

**IT'S SAD SEASON IN BIRDLAND**

It's the sad season in birdland, the time of year that plump Canadian turkeys gobble their last gobble. Candidates scheduled to grace Thanksgiving dinner tables are gathered at the Bel-Mor Farm near London, Ont. (CP Wirephoto)

**Technical Talks Proceeding On Columbia River Project**

OTTAWA (CP)—Talks on the technical level are going on among Canada, the United States and British Columbia about the Columbia River question. It was learned reliably Wednesday.

This doesn't mean that a solution is imminent, informants said. The technical talks are exploratory, aimed at working out some possibilities of settlement.

No particular new proposal is involved but the discussions definitely include the question of a price that would be paid by the United States for Canada's share of power destined to flow from the multi-million-dollar development.

Disposition of this power has been the root of the impasse between the federal and B.C. governments—along with financing of three storage dams that would cost about \$344,000,000.

**IS HOPEFUL**

The throne speech last week said the federal government is hopeful that arrangements can

be completed soon so that the Columbia River Treaty can be placed before Parliament for study and ratification.

The U.S. speedily ratified the 60-year treaty after it was signed with Canada in January, 1961.

Premier Bennett of B.C. has wanted to sell Canada's share of American power—half that provided by benefits conferred by the three B.C. dams—to the U.S. for five mills a kilowatt hour during a minimum 20-year contract.

The federal position, believed to have softened, was that only surplus quantities of this power should be left in the U.S., for contract periods of five years at a time.

**SCHIRRA**

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sure had been normal throughout the flight and that body temperature measure m e n t s, not available earlier in the flight, were being received from the instruments in the craft. His heart beat was normal, in the mid-60s.

2:01 a.m. — Schirra was reported proceeding well as he headed toward Hawaii again. Mercury control said he was told to add one minute to his retro clock to account for minor orbital variations. He was given these instructions as he passed over Cape Canaveral and headed into his fourth orbit.

2:09 p.m. — Schirra reported to the Pacific command ship, Rose Knot, that all systems were proceeding well and that he was confident and satisfied.

2:21 p.m. — Schirra completed his fourth orbit and shot into

his fifth over Cape Canaveral.

3:31 p.m. — Mercury Control reported, "we have made the decision to go into the sixth orbit." The Sigma 7 spacecraft was above the Pacific.

4:01 p.m. — The control centre said Schirra had received vital retro rocket firing time information.

4:30 p.m. — The spacecraft was crossing the South Atlantic Ocean, heading toward the southern tip of Africa. Officials said they were preparing to set the proper retro rocket firing conditions to bring the astronaut down.

5:01 p.m. — Schirra told the tracking ship in the Indian Ocean he had completed preparations for firing of the retro rockets to bring him out of orbit and down to earth.

5:07 p.m. — Schirra fired the first retro rockets to start his return to earth. The control centre reported all rockets appeared to have fired satisfactorily.

5:17 p.m. — A tracking ship in the recovery area predicted a landing close to the aircraft carrier Kearsarge.

5:23 p.m. — Voice transmissions from Schirra. He reported his main parachute had been deployed, and that it was "a beautiful sight."

5:28 p.m. — Schirra landed in the placid waters of the Pacific.

5:33 p.m. — The astronaut messaged the carrier, "This is a sweet little bird," referring to his Sigma 7 spacecraft.

5:45 p.m. — Schirra, in navy tradition, called the captain of the Kearsarge and asked for permission to come aboard. The skipper replied: "Permission granted."

5:50 p.m. — The flotation collar was attached and inflated. Progress found Schirra comfortable and determined to remain in his spacecraft.

6:00 p.m. — The craft was lifted out of the water and taken aboard the Kearsarge.

6:13 p.m. — The escape hatch was blown.

6:15 p.m. — The smiling astronaut stepped out on the deck of the ship, obviously satisfied with a job well done.

**VENTURE DREDGING**

GRAND BANK, Nfld. (CP)—Several months ago a businessman from Fortune Bay, Nfld., lost his upper denture in the Grand Bank Harbor. The teeth were found recently by dredge operator Ewart Venus in a shovel of mud scooped up from the harbor bottom. They were in perfect condition.



**16TH CENTURY JIGS REVIVED IN ENGLAND**

Jigs, farical playlets originally performed in the 16th century, have been revived in England by a group of dancers and actors called the Elizabethians. Banned by Elizabeth I in 1586, the jigs are

most often presented on village greens or in open-air theatres. These dancers per-

form on ground-level stage in green at Hitchin, near London. (CP Photo)

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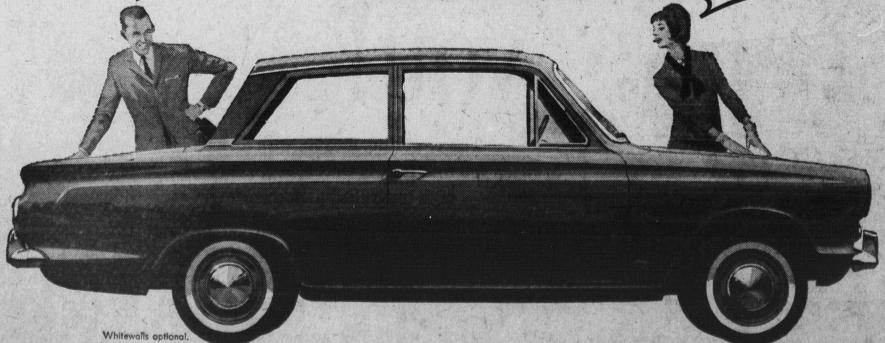
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