The prisoners swarmed around the youngsters, shaking hands and clapping them on the back. Some talked of children back home. They asked Vicki and Bubba to write to the prison newspaper and tell them about their progress.

One of the men said: "I'm an old man, but I still have a long time to do. And I'd like for us to sort of 'adopt' Vicki and Bubba — we could make this a yearly thing and keep them in blood forever."

An inmate leader overheard him, mused for a moment, then added:

"Listen, it's just according to how many you want. I could spread the word to farms and other units and get more."

"How many do you want — a thousand?"

New Charge Aimed At Welfare Group
Salem — (UPI) — Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney (D-Portland) Tuesday leveled a new charge at the Oregon Welfare Commission involving the federal surplus food program.

He said the commission purposely chose Marion and Polk counties for a pilot study because they are "two of the toughest counties in the state in which to make this work."

"They don't want it to work," he declared. Jeanne Jewett of Portland, state welfare administrator, said this is not so. Marion and Polk counties were chosen because "there was interest on the part of the county courts," she said.

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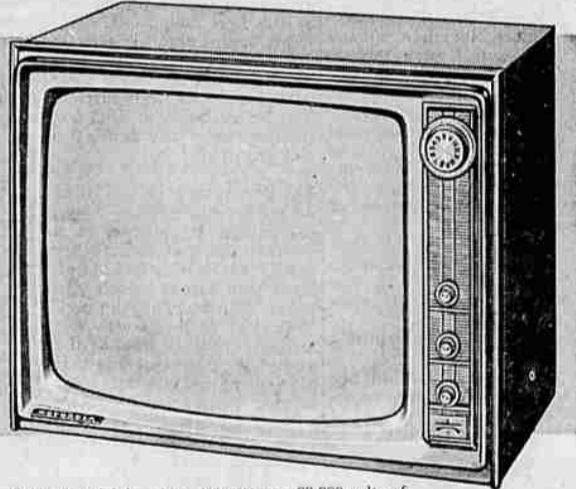
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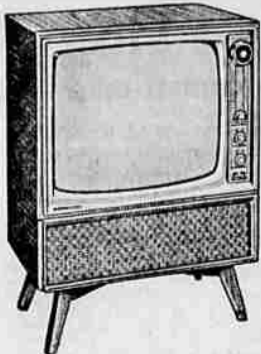
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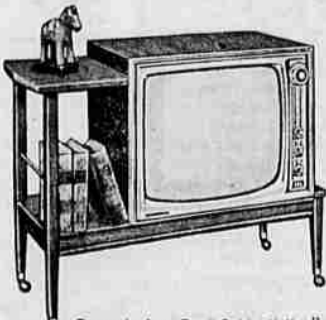
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