



In 1954 National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics began studies on an advanced rocket plane, the X-15. By 1955 the Navy was working on the Vanguard rocket, which was to launch a tiny satellite sometime in 1958.

The approach to space was leisurely. Many experts considered it as something for the next century. Then, on Oct. 4, 1957, the Soviet's Sputnik I soared into the skies like a danger signal, jarring the U.S. once again out of complacency.

As with aviation in 1915, so with space research in 1957: America found itself left behind. NACA had been the answer in the field of aeronautics. Now a new organization was needed to answer the challenge in astronautics. On July 2, 1958, National Aeronautics and Space Administration came into being.

Personnel and facilities of NACA were absorbed—Hugh L. Dryden, former NACA head, was made deputy administrator of the new agency. T. Keith Glennan became the nation's first space boss (succeeded by James E. Webb in 1961).

The Act of Congress establishing NASA stated: "It is the policy of the United States that activities in space should be devoted to peaceful purposes for the benefit of mankind."

Among the major objectives set forth:

- "The expansion of human knowledge of phenomena in the atmosphere and space."
- "The development and operation of vehicles capable of carrying instruments, equipment, supplies and living organisms through space."
- "Long-range studies of potential benefits to be gained from . . . aeronautical and space activities."

"Preservation of the role of the United States as a leader in aeronautical and space science and technology."

"Co-operation by the United States with other nations and groups of nations."

NASA went into operation in October 1958, nine months after America's first satellite, Explorer I, was launched, 32 years after rocket pioneer Dr. Robert H. Goddard had launched the world's first liquid-fueled rocket and 39 years after he had proposed a rocket to the moon.

One of NASA's new research centers was to be named after Goddard. A prophet was finally with honor in his own land as a whole nation embarked on what some believe to be the greatest adventure in history.

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\$500 Million Cut Urged For Next Space Program

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The House Space Committee will recommend cuts of nearly \$500 million in the administration's request for \$5.7 billion for the civilian space program next year.

As it now stands, the committee will approve a spending ceiling for the federal space agency of just under \$5.2 billion.



SERIOUS BUSINESS — Two lads, Donald McNary, 11, left, and his pal Joe Bair, 9, totaled points during the annual dairy judging contest at the dairy ranches of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Bair, Spring Lake Road, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hobson, Merrill, Donald, in his second year of 4-H Club work with the Midland Dairy Club, is raising a Holstein heifer to exhibit at the Junior Livestock Show at the fairgrounds in August. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin McNary, recently bought the Ed Born Dairy on Spring Lake Road.

Pair Jailed On Driving Counts Here

Two drivers arrested by city police were jailed in lieu of bail that totaled \$450 for offenses including, in one case drunken driving, and in the other, reckless driving and failure to leave name and address at the scene of an accident.

Charles L. Knapp, 19, Route 3, Box 232-B, was arrested after rolling his car on Orindale Road a short time after he eluded city police after he was involved in a hit and run accident on Main Street near South Seventh at about 12:10 a.m. Wednesday.

Knapp was spotted only after he came back to the scene of the sideswipe to pick up a piece of chrome broken off his car in the crash. City police gave chase, but were eluded after the driver turned off his lights and sped away. Police gave up the chase because Knapp's reckless driving endangered innocent lives.

Another youth in Knapp's car who had jumped out to pick up the chrome, Albert Leroy Peterson, 20, ran from the scene when police approached Knapp's vehicle. He was apprehended later and charged with furnishing liquor to minors. He was jailed in lieu of \$50 bail.

Knapp was picked up by state police after he wrecked his car near Weyerhaeuser. His bail was set at \$150.

Charles Lago Jr., 29, 3024 Angle Street, was arrested earlier this week on a charge of drunken driving and was jailed in lieu of \$300.

The arresting city patrolman said he spotted Lago's vehicle come around a corner turning on Adams Street from East Main, "almost on two wheels."

When Lago was stopped he refused to answer any questions or take a sobriety test.

POODLE HELPS ROBBER — LONDON (UPI) — A bandit made a successful getaway in his car Wednesday with \$100 from a suburban London bank, thanks to a dog.

Passersby, who could have cut him off from his auto, thought the men chasing the robber were after a poodle frolicking at his heels and grabbed the dog instead.

Street Paving Rejected

BONANZA—There will be no streets paved in Bonanza, the council has decided. Following the routine meeting to pay the bills, the budget was discussed.

A committee consisting of council members, Clyde Wooten, Jesse McFall, Louis Van Sipe, Doug Smelcer, and James Barratt, met with five residents, LeRoy Fernlund, Roy Warfield, Jean McFall, Reg Thomas, and Don Horsley, to make up the budget.

The next meeting of the council will be on July 1, at 8 p.m., in the library.

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Rites For Pope Delayed; Conclave Plans Proceed

VATICAN CITY (UPI) — Funeral rites for Pope John XXIII were suspended today for the feast of Corpus Christi, but church officials went ahead with preparations for the secret conclave which will elect his successor.

The nine-day funeral of the late Pope will resume Friday and go on through Monday.

The steady flow of pilgrims to Pope John's temporary tomb in the crypt of St. Peter's Basilica continued.

Preparations for the conclave to elect a new pontiff were approaching completion. The conclave area in the Vatican where the cardinals will remain until they choose his successor was being carefully sealed off from the outside world.

"Cells," or small apartments, in the conclave area around the Sistine Chapel were assigned Wednesday after the cardinals drew lots.

More than 60 of the Roman Catholic Church's 32 cardinals already were in Rome.

Scout Toll Reaches 13

ESCALANTE, Utah (UPI) — The 13th victim of the Escalante scouting expedition disaster died Wednesday night in a Panguitch, Utah, hospital, raising the toll to seven Boy Scouts and six adults.

Marvin Porchatis, 29, Salt Lake City, died after remaining in critical condition since the tragedy 35 miles southwest of here Monday afternoon.

Brake failure caused by an empty master cylinder was blamed for the mishap. The opened truck, carrying 46 persons, stalled on a steep hill as the driver attempted to shift into a lower gear. It rolled backward, then crashed down a 35-foot embankment, killing 13 persons and injuring 33.

Col. Lyle Hyatt, chief of Utah Highway Patrol, said reports of the patrol's formal investigation would be turned over to the Kane County attorney who would determine whether charges of neglect would be pressed.



CAMARADERIE — Boy and girl members of 4-H Dairy Club did a bit of visiting along with the business of judging dairy cattle at the Joe Bair Ranch on Spring Lake Road. They lined corral fences like blackbirds and wrote results of their own judging to be tallied for trophies.

Congress Muzzling Rapped

By DICK WEST
WASHINGTON (UPI) — Last year the alleged muzzling of military officers was making headlines. And now there is a big controversy over the muzzling of congressmen.

Of the two, I would say the latter is potentially more explosive. If you muzzle a military officer, he can always relieve his frustrations by barking at an enlisted man.

But if you bottle up words in a congressman, you get a dangerous fermenting effect, like putting too much yeast in the home brew.

He is likely either to blow his yolk or fly three feet into the air and bust.

Oddly enough, the muzzling of congressmen is being carried out by two of their own kind—Reps. Wayne Hays, D-Ohio, and Paul C. Jones, D-Mo.

Objected To Address
Hays got sore the other day because someone objected to his request for unanimous consent to address the House for five hours. He thereupon began to block similar requests by other members.

Since then, forensic activity in the chamber has been pretty much confined to the actual business at hand. There hasn't been an eerie silence exactly, but the decibel count is relatively anemic.

Retain Pact Canada Says

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Canada told the International North Pacific Fisheries Conference Wednesday it hoped any new conservation agreement would retain the "abstinence principle" which reserves parts of the high seas for Canadian and U.S. fishermen.

Canada, the United States and Japan met in the sixth session of the conference called on Japan's request to reassess the 16-year-old International North Pacific Fisheries convention.

Japan has proposed a new conservation pact which would discard the abstinence principle. Under this principle Japan had agreed not to fish for certain species in parts of the eastern North Pacific Ocean so long as U.S. and Canadian fishermen were utilizing the stocks fully. Halibut, salmon and herring are the chief species affected.

The United States and Canada both made clear when the conference opened last week that they supported the abstinence principle.

man to the business at hand, you are playing a piano with only one string.

The verbal blockade was further tightened this week by Jones' one-man crusade to curtail the practice of "extending" remarks and otherwise having material printed in the Congressional Record.

Jones pointed out that the cost of printing the record had risen to \$90 a page, including a lot of what he called "trash, tripe and trivia."

He urged his colleagues to show more restraint and discretion in contributing to the record, which other literary critics have described as the nearest thing we have to a national wastebasket.

Posted A Sentinel
And, in case some members lacked the will power to refrain

from such embellishments, Jones posted himself as a sentinel to make certain they tapered off.

Needless to say, he and Hays will not be nominated as the two most popular kids on the block.

If you could hear the muffled cries of congressmen with words to disgorge and no place to utter them, it would turn your heart to butter, or at least to margarine.

Unless Hays and Jones relent soon, I fear the buildup of gasconcealment will cause our lawmakers to disintegrate.

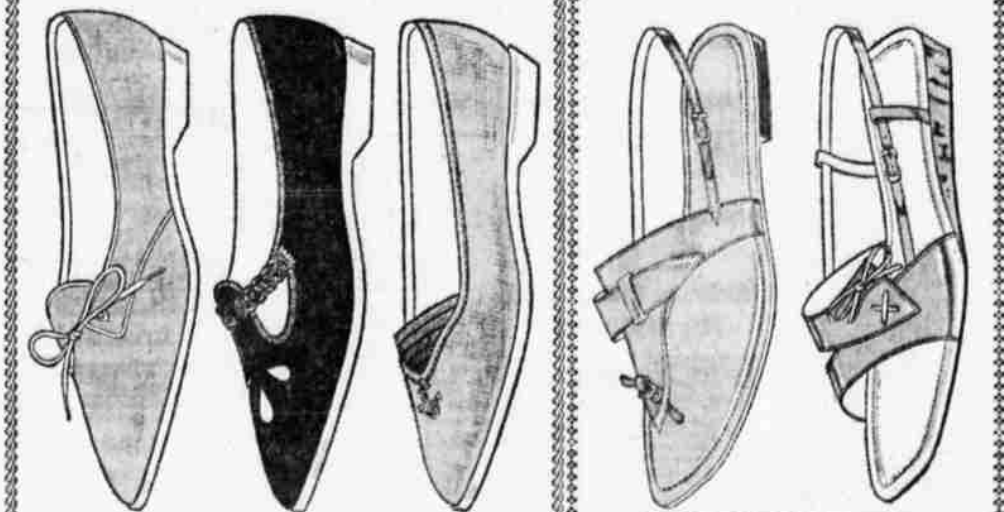
As an act of mercy, some of us are planning to form an organization called "Verbotives Anonymous" to help them endure the ordeal. Should a congressman wake up at night with a compulsion to talk, we will lend him a tape recorder.

Recreation Space Open

There is room for several more sign-ups in the Moore Park playground summer program which begins June 17, Gary Woodring, director of the parks and recreation department announced recently.

The tennis instruction program also has room for several more participants, both children and adults, the director said. For further information interested persons may call the recreation department at TU 2-5863.

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