

# 'Great Day For Man!' Apollo Breaks Gravity; Off To Moon

## Christmas Eve Orbit Planned

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) — Boasting into unexplored frontiers, America's Apollo 8 astronauts today soared higher and faster than man has ever flown and set sail across the uncharted seas of space, aiming for a Christmas Eve orbit of the moon.

Air Force Col. Frank Borman, Navy Capt. James A. Lovell Jr. and Air Force Maj. William A. Anders became the first humans to escape the grasp of earth's gravity as a Saturn V rocket blasted from the launch complex 39A at Cape Kennedy, Fla., this morning. (AP Wirephoto)

THE SATURN V rocket with the Apollo 8 spacecraft atop, lifts off from Cape Kennedy, Fla., this morning. (AP Wirephoto)

As they broke away from earth's hold, Apollo 8 set a new altitude record for manned space flight, shattering the 82-mile mark set in 1959 by the Gemini 11 pilot.

The power was provided by the third stage of the Saturn 5 super-rocket that had pushed Apollo 8 into space with an earth-shaking roar at 7:51 a.m. EST.

Contractors at a station in Hawaii reported they had actually seen the engine firing as it propelled Apollo 8 outward toward the moon. The firing occurred over Hawaii in darkness.

"You're on your way—you're really on your way now," flight director Chris Kraft rallied the astronauts after the successful burn.

"Roger, we look good here," Borman replied.

For nearly three hours, Borman, Lovell and Anders had circled the globe checking and re-checking their systems, making certain all were functioning before launch.

For a full picture description of the preparation for the Apollo 8 mission and the dramatic launch early this morning, see page 1A.

THE APOLLO 8 Saturn V launch vehicle roars into space as it leaves launch complex 39A at Cape Kennedy, Fla., this morning.

SPREADING FLAMES behind it, the huge 36-story, 3,110-ton Saturn 5 rockets the Apollo 8 spacecraft into orbit from Cape Kennedy, Fla., this morning, carrying Frank Borman, James A. Lovell and William A. Anders into space. (Associated Press Wirephoto)

## Kidnaped Girl Is Safe; Ransom Paid

MAMI (AP) — Kidnap victim Barbara Jane Macle returned to her parents today after she was freed from a box in which she was held for more than three nights in the red cliffs of Brecon North Georgia woodlands. Her parents paid a \$500,000 ransom.

"I'm fine, I'm fine, Uncle Frank," Barbara told Frank Macle by telephone after the rescue.

And the 20-year-old red head told her mother that during the time she was held in the box, she was fed and watered.

The kidnapers gave the word where Barbara could be found after receiving the ransom full of \$20 bills from a shopping center on Miami's Tamiami Trail.

However, said the box in which the detainee was imprisoned near Atlanta was equipped with an air pump, food, water, a fan, and a battery-powered lamp that lasted hours before she was located.

The lid of the box was screwed down and flexible wires protruded through the seal.

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## Two Bus Hijackers Captured

FARIED—Two youths, accused of hijacking a chartered bus bound for a Nevada gambling casino, were after Solano County jail here today.

The pair was taken into custody early this morning by a San Francisco field police, a spokesman for the Solano County Sheriff's Office said.

The accused males hijacked the bus Friday night, pistol-whipped the driver and five passengers and then fled from the scene with cash and jewelry.

One of the 46 other passengers said he wrestled a knife from one robber and stabbed him in the chest after the man started scolding the lost into the crowd.

"He said 'Give me your money,'" said Allen love of San Francisco.

"I said 'You're crazy,' I grabbed the knife and grabbed him by the collar, I hit him in the face and stabbed him in the chest," he said.

"After I hit him, he called Glen the man near the driver and told Glen to shoot."

Brown said three shots were fired, but no one was reported hurt.

Officers said the Continental Trailways bus was on route from San Francisco to a Reno casino when one of the men went to the front and began hitting the driver, Colin Dineen, 25, of Mill Valley, with a pistol.

Passengers said the man announced it was a holding operation and to put their hands on the seats in front of them.

Dineen was not seriously injured, as ordered, continued driving out on Interstate 5 toward Fairfield.

At the same time, police said a companion in the back of the bus armed with a knife began collecting purses, wallets and jewelry and put the loot into what appeared to be a mail bag.

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## Car Crashes After Hot Chase

2 Youths Injured In Mishap

A sports car crash killed two youths after a high speed chase with units of the Napa city police in California Highway 101.

The boys, Paul T. Knapert, 22, and Robert J. Knapert, 21, were reported in satisfactory condition this morning at Queen of the Valley Hospital.

Their vehicle, owned by Anne Shay, 2720 Junior Drive, moved over construction area ditches and pits and skidded some 412 feet before it came to an upside down stop approximately one-quarter mile south of California Boulevard on State Route 101.

A pursuing patrol car driven by Napa city police Officer Darrell D. Tidy Jr., 27, spilled into a ditch during the chase. Tidy was examined and released at Queen of the Valley Hospital.

It was not immediately known whether the Knaperts boy knew that the car was allegedly stolen. Chronology of the mishap began shortly before 7:30 p.m., continued on Page 1A.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS chase over an allegedly stolen vehicle totally destroyed Friday night following a 30 m.p.h. freeway chase. The car reportedly skidded some 412 feet before coming to a upside-down stop. (Photo courtesy the California Highway Patrol)

## Napa Soldier Dies In War

Prisoner Release Talks Set

A 20-year-old Napa youth who enlisted in the Army and then volunteered for combat duty has been killed in Vietnam.

He is Michael Bishop, 71st Air Division, who was killed in action last Tuesday.

The family, the Richard Bishops, had originally been informed that he was missing in action. Friday a representative of the Army confirmed that the young soldier, a private first class, was dead.

His remains were expected to be returned to Napa within a few days, and services will be held here under the direction of Traskway and Weger Funeral Home.

Young Bishop was born in Vallejo, March 25, 1948. He had resided in Napa since 1965.

A 1966 graduate of Napa High School, he had been a member of the varsity swimming team and the Block 5 club.

For a time he attended University of California at Davis and then enlisted in the Army.

He had his basic training at Ft. Bliss, Tex., and then went to Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., for additional training.

Last August he was sent to Vietnam, where he served in the 2nd Infantry Division.

In the war zone the young Napa boy held a variety of Army jobs, but he requested combat duty.

Also surviving are his mother, Doris Whitman of Vallejo, and a sister, Susan Bishop of Napa.

STEINBECK Dead At Age Of 66

NEW YORK (AP) — John Steinbeck, winner of the 1952 Nobel Prize for literature, is dead at age 66. "The Grapes of Wrath," his compassionate portrayal of migrant workers during the Depression won the 1940 Pulitzer Prize.

Steinbeck died in his sleep at his Manhattan home Friday evening of heart and respiratory failure. He had been in failing health for some time and had moved into the city from his country home in Sea Ranch on Lone Island.

His literary output included 24 works of fiction but it was his non-fiction that earned him the Nobel Prize. "The Grapes of Wrath," that portrayed his reputation in the pastime of American letters.

The Nobel Prize for literature, which has been awarded to only six Americans, called attention to his "sympathetic humor and social perception."

"The Grapes of Wrath" showed the level of suffering of a farm family from the depression-induced drought of California in the migrant labor camps of Oklahoma and touched off a national wave of protest over the plight of the farmer.

Although the book brought Steinbeck fame, Steinbeck did his best to avoid the literary limelight.

## PEOPLE MAKING NEWS—

## Forrest To Glow

The Katoomba National Forest will be fully illuminated by Christmas again this year and the full moon will be seen by members of the Alaskan Air Command's 48th Aircraft Group and the 48th Wing.

The 48th Wing, based at Katoomba Sound on the Arctic Circle, the forest, which is located in the Yukon Territory, consists of a lone mountain peak named 10,000 feet.

Instead of pine trees, the forest is made up of tundra and low-lying shrubs. The forest is located in the Yukon Territory, which is located in the Arctic Circle.

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