

Aboard Gemini 5

Associated Press Wirephoto

Astronauts Gordon Cooper, foreground, and Charles Conrad are aboard their spacecraft just before the launch attempt was called off Thursday.

BIW Apparent Low Bidder On Up To 4 Big Cargo Ships

By FRANK SLEEPER
Business Reporter
BATH — Bath Iron Works was the apparent low bidder Thursday on construction of either three or four cargo ships for American Export-Isbrandtsen Lines, the Maritime Administration announced in Washington.

If finally awarded to BIW, the multi-million-dollar contract would maintain the shipbuilding firm's present employment of about 3,200 until mid-1968, BIW President James P. Goodrich declared.

United Fund Sets Goal For 1965 At \$940,063

By JAMES C. BAUNDERN JR.
Staff Reporter
The United Community Services board of directors Thursday set the Greater Portland United Fund Campaign's 1965 goal at a record \$940,063.

and Family Services at \$4,049, and a year's extension of that agency's mental health study project in Cape Elizabeth schools, at a cost of \$7,400, matched by the state.

Today's Chuckle

Summer is exciting. The kids are through school, vacation plans are almost set, and the highway department is ripping up the roads to everywhere.

Out With King Constantine, Greek Demonstrators Cry

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Violent demonstrations against King Constantine and his mother, Dowager Queen Frederika, erupted in the heart of Athens on Thursday night amid the worst political crisis here since the 1947-48 Greek Communist uprising.

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Fair, pleasant temperatures today and Saturday.
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Increased Aid Payments, Changes In Law Would End Many Nursing Woes, Says Fisher

By DONALD C. HANSEN
AUGUST 19 — Many nursing home problems could be solved if the state increased its public assistance payments to nursing home patients and if changes were made in existing law, the Health and Welfare Department told the Legislative Research Committee Thursday.

at the hearing continued around the state to increase the payments to state aid recipients living in homes. Maximum state payments for qualified nursing home patients are \$110 a month and \$50 for nursing home patients.

Washed Out Gemini 5 Flight Rescheduled Saturday Morning

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) — Stormy weather and troubles in the spacecraft washed out Thursday's effort to launch the Gemini 5 space mission and another try was scheduled at 10 a.m. EDT on Saturday.

major, but he emphasized that there still is testing to be done. He disclosed that there had been a fire in a cabling at the Cape. It was not at the Gemini cockpit, he said, but there is a possibility that it could affect plans for a Saturday shot.

600 Viet Cong Killed In Van Tuong Battle

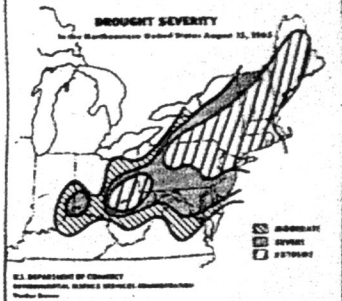
SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP) — Victors in the biggest American-Viet Cong battle of the war, U.S. Marines estimated Thursday more than 600 of the enemy were killed in the guerrillas' vain defense of Van Tuong peninsula encroachment.

Thundershowers Drop Precious Rain On Wide Areas Of Tinder-Dry State

thunderstorms and thundershowers dropped substantial amounts of rain throughout the state Thursday, bringing at least temporary relief to parched lawns, gardens and forests.

LBJ Lectures State Dept. Aides On Giving Advice

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson lunched with the State Dept. high command Thursday and said he told them he expects "frank and private advice before decisions are made, and "united support" once they are reached.



Drought Continues In Northeast

Most of the rainfall has been recorded in central and northern sections of the state.

Prayer For Today

O Thou Who art able to do more for us than we can ask or think, we give our lives into Thy care and keeping, now and forever. Give us the courage to fight our battles with faith and then crowd out the darkness. Hold up our hands and support our feet, that we may honor and serve Thee in the common ways of life. Help our inward divisions and let the work of our hands enrich our lives and bless our fellow men; for Christ's sake. Amen.

Relaxed

President Johnson slumps in his chair as he holds an impromptu news conference in his White House office Thursday.



MOVIE OF THE WEEK
KIM NOVAK
WM. HOLDEN
in
"PICNIC"
A great love story
9:30 PM
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