

### Astronauts Set For Trip, Says Medico

ROME (UPI)—A leading American space doctor said today any one of the seven U.S. astronauts can take off for outer space "tomorrow"—providing a space vehicle is ready.

Dr. Siegfried J. Gerathewohl made the statement in commenting on a Russian scientist's remark Thursday that a Russian now is ready to be launched into space.

"We have a man ready, too," said Gerathewohl. "In fact, seven of them. Any one of our astronauts could be sent up tomorrow on sub-orbital or short orbital flights if the vehicle were ready."

Gerathewohl, of the bio-astronautic research office, U.S. Army Ballistic Missile Agency, defined "short orbital flights" as those involving "one or two orbits around the earth, for a few hours in space."

Gerathewohl would not say whether he thought the United States would beat Russia in the space race but he said "I think it won't be very long before they launch their first man into space."

The American scientist commented that "it is very often said that the medical people are behind the engineers in space travel, but I doubt that."

"We know today what man can stand in space," he said. "Now it is up to the engineers to provide systems under which man can survive."

Gerathewohl interrupted a paper he was delivering to the World Congress of Aviation and Space Medicine to challenge Soviet scientists to take part in a freer exchange of information on space research.

He said the Russians had supplied data on some high-flying rocket experiments with animals that stayed up only a few minutes, but had withheld information on Laika, the dog that stayed aloft in Sputnik II "for hours."

"The data on Laika, which we still do not have, is very important to us all," Gerathewohl said.

#### IMPRESSIVE DEBUT

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—The Air Force's new Mace-B guided missile has made what officials called an impressive debut at the Cape by successfully flying a 1,000-mile course at speeds up to 650 miles an hour. The launching Thursday was the first in a new test series for the advanced tactical weapon.

### Pretty Gal Finds Pen Mightier Than The Sword

NEWARK, N.J. (UPI)—A pretty brunette found Thursday night that the pen was mightier than the parking ticket.

Barbara Halloran, 25, was found innocent of illegally parking her small foreign car on a sidewalk Oct. 16.

The ticket she found on the car spurred her to write a spirited letter to police chief Joseph Weldon.

In the letter, reprinted in local newspapers, she contended that pranksters had lifted her little car half on a high curb — and the police then compounded the injury by ticketing the car.

Magistrate Joseph F. Walsh told Miss Halloran, a public relations worker in Elizabeth, N.J., that she was "quite a writer."

He said her letter had been read by many, "including the court," adding, "it is only in America that a person could feel he had been wronged and have it corrected as you have had tonight."

Said Miss Halloran: "The magistrate has a lovely smile." Walsh, however, told Patrolman William Davis he had been right in issuing the ticket and letting the court decide the facts.

### 2 Indicted For Murder

PENDLETON, Ore. (AP) — A Umatilla County grand jury Thursday indicted two Pasco, Wash., men on charges of first degree murder.

Walter Wicken, 23, and Harold Ouden, 25, are accused of the fatal shooting of Hermiston, Ore., policeman Ronald Kilby earlier this month.

Kilby was shot in the back with his own gun after he had stopped an automobile which was violating traffic laws. The two men were arrested at a road block later.

Meanwhile at Portland, the city's police department reported it had collected \$321 for Kilby's widow and children.

A number of police departments throughout the state have sent contributions to Mrs. Kilby.

#### SUGGESTS RUSSIAN PLAY

MOSCOW (UPI) — American novelist Erskine Caldwell suggested Thursday night that a play on Russian life by a Soviet writer should be staged in the United States. Caldwell, who wrote "Tobacco Road," said writers should travel more than diplomats.

### Boxing Figure Pleads Guilty

NEW YORK (AP) — Frankie Carbo, 35, underworld figure in boxing, interrupted his conspiracy trial today to plead guilty to three counts of a 10-count indictment.

He pleaded guilty to acting as a manager in a boxing match without a license and acting as a matchmaker without a license.

General Sessions Judge John A. Mullen held Carbo for sentencing Nov. 30. The defendant was sent to the city penitentiary hospital on Rikers Island because he suffers from diabetes.

### New Thrust By Reds Seen

NEW DELHI (UPI) — The Chinese Communists have extended their checkpoints over a wider area of the Ladakh section of the Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir, reports from the frontier state today.

Foreign policy experts said it appeared likely the Communists may attempt to penetrate even farther into Indian territory.

Unofficial reports said the Chinese were not only continuing their "incursions" of troops across border areas but also violating Indian air space.

The Chinese were also reported to have warned Indian outposts at Khinzamane to withdraw, on the ground that this area north of the traditional McMahon Line border belongs to China.

The Chinese were said to have spread their checkpoints in north-east and northwest directions from Ladakh, scene of a clash Oct. 21 between Chinese troops and Indian police in which nine Indians were killed.

Three Indians injured and captured by the Chinese have arrived back at Ladakh's Chasul Airport after being released by the Communists at Pobrang, 80 miles from Chasul, it was reported today.

A PEOPLE LOVER  
NEW YORK (UPI) — A rare goat-like antelope from the Himalaya Mountains called a "takin" goes on exhibition at the Bronx Zoo today.

The zoo said the one-and-a-half-year-old takin is particularly suited to its new life because it loves people and hates to be left alone.

MAN NEEDS DEFENDING  
LONDON (UPI) — Mrs. Asa Clayton Smith, 70, was ejected from a meeting of the Camine Defense League Thursday night for kicking a male member during a debate.

### Ex-Union Boss Raps Newspaper

SEATTLE (AP) — "It was good honest labor," Seattle's best-known parking lot attendant said Thursday. "I was doing pretty good 'til the papers found out about it."

Dave Beck, 63, onetime Teamsters' Union chief, was explaining that he was retiring from personal operation of his downtown parking lot.

Too much publicity, he said, and too many curious people. "People weren't buying parking tickets. They were just dropping by to talk," Beck said.

Operation of the lot, located across the street from Beck's former Teamsters' headquarters, has been turned over to friend, Beck said.

### Oral Vaccine Risks Great

CHICAGO (UPI) — More tests must be made before oral, live-virus polio vaccine can be considered safe, three Baylor University researchers said today.

They said the risks of the oral vaccine "appear to be greater than expected."

Vaccines made from the live polio viruses have been given to children all over the world. It was administered by Dr. Albert Sabin, a University of Cincinnati scientist who developed the vaccine.

The researchers, Drs. Joseph L. Melnick, Matilda Bnyesh-Melnick and James C. Brennan, said caution should be the watchword in using the vaccine.

They wrote in the current journal of the American Medical Association that the safety of the vaccine has not been definitely proved.

Safety tests performed in a number of different laboratories are in "serious disagreement" about the degree of strength of the viruses, they said.

"We do not imply that we have proved that such strains are dangerous either for the vaccinated child or for the community, but we wish to emphasize that the risks appear to be greater than had been suspected and that much more knowledge must be obtained" before the vaccine can be considered safe, they said.

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### Dancing Light Said Mystery

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Puzzled scientists sought an explanation today for the mysterious "dancing lights" reflected from the giant space balloon launched Wednesday evening at Wallops Island, Va.

They had expected the aluminum-coated balloon, big as a 10-story building, to glow brightly as it caught the rays of the setting sun.

But they were completely unprepared, said a spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), for what they actually saw.

This has been variously described by competent observers as dancing lights, scintillations, shooting sparks, and flashing beams reminiscent of twinkling Christmas tree lights.

"It was an entirely unexpected phenomenon," the NASA spokesman said, "and the scientists are hunting for an explanation."

The big balloon, crumpled into a 30-inch container, was rocketed into space 250 miles above the Atlantic off NASA's Wallops Island station to test mechanisms for ejecting it from the container and inflating it to its full 100-foot size.

The test, pronounced a complete success, paves the way for an attempt in the next few months to launch an identical balloon at Cape Canaveral, Fla., into a satellite orbit around the earth.

Such a satellite, scientists say, should make an ideal reflector for use in long-distance radio communications.

#### IKE VISIT DIM

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Prospects that President Eisenhower will accept an invitation to visit New Zealand appear dim.

New Zealand Prime Minister Walter Nash asked Eisenhower to visit his country at a White House meeting Wednesday. But Nash said that he realized the great demands on the President's time and that New Zealand would not urge such an invitation if Eisenhower felt he should not go.



GREER F. DREW, Chairman of the Hospital Survey Fund says, "Before we can have a hospital, a survey must be made to determine what we need in hospital facilities. Now is the time for all people in the Basin to come forth with their contributions to the Klamath County Hospital Survey Fund. \$8,000 must be raised by December 1."

### 'No Apology,' Says Sen. Porter

EUGENE (AP)—Rep. Charles Porter (D-Ore) said Thursday while he makes no apologies for his past stand in favor of Fidel Castro, the present anti-United States activities of Castro worry him.

"This is no surprise to me," said Porter, who also told of a recent letter he sent Castro urging him to hold free elections soon.

"So far I have had no answer," Porter said. "I told him that he must call elections to get a legitimate, organized opposition."

The current popular strongman and revolutionary hero re-introduced military tribunals and firing squads for counter-revolutionaries.

"I don't know," he said when asked if Cuban affairs could be straightened out with Castro calling the shots. "It looks black."

### Klamath Falls Junior High

By MIKE VEATCH

The first major event of the school year was the election of student body officers. The manner in which the voting was carried on was much the same as that in adult voting. The student body officers elected for the 1959-60 year are as follows: Larry Binney, president; John Parisotto, first vice president; Marianne Gallagher, second vice president; Carol Drew, secretary; and Bill Googins, secretary-treasurer.

On October 22 the annual Fremont Magazine Drive was launched. On that same day the district representative of the Curtis Publishing Company, Mr. Huff, was present to explain some of the procedures and functions of the drive. He also showed slides of some of the prizes which may be earned in selling magazines.

There are six National School Assemblies scheduled for the school year. The first of these was held September 30 when Ralph Melville was present to dramatize the art of glass blowing. The second of these was held October 23 when Joyce Zulch presented authentic films on Russian life. These highly educational assemblies are very popular with the students.

The Fremont Regular football team has scored two wins and two losses this year. Their wins were from Ashland Junior High and Sacred Heart Academy. KU Freshmen and the Altamont Regulars handed Fremont their two losses.

The Fremont Midget football squad has raked up one win, one loss, and one tie. They defeated Altamont No. 2 team, lost to Altamont No. 1 team, and tied Altamont No. 2 team in three games.

There are 318 students enrolled at Klamath Falls Junior High this year as compared with 272 on the same date last year.

### Nobel Winner Won't Visit U.S.

MOSCOW (AP)—Informed Soviet sources said today Boris Pasternak has no intention of going to the United States.

These sources, in touch with the poet and novelist who rejected the 1958 Nobel literature prize last year, said he had received no invitation to attend a dinner honoring the memory of famed Russian writer Fyodor Dostoevski in Chicago Dec. 27.

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