

U.S. Lofts 'Space Taxi' for Tests

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) — Lunar Module I, forerunner of the spaceship expected to ferry U.S. astronauts to and from the moon's surface next year, rocketed into earth orbit Monday for a punishing test of its landing and takeoff engines.

Guided by a computer directed robot nicknamed the "mechanical boy," the 16-ton unmanned mooncraft thundered away from Cape Kennedy at 5:48 p.m. EST aboard the famed 181-foot tall Saturn I rocket which was grounded one year ago by the Apollo I fire that killed three astronauts.

The powerful Saturn I, weighing more than 650 tons at lift-off, performed flawlessly as it ended a 16-month stint on the launch pad.

It hurled the bug-like lunar module, still attached to the rocket's last stage, into an earth orbit 100 to 138 miles high.

During its first orbit, over Australia, Lunar Module I successfully separated from the Saturn I's late stage for a busy series of engine tests to determine if it is designed properly for the critical job of ferrying astronauts to and from the moon's surface.

"It looks real good," flight controllers reported after separation was complete.

While the 31,700 pound lunar module remained attached to the burned out Saturn I's last stage, the combined vehicles became the second heaviest object ever placed in space. Their

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Navy May Cancel F111 Jet Order

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Officials said Monday the Navy might cancel its plan to acquire 200 of the controversial F111 swing-wing fighter planes.

The officials said the Navy was studying four proposals for futuristic fighters that would be both lighter and less expensive than the F111, whose weight has raised questions as to its ability to operate off carriers.

Announcement that alternatives were under study was made jointly by Navy Secretary Paul R. Ignatius and Adm. Thomas H. Moorer, chief of Naval Operations.

Referring to the first of the proposals, they said:

"The design sought to meet future fleet air defense and fighter interceptor requirements of the Navy and related to Navy's interest is the VFAX, a fighter aircraft which has been under consideration by the Navy for some time.

"The proposal would build on the F111B technology and incorporate most of its basic components including the engines and the missile capability. It would also employ a variable sweep wing."

The swing-wings are the most

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Police Stick Parkers

WINNIPEG, Man. (AP) — Winnipeg police are scratching their heads over the 1968 model cars with recessed windshield wipers. Officers can't find any place to put parking tickets. But Police Chief George Blow says tape may be the answer.

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B52 Carrying H-Bombs Down Off Greenland

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WASHINGTON —

The Defense Department disclosed Monday that a B52 bomber carrying hydrogen bombs crashed Sunday on the ice near Thule, Greenland. Scientists here said the plane and its unarmed bombs apparently crashed through the ice to the bottom of Baffin Bay.

Nuclear-nervous Denmark, which owns Greenland, reminded Washington that it prohibits nuclear flights over its territory and asked for more information. About 50 to 100 Danes demonstrated outside the U.S. Embassy in Copenhagen.

The Pentagon said "no danger" of a nuclear explosion existed. It said the bombs were not armed.

The Atomic Energy Commission, manufacturer of H-bombs for the Defense Department, dispatched three experts to Greenland to help locate the weapons. Authoritative sources said the plane apparently carried four bombs, each equivalent in explosive power to a little more than 1 million tons of TNT.

Six of the seven crew members aboard the eight-engine

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AP Radiophoto

SOUTH KOREAN POLICE QUESTION NORTH KOREAN OFFICER CAPTURED IN SEOUL.

Reds' Aim: To Behead Park

By JAY SIM and SGT. TOM GRAHAM

585 Korea Bureau

SEOUL—A band of 31 North Korean officers who came within a half-mile of ROK President Chung Hee Park's Seoul residence—Blue House—intended to dynamite the mansion and behead the president, a captured infiltrator said Monday night.

"We were coming here to

behead Chung Hee Park and other key officials," said Shin Jo Kim, 25, a North Korean second lieutenant. "We anticipated no failure at all. We were also prepared to die."

Kim, part of what officials describe as the "most daring Communist action in South Korea since the 1953 Armistice," told newsmen here his suicide group reached the DMZ Jan. 17,

but didn't cross until the next day when they used wire cutters to chip their way through a new chain-link fence at Sokpo in the U.S. 2nd Inf. Div. sector.

The Communist band, which trained for the mission for two years, traveled 30 miles on foot to the edge of Seoul where their plans were foiled Sunday night by Korean police and military

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Amen! Now Pass the Manna

SALISBURY, England (UPI) — The Rev. William Rodda doesn't mind parishioners of St. Michaels playing bingo at church. But he hates to hear them shout "Bingo!"

So from now on, prizes will only go to winners who shout "Amen!" or "Hallelujah!"

"I thoroughly enjoy calling out the numbers," Rodda said. "The audience enjoys it too, especially when they give the new shouts."

Khe Sanh Braces for Attacks

SAIGON (UPI) — The commander of the Marine garrison manning the Khe Sanh border post in South Vietnam's northwestern corner said Monday he expects more and heavier attacks. U.S. planes and helicopters began a massive evacuation of civilians in preparation for it.

Hordes of Vietnamese who farm vegetable plots and work

rubber plantations near the mountain-rimmed strongpoint stood in line along the shell-pocked landing strip waiting to be carried to safety.

North Vietnamese forces which battled Marines of the 26th Reg. and Vietnamese troops both north and south of Khe Sanh during the weekend hit with sporadic mortar attacks throughout the day.

Col. David Edward Lownds, 47, the veteran Marine commander, said he thought the weekend attacks were "a kick-off of a new North Vietnamese offensive" in the mountains near the demilitarized zone.

"I think if he could take this base, he'd sure like to have it," Lownds said of his enemy. "We've been making more and more significant contacts. All

the standard tip-offs of military history are here."

Unofficial figures put the death toll of North Vietnamese and Viet Cong main force fighters along the demilitarized zone at about 450 since major fighting erupted last Thursday. The Marine reported 17 of their own killed and 82 wounded seriously enough to be evacuated.

Military spokesmen reported a brief lull in the fighting in most areas Monday, but Khe Sanh came under sporadic attack throughout the day.

Lownds said he had figured an attack might come just before the Tet holiday truce — now an abbreviated 36 hours — which is scheduled to begin next Monday at 6 p.m.

"Probably they figured that if they failed before Tet they could

use the holiday for a resupply," Lownds said.

The general evacuation was ordered to prepare free-fire zones as the Leathernecks girded for battle. About 1,000 civilians were air-lifted out Monday to centers at Phu Bai and Da Nang and a similar number were scheduled for Tuesday.

B52 bombers made four more raids in and near Khe Sanh Monday. Destroyers off-shore aimed their big guns at artillery positions and storage areas and swept-wing American fighter-bombers kept up harassment, pouncing on any movements.

Military spokesmen reported pilots flew 100 missions in North Vietnam Sunday, most of them in the southern panhandle.

One of the targets was a storage area for surface-to-air missiles.

2 Planes Downed Over North

SAIGON (AP) — The U.S. Command reported Monday the loss of two more American planes over North Vietnam, raising to 792 the announced number of combat losses during the nearly three-year bombing campaign.

All four crewmen aboard the two planes were reported missing.

In delayed reports, headquarters said an Air Force F4 Phantom went down as a result of "unknown causes" during strike missions in the narrow southern part of North Vietnam last Saturday. A Marine A6 Intruder also was lost to "unknown causes" a day earlier.

Allied Push Kills 47 VC

SAIGON (AP)—Australian and New Zealand infantrymen, fighting alongside their American allies, have concluded a sweep against the Viet Cong, it was announced Monday.

The operation, named Akron Five, was centered around an area 29 miles east-southeast of Saigon.

The Australians were members of the Second and the Seventh battalions of the Royal Australian Regt. One company of New Zealanders is in the regiment's second battalion.

The allied troops killed 47 Viet Cong during the operation which began Jan. 11 and ended Sunday, it was reported. The Australians and New Zealanders were credited with nine of the kills.

U.S. casualties were four killed and 53 wounded while one Australian and two New Zealanders were wounded.

'Dove' Clark Pleased on Tour

HONG KONG (AP)—Pennsylvania Democrat Sen. Joseph S. Clark arrived here Monday from South Vietnam still a "Dove" but more pleased with what he had seen in Vietnam than he had thought he would be.

Clark, a member of the Senate foreign relations subcommittee and frequent critic of the war in Vietnam, said he remains convinced "the enemy will never win militarily, but we are still a long way from victory."

Clark said he was pleased with the pacification program, which he said "still has some knots, but is a good program."

Bomb Halt Would Give Foe Political Victory, Westy Says

SAIGON (AP) — Gen. William C. Westmoreland contends a halt in the bombing of North Vietnam would give the Communists a great political victory and a military advantage.

"It would hardly seem to be militarily prudent to stop the bombing," the commander of U.S. forces here said.

Westmoreland gave his views in an interview taped for showing by the National Broadcasting Co. on Monday.

The general spoke against a background of renewed calls for a bombing halt from some members of Congress, including Sens. Robert F. Kennedy, D-

N.Y., and J.W. Fulbright, D-Ark., as a possible way of starting peace talks.

Speaking of the Communist enemy, Westmoreland said: "If he did succeed in stopping the bombing, I think he would win a great political victory which could have quite an impact in North Vietnam."

"And we could find ourselves in a position where he would be developing his strength by virtue of his ability to move supplies with impunity down to the South."

President Nguyen Van Thieu of South Vietnam expressed similar views Monday in a lunar

New Year message to Vietnamese living abroad. He claimed so-called recent peace feelers from Hanoi about peace talks after an unconditional bombing halt were a political strategy to keep up infiltration and attacks in the South.

Westmoreland, speaking of the ground war, said the North Vietnamese have what he termed "considerable" artillery inside the demilitarized zone ready to hit allied positions along the North-South frontier.

"I think there will be considerable shelling of the demilitarized zone area around Con Thien and Gio Linh," Westmoreland said. The enemy "has positioned artillery to do this and no doubt has stockpiled considerable ammunition."

Con Thien and Gio Linh are two U.S. Marine outposts that came under heavy enemy artillery bombardment last fall.

"He will probably take advantage of any pause in the bombing in order to further build up these supplies," Westmoreland continued. "The enemy very much wants to stop the bombing. In my opinion his political campaign has as its No. 1 purpose... to get the bombing stopped without any reciprocal action on their part."

"But it would be strictly a unilateral action where we would stop the bombing and he would continue his aggression in the pattern that we have observed over the past number of years."

Report Hanoi Won't Yield

LONDON (UPI) — Hanoi will come to a Vietnam conference table only if the United States drops all "preconditions" for opening peace talks, authoritative diplomatic sources said Monday.

The North Vietnamese require the United States to discontinue unconditionally all bombing of the North. This—and this only—would enable the regime of President Ho Chi Minh to agree to "talks".

The sources, which in the past have been in direct contact with Hanoi, made clear the Communists want a free hand for further moves.

Hanoi, therefore, will make no advance reciprocal commitment for the event of cessation of American bombing.

Sihanouk Gets U.S. Apology

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States has formally sent its regrets to the Cambodian government for any casualties that may have resulted from a fire fight 75 yards inside Cambodian territory with Viet Cong guerrillas last Thursday.

Robert J. McCloskey, State Department press officer, said Monday the crossing of the frontier was "without hostile intent, not planned, and it occurred during the heat of battle."

The State Department spokesman said an operation by combined American and South Vietnamese units against Viet Cong guerrillas took place in a village on the South Vietnam side of the border between Prey Veng province in Cambodia and Kieng Phong province in South Vietnam.

"Our reports indicate the combined Vietnamese and U.S. patrol which came under heavy fire did cross over about 75 yards into Cambodian territory during the fire fight."

"We have expressed regrets to the Cambodian government about any Cambodian casualties that may have occurred during the engagement," he said.

Casualties

WASHINGTON (S&S) — The Defense Department has announced the following casualties in connection with the conflict in Vietnam.

KILLED IN ACTION

- Army**
- CPL Donald P. FERGUSON, Hamden, Conn.
 - PFC Nolan D. HABERMAN, Willisville, Ill.
 - PFC Michael W. ORR, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 - 1LT James O. BLANKENSHIP, Lee's Summit, Mo.
 - PFC Francis H. ANDRYSIAK, Glen Head, N.Y.
 - PFC Robert A. WOZNIAK, Bellersode, N.Y.
 - SP5 Martin D. KLANN, New Philadelphia, Ohio.
 - CPT Roland BELCHER, Philadelphia, Pa.
 - SP4 Anthony SMITH, Memphis, Tenn.
 - PFC Kenneth L. BLACKMON, Borger, Tex.
 - PFC Harlan T. PACHE, Arlington, Wis.
- Navy**
- EONCN Harry G. HODGES, Sevierville, Tenn.
- Marine Corps**
- PFC William O. POFFENBARGER, San Diego, Calif.
 - CPL Robert S. BAGNALL, Bloomfield, Conn.
 - LCPL Richard G. MANGRUM, Lynn Haven, Fla.
 - LCPL Delmer ANDERSON, Bellevue, Ky.
 - CPL Richard J. HEALY, Toledo, Ohio.
 - CPL John F. OLESNANIK, Ambridge, Pa.
 - LCPL David G. STEWART, Memphis, Tenn.

DIED OF WOUNDS

- Marine Corps**
- PFC John J. DENAVA, Denver, Colo.
 - PFC Roy E. WOLF, Cleveland, Ohio.

MISSING TO DEAD—HOSTILE

- Army**
- WO Timothy H. ARTMAN, Hiatach, Fla.
 - CPL Donald W. KEEP, Freeport, Ill.
 - PFC James E. THOMPSON, Benton, Mo.
 - SP1 William E. TIEMAN, Delanco, N.J.
 - SGT Jeffrey PEREZ, Elmhurst, N.Y.
- Air Force**
- CAPT Monte L. MOORBERG, Grand Island, Neb.

MISSING IN ACTION

- Army**
- PFC Robert S. TRUJILLO.
- Air Force**
- MAJ Irby D. TERRELL.
- MISSING TO CAPTURED**
- COL Edward B. BURDETT.
- DIED NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION**
- Army**
 - PFC Willie R. DENNIS, Cleveland, Ohio.
 - MISSING TO DEAD—NON HOSTILE**
 - Navy**
 - SA Kenneth W. BARSLOW, New York City.
 - MISSING NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION**
 - Army**
 - PFC Emory S. CANNON.



Off to See Her GI Husband

Kathy Dunne, 19, (left) of Brooklyn, prepares to leave Kennedy Airport for a reunion in Bangkok with her Army private husband serving in Vietnam. Accompanying her is her mother-in-law, Mrs. Thomas Dunne, of Brooklyn. The younger Mrs. Dunne won the trip in a radio contest she didn't enter herself. A friend sent her name in on a postcard and it was the winning entry. Mrs. Dunne is expecting a baby in April. (AP Radiophoto)

Boys Tell Navy Rescuers of VC Terrorism

RACH GIA, Vietnam (PAO)—Stories of Viet Cong terrorism are not new to U.S. Navy men serving in Vietnam. But the crewmen of a Swift boat on Market Time patrol had never heard one first-hand until they picked up two young Vietnamese boys recently who had a strange tale to tell.

Crewmen on the heavily-armed, 50-foot Navy boat spotted the boys in a sampan while patrolling the western coast of Vietnam. They took the two boys, one 17, the other about 12, aboard.

The Viet Cong, the boys reported, had moved into their little backwater village three days before. The boys managed to escape 12 hours before the Swift boat had picked them up, and had managed to reach the coast without being spotted by the enemy.

They revealed that the Viet Cong had come in force. There were more than 200 enemy sampans in the village canals when the last contingents arrived. The older, more educated boy estimated 500 guerrillas to be in his village.

Besides troops, he said, the sampans brought a generator, a loudspeaker and a movie projector and screen. One purpose of the visit was "recruitment" of guerrillas and laborers.

They began by showing a movie picturing a great Viet Cong victory. A male and female drama team presented skits glorifying service to the Viet Cong.

The enemy "recruitment" plan was for men and women over 45 to serve three months. Those between 18 and 45 would serve six months.

The plan provided three options. "Re-

ruits" could work as laborers or they could sign a document, be given a weapon, and fight as guerrillas. If neither of these appealed . . . the third choice was death.

Then the terrorism began.

Eight men and two women defied the Viet Cong. They refused to serve. They died.

One of the men was the older boy's father. He died, the son reported, with his throat cut. Some of the dead were knifed, some shot.

Rather than face death, 70 to 80 persons signed up as laborers. The Viet Cong told them they must have a black uniform. Also each family would be required to make 30 bamboo foot traps to be used against government forces.

The people of the village, the boys

related, have always been heavily taxed by the Viet Cong, both in money and rice. The VC, they said bitterly, make the people sing songs that say how happy they are to give rice to the guerrillas.

A large enemy rice cache had been destroyed by an air strike about six months ago, they said.

The younger boy's father died years ago and his mother is quite old. He said his one sister and six brothers are not VC but that they have been forced by the VC to work as laborers for a long time. The boy wants to return to the village eventually and live with his mother.

The older boy is dejected over his father's death. He wants to visit relatives in Long Xuyen for about a month.

Then, he says he wants to join the Vietnamese Army . . . and kill Viet Cong.



Nguyen Thi Nahn has been adopted by more than 300 sergeants from Marine Aircraft Group-16. Thi will have the cost of food, clothing and schooling taken care of until she completes high school, courtesy of the Marines. (USMC)

Marines Adopt Girl, Match Her Happiness

DA NANG, Vietnam (ISO) — Nguyen Thi Nahn is a typical Vietnamese girl of 9 years. She's from a small hamlet south of Da Nang, and for the past year had been subject to the oppression of the Viet Cong.

In mid-1967 her father was killed by the VC and her mother, unable to support her, left Thi at the China Beach orphanage. To her, happiness was a bowl of rice, a bed to sleep in and shelter.

But now, she has a new sparkle in her eye.

All the members of Marine Aircraft Group-16's Sergeant's Club adopted Nguyen Thi Nahn as a foster child. Her schooling, clothing, food and shelter until she completes high school will be paid for from funds contributed by the MAG-16 sergeants.

It started before Christmas when donations were taken in some of the clubs at Marble Mountain. Club manager Gun-nery Sgt. Clarence C. Webb, 34,

Huntington, W. Va., decided that a simple donation wasn't enough. "Why not just go ahead and support an orphan?"

The idea snowballed until, a week and a half later, Nguyen Thi Nahn was selected as the "Sweetheart of MAG-16 Sergeants." A large sign with her picture has been placed in the club with a simple caption: "Happiness is a dollar well spent."

Misfire Saves GI

Dirty Rifle Costs Cong His Life

TAN TRU, Vietnam (IO) — A few grains of sand stuck to a heavy coat of grease recently saved the life of a 9th Inf. Div. soldier.

Spec. 4 Lester Wolverton of Dayton, Ohio, a member of the Recon Platoon, E Co., 2d Bn., 60th Inf., was searching houses

Small Viet War Operations Can Turn Into Fierce Fights

DUC PHO, Vietnam (IO) — The small unit battles in the Vietnam war can be unpredictable.

Infantrymen of the 198th Light Inf. Brigade, starting on a routine mission to set up night ambush against the Viet Cong, found out just how unpredictable these battles can be.

Capt. Anton G. Blicberger, Baton Rouge, La., commander of B Co., 1st Bn., 46th Inf. led his platoon-sized force into the rice paddies north of Duc Pho, and were completing ambush preparations when their plans were changed.

A priority call came from the battalion commander, Lt. Col.

Jack A. Henson, requesting Blicberger to have his platoon ready for heliborne operations within 30 minutes.

Blicberger committed his 44-man unit, and what had started as a routine ambush mission was now an operation which showed promise of enemy contact.

A gunship had sighted enemy sampans moving south on the Song Cau River in Southern I Corps. The chopper reported 70 to 80 suspected enemy in the group.

"This could do it," Blicberger said to his men as the Hueys swooped down to pick up his small force. Shortly after take-

off they were at their designated landing zone.

"The LZ was cold," Blicberger said. "We thought it was a false alarm. Then we spotted the sampans on the river, a village on the other side."

"We made out 10 sampans, then 10 more. It looked like a definite enemy reinforcement to me," said Blicberger, a veteran of a previous year in Vietnam as an ARVN adviser.

While 34 of Blicberger's unit pushed across the deep river they drew fire from the sampans. For some of the men the water was almost over their heads. One man went under and immediately someone grabbed him and pulled him up. Then automatic weapons opened from a concrete bunker in the village.

"My men were firing their weapons by holding them over their heads — struggling to keep their balance in the murky water. But they were fighting mad and determined to get across," Blicberger said.

The small force crossed the river and gained fire superiority. Gunships gave aerial support, and finally the enemy broke and ran.

"We hit the other side of the river and moved into the village. The enemy was totally disorganized. They started running in all directions so their fire became ineffective," Blicberger said.

After the company routed the few snipers left in the village, and the gunships finished off the sampans, B Co. counted 19 VC dead. Nine of these were credited to the gunships from the 174th Aviation Co. In addition, seven VC were captured.

Two men from the company were wounded in the action . . . one by sniper, the other from an enemy grenade.

The operation was completed in less than three hours. The firefight lasted about thirty minutes. The men of B Co., expecting to spend a long, wet night in the rice paddies, had chalked up the first significant victory for the 198th, a part of the Americal Division.

Flight for General

BIEN HOA, Vietnam (OI) — Lt. Gen. James V. Edmundson, vice commander-in-chief, Pacific Air Forces (PACAF), got a first-hand look at the air war over South Vietnam when he visited the 3rd Tactical Fighter Wing at Bien Hoa AB recently. The general flew on a pre-strike mission in an A-37 counter-insurgency aircraft of the 604th Air Commando Sq. (Fighter) with Maj. Russell Knebel.

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U.S., Viet Catholics Build Shrine on Base

BIEN HOA, Vietnam (OI) — Cooperation of United States and Vietnamese Roman Catholic military personnel has resulted in a shrine to the Blessed Virgin Mary at Bien Hoa Air Base's Vietnamese Air Force

Chapel. U.S. Roman Catholic personnel use the chapel through the courtesy of the Vietnamese.

The shrine, financed by Sunday offerings, was built by the Vietnamese with salvaged materials.

Prior to construction of the shrine, members of the 823rd Civil Eng. Sq. cleared the area around the statue.

Presiding over dedication ceremonies was Bishop Le Van An, Xuan Loc, who is also chief chaplain for the Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN). The bishop also administered the sacrament of confirmation to U.S. airmen.

Special guests for the occasion were Lt. Col. Eugene Bijold, Procter, Minn., and Major Alvin J. Dupuis, St. Martinville, La., of the 3rd Tactical Fighter Wing. Bijold represented Col. George W. McLaughlin, the wing commander.

The two officers received plaques in appreciation for outstanding assistance to VNAF Catholic Chapel program and the needy Vietnamese people living in the Bien Hoa area.

Right Place, Right Time

RACH KIEN, Vietnam (IO) — A 9th Inf. Div. soldier may owe his life to the location of an M-16 magazine and a fragmentation grenade he was carrying.

After crossing a river on a search and destroy mission with his platoon, Spec. 4 Clelan E. Hoots received a slight leg wound in a firefight.

During a later examination, he found that a loaded magazine in his pocket and a grenade attached to his ammo pouch had been creased by bullets.

All that remained of the grenade was a half shell and the nonexpended blasting cap.

Hoots, of Tuxedo, N.C., is with the 2nd Platoon, B Co., 3rd Bn., 39th Inf.

for five VC who had been observed running into the mangroves.

As Wolverton entered one building, he was confronted by a rifle pointed directly at his head. "We stared at each other for what seemed like hours," Wolverton recalled. "Then the

VC pulled his trigger . . . click!"

Wolverton quickly raised his weapon and fired a burst into his shocked foe.

He inspected the dead man's rifle and found thick coats of grease, gritted with sand.

Wolverton gratefully kept the weapon and bullet as souvenirs.

Mission Was to Behead Park, Captive Says

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units, Kim said at a press conference before some 60 Korean newsmen.

Groundwork for the mission was laid last summer when North Korean agents explored the route to Seoul, a ROK Counterintelligence Corps source said.

The 31 guerrillas were part of the 2,400-man 124th North Korean Army, a special all-officer unit activated last summer to "kill key figures in the South and destroy ROK facilities," Kim said.

The officers, ranging in age from 24 to 28-years-old, trained

for their suicide mission with model replicas of Blue House and drilled heavily in hand-to-hand combat. Commandos of 124th are selected from North Korean officers in good physical shape and with good family backgrounds, Kim explained.

Armed with submachine guns, grenades and pistols, the raiding party left Hwanghae Province in North Korea at 2 p.m. Jan. 16, Kim said.

"We crossed the Imjin River without trouble because it was frozen," he said.

The first hitch in their guerrilla mission came at 2 p.m. Friday when the band encount-

ered four South Korean woodcutters, according to police. The woodcutters informed authorities that North Koreans were in the area about 8:30 p.m. Friday.

That night and Saturday, blocking forces were sent to intercept them, but, finding nothing, officials suspected the party had slipped back across the DMZ into North Korea.

Meanwhile, the North Korean officers reached the outskirts of Seoul Friday night and spent two nights on Mt. Pibong, just north of the city, Kim said. Dressed in fake ROK Army uniforms and gray overcoats, the raiding party began making its

way into Seoul Sunday night.

The party then split into six groups of about five men each, Kim disclosed.

The first group was to blow up the Blue House's second floor. The second was to blast the first floor, while the third group was to hit the office of Park's bodyguards. The fourth group was assigned the office of presidential secretaries.

The fifth group was to kill guards at the main gate, leaving a reserve group to seize vehicles to escape.

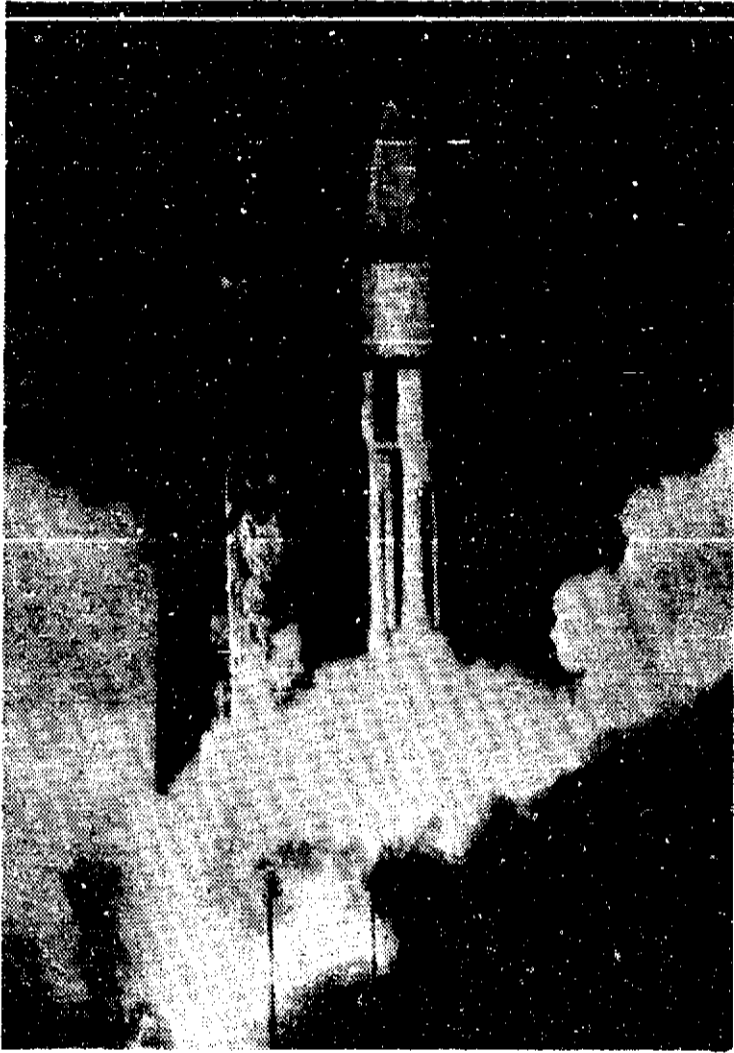
"We came as far as Segom-jong (in northern Seoul) without

any encounters with the police or military," the North Korean said.

But at 9:45 p.m. Sunday, the party was challenged by a Korean policeman.

When the Communists identified themselves as ROK Central Intelligence Agency agents and continued on their way, the shooting began.

The Communists hurled hand grenades into at least one civilian bus and opened up with submachine guns on South Korean civilians. At least five South Koreans were known dead early Monday and a ROK police chief was killed.



AP Radiophoto

SATURN ROCKET SOARS ALOFT CARRYING LUNAR MODULE

Space Cab Lofted

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weight totaled 70,580 pounds, topped only by the 280,036-pound satellite sent up last November by the United States, the first Saturn V super rocket.

The space agency originally hoped to launch Lunar Module

I at 2 p.m. EST Monday, but the countdown clock was stopped to resolve two problems with ground based equipment.

The same type booster, smaller than the mighty Saturn V which successfully flew its first test flight on November 9, is scheduled to loft America's first three-man Apollo astronaut crew into Earth orbit in about August.

Two of the pilots for that mission, Navy Capt. Walter M. Schirra Jr. and Walter Cunningham, a civilian, witnessed the booster's thundering departure.

Enterprise Leaves Sasebo

SASEBO, Japan (AP) — The nuclear-powered aircraft carrier Enterprise left here early Tuesday after a four-day visit that touched off violent left-wing protests in this southern Japanese city.

Nearly 3,000 chanting left-wingers, including labor unionists and citizens, held rallies on a hill overlooking the bay where

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the "big E" dropped anchor last Friday en route to Vietnam duty from Hawaii.

Two militant students were taken into custody in downtown Sasebo as an estimated 140 students snake-danced in the streets, shouting anti-U.S. slogans.

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8 Autos Pile Up in Fog; 6 Die

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (UPI) — Six persons were killed and eight others injured Sunday when eight automobiles became involved in a chain reaction collision on fog-shrouded U.S. 99 about 10 miles south of here.

Four members of one family perished.

The California Highway Patrol said the multiple accident was triggered when a southbound car, driven by John Caudillo, 36, of Los Angeles, somehow got onto the northbound lanes of the highway in the dense fog and collided head-on with a northbound car driven by Louise Baker, 47, of San Francisco.

Three other northbound cars on the divided highway smashed into the wreckage and another three became involved in a rear-end collision trying to avoid the original pileup.

The highway was blocked for several hours. It is the main north-south route linking Southern and Northern California through the San Joaquin Valley.

Caudillo, driver of the wrong-way car, was killed along with his wife, Angelina, 36, and two of their children Ampro, 8, and Rudolph, 13.

The other dead were identified as Duard Avery, 64, Encinitas, Calif.; and Rose Gould, 54, of San Francisco who was a passenger in the car driven by Miss Baker.

Avery was a passenger in a car driven by Margaret Avery, 32, who suffered major injuries.

20,000 Flee Fire

VINA DEL MAR, Chile (AP) — A three-pronged forest fire almost completely ringed this Pacific ocean resort city Monday. An estimated 20,000 persons fled.

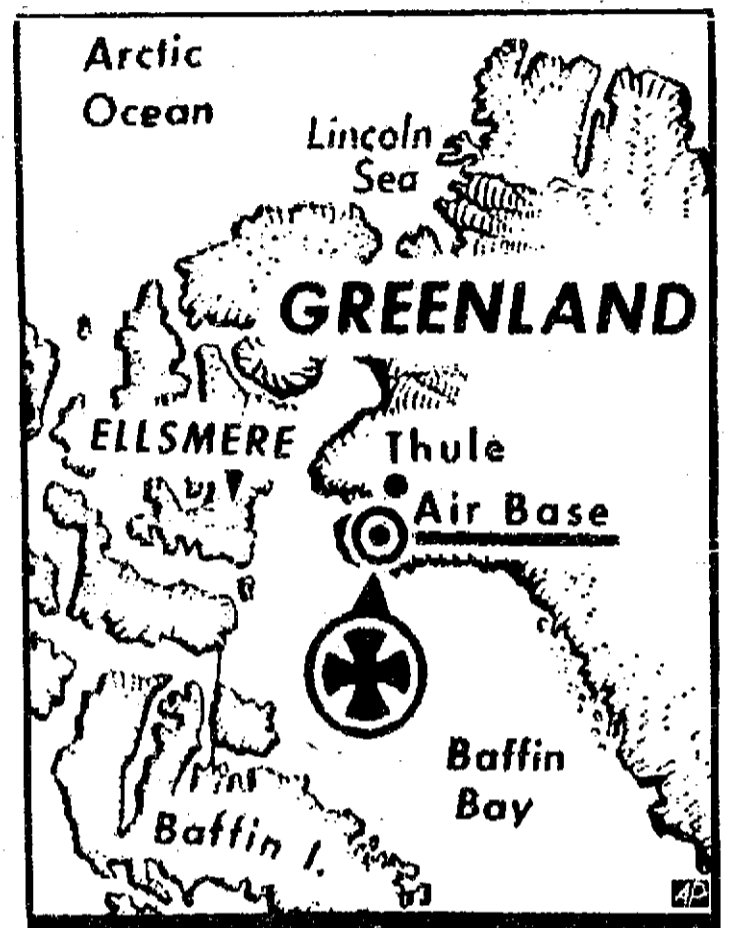
Tourist Ship Aground Near Antarctic Base

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — A ship carrying 25 American tourists on a cruise to Antarctica ran aground Sunday night a few hundred yards from its destination, the U.S. Navy base on McMurdo Sound.

The 2,000-ton Magga Dan, a Danish vessel chartered by a New Zealand shipping line, was reported grounded on a shoal at the entrance to Winter Quarter Bay. It was held fast amidships with the bow lifted 12 feet out of the water.

Officers of the Magga Dan radioed that the ship was not damaged and that no one aboard was injured. The crew and passengers were said to be staying on the vessel.

After failing to free the ship by using its own engines, the Magga Dan's officers asked the Navy at McMurdo Sound for help. The Navy icebreaker Westwind tried without success to pull the cruise ship into the water with a tow line.



SITE OF B-52 BOMBER CRASH NEAR THULE

B52, H-Bombs Sink

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Strategic Air Command bomber on an "airborne alert" flight were rescued, one of them after spending a night on the ice.

The Pentagon refused to say what happened to the plane and its load after it crashed at North Star Bay, 7 miles from the runway at Thule.

The plane's navigator originally was listed as missing but was located later, suffering from frostbitten hands and feet and a broken shoulder.

He is Capt. Curtis R. Criss Jr., 43. He was listed as being in fair condition.

Killed was the co-pilot, Capt. Leonard Svitlenko, 27.

The survivors all were taken to the Thule base hospital but except for Criss the Pentagon gave no report on their condition.

The other survivors were identified as Capt. John Haug,

F111B in Doubt

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revolutionary feature of the F-111N, formerly the TFX, and its Phoenix missile is a highly sophisticated anti-aircraft weapon slated to be used by the Navy version of the F111, designated by the "B".

The F111 program already has been hit hard by Britain's economy decision to cancel its order for 50 of the planes. Australia still has a number on order.

World Weather

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TOKYO AREA

Tuesday night: Mostly fair; Low 20
Wednesday: Partly cloudy; High 50

TEMPERATURES

Jan. 22					
	H	L			
Bangkok	91	73	Naha	61	55
Chitose	50	5	Saigon	66	72
Guam	83	70	Seoul	28	16
Itazuke	39	36	Taipei	57	50
Manila	84	70	Tokyo	41	36
Albany	41	29	L.A.	80	50
Albuquerque	51	36	Louisville	45	38
Amarillo	46	41	Melbourne	74	61
Anchorage	62	-05	Memphis	69	36
Atlanta	67	37	Miami	73	57
Birmingham	69	36	Milwaukee	41	29
Bismarck	43	23	N. Orleans	72	42
Boise	40	25	NYC	50	39
Boston	47	33	N. Platte	57	47
Chicago	38	32	Oklahoma City	49	27
Cincinnati	42	39	Omaha	49	30
Cleveland	36	31	Paris	43	30
Denver	55	26	Phila.	51	30
Des Moines	48	27	Phoenix	70	56
Detroit	39	26	Pittsburgh	38	34
Duluth	41	17	Portland, O.	53	49
Fairbanks	-35	-45	Rapid City	58	32
Fort Worth	53	49	Reno	51	22
Fort Worth	53	49	Richmond	65	23
Hong Kong	66	57	Singapore	85	73
Honolulu	80	75	St. Louis	52	37
Houston	61	55	St. Paul	40	12
Indianapolis	35	33	Salt Lake	34	10
Jacksonville	76	40	S. Antonio	66	35
Jakarta	90	74	San Diego	74	49
Juneau	33	16	San Fran.	62	48
Kansas City	56	29	S. S. Maria	30	26
K. Lumpur	89	73	Seattle	56	49
Los Vegas	85	34	Shreveport	64	39
Little Rock	64	39	Sydney	78	71
London	39	31	Tucson	66	36
			Wash.	57	31