

European Launching Development Group Prepares for Space Age

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London—(UPI)—Four...
three... two... one...
liftoff!"

rocket engines flamed into
action.
Cape Canaveral in Florida?
Baikonur near the Aral Sea
in Russia?
No, this was Spadeadam

Waste in the desolate Cum-
berland Fells of Britain where
Europe is making a \$196 mil-
lion bet that in space the
race is not always to the
swift.

At a quick glance you
might have thought you were
at Canaveral - there was the
giant rocket alongside its gan-
try, the concrete pad, the in-
struments monitoring the fir-
ing by closed-circuit televi-
sion.

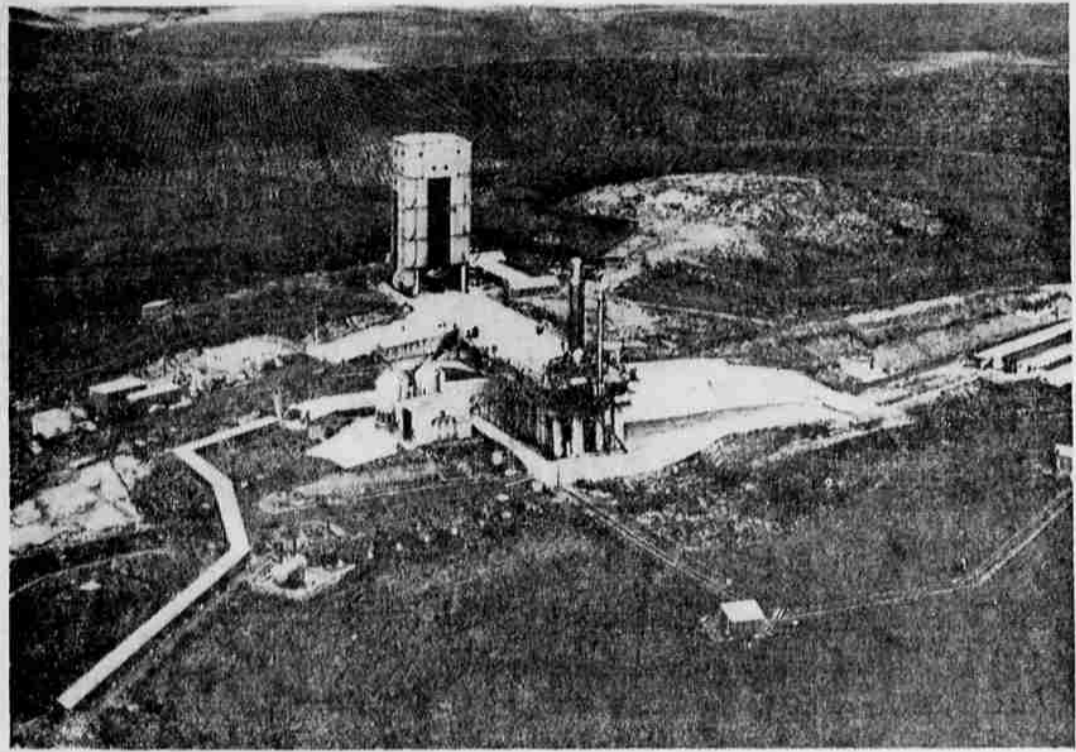
But there was a difference.
At Spadeadam Waste the
rocket never left the ground.
It was tethered by cables for
the 40 seconds its engines
fired in the most successful
test thus far of the British
Blue Streak rocket.

This come day will be the
first stage of the all-purpose
rocket envisioned by the
seven countries which have
signed the European Launch-
er Development Organization
Convention - Britain, Aus-
tralia, Belgium, France, West
Germany, Italy and Holland.

Europe has cut its space
program to fit its purse.
Manned flight and the race
to the moon? The United
States and the Soviet Union
can have this all to them-
selves so far as the ELDO
countries are concerned.

They haven't the money to
compete and even if they did
- they insist this is not sour
grapes - they are not con-
vinced that a man will be
better than a robot in the
hostile environment of space.

So they have settled for a
more modest but, they think,
probably more rewarding pro-
gram in a remarkable exam-
ple of international coopera-
tion.



SPADEADAM WASTE—This is an aerial view looking west showing the control tower (foreground) and three test stands at Spadeadam Waste at Cumberland Fells, Great Britain, where the European Launcher Development Organization is conducting static tests for satellite construction. Different stages of the work are being carried out by seven countries - Britain, Australia, Belgium, West Germany, France, Italy and Holland. First actual test launch is expected to take place in Woomera, Australia, firing range at the end of 1963. (UPI)

Britain's Parliament Will Convene in London Oct. 25

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London—(UPI)—The U.S.
Congress has gone home.
Britain's Parliament is
about to return to work
for a session that may well
make or break British mem-
bership in "Europe" - and
the Conservative govern-
ment as well.

The House of Commons
reconvenes Oct. 25. The
session is crucial because
within two years of this
month Prime Minister Har-
old Macmillan must call na-
tional elections. What he
accomplishes in the open-
ing parliamentary session
will be his platform before
the voters.

And what he must ac-
complish is British mem-
bership in the European
Common Market, the historic
breaking off of Britain's
literal and figurative stand-
offishness from her neigh-
bors across the channel.

Fighting Session
All political portents are
for a fighting parliamentary
session.
The opposition Labor
party has let it be known in
advance that it plans to at-
tack the Conservative gov-
ernment hard on all fronts,
and particularly on its han-
dling of negotiations to join
the European Common Mar-
ket.

The Conservatives, on the
other hand, know that to
stay in power they must
make a bold showing in the
months ahead. The alterna-
tive is risk of defeat in the
general elections.

In the 630-seat House of
Commons, the Conserva-
tives hold a commanding
majority with 363 members

to Labor's 258 and the Lib-
eral party's seven.
Labor party leader Hugh
Gaitskell has managed to
achieve in the past month
a greater degree of unity
in the party - on the sur-
face at least - than has
existed at any time since it
was swept from power in
1951.

Tipsters are saying at the
moment that spring of 1964
is a likely election date.
Macmillan, however, will
move when he feels the
time is best for his party.
Public opinion polls this
month have indicated that
the Conservatives have
picked up some support in
recent weeks. One recent
test gave them about 40
per cent of the electorate.

Kennedy Presents Aviation Awards

Washington—(UPI)—President
Kennedy has presented the
Harmon international
aviation trophies to four
pilots-one deceased-for their
outstanding and extraordi-
nary feats of flying during
1961.

Kennedy presented the
awards to Air Force Lt. Col.
William R. Payne; aviatrix
Jacqueline Cochran, a six-
time winner, Cmdr. Malcolm
D. Ross and Lt. Cmdr. Victor
E. Prather, whose widow ac-
cepted the trophy.

Kennedy is the fourth
president to present the trophy
to Miss Cochran.
Eight Records
She set eight "world class"
records with a T38 supersonic
jet and flew a F104 jet fighter
at twice the speed of sound.

Payne won the aviator
trophy for piloting a B58
bomber to two international
supersonic speed records.
Ross and Prather were
given awards for attaining a
record altitude of 113,739.9
feet in a balloon flight over
the Gulf of Mexico.
The flight lasted nine
hours. At peak altitude, they
conducted medical and sci-
entific experiments.

NEARLY CLEANS UP

Lafayette, Ind.—(UPI)—Street
sweeper William Hayes almost
cleaned up last week. He
swept up a bundle containing
nearly \$1,000 but it belonged
to a drugstore employee who
dropped it on the way to the
bank.

Prather drowned after he
slipped from a harness while
being picked up by a heli-
copter upon completion of the
flight.

It is the economic issue
that is likely to cost Con-
servatives the Glasgow seat.
(Unemployment is beginning
to run high in Scotland -
nearing the 100,000 mark
- and working class voters
are expected to be out of
sympathy with the govern-
ment.)

The Conservative govern-
ment's popularity slipped
last year and early this
year when it put the brakes
on pay increases and intro-
duced a credit squeeze to
try and right the country's
weak balance of payments
position.



FREAK ACCIDENT—Mrs. Anna Wisnom, 77, of San Mateo, Calif., was injured seriously in a "one-in-a-million" auto accident near her home when a large branch snapped from a tree and crashed into her car. She was trapped until police and firemen were able to saw through the two-foot thick branch and free her. Rescuers are shown as they surveyed the accident scene. (UPI)

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