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## Gemini 6 Splashes Safely After Rendezvous

# GT7 To Press On Despite Trouble



Mission Completed

Astronauts Thomas Stafford, left, and Walter Schirra beam after leaving their Gemini 6 spacecraft aboard the aircraft carrier Wasp Thursday.

capsule was hoisted aboard the carrier 600 miles southwest of Bermuda.



Gemini 6 Awaits Hoist

Two Navy frogmen, including Ens. Dennis W. Bowman, left, of Portland, prepare the Gemini 6 space capsule for hoisting to the flight deck of the aircraft carrier Wasp after splashdown Thursday.

Bowman's mother, Mrs. Margaret Bowman of 612 Congress St., saw him on television during the spacecraft recovery. Bowman was a champion swimmer at Cheverus High School.

## Fuel Cells Cause Concern, Could Halt Flight Today

MANNED SPACE CENTER, Houston, Tex. (AP) — Gemini 7 can derive enough power from the remaining cell to complete the mission, one official said. "Fuel cell No. 1 continues to perform in an excellent condition," Mission Control announced. "We are going to continue to monitor its performance throughout this night, but all indications are that the flight will continue as scheduled."

Loveit would head through the atmosphere for a landing at 1:38 a.m. EST on Friday in the same Atlantic Ocean area Gemini 6 so accurately pinpointed. After 16 trips around the world, Schirra, a Navy captain, and Stafford, an Air Force major, parachuted into the sunny Atlantic just 15 miles from the recovery carrier Wasp, right on time at 10:29 a.m. EST. "It was ideal," Schirra de-

break to Ambassador Middleton. The Soviet news agency Tass reported the former French colonies of Niger, Mauritania, Senegal and the Congo Republic (Brazzaville) also were breaking relations, but there was no confirmation. Senegal denied it was breaking now. Foreign ministers of the 36 OAU nations voted Dec. 4 to

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## UAR Severs Relations With Britain; African Group Splits On Rhodesia

CAIRO (AP) — The Organization of African Unity split Thursday over breaking of diplomatic relations with Britain for its failure to put down the rebellious white supremacist regime of Rhodesia. Egypt announced on Cairo radio and later informed British Ambassador Sir George Middleton that it had decided to join four or more other African countries in making the break effective immediately. A British spokesman said it would require at least 48 hours for the ambassa-

dor and his staff to clear out. Egypt, long identified with the so-called progressive and leftward movements in Africa, followed the lead of Ghana, Guinea, Mali and Tanzania. Algeria also considered a leader of the African left, declined to go with the break. Instead, Algeria issued a statement supporting Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie's call for a new meeting of the 36-nation OAU on Dec. 21 to discuss again the whole problem of breaking with Britain in relation to the Rhodesian crisis. A government spokesman in Algiers said the Ethiopian suggestion had "created a whole new situation."

### Haiphong, Hanoi In Dimout

## Damage To Power Plant Heavier Than Expected

HAIPHONG, South Viet Nam (AP) — The bombing of North Viet Nam's Dong Hoi power plant has chopped off a third of the electric supply of the port of Haiphong and 25 per cent of that of Hanoi, a U.S. Air Force spokesman said Thursday. "It was bigger than we thought at first," the spokesman

said of the strike by a flight of F-4 Phantom II fighters that wrecked the plant Wednesday. Although still off-limits to bombers, Hanoi may now be forced into an electrical rationing system such as Saigon had instituted long ago because of Viet Cong sabotage of its lines. The announced aim of the raid, however, was more realistic — to destroy the Dong Hoi plant as the main source of power for factories in North Viet Nam's industrial heartland that have been making arms and other supplies for the war. Other air raids, scattered ground action and a series of Viet Cong terrorist attacks in the Saigon area marked progress of the war toward another Christmas season.

In Washington, Johnson administration sources said there will be a bill of some kind Christmas Eve if the Viet Cong permit it. The guerrillas have proposed a 12-hour truce, but begged it with a demand that Allied troops pull aside their arms for that period. American officials are skeptical about how meaningful the pause would be. U.S. Marine patrols killed 11 Viet Cong in the drifting Operation Harvest Moon and found a cave containing 25 others dead of battle wounds. It was the ninth day of action in Death

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### News, Features On The Inside

### The Weather

Cloudy, chance of snow flurries today and Saturday. Full report on Page 47.

PRIME MINISTER WILSON pledges an unswerving effort to end the rebellion in Rhodesia, but 27 African delegations walk out on his speech to the U.N. General Assembly, Page 2.

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### Highway Fatalities

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Two men drowned Thursday when a car, outlined, skidded down highway shoulder in background and landed upside down in stream at Litchfield.

## Two Men Drown As Car Slews Into Litchfield River

LITCHFIELD (AP) — A car rolled into Cobbesee Stream careened off Route 124 and

he thought Lariviere also had gotten out. He and Dumont reached the edge of the ice, he said, and as they did he looked back and saw Lariviere's surface above the car. He turned back and found that Dumont had disappeared, he said.

State police identified the victims as Robert Dumont, 31, of Lewiston and Jean Paul Lariviere, 21, believed to have lived in Lewiston or nearby. Maurice Lizotte, 28, of Lewiston escaped and was reported in good condition in a Gardiner hospital, suffering from minor injuries and exposure.

When he looked again the other way, Lariviere also had gone down, he said. LIZOTTE MANAGED to climb out onto the ice and crawl and walk toward the road. A passing motorist saw him and heard his shouts and called police. Dumont's body was recovered about an hour after the accident and Lariviere's some time later, after the car had been pulled out. The accident occurred near a bridge over the stream close to Horseshoe Pond on the road between Lewiston and Gardiner.

THE DEATHS brought Maine's highway accident toll for 1965 to 217, equalling a full-year record which has stood for 30 years.

Police said the car had been reported stolen from a Lewiston parking lot. It was being driven toward Gardiner, and failed to make a sharp curve to the left. From marks on the snow it appeared to have slewed sideways and rolled over onto an old bridge abutment and into the open stream, coming to rest on its top completely submerged.

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### Prayer For Today

Great God and Father of all mankind, we praise Thee, the first advent of Thy Son into the world. Prepare us, we pray Thee, for His coming again into our hearts. That He may be born anew in our hearts this Christmas tide and that we may reflect His glowing spirit into our corner of this needy world, Amen.

### 7 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

CHRISTMAS SEALS FIGHT AND GIVE RESPIRATORY DISEASES

### Music of the Week!

## 'The Great Man'

Starring  
Joac Ferrer  
Julie London  
9:00 P.M.  
Channel 13