

# Navy's Vanguard Puts New 'Moon' In Sky



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### Ultimatum Issued

HAVANA, Cuba (P)—Rebel leader Fidel Castro issued a 22-point ultimatum from his mountain headquarters to do away with President Fulgencio Batista to quit by April 5.

### Price Labeling

WASHINGTON (P)—Sen. Monroney (D-Okla.) today proposed an automobile price labeling bill he described as designed to "do away with the advantage now held by a few unscrupulous dealers."

### Influence Denied

WASHINGTON (P)—Col. George Gordon Moore swore today he "in no way, directly or indirectly," sought to influence the award of a television station license in Miami.

### Heavy Damage

CLEARWATER, Fla. (P)—A spectacular fire raged through most of a city block of stores here today, causing damages of at least \$1 1/2 million dollars. Three stores, a stock brokerage office and a supermarket were destroyed.

### 'Dragging' Chrged

WASHINGTON (P)—Republican National Chairman Meade Alcorn today accused Democrats in Congress of dragging their feet on a three-year-old Eisenhower proposal for special aid to areas of chronic unemployment.

### Elections Set

ROME (P)—President Giovanni Gronchi today dissolved the Italian Parliament to pave the way for elections for both the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate. The vote will come on May 25.

### 'Freeze' Likely

WASHINGTON (P)—The House Agriculture Committee, operating under speed-up orders, was expected to approve today a Senate-passed resolution which would freeze farm price supports at last year's level.

## Dynamite Blasts 2 Jewish Centers

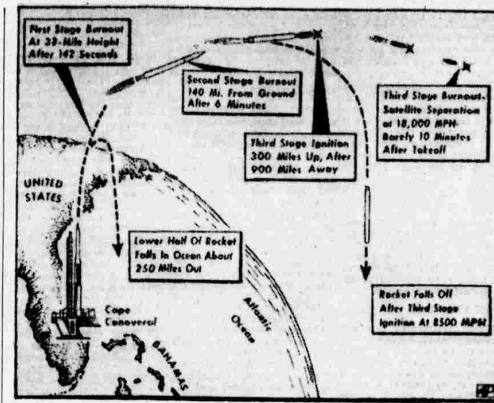
By Associated Press

Dynamite explosions have damaged Jewish centers in Miami, Fla., and Nashville, Tenn., today and police are examining the wreckage for clues to the identity of the terrorists.

An anonymous telephone caller linked the Tennessee incident yesterday to school integration and threatened that a federal judge "would be shot down in cold blood."

The Miami blast came at 2:30 a. m. Sunday, doing at least \$300,000 worth of damage to the school-recreation area of Temple Beth El, located in the southwest section of the city. Doors were blown out, a hole torn in a concrete wall and a kitchen ceiling, the roof lifted and walls shifted on the foundation.

The Nashville explosion, shortly after 8 p. m., smashed the front doors of the Jewish community center. It ripped down the ceiling of the reception hall and broke panes of glass. Damage was estimated at \$50,000.



Here's Play-By-Play Of Vanguard's Flight

—FOOD TO BE UNNECESSARY—

## Spaceman Won't Need Air

By Robert Goldenstein

CHICAGO (P)—An Army research official said today that space medicine pioneers are "working toward" development of a substance that will make breathing, eating and drinking unnecessary on space flights or for surviving on other planets.

James B. Edson, assistant to the Army's director of research and development, forecast that the "normal rate of engineering development progress" will make possible landings on the moon and Mars and flights to faraway stars within 10 to 15 years.

Any unpredictable creative breakthroughs, he said, would tend to shorten the time schedule.

Writing in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, he said, the first named expedition to the moon

probably will make their first base a hole in the ground.

"It may be a natural cave or fissure, providing protection from hot sun, cold nights, cosmic rays and meteors," he said. "It should grow into sealed caverns, in which pressure will be maintained just high enough to keep the blood from boiling."

"But the moon pioneers may not need oxygen. The space medicine people are working toward the development of a synthetic nutrient which could be injected into the bloodstream, making breathing as well as eating and drinking unnecessary."

He said a moon base would have important military implications in deciding the outcome of any terrestrial power contest.

"Prevention of exclusive lunar

occupation by another power may someday become a major objective of U.S. foreign policy and of our technological effort," he said.

Within the next two or three years, suitably selected and trained men can confidently embark on space trips of several days duration, he said.

Looking farther into the future, Edson said establishment of self-sufficient bases or colonies on the moon and Mars may set a trend. He put it this way: "The expanding range of human habitat may forever be wider than the area that can be depopulated in a violent power contest. We can imagine a time when the destruction of mankind on any single planet will be like the loss, in earlier times, of a city or a culture—a tragedy but not the end of everything."

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## Round Trip Will Take 133 Minutes

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (P)

The Navy's Vanguard rocket hurled the second U.S. satellite into orbit around the earth today.

With its back to the wall after two highly-publicized failures, the Navy launched the Vanguard today on one of the most perfect flights ever seen at the nation's missile test center.

Belching fire and smoke, the slender gray-rocket left its launching pad at 7:18 a. m. Two hours and 13 minutes later, President Eisenhower told the world the trouble-plagued Vanguard had succeeded in the space mission for which it was created.

Celebration held

His announcement that the Vanguard's tiny "moon" will circle the earth with the Army's Explorer and Russia's Sputnik II touched off a celebration in Navy circles here and among personnel of the Martin Co., which built the rocket.

In Cambridge, Mass., Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory officials, reporting the Vanguard satellite "definitely in orbit," today said it appeared the little moon apparently is circling the earth in a period of 133 minutes.

Dr. Allen J. Hynek, associate director of the Smithsonian Observatory, said this might indicate that the small satellite might reach a high point of 1,480 miles above the earth in its elliptical orbit.

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JUDGE PARKER

### Regret Expressed

## Profession Mourns 'Greatest Jurist'

Judge John J. Parker today was mourned in the legal profession and officialdom.

By many attorneys who have known him for years, he was called the greatest jurist they have ever known.

Sens. Ervin (D-N.C.) and Scott (D-N.C.) expressed regret over his death.

Ervin said he has conferred with Parker on legal problems for years and held the highest respect for his legal view.

Scott called him one of the finest jurists of the country and said his contributions to his state has been great.

Ervin said: "My judgment one of the greatest tragedies of this generation was the rejection by the United States Senate of his (Parker's) appointment to the Supreme Court of the United States."

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## Top Jurist Felled As Heart Fails

Judge John Johnston Parker of Charlotte, the nation's senior federal jurist, died in Washington, D. C., today.

The 72-year-old chief judge of the Fourth U. S. Circuit Court suffered a heart attack last night and died early today in George Washington Hospital.

He had been in Washington for a meeting of a committee on administration of criminal law and as an authority on both federal and state constitutional law.

The news of his death brought immediate messages of shock and regret from state and federal officials all over the country.

AN AUTHORITY  
Death put an end to a colorful and eventful career for the Union County native. He has established a reputation for international law and as an authority on both federal and state constitutional law.

During his brilliant career, the staunch Republican had been a candidate for both Congress and the governorship of North Carolina. He had been named to the U. S. Supreme Court by President Hoover in 1929 but failed to get a Senate confirmation by a narrow margin.

Judge Parker was born in Monroe Nov. 26, 1885. He was the son of John D. Parker and Frances Johnston Parker. Through his mother, he was related to Samuel Johnston, North Carolina's first United States Senator, and James Trevelick, a Supreme Court justice appointed by George Washington.

CNC GRADUATE  
As a boy he attended public schools and later entered the University of North Carolina where he worked his way through. He received his A. B. degree and as president of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholarship fraternity.

He was a leader in student affairs, was president of his senior class, represented the university in debating, won prizes in Greek, economics and law. He was awarded his law degree from the University of North Carolina in 1909.

The young lawyer started practice in Greensboro and in 1909 went back to Monroe where he formed a partnership with A. M. Stuck, later a superior court judge. His moved his law office to Charlotte in 1921.

While in Greensboro young Parker was campaign committee secretary to John M. Morehead, who was elected to Congress as a Republican in a traditionally strong Democratic stronghold.

BOBBITT PARTNER  
One of his Charlotte law partners was North Carolina Supreme Court Judge William H. Bobbitt. Judge Parker was appointed to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals in 1925 after he had established himself as a forceful and successful young attorney.

One of his early successes was the North Carolina Fair Clearance case in which he represented 300 banks against the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. He appeared against two legal giants of the day, Col. Henry Anderson, a famous Richmond lawyer, and John W.

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Today's Weather

Increasing cloudiness and cool today with scattered light rain likely tonight, cloudy and cool Tuesday with occasional rain. In the forenoon.

Low this morning ..... 34  
Low tomorrow morning ..... 30  
High today ..... 53  
High tomorrow ..... 53  
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Sunrise today 6:31 a.m.; sunset today 6:32 p.m.

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## CAR FRIGHTENS MAN AWAY

## Woman Beaten, Burned, Cut

ARTESIA, Calif. (P)—A housewife says a man gagged and strangled her by her hair, pulled her wrists from a garage rafter, beat her with a rubber hose containing a razor blade, and burned her with a cigar. Sheriff's deputies said Mrs. Norma Wheeler, 40, still hysterical, gave this account yesterday.

She entered the family garage in this south-side Los Angeles suburb about 9 p. m. Saturday to get a cardboard carton. Her husband, David, a trailer salesman, was away on business. Their 9-year-old daughter was asleep in the house.

The stranger grabbed her, muffled her scream with one hand, stuffed a cloth into her mouth and bound it with a cord around her head.

He ripped off her only garment, a housecoat, and ordered her to strip. She obeyed. He then pulled out a switchblade knife, advanced and said, "Well, this is it."

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