

SPACE

L.T.-Odds. Thurs. Apr. 26 - '62.

The exploration of space moved so fast today - we could hardly keep up with it.

First of all, the United States finally scored a strike - on the moon. Ranger Four, crash-landing -- on the dark side. The operation, called - "a tremendous guidance success." In other words, we know how to draw a bead, so to speak - on our natural satellite. How to score a bull's eye - at a distance of a quarter of a million miles. The malfunctioning of the instrument package - <sup>somewhat</sup> incidental.

Second - the new Soviet satellite. Cosmos Four, orbiting the earth - two hundred miles out in space. Sending back radio signals - concerning the Van Allen radiation belt. One more step in the Soviet plan - to put a man on the moon.

Third - the international rocket launching - at Cape Canaveral. An American Delta rocket, carrying a capsule of - British instruments. The Delta, performing its mission - in three stages. The final rocket explosion, pushing the hundred and thirty-two pound satellite into orbit. Tonight,

it's oscillating, between two hundred and six hundred miles above our planet.

Another international effort - at Wallops Island, Virginia. The partners this time - America and Japan. Scientists from the two nations, fired - a sounding rocket. The type - that doesn't go into orbit. Purpose - to measure the temperature of the ionosphere; Preparatory to - a Japanese-American shot into outer space.

Then there was the hush-hush launching -- at Point Arguello, California. A Blue Scout rocket, flashing - into orbit. But the Air Force won't tell us a thing - about the instruments in the capsule. Or - what they are saying.

Five hours later - the second secret shot at Point Arguello. Presumably another Air Force "spy in the sky" - riding an Atlas into orbit. Keeping track of rocket launchings - inside the Soviet Union.

RUSK

At his news conference today, Secretary of State Rusk said that Khrushchev seems to be taking - a more realistic view of the Berlin problem. The Soviet boss, finally beginning to realize - that he cannot force the Allies out of West Berlin. That instead, he is running the grave risk of something he doesn't want - a major war.

What does the new realism in Moscow mean - for the free world? According to Dean Rusk, the possibility of - an accomodation between East and West. The Russians, to go ahead with - the East German peace treaty that they've been talking about. But accepting ironclad guarantees to safeguard - the access routes to West Berlin.

Where would the ~~accommodation~~ accommodation - be reached? Probably at a summit meeting - <sup>is the</sup> Rusk view. The chances of accomplishing something at a Big Four conference - increased by Khrushchev's recent declaration. His admission that a summit meeting would have to be handled with care - to prevent another disappointment. Since this is what President Kennedy



has been saying all along - it appears that Khrushchev is now more ~~amenable~~ *likely to cooperate*.

Turning to our new atomic series - Dean Rusk expressed regret that testing should be necessary; And repeated our willingness to call off the operation - once Moscow agrees to a cheat-proof atomic test ban.

## EAST GERMANY

It's now the turn of the East German Reds to prove - that Communism cannot solve the farm problem. The state of East German agriculture, so deplorable - that there's a threat of near famine in the fall. The spring planting - that far behind; <sup>with</sup> The Red bosses asking the farmers - for a special effort.

But how do you get the farmers to do their best - when they're working for the state, instead of themselves? The answer is - you don't. The Russians and the Chinese Reds - have found that out. The East Germans - going through the same experience.

## STEEL

The Grand Jury action on steel - involves four companies. United States Steel, Bethlehem, Erie Forge, and Midvale-Heppenstall. ~~All four of them~~ <sup>These four</sup> indicted for - price fixing and rigged bids. The jury, sitting in New York - accusing them of violating the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.

This indictment comes only two weeks - after the conflict between the steel industry and the President. The companies, announcing a six dollar increase - on ~~the~~ a ton of steel, <sup>then</sup> rescinding the order - after two other steel ~~companies~~ firms refused to go along with the hike.

## PLANE

A search plane flying across the towering cordillera, the andes of Colombia - reports no sign of life near the DC-3 that crashed. The Colombian airliner took off on Sunday - for a short flight over the mountains. It never arrived, two men of our Peace Corps on board. Since then, a massive search has been going on - and the plane was spotted today from the air. That is - the remains of the ill-fated airliner. Ground patrols are pushing toward the scene - which lies in some of the most inaccessible terrain in the Western Hemisphere.

Apparently no survivors - among the thirty-eight on board.



## MOONSHINERS

If you want to know why the illegal liquor trade is in such good shape - consider a few statistics released by the Bureau of Internal Revenue. We are told that a moonshiner can make a still - for less than a hundred and fifty dollars. Beginning with - an empty gasoline can. Since an old pro in the trade usually raises his own grain - his only other capital outlay is for sugar. All of which expenses - he can recoup within seventy-two hours. Plus - a handsome profit. A hundred gallons of hard liquor - selling at around three dollars a gallon.

Moonshining still so profitable - the Bureau of Internal Revenue keeps nine hundred men on the job. Last year, they arrested - six thousand sour mash experts. The agents of the Bureau, seizing - three million gallons of moonshine. Firewater, on which the manufacturers - somehow forgot to pay the federal tax.



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Most of the industry is located - below the Mason-Dixon Line. Why? Said one revenooer today - "Southerners naturally have a felling of tolerance for the moonshiner."

## TWIST

Over in Britain, royal approval for - the twist. A lot of aristocratic eyebrows went up - at the report of Prince Charles indulging in the torrid American version of swing and sway. The Queen, however - didn't bat a royal eyelid. Her Majesty, passing the word from Buckingham Palace - that she knows all about her son doing the twist; indeed is happy to see that he likes the dance craze - preferred by so many of her subjects.

London observers point out - this is nothing new for the royal family. Princess Margaret has been known to do - the can-can. And before that, the Duke of Windsor, when he was Prince of Wales - how he could do the Charleston!

## WOMEN

A couple of news dispatches tonight, indicate that Man has just discovered - women. How's that? At Winston-Salem, North Carolina, it's just been announced - that Piedmont Airlines is hiring stewardesses. The attractive young ladies are standard equipment - on other airliners. But until now, Piedmont has been - a stronghold of male supremacy. Only stewards - on their planes. Most of the passengers are masculine, so they are all for a touch of femininity.

Over in Lakenheath, England, they hired a new bootblack - at the American airbase and patronage tripled over night. Tips - astronomical. Reason - the bootblack is an English girl, Ann Winward, twenty and so pretty the American airmen don't care a hoot about the shine part.