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And Ready For Jump Over The Moon



(Photo by Danny Valdes)

Digging For New Industry

The first spade of ground was turned Tuesday to mark the beginning of construction of a new home for DataMate Computer Systems. Taking part in the ceremony were, from left, James Shells, New York City, president of parent-company Siboney, Inc.; Lester Morton, vice president of the Chamber of Commerce; Bob Meyers, Butler Mfg. Co.; Dwayne Clark, representing B. D. Click Construction Co., contractor; M. R. Koger, C-C president; Mayor Arnold Marshall; Jerry Tegelar, St. Louis, Mo., chairman of the board for Siboney; and George A. McAlister, president of DataMate.

Ceremony Kicks Off DataMate Building

RAKES EXTREMISTS

Hoover Says 'Panthers' Pose Threat

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said today that of black extremist groups the "Black Panther Party, without question, represents the greatest threat to the internal security of the country."

In his report on bureau activities for fiscal 1969, Hoover said Panther "members have perpetrated numerous assaults on police officers and have engaged in violent confrontations with police in cities throughout the country."

Panther leaders preach "their gospel of hate and violence, not only to ghetto residents, but to students in colleges and high schools as well."

In another area, Hoover said student disorder on college campuses for the year resulted in more than \$3 million damage to buildings and more than 4,000 arrests.

Moonship Mystery

JODRELL BANK, England (AP) — The Soviet moonship Luna 15 is traveling at a slower speed than usual and will take longer than the usual 3½ days to reach the area of the moon, the director of the astronomy station here reported today.

"There is every indication that it may be attempting something new," said Sir Bernard Lovell. He said this could be the recovery of moon rock. Lovell spoke with newsmen after his giant radio telescope, which has been tracking Luna 15, had discovered the moonship was on a trajectory different from other unmanned Soviet moon flights.

In Today's HERALD Plane Failure

The controversial C5A, under congressional criticism because of soaring costs, has suffered what could be its first major test failure. See Page 5.

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CLOUDY

Clear to partly cloudy today, tonight and Wednesday, continued hot Wednesday afternoon, with southeasterly and south winds 8-18 m.p.h. declining to less than 15 m.p.h. High today near 100, low tonight low-mid 70's, high tomorrow upper 90's-near 100.

Blastoff Set For 8:32 A.M.

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) — The Apollo 11 astronauts spent the day before their trip to the moon reviewing the flight plan as servicing of their spaceship continued flawlessly and ahead of schedule for Wednesday's launch.

"We are happy to be ready to fly," said Neil A. Armstrong, the spaceship commander.

At dawn Wednesday, 2¼ hours before their scheduled 8:32 a.m. (Big Spring time) liftoff, Armstrong, Edwin E. Aldrin Jr. and Michael Collins crawl into their capsule to begin man's most ambitious exploration.

The weather outlook was good.

"The three of us have no fear of launching out on this expedition," said Armstrong, set to become earth's first messenger on the moon. "I'm sure that American ingenuity and American craftsmanship have given us the best equipment that can be made available. We are happy to be ready to fly."

Janet Armstrong, the astronaut's wife, arrived during the night to be at the Cape when Apollo 11 vaults into the heavens. The other wives stayed home in Houston, Tex.

"I plan to sleep, lie in the sun and read the flight plan—again," said Collins of their pre-launch day with emphasis on the last word as the three astronauts appeared at a televised news conference Monday night.

Aldrin is scheduled to follow Armstrong down the steps of their lunar lander early next Monday. Collins remains in orbit overhead in the command ship, awaiting their return.

The astronauts, in sports clothes, were relaxed as they answered questions.

Not far away, bathed in floodlights like the pampered star it is, stood the 363-foot tall Saturn 5 rocket that will propel them onto the journey dreamed of perhaps since man first walked the earth.

Vice President Spiro T. Agnew and former President Lyndon B. Johnson were to be among the million persons expected at this moonport to see the launching.

MOON SOIL
In the lunar module, which is nestled beneath the command and service modules, is a disc the size of a half dollar inscribed with messages of congratulations and goodwill from 73 nations. The microdisc will be implanted in the powdery moon soil.

Russia, which sent a mystery satellite to the moon—to coincide with America's historic launch—delivered no message. Some

experts saw in their unmanned vehicle an attempt to pluck soil samples from the moon and return them before Armstrong, Aldrin and Collins can deliver theirs eight days after liftoff.

Asked if he would be disappointed if the Russians first snared lunar dirt, Aldrin said: "I'm sure all of us would. We'd like to return with everything we set out to do on this flight."

What they set out to do was proposed by President John F. Kennedy in 1961: "I believe that this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal before this decade is out, of landing a man on the moon and returning him safely to earth."

MAN'S FIRST STEP
Their precise flight plan calls for going into moon orbit at 1:26 p.m. EDT Saturday, undocking the lunar lander from the mother ship 24 hours later, and touching down on the moon at 4:19 p.m. Sunday.

But they'll have to wait before making their self-televised imprint on the moon. First they must check the systems to propel them back up to the orbiting mother ship with Collins aboard, then try to sleep for four hours.

Man's first step on the moon is set for 2:17 a.m. next Monday.

Their only hope of rescue is Collins, coming overhead every two hours in the immutable laws of space travel. He has the ability, at a tremendous cost in valuable fuel, of coming down within nine miles of the surface.

"We would be prepared to go down to the absolute limit," said Collins. "It would be a decision that would be up to mission control."

Collins would be of help only if the lunar vehicle could not leave its self-contained launch pad and go that high to meet him. If not, their death would come after two days on the inhospitable, airless moon.

If everything goes well, they will lift off after a 22-hour stay—loaded with up to 130 pounds of moon dirt—and return to earth July 24.

NO DOUBT
"I wouldn't say fear is an unknown emotion to us," said Armstrong. "Fear is a characteristic particularly of a knowledge that there may be something that you haven't thought of and feel you might be unable to cope with. Our training and all the work that goes into preparation for flight does everything it can toward erasing those kind of possibilities."

The three spacemen, veterans of other launches, were asked if the tension of being rocketed off was more than watching a friend be launched.

Undeclared War Rages In Central America Today

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — A new undeclared war raged in Central America today between Honduras and El Salvador, with each accusing the other of aggression. The Organization of American States ordered a peace team down from Washington.

Honduran authorities charged that Salvadorean ground forces invaded Honduras Monday at two points, and that Salvadorean planes made widespread attacks. Unconfirmed reports said seven cities were bombed.

A dispatch from Guatemala, which borders both countries said Salvadorean officials reported some 1,000 Honduran troops had crossed the border into El Salvador. Sources in Tegucigalpa said the Honduran air force's World War II Corsairs also crossed the frontier and ran into heavy antiaircraft fire.

President Fidel Sanchez Hernandez of El Salvador held a three-hour emergency meeting with his cabinet, then announced he had ordered his army "to exercise the right of legitimate defense."

A government statement, broadcast from San Salvador, said the Salvadorean forces had been ordered into action after "continuous attacks by Honduran troops on the Salvadorean frontier, violation of air space and the knowledge that Hondu-

ran troops and air force personnel had mobilized in Santa Rosa de Lima for a large-scale attack."

Two Honduran towns reportedly suffered a "high" number

of casualties from the Salvadorean air attacks. They were Ocopeque, a town of about 5,000 and Santa de Copan, with 9,500 residents.

The Honduran government

Sheriff's Officer, Girl Shot To Death At Resort

PINEDALE, Wyo. (AP) — A sheriff's officer and a 16-year-old girl have been shot to death in a melee at a northwest Wyoming resort, Sheriff Morris C. Horton of Sublette County reported today.

A woman and her daughter, who survived the fusillade of gunfire said they were kidnaped in Texas and held hostage during the shooting, Horton said.

Identified as Tegen County sheriff's officer, and a 16-year-old girl, identified only as "Cathy" from Pasadena, Tex. Held for investigation of homicide were James Earl Arquette, 27, and 14-year-old Larry Ray Foster, both from Pasadena, Tex.

Sheriff Horton gave this account: "About 9 p.m. Monday a man reported his horse trailer had been stolen and was then at the

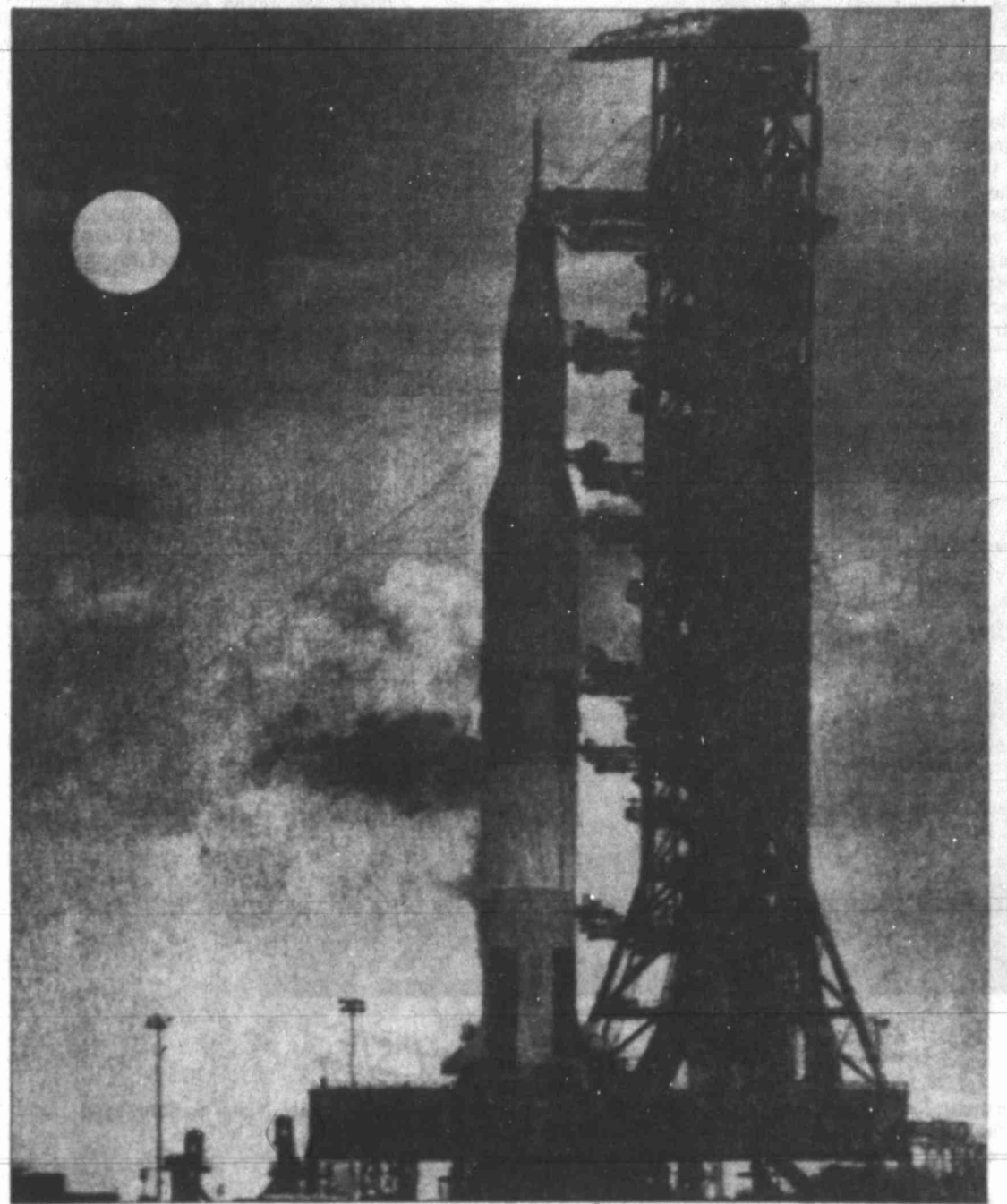
Battle Mountain Lodge, about 30 miles north of Pinedale.

When he arrived to investigate, Horton said a man ran from the lodge and "told me to get out of there, that there were two men holding several persons as hostage inside."

Horton said he retreated, then returned and the warning was repeated. By then, Sheriff Lawrence Chaney of Teton County had arrived with 10 deputies and highway patrolmen.

Horton said Edwards somehow got into the lodge, though he had not been authorized to go in. He said a shot was fired and Edwards fell with a bullet in the head.

Then other officers moved in and arrested the two men. They found Edwards dead and the body of the teenage girl, who he said appeared to have been shot five times.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

Talk Of The Town: Missiles And The Moon

A Saturn 5 stands on the launch pad at Cape Kennedy and the moon brightens the sky overhead. The two are the subject of conversation these days at Cocoa Beach, where Wednesday three U.S. astronauts will begin a journey to the moon.

MEN WILL BE GOING TO THE MOON They Seem Ready! Are We?

SAUL PETT AP Special Correspondent

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) — The kids splashed in the tepid pool at the Holiday Inn while mother read about "what to do and see" in this port of discovery, and a diaper service truck rolled through the still, hot air of a housing subdivision called "Orange Blossom Heights," which is scarcely above sea level, and a few miles away a man lay dying of cancer, and in a shop called "Marcene Modes," a lady cautiously fingered a dress, as if holding back an emotional commitment, and a gray-haired man emptied the garbage at the "Celestial Trailer Courts," and in a neat white

bed another man lay in a tortured world of his delusion, 238,857 miles from the Sea of Tranquility.

Tomorrow, men will be going to the moon.

At a dock at Port Canaveral, a black, sinister-looking British submarine called the Renown waited to take on a cargo of Polaris nuclear missiles, and a few miles south a blond bronzed young god browsed, with sensual touch, through the merchandise at "Soul Surfboards," and men drank at the "All Bar" and "The Satellite Lounge," it being too early for the topless girls at the "Missile Lounge," and in the black ghetto of Cocoa, Fla., an old man stared

wordlessly through the window of the tiny "Working Man Friend Cafe" on Magnolia Street. Tomorrow, men will be going to the moon.

At one of the many cocktail parties up and down the beach, somebody wondered aloud why, when you have three guys named Neil, Mike and Buzz, do you need an American flag, and out in the Atlantic Ocean, a white-haired lady and her dog bathed together in the mild, tepid surf, the tide rising relentlessly in response to a force a quarter of a million miles away, and in the hot sun a retired couple carried their groceries out of a "Utotam" store and on "Satellite Beach," just south of Patrick Air Force Base, among the palm trees and the bougainvillea, the trailer boats in the driveways and the basketball backboards over the two-car garages, a woman tried not to worry about her husband in Vietnam. Tomorrow, men will be going to the moon.

At the "Wooden Nickel Saloon," a man noted that all the government people coming here represent the biggest exodus of brass from Washington since the gentlemen and their ladies rode buggies out to witness the first Battle of Bull Run. And from the bridges over the Indian River, white men and black men fished for trout and sheephead in water partially polluted by the dredging for fill to build the space center. And a little farther west in Brevard County, which has the highest average family income in Florida (\$10,000), Mrs. Lucille Ward, a Negro lady, wondered what to fix for dinner for her family of seven, a choice usually among collard greens and neckbones, or pig tails or hog maw; with a total monthly income of \$152, the Ward family was officially included among the 7,000 ill-fed people in the county. Tomorrow, men will be going to the moon.

On the beach, an old pensioner in an outrageously floppy straw hat said Social Security convinces him this is the greatest country in the world. And at many places, children played a game called "Last One on the Moon Is a Rotten Egg." And in the town of Cape Canaveral, among the sleep-in trucks, trailers and hearses, police arrested still another young American on a dope charge. And it was seasonably warm, 95 degrees, in this stretch of America, and the forecasts called for seasonable temperatures, ranging from 250 above to 250 below, on the moon, where men will be going tomorrow.

The OAS ordered a peace team into the two countries at once. The team was expected in the area tonight.

The Salvadorean representative to the OAS, Julio A. Rivera, told the OAS council that the Honduran reports of Salvadorean invasion were only a "curtain of smoke" to hide "genocide" against some 15,000 Salvadoreans who have moved into neighboring Honduras.

Honduras and El Salvador have been at odds for years, mainly over border territory, but the most serious recent flareup occurred last month over the three-game series to determine which country's soccer team would participate in the World Cup matches.

C-C Directors Endorse Water Plan, Urge Approval

Directors of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Monday gave unanimous endorsement to a state constitutional amendment implementing the far-reaching Texas Water Plan, designed to provide adequate water for the state to the year 2020.

reservoirs for distribution to areas short on water. The plan calls for the approval of a \$3.5 billion program (this money to be supplemented by \$5.5 billion in federal funds) which would provide long-range financing for various water projects in the state.

that Texas should be the third largest in population by 1985, should continue with a high rate of growth in business, industry and finance, and should have the nation's third largest agricultural industry. These projections, they emphasize, cannot be realized unless giant steps are taken now to assure future water resources.

Equalization Work Begins Again Friday

Howard County Commissioners resume work Friday as an equalization board when they play host to the agents of oil, gas, pipeline, utilities and transportation companies.



Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I suppose I could be criticized for watching my 11-year-old daughter so closely, but I don't care. She has three teen-aged brothers, and when she and one of them are doing something ALONE, I make some excuse to call her down to do something else. I have this theory that sex is to a boy until he reaches total manhood, be it his sister or cousin or anybody else, and I will NEVER go off and leave them together all alone not even for 15 minutes.

and some don't. And whether a woman should expose her less-than-lovely feet in sandals is a personal matter. Personally, I would not.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

Joins Pro-Safeguard Side

Vermont Republican Winston L. Prouty talks with newsmen yesterday after he announced he's siding with those senators who are for deployment of President Nixon's Safeguard ABM system.

Administration Close To Safeguard Approval

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. L. Prouty's announcement of support for the Safeguard program has moved the administration close to Senate approval of the missile defense system—but critics still are begging for a compromise.

Leader Mike Mansfield and other hardcore ABM opponents probably wouldn't be swayed because they want any development and testing to be in the Pacific rather than at proposed missile sites in the United States.

disciple of the minority leadership" which supports President Nixon's proposal and has rejected any compromise. Prouty himself, predicting the Safeguard program would pass by a narrow margin, said he isn't sure his vote will be decisive.

Lindy Oldfield Resigns Post

Lindy Oldfield, chief deputy sheriff on the staff of Sheriff A. N. Standard, has resigned and has asked to be relieved of his duties immediately.

DEAR ABBY: Please settle an office argument. The girls in our office have been invited to a summer weekend at the lake, and the question of appropriate footwear has come up. Open-toed sandals are very much "in" this year and most of the girls intend to wear them.

Real Junk
FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — The state estimates that its new compulsory vehicle inspection law has contributed to removal of more than 200,000 old cars and trucks from the road last year.

Aiken, who has announced his opposition to the ABM proposal as it stands, suggested in an interview the administration could pick up 10 votes if any agreement could be reached on the sites for building Safeguard radars and computers—without arming them with missiles until later. The senator noted that ABM proponents have said there is no intention of installing missile sites in the next three years.

Refusing to concede that the administration can win as matters stand, Aiken said he had anticipated Prouty's support of the program. He said his colleague was a

He said his colleague was a "second button" to push if a sneak nuclear attack is aimed at the United States. With Safeguard, the Nixon could push the ABM button rather than having to resort to massive nuclear retaliation, he added.

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Safe Driver

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — S. Sgt. Richard Fritch of East Air Force Base in Colorado Springs, has driven, in the last 17 years, everything from a five-ton wrecker to a 45-passenger bus. He reached the 225,000-mile mark without a single accident.

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Baird Junior Rodeo Slated

The 1969 Annual Baird Junior Rodeo, co-sponsored by the Baird FFA Chapter and Callahan Co. Sheriff's Posse, will be held July 30 through Aug. 2 at the Sheriff's Posse Arena in Baird.

goat tying are scheduled for the girls. There will also be a boot race at each performance for boys and girls under eight years of age, for which awards will be presented each night.

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No Decisions On Change In Precinct Lines

Howard County commissioners have until September to work out a plan to balance the voting strength of the county on an equitable basis for each commissioner precinct, Judge Lee Porter said Monday afternoon.

The board had mistakenly believed the adjudication had to be made at the Monday meeting or at least this month. A recheck of the law showed that the decision is due in September.

A study of the four commissioner precincts showed that Ray Nichols' No. 2 precinct has a lion's share of all the votes in the county — about 34 per cent.

Simon Terrazas' Precinct 1 has the least number of voters — 20 per cent. Bill Crooker's Precinct No. 3 is right on the nose with 25 per cent, and Bill Tune in Precinct 4 has about 23 per cent.

The high courts have ruled that counties must realign precinct boundaries where there is an inequity in the votes to give each precinct about the same number. This will call for some juggling of voting precinct lines in order to siphon some of the voters out of Nichols' precinct and shift others to Terrazas' precinct.

Meantime, the county commissioners are contacting the men and women they want to serve as precinct election judges and assistants this coming year. The final appointments will be made next Monday, Porter said.

Male Pill?

LONDON (AP) — The Government has refused to back development and production of a contraceptive pill for men, because of the "appalling increase" in abortions in Britain.

Baroness Serota, Minister of State for Health, said it also would be very costly and the Government did not feel justified in contributing.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

Homeward Bound

A U.S. Marine holds a portrait of his wife as a second Marine furls a Texas flag as they prepare to board a troop transport for Okinawa at Da Nang, South Vietnam, Monday.

The men are among 1,300 Marines being pulled out of South Vietnam under President Nixon's troop redeployment plan.

U.S. Bombers Pounding Black Virgin Mountain

SAIGON (AP) — North Vietnamese gunners shelled allied outposts from within the demilitarized zone four times Monday and made four other rocket attacks that could have come from inside the DMZ, the U.S. Command reported today.

The command said a total of 35 rockets and mortars were fired. It was the first shelling reported from inside the buffer zone since last Wednesday.

The U.S. Command also reported the loss of four more U.S. Army helicopters, two to enemy action and two that collided while maneuvering to avoid enemy fire.

COPTER DESTROYED
Four Americans were killed and three wounded in the aerial collision late Monday 34 miles north of Saigon. Two South Vietnamese were killed and three Americans were wounded in one of the other crashes.

On of the helicopters was destroyed when a South Vietnamese soldier detonated an enemy mine as he leaped off it near Tay Ninh.

The U.S. Command said this raised the total of helicopters lost in the war to 2,850.

A command spokesman said that "surprisingly" none of the shelling near the DMZ caused any casualties or material damage. The targets included a South Vietnamese infantry outpost near Gio Linh, a U.S. Marine position four miles southeast of Con Thien, another Marine post near Con Thien, and three other allied bases in that area.

A U.S. spokesman said the command had "no indication" that the last four attacks came from within the DMZ but added that "all of the targets certainly were within range" of the zone.

Allied artillery fire was directed against the firing positions in the DMZ, the spokesman said, but the results were not known.

American and South Vietnamese forces reported a total of 72 enemy killed in a series of actions, most of them small in size, in various parts of South Vietnam.

U.S. B52 bombers meanwhile pounded Black Virgin Mountain today as the U.S. Command kept up a campaign to block another offensive against Tay Ninh City.

America's biggest bombers flew three raids Monday night and early Tuesday against the 3,232-foot mountain, which overlooks the key provincial capital northwest of Saigon. The big bombers dumped more than 500 tons of explosives on suspected North Vietnamese and Viet Cong positions.

American intelligence officers say the enemy troops on the mountain are part of a force massing in Tay Ninh and Binh Long provinces for a new offensive against Tay Ninh City. The city of 50,000 people, seven miles southeast of Black Virgin, has been attacked twice in the past six weeks.

SEIZE RICE
U.S. headquarters said four Americans were killed and five were wounded in a series of skirmishes in Tay Ninh and other provinces northwest of Sai-

gon, where the main enemy movement has been reported. Twenty-two enemy soldiers were reported killed.

American and South Vietnamese forces sweeping the areas uncovered four enemy arms and supply caches, a few near Phu Khung in Tay Ninh Province and two more near Trang Bang, 30 miles northwest of Saigon. They seized more than three tons of rice, bicycles, medical and supplies, North Vietnamese army uniforms and various grenades, mortars, guns and small arms ammunition.

Eleven enemy rocket and mortar attacks were reported during the night, including two against American bases. A few 107mm rockets hit the U.S. 9th Infantry Division base at Dong Tam, 40 miles south of Saigon, as 130 men prepared to leave for the United States. The troops from the division's 2nd Brigade, part of an infantry battalion and members of a scout dog platoon, were among the 25,000 troops scheduled to be withdrawn by the end of August.

Also departing were 36 men of the 650th Medical Detachment, the first National Guard unit to be pulled out under President Nixon's withdrawal order. The 650th will be deactivated at Ft. Campbell, Ky., and returned to its home city of Birmingham, Ala.

The largest single group to be withdrawn so far, 2,500 troops of the 9th Marine Regiment, continued to embark at Da Nang for Okinawa. All were expected to be aboard ship by nightfall.

Gunned To Death

DALLAS (AP) — Ernest Tears, 42, was shot to death early today at a residence.

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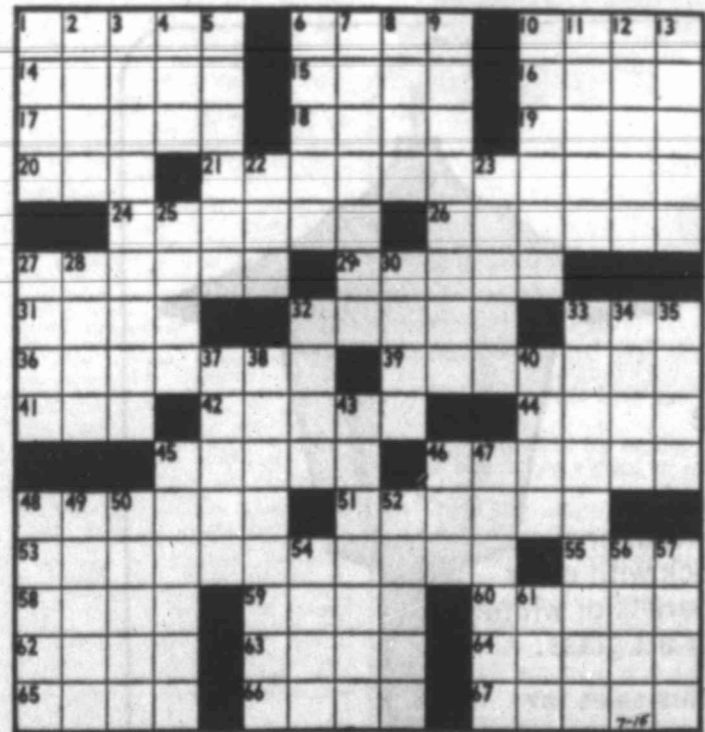
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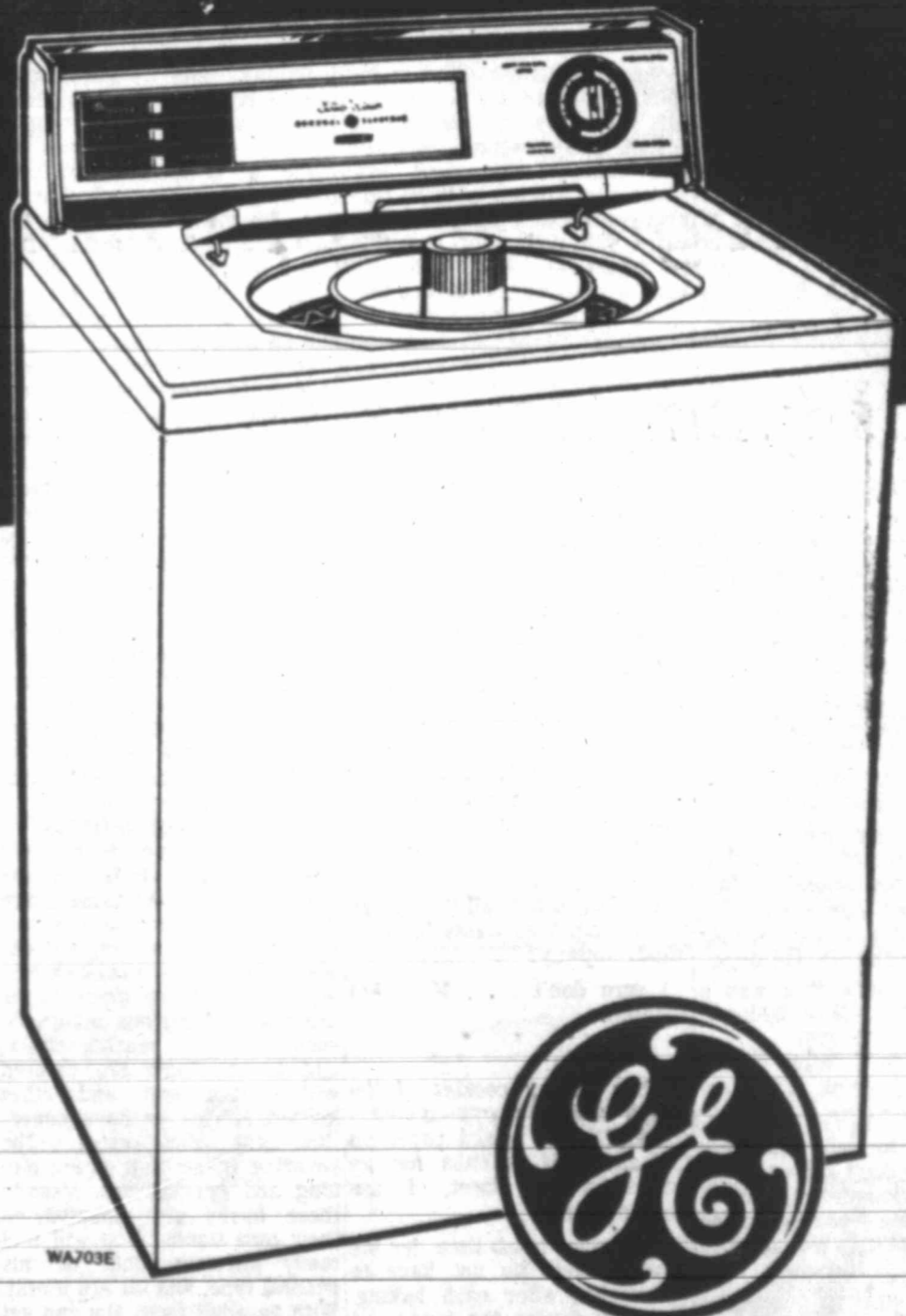
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Congressional Criticism Of Super Transport Plane

WASHINGTON (AP) — The controversial C5A super transport has suffered what could be its first major test failure—a wing cracking under pressures 22 per cent below the contract-specified level.

The Air Force disclosed Monday the wing cracked during ground static tests of a C5A airframe minus tail assembly at the Marietta, Ga., plant of the Lockheed Georgia Co.

The impact of the break on the over-all program, and why

it occurred, is being assessed by the Air Force and company engineers. Completed models will continue test flights in the meantime.

The C5A—world's largest air transport—has been the focus of considerable criticism in Congress because of soaring expense.

Under original plans, the Air Force intended in 1965 to buy 120 models for \$3.1 billion, but that has escalated by \$1.5 billion, according to official estimates.

In the face of the criticism, a major Pentagon argument has been that the plane has been meeting or exceeding virtually all contract specifications.

The 230-foot jet plane, capable of carrying tanks, helicopters, trucks and troops, recently made its first cross-country flight and appeared to be performing highly satisfactorily.

On Sunday, however, came the wing crack.

While the nose and tail were

held down, a special test rig forced the wings upward in a trial of their strength. Then the break occurred in a wing near the point where it joins the fuselage.

Specifically, the crack occurred under pressures amounting to 128 per cent of the design load limit, which is 738,000 pounds. The Air Force said the contract calls for the company to demonstrate that the airframe can withstand 150 per cent of the load limit.

The idea of using pressures beyond 100 per cent of the load limit is to "verify the additional margin of safety," the Air Force said.

The static tests help engineers calculate stress distributions and show the ability of the airframe to sustain ultimate loads under critical conditions.

COG Meet Set Tonight At Monahans

A meeting of the representatives of governmental units in the 17 counties of the Permian Basin will be held at 7 p.m. today in Monahans, to discuss and perhaps act on the establishment of a "council of governments."

A large delegation will represent this area, including Dr. W. A. Hunt, Howard County Junior College president; Bill Crooker, Howard County commissioner; Mayor Arnold Marshall, George Zachariah, Jimmy Morehead, Garner McAdams, Walter Stroup, city commissioners; L. M. Crow Jr., city manager; and Larry Smith, administrative aide.

A voluntary planning arm for mutual cooperation between governmental units, the proposed council would be one of 21 in Texas. State funds of almost \$7,000 are available to help establish the council.

Dr. Hunt mailed the invitations and a proposed set of bylaws to all the concerned agencies.

Jury Hearing Damage Trial

A jury in 118th District Court was expected to begin deliberations late today in a damage suit on trial. The case, started Monday, is styled George A. Moore et ux et al vs. Alvin Morgan. It grew out of a traffic accident in Big Spring some time ago.

A jury was selected to try the case early Monday. Members of the jury are Mrs. Shelly L. McMurtry, Donald G. Hill, Kenneth L. Tubb, Eugene J. Smith, L. G. Bedwell, Mrs. C. H. Evans, E. A. Fiveash, Mrs. John E. Newman, Mrs. Burel Perkins, Mrs. W. H. Gray, Maurine Nugent and Charles Harwell.

Horoscope Forecast

TOMORROW
—CARROLL RIGHTER

GENERAL TENDENCIES: This is a day and evening when you are able to bring your talents and abilities to the attention of others. You can see how you can please them as well as how to get ahead yourself for a considerable period of time to come. A little praise and encouragement expected by everyone, brings the right results very quickly.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A particularly fine day for the type of recreation that you enjoy most. Don't spend too much money since the simplest type of pleasure is equally enjoyable. Be smart!

Taurus (April 20 to May 20) Doing whatever you desire and submitting to the attention of others is wise. See what is expected of you by others. Try to please them as much as you can.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You want your environment to be more ideal so get busy and make it so, during every spare moment. Make those purchases, sales more efficiently. Get the right results and increase income.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Don't be so concerned with hanging on to every little possession that you fail to make things into blazes and better things. Add appreciatively to present holdings. Invest in bonds.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Doing whatever will make you more charming is a good idea in the morning. Bring out your own type of magnetism. You have some beauty that needs activity to achieve your goals. Be positive, definite.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Others want some secret favors from you and you should acquiesce since this brings more success in the future. Be ambitious but don't confuse in others just what you are going to do. Get it done and then talk about it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Look for dramatic and kind friends for the answers you want to some problem. Evening is ideal for the social life you desire. Accept some worthwhile invitation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You have to do whatever you can to make a good impression in higher-ups today who are watching you where your work is concerned. Also get some civic duty that can be very helpful to you. Be active and be happy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Expansion is possible now by contacting persons whose background is quite different to yours. A good day to start on a trip or plan one properly. Avoid talking chances with innocents. Be wise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Showing others that you take care of your obligations, in a proper way is right now. Please associates who are very practical. First do your work, then seek with a romantic if you think a good deal of.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Long talks with associates show what is expected of you and how best you are able to please them and make things better for yourself. Accept the invitations that are worthwhile. Or do some entertaining yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to March 20) Doing whatever is fine today, so get busy and work with a romance. This will help you to do your work more efficiently and live more charmingly. You have fine talents, and them to work.

DIG THIS RICH DIRT

BALTIMORE (AP) — Mrs. Flossie Peticolas didn't realize just how rich was the dirt in one of her flower pots until she found a strange fertilizer among the flowers: Torn pieces of four \$100 bills and the corner of a \$50 bill.

The Baltimore woman, 67, doesn't know how the money got into the flower pot. Neither do police.

After the Secret Service verified the money was genuine, it was sent to the central property room for holding until someone shows proof of ownership. If not claimed within a year, Mrs. Peticolas will get her fertilizer back.

State Volunteer Council To Meet Here In October

Preliminary planning for the annual convention of State Volunteer Services Council — a statewide group which functions with all state hospitals and mental retardation centers — was mapped Monday afternoon at a gathering of members of the Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Council.

The state convocation is to be in Big Spring Friday and Saturday, Oct. 3 and 4, and more than 200 are expected to attend.

The affair will be highlighted by the appearance of Gov. Preston Smith, who is to address the council delegates at a dinner on the night of Oct. 3.

The dinner will be at the Big Spring Country Club, and a recreation system is to be worked out.

All day Saturday delegates will be in business session at the State Hospital, and the

convention will be climaxed with a state president's dinner at the Cosden Club on the night of Oct. 4.

Committees are being set up locally to handle registration, hospitality, transportation, etc., and other groups will be in charge of the dinner programs.

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YOU PUT THAT DOWN, YOU DOUBLE-CROSSING RAT!

TUT, TUT, MR. OKAY! I DID GET YOU OUT OF WASHINGTON. THANK YOU FOR MY FEE.

GASOLINE ALLEY

Tell Skeezix Melba isn't coming until next month! He might be glad to trade vacations, Sarge!

I don't believe in miracles, Hack!

Hello... Yes, Mrs. Wailer... Sarge? I'll connect you!

Nina calling Sarge? Oh, no! Give me that phone!

NANCY

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WOW

YOU ARE VERY HONEST

NOW I HAVE TO PUT ALL THESE PENNIES BACK

L'I' ABNER

SIGH! THAT SARTIN SWEET SOMEONE TOOK EV'RYTHING BACK!

SO AH RECKON YOU'LL BE LEAVIN' TOO, F. LEE BELLY?

I'M STAYING TO THE BITTER END!!

THEN, THIS IS TH' PART YOU STAYED FO'. AH SHORE IS BITTER AT TH' END O' ALL MAH LUCK-SHOORIES!!

YOU WANNA HAPPIER LIFE, DO YOU?

NATCHERLY--

THE SORT OF LIFE THAT AHEM!-- "A CERTAIN SWEET SOMEONE" CAN GIVE YOU?

BLONDIE

I'D LIKE TO FIND OUT WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH MY PETUNIA PLANT

IT LACKS ENERGY-- IT OBVIOUSLY NEEDS VITAMINS

PLANTS GET RUN-DOWN JUST LIKE HUMANS

I NEVER BELIEVED THAT ONE DAY I'D END UP WITH A POOPED-OUT PETUNIA!

RICK O SHAY

ALL RIGHT-- NOW WHAT HAS BEEN OUR MAJOR PROBLEM IN OUR PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS AT FLIGHT?

MAINLY, NOT BEIN' ABLE T' STAY UP IN THE AIR.

EXACTLY! AND DO YOU KNOW WHY WE WEREN'T ABLE TO STAY UP IN THE AIR?

BECAUSE MY MOMMA WAS INDIAN LADY INSTEAD OF EAGLE.

NO, NO! BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE SUFFICIENT POWER TO OVERCOME THE FORCE OF GRAVITY!

AN' NOW YOU KNOW HOW TO INCREASE POWER, HUH?

HOW 'BOUT INCREASIN' MY POWER T' SURVIVE LONG PROPS AN' SUPPEN STOPS?

SNUFFY SMITH

YOU'RE UNDER ARREST, SNUFFY!! LUKEY CLAIMS YOU SPRINT HIS BIG TOE LAST NIGHT

I NEVER DID NO SICH THING!!

WE WUZ PLAVIN' CHECKERS AN' WHEN LUKEY GOT UP TO GO HOME TH' CLUMSY VARMINT TRIPPED OVER MV JUG

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MRS. RYMER... YOUR HUSBAND SAID FRIENDS OF YOURS STORED THAT LUGGAGE WITH YOU! WHY IS HE SELLING IT?

OH, WELL... UH... Y'SEE, HONEY... IT'S MOSTLY OL' STUFF... THAT THEY WON'T GIVE HOUSE-ROOM TO THEMSELVES!

OKAY, MR. RYMER! THAT CLEANS IT OUT! HERE'S HOW I FIGURE THE LOT...

YOU HAD 26 NEW PIECES... AT \$5 EACH... AND THE REST WE LUMP OFF AT \$50!

IF YOU EVER HAVE MORE... IN GOOD CONDITION... GIVE US A RING!

FINE! AH! I'LL HAVE ANOTHER BATCH, MRS. TER... IN A WEEK OR SO!

BETLE BAILEY

WHAT KIND OF A MOOD IS HE IN TODAY?

GEN. HALF-TRACK

SEE THAT VASE? I PUT IT THERE TO WARN PEOPLE WHEN HE'S IN A BAD MOOD

WHAT IF HE'S IN A GOOD MOOD?

LET'S SEE... GOOD MOOD? ...WHERE DID I PUT THAT THING?... WHATEVER IT WAS... IT WAS... IT WAS...

PEANUTS

ANUS!

THERE'S A MOVING VAN IN FRONT OF THAT LITTLE RED-HAIRED GIRL'S HOUSE!

SHE'S MOVING AWAY, CHARLIE BROWN... SEE? THEY'RE CARRYING OUT ALL THE FURNITURE!

IF SHE MOVES AWAY, YOU'LL NEVER SEE HER AGAIN... YOU'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING!

AAUGH!

I WAS HOPING FOR A LAUGRE PRACTICAL RESPONSE

DICK TRACY

I TOOK IT FROM ATOP THE KENNEL'S TRASH CAN.

THEY HAD CLIPPED SOMETHING FROM IT.

WHAT'S THE DATE?

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MARY WORTH

YOUR SARCASM IS UNJUSTIFIED, MISS GOMEZ! IF YOU HAD BEEN THE RIGHT WIFE FOR MY SON, YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED, IN SPITE OF EVERYTHING!

WHAT YOU MEAN IS IN SPITE OF MY BACKGROUND, MRS. FINCASTLE!

YOU DON'T WANT A WIFE FOR ARTHUR!... YOU WANT A POLITICAL ASSET! I'M SORRY! ALL I COULD HAVE BROUGHT TO OUR MARRIAGE WAS LOYALTY AND LOVE!

I HAD THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO MAKE A HOME TOGETHER! BUT APPARENTLY WE WERE EXPECTED TO MAKE HISTORY!

GOOD-BY, MRS. FINCASTLE! I HOPE YOU FIND A SUITABLE MATE FOR THE KING YOU'RE MAKING!

REX MORGAN

HE HELD ON TO THE BITTER END-- INSTEAD SHE WAS INNOCENT-- AND SHE WAS, DR. MORGAN!

CAN YOU GET A CONVICTION ON WILSON?

I THINK SO-- BUT IT'S GOING TO TAKE A LOT OF WORK! WE'LL NEED EVIDENCE WHICH WILL PLACE HIM AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME-- EVIDENCE WHICH WILL PROVE THAT HE DID GIVE LEA A TARGET SHOOTING LESSON

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, LEA?

YES...

TERRY

FOR PETE'S SAKE! IT LOOKED LIKE THAT GUY FORCED THE GIRL INTO THAT CAR!

CAN'T FOLLOW, NO WHEELS IN SIGHT... WHAT THE DEVIL'S GOING ON? WHY DID SHE PICK ON ME? WHO'S 'JIMMIE'?

...AND WHAT ARE THESE THINGS ALL ABOUT?

SMITTY

WHAT A PITY! I CAUGHT THAT BIG FISH BARE-HANDED, AND NOW I HAVE TO LET HIM GO!

THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN THE STORY OF THE YEAR! BUT I NEEDED MY COMPASS THAT'S IN TH' POOL, OR I WONT GET OUT OF HERE ALIVE!

SO I'LL HAVE TO REMOVE THE BLOCKADE OF ROCKS THERE HE GOES!

GO AHEAD! LAUGH YOUR POOL HEAD OFF!

MOON MULLINS

HEY, JOE--

I THINK YA OUGHTA CHECK TH' BRAKES ON MOON'S CAB, HERE.

WHAT CAB WHERE?

DENNIS THE MENACE

LET'S SEE... GOOD MOOD? ...WHERE DID I PUT THAT THING?... WHATEVER IT WAS... IT WAS... IT WAS...

DENNIS THE MENACE

WANNA ASK HIM ANYTHING... AS LONG AS I HAVE HIM ON THE LINE?

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Luci Expecting Her Second Baby

WASHINGTON (AP) — Luci Johnson Nugent, daughter of former President Lyndon Johnson, is expecting her second baby in December or January.

In Washington Monday on a brief visit, Luci, 22, told her friends the news and hoped aloud the child would be a girl.

The baby will be the third grandchild for the former president.

Luci and her husband Patrick have a two-year-old son, Patrick Lyndon.

Nugent, 26, returned to civilian life last April after a 12-month tour in Vietnam with the Air Force. He works in the Johnson family-owned radio-television station, KTBC, Austin, Tex.

The Nugents live in a pink brick French provincial house they bought in 1967 in Austin for a reported \$70,000.

EVEN BEYOND 75 Ability For Sex

NEW YORK (AP) — A Duke University psychiatrist says it is quite possible that sexual activity among elderly persons will show a definite increase in the future.

The ability for sexual activity among the elderly is already appreciable at ages even beyond 75, Dr. Ewald W. Busse said today in a report to a symposium, "Physical Fitness and Aging," at the annual convention of the American Medical Association.

"Assuming that the health of the elderly will continue to improve, and assuming that neurotic sexual conflicts will be less prevalent, it is quite possible that sexual activity among the elderly in the years ahead will show a definite increase," Busse said.

He led us to his forecast by saying the situation at present is this:

1. In general, sexual activity between marital partners tends to be maintained until after the age of 75.

2. Approximately 60 per cent of married couples between the ages of 60 and 74 years of age remain sexually active.

3. After age 75, sexual activity declines, so as to include only 30 per cent of married couples that age.

But, he said, the continuation of sexual activity is dependent upon several interacting factors, adding:

"Among the married, the physical and mental health of the partner is important — as are the patterns of sexual interest and activity that have been established in early adulthood.

At the same session, Dr. Lawrence E. Lamb of Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Tex. — one of the world's pioneering centers in heart transplant research — criticized "the theatrics of artificial hearts and transplants."

"While a few surgeons make headlines with human experimentation," he said, "the real battle against disease, death and debility is being waged in the unglamorous area of preventing heart disease . . . if the money spent on the artificial heart was spent on really launching a preventive program, thousands of lives could be saved."

Sub Crew Begins Gulf Stream Trip

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — With her portholes glowing like green coals, the research submarine Ben Franklin and her crew of six slipped beneath the black waters of the Atlantic Monday night to begin a 30-day, 1,200-mile undersea journey along the Gulf Stream.

"Here we go," yelled Donald J. Kazimir, captain of the bus-sized submarine as it sank in 1,800 feet of water 10 hours after being towed 20 miles out to sea.

Also aboard the Grumman Aircraft Corp.-U.S. Navy sponsored vessel were Jacques Piccard, the Swiss scientist who designed her; Erwin Aebersold, another Swiss who is chief pilot;

oceanographer Roswell F. Busby of Fort Washington, Md.; English scientist Kenneth Haigh; and American scientist Chester B. May of Huntsville, W. Va.

The mission plan called for the Ben Franklin to sit on the bottom at 1,800 feet for two hours to calibrate her instruments, then rise to 600 feet and drift north with the Gulf Stream, gathering biological and geophysical data.

It will also test the ability of men to live for long periods of time in confined quarters.

Wednesday afternoon, the Ben Franklin should be off Cape Kennedy a few hours after the Apollo 11 astronauts rocket toward the moon. There the decision will be made whether to give the sub's crew the go-ahead for the 30-day mission.

The trip is planned to end with the submarine surfacing 200 miles southeast of Boston.

Six times during the trip the Ben Franklin is to drop from her 600-foot cruising depth to 2,000 feet to photograph the ocean's bottom and test underwater communications and radar equipment.

Fabled Trunk Murderess Bids To Prove Her Sanity

MARTINEZ, Calif. (AP) — Winnie Ruth Judd, fabled trunk murderess of the 1930s, says she'd like to return to Arizona on her own, prove her sanity and then go to Paraguay to work with children.

But Mrs. Judd, now a grandmotherly 64, was ordered held without bail for Arizona by Municipal Judge Sam Hall at a hearing Monday where she quietly admitted her identity.

Arizona's first extradition papers were returned to Phoenix for technical reasons, but Hall said "we will try to get the state of Arizona to move promptly."

He gave that state until Aug. 4 to act.

Mrs. Judd was discovered in this town northeast of San Francisco June 27 working as a domestic in nearby Alamo under the name of Marian Lane.

Until Monday's hearing, she clung to that name despite fingerprint checks by sheriff's officers showing her to be Winnie Ruth Judd.

At a news conference after the hearing she told reporters why she had asked Hall to let her go back to Arizona voluntarily.

"Because I feel that having

lived here for seven years, going to college, taking a few courses and graduating, I can prove my sanity and free myself legally."

She was convicted in 1933 of murder, accused of slaying two girl friends in Phoenix and shipping their bodies to Los Angeles in two trunks. She was arrested when she sought to claim the trunks.

Condemned to hang, she was judged insane 72 hours before her scheduled execution. She was committed to Arizona State Hospital at Phoenix, escaped six times through the years, but always returned until 1962 when she walked out for the seventh time and went to California.

She said that since coming to the Bay Area she took night courses at the Oakland College of Medical and Dental Assistants and "tried so hard to block the past out and live in the future."

Mrs. Judd hopes that Gov. Jack Williams of Arizona will pardon her, and added that if this happens she would like to go to Paraguay.

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Neither vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
▲ A9
♥ A Q 5 4 3
♦ A K 7 2
♠ A 6

WEST
▲ K 6 4
♥ 2
♦ Q J 10 8 6 4 3
♠ Q J

EAST
▲ 5 2
♥ J 10 8 5
♦ 9 5
♠ K 7 5 4 2

SOUTH
▲ Q J 10 8 7 3
♥ K 9 7
♦ Void
♠ 10 9 8 3

The bidding:
West North East South
3♦ Dble. Pass 4♠
Pass 5♦ Pass 5♠
Pass 5♠ Pass Pass
Opening lead: Queen of ♠
South capitalized on a favorable opening lead to land an aggressive slam contract in spades.
North doubled West's pre-emptive opening bid of three diamonds and South jumped to four spades since he had a good suit and considerable playing strength. North's cue bid of five diamonds announces first round control of that suit and an interest in slam. When South merely returned to five spades, North should have given up gracefully, for despite possession of every top control—his trump holding is not robust.

Had West opened a club, declarer's defeat would have been assured, for he must ultimately lose a club and a spade. West chose to lead the queen of diamonds, however, despite North's cue bid, and

South had his opportunity. The dummy's top diamonds were cashed as declarer disposed of two clubs. The closed hand was entered by ruffing a diamond and South put the queen of spades thru. West did not cover and the queen held the trick. Another trump was led to the ace and when the king did not appear, declarer permitted that card to remain outstanding.

South was ready to begin work on the heart suit, however he proceeded cautiously. The king was cashed, followed by a small heart. West discarded and the queen was played from dummy. The closed hand was re-entered with a diamond ruff and another heart was led. West observed that he had nothing to gain by trumping a small card, so he took another sluff. The ace of hearts won the trick and on the next round, South ruffed out East's jack to establish North's long card in the suit.


West overruffed with the king of spades and led another diamond. Declarer discarded dummy's six of clubs as he ruffed with his last trump. The ace of clubs and the six of hearts took the remaining tricks.

If declarer had ever led a high heart from dummy, he would have fallen short of the goal. For example, suppose that the ace of hearts is played first followed by a small one to the king. West ruffs with the king of spades, and now a club shift drives out North's last entry before the hearts have become established. Declarer is left with a losing club in his hand.



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