

RUSSIA CRUSHED IN CONGO VOTE



ASTRONAUTS SELECTED—Three Mercury astronauts were selected from a list of seven today as candidates for America's first manned flight into space, Navy Cmdr. Alan B. Shepard Jr., left; Marine Lt. Col. John H. Glenn Jr., center, and Air Force Capt. Virgil L. Grissom, right, were tabbed for the "final pool." The other four astronauts will be candidates for later manned space shots. (UPI Telephoto)

Goldberg Seeking End To Flight Engineer Strike

Washington - (UPI) - Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg summoned President Ron Brown of the Flight Engineers Union to a conference today shortly after President Kennedy ordered new federal action to end a wildcat strike against six major airlines.

Mercury Capsule Test Successful

Cape Canaveral, Fla.—(UPI)—An unmanned space capsule of the type expected to carry an American into space later this year flashed 1,425 miles over the Atlantic Ocean today and apparently survived its toughest test.

Senate OKs Bill On Fraternal Tax

Salem—(UPI)—The Oregon Senate today approved, 25-3, a bill to exempt fraternal organizations from real property taxation.

NAM Denounces JFK's Minimum Wage Proposal

Washington - (UPI) - The National Association of Manufacturers denounced President Kennedy's minimum wage proposal today and said its enactment might lead to economic "disaster."

Three Mercury Astronauts Picked For Manned Flight

Cape Canaveral, Fla.—(UPI)—Three Mercury astronauts were selected today from a list of seven as candidates for America's first manned flight into space, possibly within two months.

Eagle Point Senior Named Finalist

Glen Gratsinger, a senior at Eagle Point High school, has been named finalist in the 1960-61 National Merit Scholarship Program competition, and has been awarded a certificate of merit.

Kennedy Lists 'Must' Legislation

Washington - (UPI) - President Kennedy gave Democratic congressional leaders a 16-point "priority" list of legislation today and promised to add to it soon.

Duncan Criticized For Legislature Lag

Salem—(UPI)—House Minority Leader F. F. Montgomery (R-Eugene) today criticized House Speaker Robert Duncan for lags in the progress of the 1961 legislature.

Rules Committee Clears Bill on Beach Easements

Salem—(UPI)—The Senate Rules Committee has cleared for introduction a bill that would make future beach easements granted by the Oregon Land Board subject to a court review.

Slapper Doesn't Like Slapping

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Theme for Pear Festival Is Set

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New Welfare Board Would Be Created by Bill

Salem - (UPI) - A proposed solution to the welfare controversy arrived in the Oregon Senate today in the form of a bill to abolish the present State Welfare commission and create a new one by July of this year.

Agate Reservoir Bill Introduced By Congressman

The Secretary of the Interior would be authorized to construct, operate and maintain the Agate dam and reservoir, a diversion dam, feeder canals, and related facilities, under terms of a bill introduced in the House yesterday by Congressman Edwin R. Durno (R-Ore.).

Three Held for Kidnaping State Police Officer

Salem - (UPI) - Two young men and a girl were charged with kidnaping today after authorities said they abducted a state policeman near here Monday night and held him for about 45 minutes at gunpoint.

Tshombe Orders Mobilization To Defend Katanga

Elisabethville, Katanga, The Congo—(UPI)—Katanga President Moise Tshombe ordered general mobilization today to defend his Congo province against a "declaration of war" by the United Nations.

Foundation Seeks Members for Work

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Garbage Dumpers To Be Prosecuted

Dumpers of garbage in public areas of Jackson county will be prosecuted, District Attorney Alan B. Holmes said today.

Security Council Gives New Powers To Hammarskjold

United Nations, N. Y. - (UPI) - The Security Council crushed Soviet opposition early today and gave Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold vast new powers, including the use of force if needed, to stop the explosion of civil war in the Congo.

Steps Urged To Prevent Civil War

The council rejected a Soviet move to oust Hammarskjold and end the UN operation in the Congo within 30 days.

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Withdrawal of Laos Technicians Offered

Washington - (UPI) - The United States has conditionally offered to withdraw its military technicians from Laos and channel its military aid to that country through a neutral commission, it was learned today.

Rain, Snow, Tornado Wreck Havoc in South

United Press International A tornado and torrential rains lashed Dixie today while residents of the southern high plains dug out of nearly 2 feet of snow left by the worst one-day storm in West Texas' history.

Fire Breaks Out at Willamette Fraternity

Salem—(UPI)—Fire broke out in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity quarters at Willamette University's Baxter Hall just before 4 a.m. today.

Weather

FORECAST: Generally cloudy with occasional rain tonight and Wednesday. Windy tonight. Low tonight 45. High Wednesday near 50.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 5:51 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 6:58 a.m. Moonset tomorrow 1:13 a.m. First Quarter tomorrow 12:35 a.m. The planet Mars, high in the south tonight at 8:10 p.m. and in the west at 11:55 p.m. is now about as bright as Arcturus, the star rising at 9:28 p.m.