

## GLENN COOL, FIT AND READY

# Countdown Is Flawless As Orbit Flight Nears

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (CP)—The countdown ticked off flawlessly, the weather outlook was good and astronaut John W. Glenn Jr. was cool, fit and ready Friday on the eve of his scheduled rocket ride into orbit.

The 40-year-old United States marine lieutenant-colonel was reported aware of the risk—but he gave no sign of fear that something would go wrong when he blasts off from this spaceport today, aiming for three orbits above earth at about 17,500 miles an hour.

All signs are promising after

four postponements of the shot because of a variety of troubles in the Atlas rocket and the twin Friendship 7 space capsule.

The first five hours of the 11-hour countdown went off Friday without a snag. The remaining six hours of the count—which involves a detailed final check of the entire system—was due to be resumed shortly after midnight.

With blastoff set for 7:30 a.m. EST today, this gave 90 minutes leeway to straighten out any last-minute kinks.

Glenn's mission—the first by an American into orbit—will, if successful, carry U.S. manned

space exploration to its farthest frontier yet.

But Lt. Col. John Powers, spokesman for the seven-man astronaut team, noted it is a "tiny little step" toward the objective of landing an American on the moon in this decade.

Glenn and his standby pilot, 36-year-old navy Lt.-Cmdr. Scott Carpenter, were spending the day studying and reviewing the flight plan, technical reports, launch-preparation data and the like.

They also were to confer with key officials on the various phases of the worldwide project Mercury operation involving 18 tracking stations, more than 20 recovery ships, many planes and thousands of persons.

The marine pilot and his standby have been "going down the road together" in their rehearsals for the orbital expedition. If for any reason Glenn cannot make the flight, Carpenter would be ready to step in to take his place.

But National Aeronautics and Space Administration officials are not expecting any last-minute illness to thwart Glenn.

Asked to describe Glenn's physical shape, Powers replied: "I wouldn't want to get into a boxing ring with him."

Powers said Glenn wanted it stressed that although "we have reduced the risk as far as humanly possible... there's still a risk."

What would happen if the system for bringing the space capsule back from orbit didn't work? reporters asked.

"We estimate he could survive about 24 hours," Powers said.

This is because Glenn's capsule will carry an oxygen supply for that period—about 19 hours more than needed for the planned three orbits that would take four hours and 50 minutes.

The spacecraft itself, Powers said, probably would stay in orbit about a week or 10 days.

The capsule is equipped with four separate methods of firing a salvo of small rockets whose job it is to brake the spacecraft to a slow-enough speed so gravity can take hold and pull it back into the atmosphere. These braking rockets can be fired by ground command or by Glenn himself.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration said "generally good" weather is expected to continue today.

A minimum of cloudiness is required over this launch site so the performance of the rocket can be observed up to 250,000 feet. Calm seas and gentle winds are needed in the recovery areas.

# Yank Moon Shot Will Miss Target

CAPE CANAVERAL (AP)—The United States fired a spacecraft at the moon Friday, but a 20,000 to 30,000-mile miss will send it into orbit around the sun.

A spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said the gold and silver-plated instrument package failed on its mission because of "excessive velocity," but he didn't spell it out.

At Project Ranger's home, the jet propulsion laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., another spokesman said that while the instrument package would miss, an effort might still be made to photograph the moon as planned.

The Russians successfully photographed the moon in 1959 from more than 37,000 miles away.

The terse report from NASA headquarters here did not specify just how much more than the planned speed of 24,500 miles an hour was attained by the spacecraft.

As a result of the added and unexpected kick, there will, of course, be no instrument reports from the moon.

The NASA spokesman said precise figures on the trajectory would be available later after a conference on how much the guidance system can be utilized.

# Prairie Grain Payments Said Carrot On Stick

OTTAWA (CP)—Acreage payments to prairie grain farmers constitute a "carrot on the stick" by Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson, a House of Commons spokesman said Thursday in the Commons.

"Feed them a little before the election and then withdraw it if he is in that position... this is the way the prime minister works," said the house leader of the CCF - New Democratic Party group.

The \$42,000,000 acreage payments should be nailed down by statute and paid regularly, Mr. Argue said, rather than "when the prime minister is in the right frame of mind."

The payments weren't made in September or last July because Mr. Diefenbaker hadn't decided on an election, said Paul Martin (L., Essex East). If there was one area of unfulfilled promises, he said amid cries of "nonsense" and "tommyrot," it lay in the field of agriculture.

These comments came as the Commons launched debate on funds for the acreage payment plan which pays up to \$200 a farm for the crop year ending next July 31. The payment was made in 1958 and 1960.

Defence Minister Harkness, filling in for ailing Agriculture Minister Alvin Hamilton, said the previous payments had been made to help smaller prairie

farmers and in recognition of the demands for a two-price wheat system—where Canadians would pay a higher price than foreign purchasers.

**TAKE NO ACTION**

The Commons interrupted the eight-day throne speech debate at the half-way mark to begin consideration of the government's proposed appropriations for prairie farmers, the winter works program and aid to Newfoundland fishermen. None of the appropriations had been approved when the house adjourned for the weekend.

The sitting ended with a one-hour debate on the private bill of Ferguson Browne (PC—Vancouver Kingsway) to set up a Canadian sweepstakes. The bill did not come to a vote. It therefore dropped to the bottom of a long list of such bills and probably won't come up again this session.

In the main debate, Mr. Harkness, former agriculture minister, said acreage payments have been selected three times for use because they guarantee help for smaller operators, are practical, avoid stimulating surplus production and also avoid any impediments to free trade and marketing of produce.

No one criticized the payments in themselves—outside of last year being omitted—while ranging broadly over farm policy.

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## BOYS' PARLIAMENT OPENS HERE

Rev. David Hamilton, O'Leary, instructs Kenneth Howard, sergeant-at-arms, in the use of the mace at the Boys' Parliament in the Confederation Chambers last night. The parliament, composed of boys from the United Baptist and Presbyterian Churches of the Island opened last night. It is sponsored by the Island Boys Work Board. (See story on page 3).

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Besides the new name, the vessels will get a new paint job as they go into dry-dock for annual refits.

The old black, yellow and white colors will be converted into a red and white decor—red hulls, white superstructure and white funnels with a red maple leaf insignia.

And the 1,676 men on the Coast Guard will be issued with new uniforms based on wartime battle dress, with berets.

# Sea Rescue Hero Fatally Injured

HALIFAX (CP)—An accident at sea has claimed the life of fisherman Ernest Thornhill of West Dover, N.S., whose bravery six years ago saved the lives of 17 shipmates.

The 37-year-old Thornhill died Friday aboard the Greek liner Queen Frederica after being transferred Thursday from the fishing vessel Red Diamond III.

Thornhill was reported to have suffered fractures of both legs below the knees and "possible internal injuries in an accident at sea early Thursday.

The Queen Frederica was diverted to the Red Diamond's position about 250 miles south of Cape Agulhas, Nfld., when it was found the fishing vessel was beyond helicopter range. There were no details on the nature of the accident.

On Jan. 6, 1956, Thornhill swam through high breakers from the grounded trawler Cape Agulhas with a rope tied about his waist. Despite a fractured heel and other injuries, he managed to secure the lifeline around a rock at Portuguese Cove near here.

All the ship's crew managed to make the 40 yards to shore with the aid of the lifeline minutes before the Cape Agulhas broke up and sank, carrying 120,000 pounds of fish to the ocean floor.

Thornhill spent several months in Camp Hill Hospital in Halifax recovering from his injuries.

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# Espionage Charge Laid

ROME (Reuters)—A charge of espionage has been laid against a Bulgarian air force pilot who crashlanded his jet plane near a NATO base in Italy last Saturday, a newspaper reported Friday.

The report was carried by the Rome newspaper Il Giornale d'Italia as investigations continued into the incident amid speculation that there might have been an explosion aboard the Soviet-built MIG-17.

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# Complex Said To Display Permanence And Beauty

TORONTO (CP)—A model complex of block-shaped buildings with a total effect of quiet permanence and beauty Friday was awarded first prize in a national architectural competition for a combined arts centre and memorial to Canada's founding fathers.

Six Montreal architects submitted the design that drew high praise from all seven jury members.

The scheme of stone-walled blocks partly enclosing a glass memorial hall will be built in the central square of Charlottetown, next to the old Legislative Building where the Fathers of Confederation met in 1864.

Members of the winning firm are Raymond Affleck, Guy Desbarats, Dimitri Dimakopoulos, Frederick Lebesold, Hazen Sise and Town planner Norbert Schoenauer.

Noting that the new building is planned as the first before Confederation centenary celebrations in 1967, the jury comments in a report that "it will set a standard of architectural excellence and suitability that will no likely be surpassed."

The jury report adds: "The more one studies this plan the more beautiful does it seem to unfold in terms of circulation and well proportioned space."

Other members were Professor John Russell of the University of Manitoba's school of architecture, Montreal architect Charles Trudeau, Dominion architect Kaye Lamb, Calgary lawyer Eric Harvie and Dr. Frank MacKinnon, principal of Charlottetown's Prince of Wales College.

Prizes in the competition will be presented Tuesday in Ottawa at an awards dinner to be attended by Governor General Vanier and Prime Minister Diefenbaker.

**JURY PLEASED**

Members of the jury said they were pleased by the range of ideas and talent displayed in the competition. Dr. MacKinnon said he was sure the people of Charlottetown would be proud of the new building and expressed pleasure that the design, while

contemporary, will blend with the classical lines of the old provincial building.

"This contest certainly showed the high standard of imagination among Canadian architects," Sir Basil said.

"The winner is of very high quality and shows great imagination and sensitivity. It expresses the true feeling of one town and is a beautiful expression of the event it commemorates," Sir Basil said.

Firms and individual architects receiving mention by the jury are: James Secord and Saul Herzog of St. Catharines, Ont.; John B. Parkin Associates of Toronto and Montreal; Glenn Hadley of Toronto; Grierson and Walker of Toronto; and Michael M. Kopsa of Toronto.

Two separate models entered by Parkin Associates each received mention.

## GET \$7,500 PRIZE

The winners receive a \$7,500 prize plus the commission to carry out the plan and supervise construction of the building in the centre of Charlottetown.

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## Dr. MacKinnon Is Pleased With Choice Of Design

The design selected for the combined cultural centre and memorial building here is a fine, satisfactory one, both in its stately appearance and in its interior arrangements, Dr. Frank MacKinnon said yesterday in Toronto. He was discussing the choice of design with The Guardian via telephone.

The building will be constructed of dressed stone, like the Provincial Building, and it will not dominate that historic edifice or strike a jarring note.

The arrangements for a theatre, auditorium, art gallery, museum, etc., are very satisfactory and should be very pleasing to the people of Prince Edward Island.

## Montreal Firm Delighted With Prestige In Award

MONTREAL (CP)—Chamagne bubbled in the offices of a Montreal architectural firm Friday after its members learned their last-minute entry had won a Canada-wide competition for a Confederation memorial.

"It's a tremendous prestige award," said Fred Lebesold of the firm of Affleck, Dimakopoulos, Desbarats, Lebesold, Michaud and Sise.

"We did a simple contemporary design but it is sensitive and will harmonize with the present Prince Edward Island parliament buildings."

The group of buildings for a cultural and social centre was entered on the spur of the moment. City planner Norbert Schoenauer also took part in the design.

Guy Desbarats said that architecturally, the problem was to reconcile "a big idea with a fairly small setting."

He said the design, with a central glass-roofed forum surrounded by a cluster of small buildings was intended to express the idea of the earliest forum under Canadian skies.

"We tried to make it a group that would be suitable to a fairly small city such as Charlottetown and yet have the quality that would make it fine enough to be a memorial to Confederation. It was a problem of scale."

The main idea is expressed in the memorial hall, a kind of forum.

"It's a simple idea, not too grandiose."

Mr. Lebesold said one of the main considerations was that the building would harmonize with its venerable surroundings.

"It will take up a whole downtown block and we think it will have a tremendous impact," he said.



## ICE ON GOVERNMENT POND IMPROVED

The skating on Government Pond should be very good today if Jack Frost does his part. Yesterday city employees filled the street flusher

to capacity and headed for the pond, where to the delight of the younger fry, the entire contents were emptied. Although the city's good deed

spoiled activity scheduled for the pond during the later part of the day, no doubt they will be forgiven when the skating during the next few days will

be better than ever. Since cold weather arrived more than a month ago, the pond has been a haven for youngsters.

# N.S. Girl Is Acquitted In Shearwater Robbery

HALIFAX (CP)—Jessie Eliza Atkinson, 26, of nearby Sackville was acquitted Friday on a charge of possessing \$9,947 knowing it to be stolen in a bank robbery at nearby Shearwater Oct. 25.

The Supreme Court jury agreed to the verdict of not guilty without leaving the court room after the Crown said it had no objections to an acquittal and Mr. Justice F. H. Patterson directed that the not guilty verdict be returned.

Thursday, two men pleaded guilty to robbery in the \$21,120 daylight holdup described by the Crown prosecutor as an offence carried out with calculated coolness. He said there had not been a similar offence in Halifax County since the 1930s and called for penitentiary terms ranging from 10 to 15 years.

The men, Robert Wallace Hamilton, 24, of Halifax and Irving Joseph Kamsvaag, 20, of Sackville and formerly of St. John's, Nfld., are expected to be sentenced before the current Supreme Court session ends, probably next week. It was adjourned Friday until Monday.

## LUCK RUNS OUT FOR LUCIANO

# Former Underworld Chief Dies Suddenly At Airport

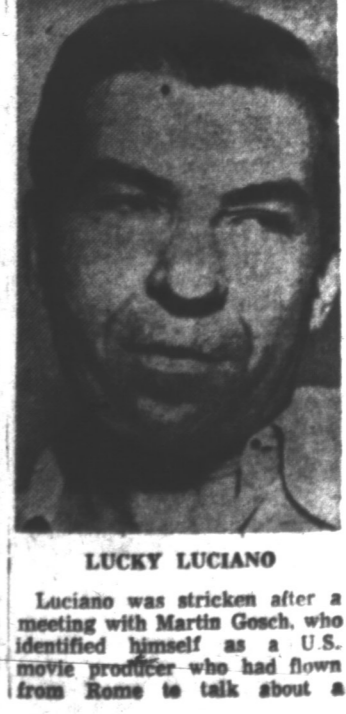
NAPLES (AP) — Charles (Lucky) Luciano, 64, former underworld czar who was kicked out of the United States in 1946, died of an apparent heart attack Friday while being trailed by Italian narcotics detectives.

The detectives were reported to have been acting on a tip in a renewed effort to stop dope traffic.

The luck ascribed to Luciano by nickname—after he survived a gangland ride ordered by rival hoodlums—ran out at Naples' Capodichino airport.

In Washington, Henry Giordano, deputy commissioner of the U.S. narcotics bureau, indicated Luciano had been facing imminent arrest by Italian authorities who were tying up the loose ends of a \$150,000,000 international dope ring smashed in New York last year.

Giordano declined to speculate whether Luciano headed the ring but said, "we were ready to move against him with the Italian authorities."



planned motion picture on Luciano's life.

**DAPPER TO END**

Luciano, dapper in a blue jacket and grey flannel slacks, was walking with Gosch from the terminal building to his car when he seized the Martin's arm and fell to the sidewalk.

A doctor called from the airport infirmary said he died instantly. Although Luciano was believed to have suffered a heart attack, authorities ordered an autopsy to confirm the cause of death.

Police officials disclosed later that narcotics agents had been sent to the airport to check Luciano's movements.

The narcotics agents questioned Gosch for several hours at the airport, then escorted him to a downtown hotel.

A finance department police statement said that since June, 1961, agents have been looking into possible international narcotics smuggling involving Luciano. (Continued on page 2, col. 4)