

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Well, it has happened. Russia is first to send a man into space, orbiting him around the world in 89 minutes and bringing him back alive and unhurt to a landing at a predetermined spot in his own country...

IN LONDON, Sir Bernard Lovell, director of Britain's Jodrell Bank Observatory, says: "It is the greatest achievement in the HISTORY OF MAN."

Alton Blakelee, distinguished Associated Press science writer, put it this way in his story: "In an awesome, daring and thrilling ride, a Soviet astronaut has just turned a MOMENTOUS PAGE IN HUMAN HISTORY - for he has realized the ancient human dream of vaulting into space and coming back safely to earth again."

(In the Greek myth, Icarus tried it, but he soared too near the sun, which melted his home-made wax wings and sent him crashing back to oblivion.)

IT IS a staggering achievement.

The world is thrilled. If there are OTHER worlds out in space, and inhabited by living beings with advanced communications systems, they too are thrilled. Sir Bernard Lovell is probably right in calling it the greatest achievement in the history of man.

SEARCHING question: Why was Russia first?

THERE may be a hint in dispatches from Moscow. Here is a sample paragraph from one of the stories:

"As word of Gagarin's achievement spread through the city, Moscow's streets became reminiscent of Pitts- burgh after last fall's World Series victory - or Times Square on a NEW YEAR'S EVE."

"Snowballing processions of students swarmed down Gorky Street (Moscow's main stem) in a spontaneous demonstration. They weren't just having fun. They were celebrating a SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENT."

In Russia, it appears, scientific progress is regarded as immensely more important than HAVING FUN.

WE HAVE this in our favor: There is as much difference between an average American home and an average Russian home as between their man-in-space record and ours.

Maybe we're devoting too much thought to achievement of the abundant life and too little thought to some of the more serious phases of modern life.

At least, it's worth considering.

HOPEFUL thought in conclusion:

Prying open the secret of the atom bomb was an American achievement - with help from some smart Britons. The Russians now know as much about the atom bomb as we do. Our Wright Brothers were the first to prove the feasibility of mechanical flight. Now EVERYBODY knows about mechanical flight. Presumably, in time, we'll catch up in space exploration.

HOPEFUL thought: Suppose both we and the Russians should become so interested in developing space exploration that we would forget to GO TO WAR! That would be SOMETHING.

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BELIEVED STOLEN-William "Rusty" O'Malley, 16, of Park Forest, Ill., is shown with a 350-year-old hand-lettered parchment supposedly stolen from a Spanish Monastery in 1835. O'Malley purchased the parchment, identified as from a Psalter, or Book of Psalms, as a wall decoration for \$5. In correspondence with Columba M. Battle, monk of the Abbey at Montserrat, near Barcelona, he learned the parchment was almost certainly stolen during a looting of the abbey in the Carlist Wars. Arrangements have been made to return the parchment, a gift from O'Malley to the monks. The parchment is considered priceless. (UPI Telephoto)

'Lightweight' Concrete Shows Promise at OSC

Corvallis - "Lightweight" concrete made from Oregon produced expanded-shale aggregates shows promise for special purpose structures such as highway bridges, according to research by an Oregon State college engineer. The expanded-shale aggregate concrete weighs only about two-thirds as much as conventional sand-gravel concrete, with similar strength and workability. The reduced weight makes transportation and erection of pre-cast structures less costly and also permits some flexibility in design not possible with normal-weight concrete.

Churchill Flies Back To London

New York - Sir Winston Churchill, 88, flew back to his London home today after a two-day visit to the United States that he never expected to make. He left New York International Airport. The former British prime minister showed fatigue as he was put aboard a Pan American World Airways jet this morning by his old friend, Bernard Baruch, 90, and his cruise host, Aristotle Onassis. He had given his famous V-for-victory salute as he left Onassis' yacht for the trip to the airport, but he only doffed his hat briefly for photographers at the plane. Sir Winston told friends during his 1959 visit to Washington, Gettysburg and New York that he did not expect ever to return to the United States. But Greek shipping tycoon Onassis' yacht brought him here from a Caribbean vacation Tuesday night for what may be Churchill's last glimpse of his mother's homeland and his own wartime ally.

Music Course To Be Offered at College

Ashland - Music in the elementary school, Ed. 407, 507, will be offered as one of the Southern Oregon college 1961 summer sessions, July 31 to Aug. 11. It will be instructed by Miss Helene Robinson, associate professor of music. The object of this course, which offers 3 hours credit, is to develop a program to promote and aid children's musical growth in: appreciation; musical understanding; skills in singing; playing classroom instruments; physical interpretation of music; and reading musical notation; listening; and creating music. Individual projects to be selected by the student may be in any phase of musical guidance, such as keyboard experiences for children; audio-visual aids in music; correlation of music with other studies; programs for public performances; and construction of simple musical instruments. For further details about this summer workshop, contact Mrs. Mabel W. Winston, registrar at Southern Oregon college.

4-H News

Burn and Scorch The Burn and Scorch 4-H Cooking club met at their leader's home, with President Donalyn Minear in charge. Flag salute was led by Junior Leader Lois Wright. Secretary Marilyn Peters read the minutes. David Wright gave a demonstration on how to scramble eggs. Paula Minear led some songs and games. Visitors included Ellen Shurtleff and Carol Stewart. Mary Wright, Reporter

RAT'S NEST OF DOCUMENTS Uncluttered Fiscal Affairs Make Figuring Income Tax Fairly Simple

By DICK WEST Washington - Financially speaking, I am a simple man mainly because I don't have enough money to be complex. In 1960, all of my income came from "salaries and wages." I had, therefore, no "gains and losses from sales or exchanges of property other than capital assets." Neither did I rake in anything from "annuities or pensions," or from "rents and royalties," or from "partnerships, estates, trusts and other sources." And, finally, I registered a blank on "income (or loss) from unincorporated business" and on "profit (or loss) from business or profession." If you asked me how I managed to avoid enriching myself by these methods, I would have to say that I'm just lucky, I guess. At least I felt lucky when I sat down to make out my income tax return. Makes Job Easy My relatively uncluttered fiscal affairs spared me the task of figuring out how much I could deduct for depreciation and amortization, not to mention depletion of oil wells. Nevertheless, in order to satisfy the requirements of the Internal Revenue Service I am obliged to maintain and preserve two drawers full of old doctor bills, cancelled checks, gasoline receipts and other vital statistics. I got to wondering, as I was sorting out this rat's nest of deductible documents, just how much of a paper-saving burden is imposed on the citizenry by various government regulations. Fortunately, my curiosity could be easily slaked by hunting up a copy of the revised "Guide to Record Retention Requirements" recently published by the General Services Administration. 908 Entries in Guide You perhaps will not be surprised to hear that 10 executive departments and 17 independent federal agencies place on the public record-keeping responsibilities of one sort or another. In all, the guide contains 908 entries that require various individuals and companies to retain records anywhere from 30 days to "permanently." If, for example, you collect admission tickets to some event, you have to preserve the stubs at least six months. If you are engaged in the manufacture of smoking opium, you must keep permanent records. Proprietors of bonded wine cellars are required to keep 35 different types of records. But persons producing wine for family use have to keep only one.

Pharmacy as Career For Women Is Being Realized in Country

Corvallis - A pharmacist is a "man" in most people's minds still, but about one out of eight pharmacists in Oregon today is a woman and the number seems certain to increase steadily in years to come, the dean of pharmacy at Oregon State college, believes. The suitability of pharmacy as a career for women is just beginning to be fully realized in this country, according to Dean Charles O. Wilson. The U.S. has about 110,000 pharmacists practicing today, with 6,000 or 5 per cent of them women. Oregon has approximately 1,150 full-time pharmacists with 145, or 12 per cent of them women. In some foreign countries though - Latin America, Finland - 90 per cent of the pharmacists are women. Looking ahead, national leaders in pharmacy foresee the day in the not too distant future when half of all pharmacists in the U.S. will be women, Wilson added. About 12 per cent of the students in pharmacy schools across the nation are coeds today, a sharp increase over past years. Oregon State Enrollment Oregon State has 44 coeds and 260 men students enrolled in pharmacy this year. "Fine and varied opportunities" await women - and men - in pharmacy, Dean Wilson emphasized. Drug stores, of course, claim the majority of the nation's pharmacy graduates, but there are hundreds of jobs in hospital pharmacy, pharmaceutical sales, research, and other phases of industry. Women get along well in pharmacy because there is no heavy work involved, hours and working conditions are good, women are especially skillful in many phases of pharmaceutical practice, and they meet the drug store public - mostly women - with ease and understanding. Work Opportunities "Part-time" work opportunities are exceptionally good for women trained as pharmacists, Wilson added. Many pharmacy graduates who are now homemakers supplement the family income - and keep informed on new pharmaceutical advances - by working a few hours a week as a relief pharmacist in a drug store. If they should need to return to full-time work, jobs are usually available because the demand for pharmacists far exceeds the supply, he noted. Pharmacy is a five-year course this year for the first time in all U.S. pharmacy schools, Wilson stated. The five-year program was adopted to insure a broad education for graduates along with intensive professional training. High school preparation for pharmacy should include all possible science and mathematics, according to Wilson.

Education Bill Speed-Up Urged

Washington - The House Education and Labor Committee started its own countdown today to launch President Kennedy's education program as one answer to Russia's man-in-space achievement. Chairman Adam Clayton Powell (D-N.Y.) urged his colleagues to get cracking on bills to carry out Kennedy's \$4.7 billion proposal to upgrade American education. The Negro congressman took a personal pledge not to introduce proposals to bar federal aid to racially segregated schools. Declaring that the challenge posed to Americans by the Soviet cosmonaut overrode all other considerations, Powell said he would sponsor no amendments that could kill school aid. Powell has sponsored anti-discrimination amendments to school bills in the past, and invariably they have resulted in the death of the legislation. Powell arranged for a subcommittee now working on Kennedy's \$2.4 billion college aid measure to place a bill before the full committee by April 19.

Five Appear in Circuit Court

In circuit court action this week, two men pleaded guilty to charges, two received suspended sentences and one had an attorney appointed. Two men, James Earl Rains, Jacksonville, and Cloys Eugene Adams, Prospect, each received five year suspended sentences from Judge Edward C. Kelly. The Mail Tribune had previously stated they appeared before Judge James M. Main. Rains was charged with burglary not in a dwelling, and Adams appeared on a charge of rape. Both had pleaded guilty to the charges. Appearing before Judge Main, Elmer Boyd Gravelle, 30, of Jacksonville, was sentenced to 15 months in the Oregon state penitentiary on a charge of using a motor vehicle without the permission of the owner. He pleaded guilty to the charge Tuesday and was sentenced Thursday morning. Judge Main appointed Ken Denman attorney for Frederick Bernard Beck, 20, of Rogue River, when he appeared on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Eugene Douglas Reedy, Myrtle Creek, pleaded guilty on a grand jury indictment of non-support. He was arraigned before Judge Kelly, who continued the case pending receipt of federal bureau of investigation reports. He was released on \$500 bail.

Ashland Teacher Gets Fellowship

Ashland - Mrs. Selma McAlaster, Ashland High school journalism teacher, has been awarded a fellowship to attend a journalism seminar at the University of Oregon, Eugene, June 19 through July 15. Mrs. McAlaster also teaches speech and English. Fellowships to journalism teachers are made available by the Newspaper Fund, a foundation supported by the Wall Street Journal. They pay all expenses, including room and board. The seminar will include four weeks of concentrated work in a wide range of journalistic subjects. Approximately 20 teachers have studied at the University of Oregon school of journalism under such grants the past three summers.

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