

Balloon Soars To New High

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Scientists said today it may take as long as a year to evaluate information gathered by the "Super Skyhook," a huge plastic balloon which soared more than 22 miles into the sky above Minnesota yesterday.

The immense bag was 282 feet long, about the size of an 18-story office building. The balloon came down on the farm of Marvin Arndt, two miles northeast of Madison Lake.

"It looked like a jumble of bed-sheets come loose from a clothes-line," said Wilbert Harty, a neighbor of Arndt's who spied the deflated plastic slithering to the earth. The 30-pound cylinder of instruments came down near Fairbault.

Experts who tracked the bag through radio signals said it reached an altitude of between 117,000 and 122,000 feet. That would be a record for this type of balloon, constructed of polyethylene film about half the thickness of a human hair.

The balloon, constructed by General Mills, Inc. for the Office of Naval Research, was the largest of about 1,200 similar plastic bags that have been sent aloft in the past several years.

The experiments are aimed at gathering information on cosmic rays, weather data and other facts from high altitudes. Yesterday's flight covered a pattern of about 80 miles, south and west of Minneapolis.

The bag remained aloft about nine hours after its release from an airport near Minneapolis. It was deflated by an automatic ripcord device which released the instruments and tore the plastic.

VOTER

CARSON CITY, Nev. (AP)—Among the political advertisements in the Nevada Appeal was this one by Dorothy Hersey of Carson City:

"If you want my vote, find a home for my mother cat and four kittens."



SERGEANT FIRST CLASS Dewey Henderson, Bly, is shown going over records in his new job as supply sergeant for the 1st medical battalion in Germany. Sergeant Henderson, whose wife is with him in Germany, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Henderson, Bly.

Power Co. Action Urged

SALEM (AP) — Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry demanded Tuesday that the State Game Commission force Mountain States Power Co. to build a fish ladder over its dam on the North Santiam River. The dam is one mile north of Stayton.

Newbry cited a law which says operators of dams must provide passages so the fish can get over the dams.

"Many fish are beating themselves into a state of exhaustion in their efforts to migrate above this dam."

"Since there is no ladder to enable these fish to proceed upstream, they finally spawn immediately below this artificial obstruction, in water that fluctuates from time to time, so that spawn is wasted."

"It is requested that you give this matter your immediate attention, and that you advise me why this condition has been allowed to go uncorrected," Newbry wrote to the game commission.

Biggest danger in marriage!

Is it money problems or personality faults? Famous marriage counselor, Dr. Paul Popenoe, shows the astonishing way they are related in the case of a young doctor and his pretty wife. She wanted to keep up with the Joneses. He felt he had married an undisciplined child with the "gimmies." Both had to learn the deeper reasons for their feelings toward money. Read how they found help in "Can This Marriage Be Saved?" in the June Ladies' Home Journal. Out today — on all newsstands!

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