

# Everest Climbers Heading for Top of Highest Mountain

Katmandu, Nepal — (UPI) — Two teams of American mountain climbers struck out towards the top of Mt. Everest, the world's highest peak, from the south and west sides today in hopes of meeting at the summit.

An official spokesman for the expedition said there was "high hopes for everybody." But, he said, there was no confirmation that anyone actually had reached the peak when last word was radioed to Katmandu from the base camp today.

### Good News Hoped

Earlier, expedition spokesman Daniel Doody had radioed from the base camp on the slopes of Everest that chances of a team reaching the summit by the previously unexplored west ridge route today were "very slim."

But he said "we hope for good news" from a team attempting the better-known south col route.

Outcome of the double attempt may not be known until Thursday due to weather and communications difficulties, he said.

Dr. William Unsöld, 36, Corvallis, Ore., and Dr. Thomas F. Hornbein, 32, San Diego, formed the west ridge assault team which has been delayed

by storms and the unfamiliarity of the route.

Doody said they appeared to have 2,000 feet to go today to reach the top of the 29,028-foot peak, highest in the world. This appeared too much for one day's climb.

### Must Give Up

"They know they have to give up in time to return to the base camp by Saturday," he said. The expedition plans to come down from the base camp that day.

The south col team of Barry

C. Bishop, 30, Washington, and Luther G. Jerstad, 26, Eugene, Ore., reached its final

camp Tuesday. If they reached the summit and found no trace of the

west ridge team, they planned to return alone the way they came. It had been hoped both

teams could meet at the summit and come down the south col route together.



**CONSTRUCT SUBSTATION**—With aid of a big truck-mounted boom a section of the steel substation structure slides into place at Pacific Power and Light company's new Gold Hill substation. When complete, the \$65,000 installation will provide for an in-

crease of voltage on the distribution circuits in the Gold Hill rural areas from 2,400 and 4,000 to 12,000 volts and help supply the greater amounts of energy being used by customers.

## Work Starts on Substation

Pacific Power & Light company construction crews have started work on the building of a new substation at Gold Hill which will serve that community and the surrounding rural area.

Total cost of the installation, scheduled for completion June 15, is estimated at \$65,000, according to Frank Benesh, PP&L's Medford district manager.

The new substation will complete a 12,000-volt power loop that will provide an alternate route for delivery of power to the areas served by the Tolo, Rogue River and Gold Hill substations, Benesh said.

Shortly after work is complete on the installation, a \$47,000 distribution power line conversion project will begin in the areas of Blackwell Hill, North Stage rd., Galls Creek, Sardine Creek and Highway 99 west of Rock Point bridge.

The existing substation at

Gold Hill presently serving PP&L customers in the area will be removed, Benesh announced. At the same site there will be installed equipment to convert energy from 12,500 volts to 4,100 volts for service in the Gold Hill downtown area.

### Reading Group Sets Wednesday Meeting

Rogue Valley Council of International Reading association will meet at 7:30 o'clock tonight at Hedrick Junior High school.

Mrs. Lucille Stroth and Mrs. Evelyn Winningham will speak on techniques of remedial reading. Ollie Erickson, council president, will give a presentation on, "What is Speed Reading?"

This is an open meeting and anyone interested is invited to attend. It will be the final meeting this school year.

## Liz Taylor To Make \$10 Million From 'Cleopatra'

New York — (UPI) — An announcement that actress Elizabeth Taylor can expect to make nearly \$10 million from the film "Cleopatra" turned the normally staid annual stockholders' meeting of the 20th Century-Fox Film Corp. into a catcalling, whistling session Tuesday.

The announcement, made by company president Darryl F. Zanuck, also was greeted by a demand from stockholder Evelyn Davis for the person responsible for the actress' "ridiculously large contract."

"It was her going price," Zanuck explained. Stockholder Gloria Parker got into a pushing, screaming argument with Miss Davis when Miss Parker suggested that the film star be made a member of the board of directors because "this girl has done a lot for our corporation."

Zanuck, who directed the \$34 million film, promised never to make a picture "as costly as long as I am a member of the board or president of the corporation." The veteran movie director wrested control of the company last year from Spyros P. Skouras.

Zanuck reported a net loss from the firm's operations last year of \$39,786,094. He said 20th was starting to recover from these reverses and showed earnings of \$2,292,000 or 90 cents a share for the first quarter of 1963.

"I will consider my job as being successful only when we have reached the point where we are logically justified in paying cash dividends," he said.

### Russia Hopes To Launch Spacewoman

Bogota, Colombia. — (UPI) — Two visiting Soviet technicians said Tuesday Russia hopes soon to put the first spacewoman into orbit.

M. Fillipov and M. V. Romantchenko, delegates to an international communications conference here, told a press conference the Kremlin plans to end male domination of space.

**TO RATION CALLS**  
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## Try and Stop Me

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**BEFORE SHE HIT** the jackpot as a novelist, a now-famous writer applied for the job of school teacher in a sparsely settled county adjoining the one where she had been reared. The school board president was relaxing on his front porch. "I know your family, miss," said the president. "Is it true that one of your cousins killed a man and your father bribed enough witnesses to save him from the chair?" "Yes, sir," admitted the applicant. "I'm not denying it."



"Is it also true," he continued, "that another of your cousins killed her husband and is now serving a term in the penitentiary?" "No, sir," blurted our heroine. "She's out! They sent her up for five years, but she got out in three for good behavior. "But," she added, "with all those facts, I don't suppose you'll want me to teach in your system."

"Lady," he assured her, rising to his feet, "you're the very one we do want. You can't hold your head above nobody!"

Somebody gave John Fuller an electric toothbrush for his birthday. Fuller tested it, approved of it, then boasted, "It proves what I always suspected: the tooth is stronger than friction."

Colonel Joe Duffy defines a mint julep as a hydrogen bomb with a Southern drawl.

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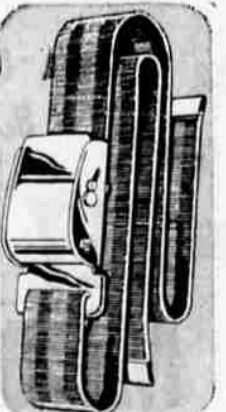
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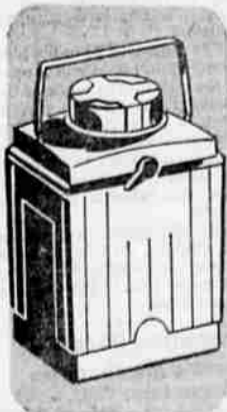
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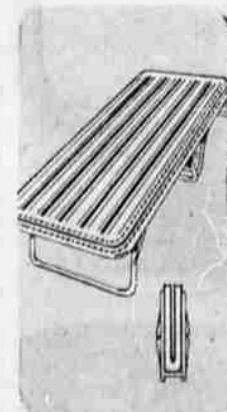
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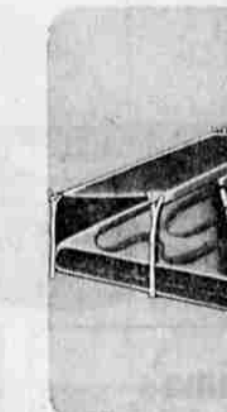
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