



Astronauts Safe On Wasp

GEMINI HITS ON THE NOSE

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Q. We would like to vote in the runoff election for solicitor. Inasmuch as our vacation starts on June 19 and we have reservations for the beach that week, how would it be possible for us to cast our votes for our candidate?—C. E. Talbert.

A. It isn't possible. Absentee ballots are available only for military personnel in primary elections. They are available for anyone in general elections.

Q. Who is Miss Teenage America of 1966? Isn't she a Charlotte girl?—Curious.

A. No, Charlotte's Cindy Byrum was first runnerup in the national contest finals held in Dallas last October. The winner was Cécile Dauterive of Paramus, N. J.

Q. I have heard that if a person is transferred to a high school outside the district in which he lives, he cannot participate in sports. Is this true?—R. W.

A. School policy states that if a student is transferred by the school system to a new school, he may play. But if he transfers voluntarily under the freedom of choice plan, then he may not participate in varsity athletics for one year.

BYRUM

Q. Will someone please tell me whether or not we are saving any money by having the furnace shut off during the summer months?—T. D.

A. It depends on the type of furnace, but a local heating contractor recommends that you turn it off in the summer for reasons of safety.

Q. I would like to know if there is a place in Charlotte that offers a course in automobile mechanics for women.—Interested.

A. Not at the present time. Central Piedmont Community College officials say that if enough interest is shown, they may offer one next fall.

Q. A real estate company in this city gave me permission to perform a job on a home. After I completed the job, they would not pay me. They said the owner was responsible. He is a member of the Charlotte Board of Realtors. How can I make this realtor pay the bill?—A serviceman.

A. You probably can't since the realtor is only the owner's agent. You do have recourse with the owner if he still has title to the property that was improved or repaired.

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Q. Are stores in the city of Charlotte allowed to sell beer on Sundays?—Curious.

A. Those inside the city are allowed to, but those outside the city in Mecklenburg County are not, according to the Mecklenburg ABC Board.

Q. If a package is sent to a serviceman in Viet Nam by parcel post, how long will it take to get there? How long will it take if it is sent air mail?—Dorothy Griffin.

A. Military sources say it takes about four days for air mail and four weeks for parcel post.

Q. I wish you would consult some expert or someone who has been smoking a pipe for quite a while and ask him what the best thing would be for a young smoker who's just beginning to smoke a pipe to keep it from being his tongue and making it so sore that he can't eat or drink. Is there some special type of tobacco you can smoke or something you can do to the pipe to keep it from doing that?—William Little.

A. John S. Nance, a local pharmacist, says it is the new paint in the bowl of the pipe that hinders the tongue. To avoid this, he suggests changing the pipe before smoking it. Light it as though to smoke it, he says, while you are riding in a car. Hold the pipe out of the window with the stem up and the bowl blowing into the bowl of the pipe. The wind will keep the pipe going and will burn the paint on the inside of the bowl, Mr. Nance says.

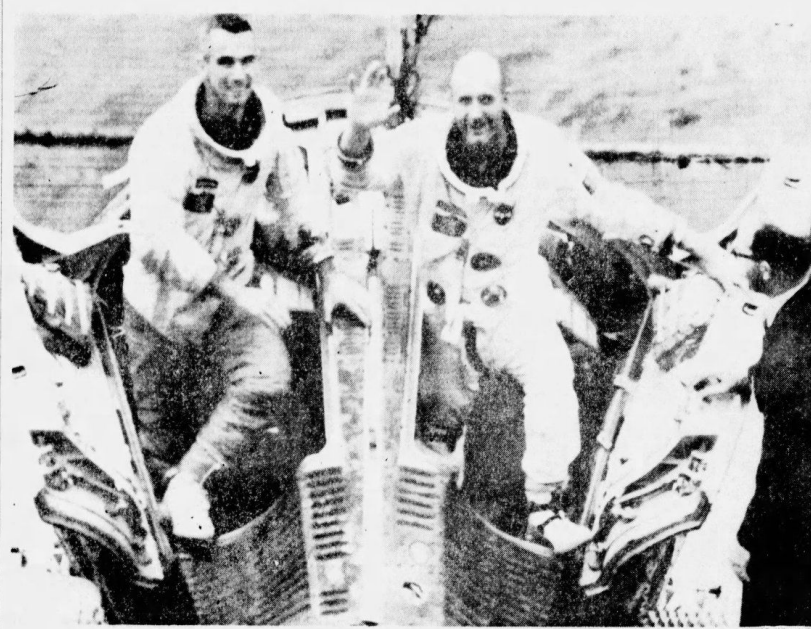
Q. How can you tell when potatoes are ready to be dug?—A. F.

A. Dig a few and see, says County Agricultural Agent George Hobson.

Q. I want to know if a silver dollar coined in 1923 is of any special value. The distinguishing feature about it is that it has "trust" spelled "tr-u-z-z-l."—R. S. B.

A. A local coin dealer says "trust" was spelled that way on many old coins, but that your coin probably would be worth at least \$1.00. The mint markings on your coin would be the

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Cernan (Left) and Stafford Are Congratulated As Their Spacecraft Is Set Down Aboard The Wasp

President Applauds Mission

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP)—The Gemini 9 astronauts, in a near-perfect climax to their sensational and often-troublesome orbital flight, splashed triumphantly to a safe landing in the Atlantic Ocean today and received the grateful congratulations of President Johnson.

Astronauts Thomas P. Stafford and Eugene A. Cernan—the world's new champion space walker—made the most accurate landing in the U. S. man-in-space program. They parked Gemini 9 just half a mile short of the aiming point and only 36 miles off the bow of the main recovery ship. The aircraft carrier Wasp, and in view of millions of television watchers.

Shortly afterwards, President Johnson phoned the new space heroes from the LBJ ranch in Texas and said "We're proud of both of you... you have made us all aware of what performance under pressure is all about and that includes courage."

Johnson congratulated Cernan on his 2 hour 5 minute space walk, saying, "That little stroll, Gene, was one of the finest chapters in our whole space story."

Freedom Or New Hearing Ordered

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court held 8-1 today that a deluge of publicity amid "a carnival atmosphere" denied Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard a fair trial in the bludgeoning slaying of his first wife, Marilyn. It ordered the Cleveland osteopath freed unless the state wants to try him again.

At the same time the court, in the majority opinion written by Justice Tom C. Clark, suggested detailed rules for control of news coverage in cases of great public interest.

TO PREVENT the "bedlam" that reigned at the courtroom, the majority said the trial judge could have limited the number of reporters in the courtroom.

It also said witnesses should have been insulated, and the judge should have tried to control the release of information and gossip to the press by policemen, witnesses, and counsel for both sides.

The judge, it said, might well have banned out-of-court statements by any attorney, witness or official "which divulged prejudicial matters."

The dissenter in today's decision was Justice Hugo L. Black, who did not write out his views.

On learning of the decision, Dr. Sheppard exclaimed "Thank God!"

Clark said the court had concluded "that Sheppard did not receive a fair trial consistent with the due process clause of the 14th amendment." The court, therefore, Clark said, reversed a 2-1 decision by the U. S. Circuit Court in Cincinnati, which found no evidence that Sheppard had been deprived of federal rights.

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Ky Excludes Buddhists From 10-Civilian Slate

SAIGON (AP)—Premier Nguyen Cao Ky's military regime nominated a slate of 10 civilians today to join the 10-man ruling junta but excluded Buddhist extremists opposing the government.

The list included some moderate Buddhists, Roman Catholics and representatives of the Cao Dai and Hoa Hao sects. But the absence of any militant Buddhists pointed to the imminent danger of a collapse of the political truce between the regime and the unified Buddhist church.

Even before the government published the list, the Buddhist Institute—the church's chief political arm—said: "This cannot solve anything but only increase the opposition from the people." A spokesman said the Buddhists wouldn't join the government if asked.

WHILE THE politicking went on in Saigon, there were these developments in the war:—The U. S. 1st Air Cavalry Division, together with Vietnamese and South Korean units, ended operation crazy horse after almost 21 days of fighting in the rugged central highlands 270 miles northwest of Saigon. The reported enemy toll was 516 Viet Cong killed, 31 captured, 119 suspects detained and 13 crested and 38 individual weapons captured. Over-all allied losses were light.

—A Communist ambush wiped out a six-man U. S. Air Force survey team in a truck about 15 miles south of the 17th Parallel frontier with North Viet Nam.

—Vietnamese troops destroyed a Viet Cong jungle ammunition factory in the Mekong Delta's Phong Dinh Province after four skirmishes with the guerrillas in Cai Bang district 80 miles southwest of Saigon.

Sheppard Trial Ruled Unfair

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Jobless Rate Shoots Up

WASHINGTON (AP)—Unemployment last month took its biggest jump in two years, the Labor Department reported today, and a spokesman said it indicated a slowdown in the rate of the nation's economic growth.

But, commissioner Arthur M. Ross of the Bureau of Labor Statistics said, "There is every reason to believe the overall economic movement is still upward," despite the rise in May from 27.7 to 28.4 percent in the jobless rate.

The total number of unemployed rose 140,000 to 2.9 million.

Ross said the biggest part of the increase was among high school and college students putting in bits for summer jobs although they were still in school in May and not ready to work until June.

"It doesn't prove that they are not going to get work," Ross said.

THE PRESIDENT said he would nominate Cernan today for promotion to the grade of Navy commander. Stafford had been promoted to Air Force lieutenant colonel after his Gemini 6 flight in December.

The "on the money" splashdown came at 10 a.m. (EDT) after a flight of three days, 21 minutes during which Gemini 9 circled the globe 45 times and traveled nearly 1,200,000 miles.

With thousands of sailors, wearing their Sunday best, cheering, the Wasp maneuvered alongside and retrieved the pilots and spacecraft from the sea 30 minutes later.

Stafford and Cernan acknowledged the "thumbs up" signals. Both appeared relaxed and in excellent physical condition.

Command pilot Stafford, whose cool, on to the spot decisions played a key role in the mission, gave the thumbs up to a touchdown within sight of the carrier and on-deck television cameras, which relayed the dramatic picture via radio to the White House.

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Alma Boils Toward Cuba

MIAMI (AP)—Hurricane Alma, the earliest of the big tropical blows in 15 years, boiled up in the Caribbean Sea and threatened toward Cuba.

At 11 a.m. (EST), the National Hurricane Center said the winds of the storm had reached hurricane force at 75 miles an hour.

Just six days after the service put into effect its master plan for 1966 storm forecasts, Alma was churning up the waters of the Caribbean 340 miles south-southwest of Havana and 570 miles from Miami.

Not since May 1951, when a 100-mile-an-hour storm threatened the Florida coast, has a hurricane sprung up so early in the season. That one looped to the northeast and fell apart in cold air off the Carolinas.

Alma was moving toward the north-northeast, on a path which would menace Cuba and Florida if maintained. But forecaster Gilbert Clark said a switch to a more northeasterly direction was expected later.

If this happened, the storm likely would bypass Florida on the east.

Weather
Forecast: Generally fair today, tonight and tomorrow, except a chance of widely scattered afternoon showers late tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Low this morning 61, high today 83, low tonight 63, high tomorrow 86. (More weather on page 2A).

Evening Prayer
Lord, we ask Thee to bless our home. Make it a place of refuge in a world of turmoil. May we find here a place for Thy presence. Give us insight to know the task of the family as Thou see it. Give us the courage and wisdom to bring our families to Thee. Amen.

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He Had A Barrel By The Tail . . .

By KEYES BEECH
News World Service

SAIGON.—The ups and downs of life in South Viet Nam were vividly recorded today in a report by one Nguyen Van Ten, an employee of the U. S. Army in Saigon, in requesting sick leave. His report:

"I. When I arrived at building T-1640 to fix it, I found that the rains had dislodged a large number of tiles on the roof. So I rigged up a beam with a pulley at the top of the building and hoisted up a couple of barrels of tile.

"2. When I fixed the building, there was a lot of tile left over. I hoisted the barrel (sic) back up again and secured the line at the bottom and then went up and filled the tub with the extra tile. Then I went down to the bottom and cast of the line.

"3. Unfortunately the barrel of tile was heavier than I was and before I knew what was happening the barrel started down and I started up. I decided to hang on and half way up, not the barrel coming down and I received a severe blow on the shoulder.

"4. I then continued to the top hanging my head on the beams and getting my fingers jammed in the pulley. When the barrel hit the ground it burst its bottom allowing all the tile to spill out. I was now heavier than the barrel and started down again at high speed.

"5. Halfway down I met the barrel coming up, and receive severe injuries on my shin. When I hit the ground I landed on the tile getting several painful cuts from the sharp edges.

"6. At this point I must have lost my presence of mind because I let go of the line. The barrel then came down giving me another heavy blow on the head and putting me in the hospital.

"I respectfully request sick leave."