



GRATEFUL BIRD — "Oscar" receives a handout daily from a snack bar in Baltimore, Md., after which he gives a wing flap in gratitude. He is particularly fond of hot dogs. (UPI Telephoto)

Three Astronauts Willing To Go on Next Mercury Shot

Cape Canaveral — UPI — Two of the three astronauts selected as finalists to ride America's first manned rocket said Wednesday they would be willing to go up on the next Project Mercury shot without further tests.

The third finalist was not here for a news conference this morning. "Yes, I sure would like to ride it," said Navy Cmdr. Alan B. Shepard Jr. Marine Lt. Col. John H. Glenn Jr. echoed his sentiments with a firm "absolutely."

Other Tests Uncertain
Glenn and Shepard were chosen along with Air Force Capt. Virgil I. Grissom to begin training for a flight in a space capsule aboard the Redstone shot, possibly by April. But it was not certain today

whether there will be other unmanned Redstone tests between now and then.

Grissom, who was at a Mercury station in Bermuda for Tuesday's firing of a Mercury capsule over the Atlantic Ocean aboard an Atlas rocket,

was not available for a press conference at Patrick A.F.B., 19 miles south of here, today.

Glenn and Shepard were all smiles. The other four, Air Force Capt. Leroy G. Cooper Jr., Navy Lt. Cmdr. Malcolm S. Carpenter, Navy Lt. Cmdr.

Walter Schirra and Air Force Maj. Donald K. Slayton, were more somber.

Plans To Be Aboard
"Of course, we are disappointed that we aren't going to make that first ride," said

Carpenter. "But there will be other shots, and I plan to be aboard at least one of them."

The rocket ride that Glenn,

Grissom or Shepard will make will be about 16 minutes long, 115 miles up and about 300 miles over the Atlantic Ocean.

Bills Approved By Legislature

Salem — UPI — Measures approved Wednesday:

By the Senate
SB30 — Chauffeur's licenses
SB251 — Personal income taxes.

By the House
HB337 — Repeals requirements for marks on location of poundnets, fishing traps and weirs.

Joint Session
HB2012 — State Marine Board budget.

HB1359 — Grants and gifts for planning.

HB1389 — Initiative and referendum petitions.

HB1412 — Civil service for county employees.

HB1454, 1455 — Relating to Commercial Fisheries.

Signed by the governor:
HB2016, 2023, 2035, 2051 — Budgets for Soil Conservation

Committee, Board of Aeronautics, Chiropractors Examining Board, Board of Pilot Commissioners.

SB101 — Appointments of jailers.

Information on Taxes Available on Monday

Persons needing information in connection with federal taxes may contact the local tax office on Mondays. Monday is tax information day at the Medford office in the federal office building, 33 North Riverside ave.

Residents should contact the local office by telephone or in person on that day since local tax officials are not prepared to give such information on other days, it was stated.

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Familiar Theme Is Noted During Engineers Week

Corvallis — National Engineers Week is being observed now in the U.S. and the theme, though familiar, is underlined this year: Wanted—more bright young men, and women, for engineering careers.

Engineering enrollments across the country have declined the past three or four years, Oregon State college officials "point out; and the drop is causing increased concern because engineers are so vitally needed by industry, state and federal agencies, and the military.

The enrollment dip has been caused by two or three things, according to Marvin Halth, personnel director for the OSC school of engineering. One is that science has attracted increasing numbers of top students away from engineering.

Demand As Great
Another was the mistaken notion that the supply of engineers was beginning to run ahead of the number of jobs. The truth is that the demand for engineering graduates is as great as ever before in the past, Halth says.

Starting salaries for engineering graduates continue to go up too, he noted. This year's June engineering graduate will start about \$545 a month on the average, about \$25 a month more than last year.

The call for engineering students with advanced degrees has gone up sharply and a record 82 students are working for master's and doctor's degrees in engineering this year at OSC.

Electronic advances have put electrical engineering graduates in greatest demand. Civil engineers are especially needed too for highway programs. No "decline in the need for engineers" can be seen by anyone in years to come, Halth says.

Approximately 130 companies and 50 state and federal agencies will come to the campus for job interviews with the 285 engineering seniors this year, he reported. During January, there were four or five companies conducting interviews, on the average, each school day.

Baltimore was incorporated as a city in 1729.

Major Farm Groups Endorse Kennedy's Surplus Program

Washington — UPI — Two of three major farm organizations have endorsed the Kennedy administration's 1961 emergency program for cutting farm surpluses.

The endorsements from the National Grange and National Farmers Union came in testimony prepared for a House Agriculture subcommittee hearing.

AFBF Dissents

A sharp dissent came, however, from the nation's largest farm organization, the American Farm Bureau Federation, President Charles B. Shuman called the administration program "unworkable" and said it would be "highly disruptive to the livestock, dairy, and poultry industries."

The administration plan, outlined by Agriculture Secretary Orville L. Freeman Tuesday, would give increased price supports and conservation payments to farmers who agreed to retire 20 per cent of their feed grain acreage.

Reuben Johnson, an official of the Farmers Union, said

the plan was "worthy of the support of Congress." Johnson urged the subcommittee, however, to set 1961 corn support at \$1.30 per bushel instead of the \$1.20 proposed.

Would Stop Buildup

Roy Battles, spokesman for the Grange, said the administration proposal would stop the buildup in feed grain surpluses without reducing farm income.

Shuman attacked the proposal to raise price supports for feed grains and said it would result in farmers' increasing per-acre production on the land which remains in feed grains. He also attacked Freeman's companion proposal to raise support prices for soybeans as a "most unwise move."

Searchers Find Tillamook Boy

Tillamook — UPI — State police, sheriff's deputies and volunteers were called out to search for a missing boy who was feared drowned in a liquid fertilizer tank on the farm of O. K. Tittle near here.

Al and Pearl Balzer, who live on Tittle's farm, sent out an alarm about 9:30 p.m. when they couldn't locate their youngest son, Milo, about 4.

Officers and neighbors rushed to aid in the search. The tank was pumped out and after an hour, it was shallow enough to determine that the boy wasn't there.

With flashlights, officers surveyed the creek banks nearby in boats.

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