

# Three Mice Survive 700-Mile Space Trip

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—Three black mice named Sally, Amy and Moe rode a missile nose cone 700 miles into space yesterday and survived radiation, weightlessness and a blazing dive back through the earth's atmosphere. They were recovered alive and in good condition.

# Eisenhower To Celebrate 70th Birthday

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower is 70 today—the first U.S. Chief Executive to reach that age in office—and this city is planning a gala birthday for him.

The District of Columbia government has proclaimed the anniversary "Dwight D. Eisenhower Day" and has invited the public to the White House grounds at midday today to wish the President a happy birthday.

The party will be held on the South Lawn. A feature of the ceremony will be the planting of a sapling oak tree, a gift from the people of Washington. Eisenhower will turn the first spade of earth.

In advance of the ceremony, Eisenhower is scheduled to spend part of the morning conferring in his White House office with representatives of 15 newly independent African countries recently admitted to the United Nations.

Eisenhower comes to the age of three score and 10 in what his doctors the other day called excellent health, particularly in the light of his three major illnesses since he took office in 1953.

Earlier this month Eisenhower became the oldest man ever to serve in the presidency. On Oct. 3 he surpassed a record which had been held by Andrew Jackson.

# AEC Detonates Chemical Charge

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — A 500-ton charge of chemical high explosives was detonated 125 feet underground yesterday by the Atomic Energy Commission at the Nevada test site.

The test was part of the commission's Plowshare program, a study of the peaceful application of atomic power.

Studies will be made of the test to determine such effects as earth transfer, crater depth, width and conformation, seismic shock and air blast, AEC spokesmen said.

Observers two miles from the test said the earth "bulged" above the explosives and then shot up an estimated 3000 feet in a fan shape. Only a faint ground shock was felt at the observation point. After the bulk of the dirt had fallen back to earth, a low-hanging dust cloud spread across the test area.

# Cubans Kill American Adventurer

HAVANA (AP) — Cuban firing squads, working through the night, executed an American adventurer and 12 Cubans only hours after they were convicted of trying to topple Prime Minister Fidel Castro's government.

Despite a last-minute U.S. appeal for clemency, Anthony Zarba of Somerville, Mass., was shot early yesterday and buried in Santiago. He was the first American executed in Cuba since Castro seized power.

The 13 executions, carried out at Santiago and Santa Clara, represented the bloodiest display of revolutionary justice since the first series of war crimes trials during the early months of Castro's rule last year. They raised the unofficial total of executions to 574. Nineteen of these persons have been shot since the revolutionary tribunals were reinstated a year ago.

Moving swiftly in the past few days, the tribunal also ground out prison sentences for almost 200 persons. Among them was another American, Richard Pecoraro of Staten Island, N.Y. The former New York City fireman was reported to have received a 20-year sentence for collaborating with insurgents in the Escambray Mountains of central Cuba.

Zarba, 27, and seven Cuban companions were convicted Wednesday night in Santiago. Zarba told the court during the one-day trial that he landed with an invasion force of would-be guerrillas, but was only a member of the boat crew. He said he tried to leave the expedition in the Bahamas before it got here but was forced to stay on. Zarba said the boat sailed from Miami, Fla.

# Pirate Series Victory Pleases Gov. Lawrence

READING, Pa. (AP) — "We did it."

This was Gov. Lawrence's reaction to the Pittsburgh Pirates' World Series victory yesterday. The governor is a former Pittsburgh mayor and an avid Pirate fan.

Lawrence was following the game by radio in a state car as he drove to a dormitory dedication at Kutztown State College.

When the winning run was scored in the ninth inning, "The governor almost jumped out of the front seat," said State Police Sgt. Lester Jackson, who accompanied Lawrence.

The Air Force reported the mice appeared to have suffered no harmful effects during the jarring 25-minute journey in an Atlas cone, making them the first known creatures returned alive from this distance in space.

The tiny travelers made the radiation ride in a miniature model of a man-in-space capsule which took the mice into the dangerous Van Allen radiation belt at speeds up to 18,000 miles an hour, was another step toward man's eventual leap into space.

Just how well the mice came through the trip probably won't be known for several weeks, after scientists have an opportunity to study them thoroughly. Any ill effects may not show up until later generations. Plans are to mate the space rodents among themselves and with other mice. Sally and Amy are female, Moe a male.

The initial report from the recovery ship which fished the cone from the South Atlantic 5000 miles from Cape Canaveral was that the three were "alive and in good condition."

The mice will be taken to Ascension Island and then by plane to Cape Canaveral on Monday. Newsmen here may peek at them before they are flown back to their home at the School of Aviation Medicine, Brooks Air Force Base, Tex. Their initials — SAM — stand for the school's name.

Several other scientific experiments, most of them instruments to measure various types of radiation in the lower portion of the Van Allen band, also were tucked in the cone. These instruments will report how much radiation the mice were subjected to.

The Air Force stressed that the flight was primarily a test of the Atlas and the nose cone's ability to survive the searing 13,000-degree re-entry heat. The mice and scientific gear were carried along because there was extra room in the section of the cone which in wartime would house the nuclear payload.

# Cubans Invade Consulate

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — A band of angry exiles from the Fidel Castro regime invaded the Cuban consulate here yesterday, smashed the furniture and gave the consul general, Abelardo Leon Blanco, 58, a beating that put him in a hospital.

Thirty Cubans swinging lengths of heavy copper and lead cable battered desks, typewriters, adding machines and light fixtures and tore the telephones from the walls.

The raid was a violent reaction to the execution of an American and 12 Cubans by Castro's firing squads yesterday.

# Candidates Argue Fate Of Two Chinese Islands

The presidential candidates laid aside almost everything else yesterday to prepare and polish the arguments for their third Great Debate.

Both candidates appeared eager to plunge once more into what has boomed in one short week into a hotly debated issue:

How, if at all, should the United States be willing to go in the defense of Quemoy and Matsu islands, menaced by Communist China?

Kennedy declared last week and has kept hammering on the theme that these islets off the Red mainland of China are strategically indefensible and not worth the risk of war.

He summed up in a New York speech: "Should I become your president, I will take whatever steps necessary to defend our security and to maintain the case of world freedom—but I will not risk American lives and a nuclear war by permitting any other nation to drag us into war at the wrong place at the wrong time through an unwise commitment that is unsound militarily, unnecessary to our security, and unsupported."

Just as vigorously, Nixon has declared that to let the Communists know they could have Quemoy and Matsu for the taking would only whet the appetite of dictatorship, and thereby fuel the flames of war.

# Casals Completes Oratorio

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)—Pablo Casals, returning home from a European tour, announced that he has at last completed a three-hour oratorio he began in 1944 on the story of Christ. It is for orchestra, chorus and soloists. The famed cellist now is 83.

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