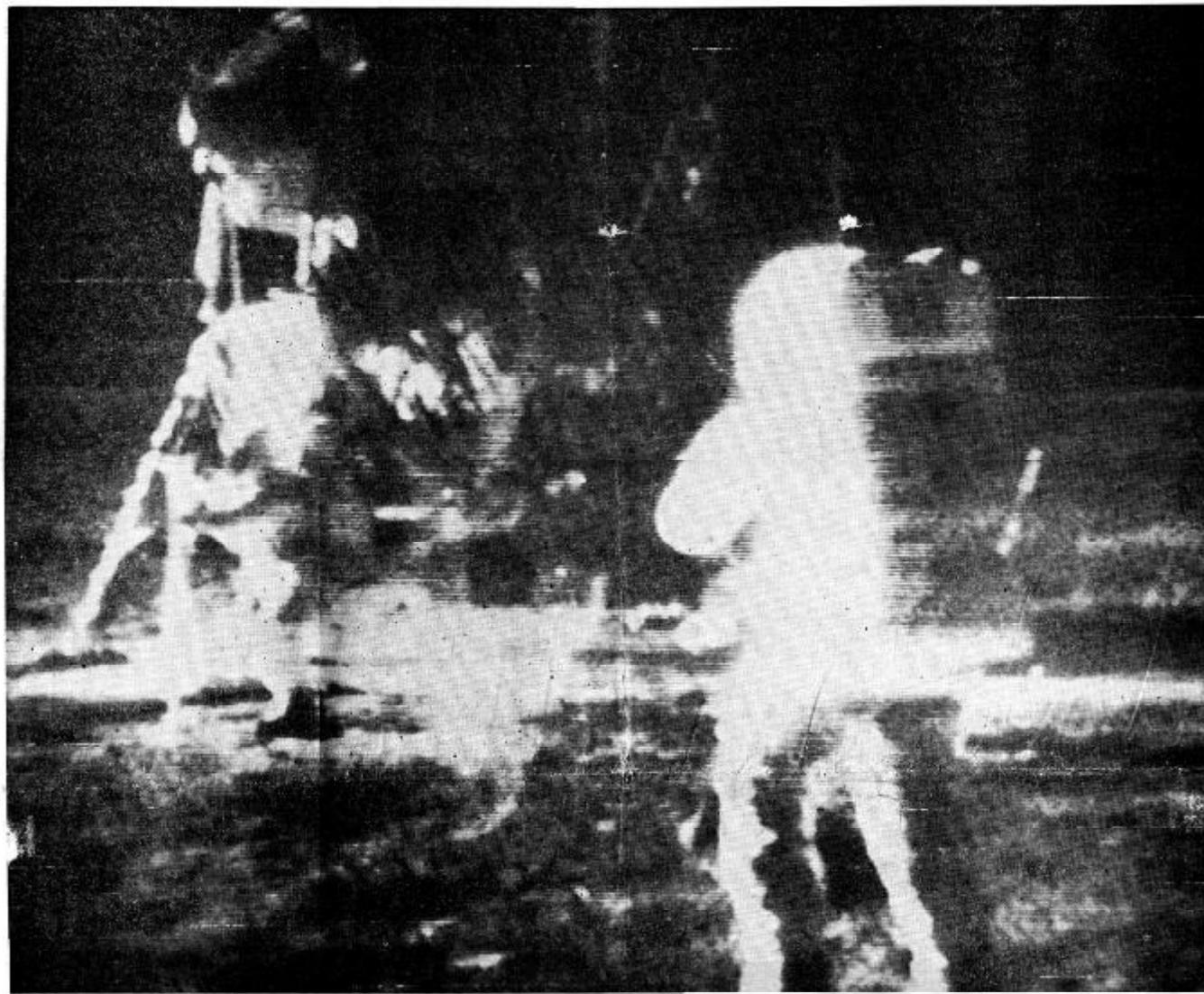


Man on the moon

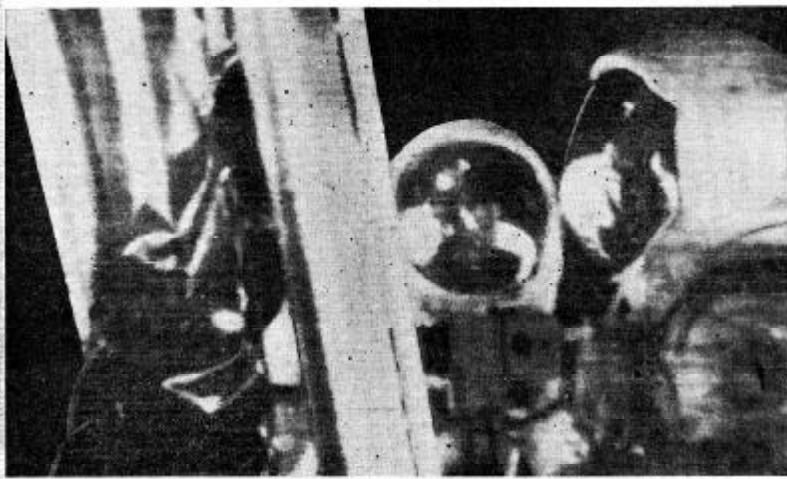
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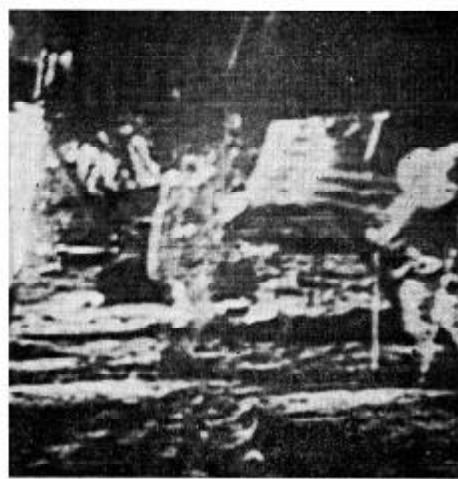
to mark man's arrival
on the moon.



Astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin take their first steps on the moon. — Radio pictures via satellite.



Astronaut Neil Armstrong, right, reads the inscription on the plaque unveiled on the lunar module while Edwin Aldrin works on it. This picture was received by Goldstone tracking station in California.



The US flag is raised on the moon in a ceremony watched by millions of people on earth at a range of nearly a quarter of a million miles.

Men has walked on the moon. Around the world millions of people watched the first faltering steps that established human sovereignty over soil beyond our planet. Who were the men involved in this venture into the universe? Who and what made their feet possible?

Today The Canberra Times publishes

a four-page souvenir to mark the landing and subsequent walk on the moon by Americans Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin.

Inside are published profiles of the astronauts manning the Apollo-11 mission. The major events in man's recent efforts to explore space are listed together with an article tracing man's con-

stant quest from the dawn of history to unlock the secrets of the universe.

Australia's part in space exploration has been significant. Much of the tracking has been done by the space stations just south of Canberra. Australia's contribution towards bridging space is the subject of another article in this moon-walk souvenir.



Australia

PLAYING A MAJOR ROLE IN MAN'S GREATEST ADVENTURE

By FRANK CRANSTON



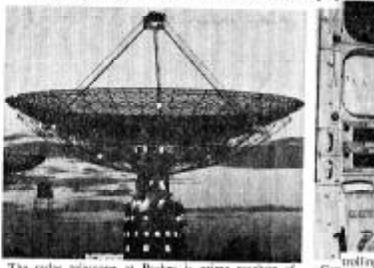
Deputy station director at Honeysuckle Creek Mr. Ian Grant and Mr. Mike Dinn check with Houston and the tracking network.



The Honeysuckle Creek antenna dish which is tracking Apollo 11.



Mr. B. Schriener, station officer of Honeysuckle Creek.



The solar telescope at Parkes is prime receiver of TV and radio broadcasts from the astronauts.

Tracking the big dish at Tidbinbilla is Mr David Hulme, chosen tracking an earlier space probe.

NESTLED in the quiet outback valleys of the ACT, about 12 miles from Canberra, are two huge Jules Verne type gadgets which yesterday became the most important of their kind in the world.

Another on the rolling plains near Parkes, New South Wales, was equally critical.

Sitting at the sky with their huge telescopes like antennae, the two large dish sites at Honeysuckle Creek and Parkes in the ACT and the 200ft dish at Parkes monitored man's first faltering steps beyond his terrestrial home. And what they saw were the vital links in a worldwide network of communications which made the mission possible.

These were the linkages which kept contact with Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin as they stepped on the moon, with Michael Collins as co-pilot in the silent satellite and beyond.

In all of this, Australia has a part much of it based just over the Molonglo River and south of Civic Centre.

Precise, reliable, geophysical position and technical facilities have made Australia the safest, most reliable place in the world to be deeply involved in almost every aspect of space exploration. Come back the 12 years to its beginning.

During the International Conference Year in 1957, 58 the United States and Australian governments built satellite tracking facilities at Woomera where there was also a substantial missile tracking and control system.

The "Mariner" mission's tracking equipment there established was the first Australian participation in what then appeared to be a limited future expansion.

AFTER two failures to get into space on the first Soviet Spacecraft missions, the US role in space appeared futile and Australia's fate in it dismal. The two "Fleets" which had been built by our neighbours were finally launched on January 31, 1958 (February 1 in Australia) by the successful Thor and Delta rockets. The first 30ft capsule carried 12 types of instruments. It was tracked from Woomera as it orbited at 18,000 km/h on 118-second orbits.

The success of the Explorer raised US confidence in its ability to save us yet again so it planned to build the instrument packages and send them to the site of the next earth orientation.

For Australia too the exploration of space has been big business, impressive even by large international standards.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration of the United States has spent over \$250 million invested in space tracking stations and guidance equipment in Australia since 1958. This \$80 million by 1970, when the massive 2100ft dish now being planned for Tidbinbilla is installed.

Space for cooperation in US space programs. Australia agreed to provide and run a number of tracking stations which would form part of the world-wide network.

The US would provide the money.

The first station built under

the agreement was at Blind Lagoon, near Woomera in 1960 and provided with deep space radio and optical tracking equipment for the earth orientation device. Other countries followed in February, 1966, Coonabarabran, New South Wales, and in its primary objective.

Initial exploration involving

rights and scientific satellites. Next was Tidbinbilla in March 1965 for manned flight and deep space instrument monitoring; Orroral Valley, ACT, followed in November, 1966, and in February, 1967, Coonabarabran, New South Wales, in its primary objective.

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gan October, 1966 for applications including satellite tracking closed later this year or early next year and finally Honeysuckle Creek in March, 1967. The US share in its primary objective.

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THE first man have landed on a new continent equal in area to Africa. What will they find there to make their journey worthwhile?

In Africa, it was ivory, spice, and slaves of Fez, and later gold and diamonds. We can expect those same sort of things when we consider that the moon has no atmosphere and that liquid water would boil rapidly to vapour, but it is the water that produced by volcanic processes could be preserved, entirely, by the layer of ice which would form on the surface of the moon's surface is worth looking for.

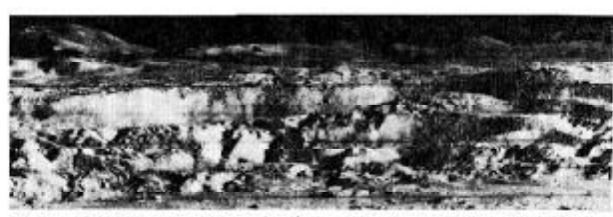
Oddly enough, just from a group of scientists information was not available to the geologists, the most important discovery as the moon is concerned is the possibility of life is infinitesimal, while an oasis of water on the moon's surface is worth looking for.

There are no rivers or lakes on the moon, and the seas are only made of solidified lava. Seas of the fantastically irregular shapes, some of which are as deep as 10,000 feet. These seas are greenish in the bare surface which has every appearance of dry rock. They have been called "seas" because, as the scientists and radio-experts can tell, may be evidence that liquid water did not exist on the moon's surface.

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New kind of colonisation

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT



The crater Copernicus, one of the most prominent features on the moon, showing the 1000ft cliff ring.

For fun or for profit?

Self-sufficient power. Starlike cells could generate power for the base during the two-week lunar night.

Use of heat water would ease the logistic problem of maintaining a lunar base, but it would still be far

from self-sufficient. This power would be used by the discovery of carbon compounds, which would be used to produce a complex food.

Controlled environment such as carbohydrates with provision for artificial lighting during the long night, the growth of the system, and the production of oxygen and some kind of power source.

With water, carbon, oxygen, and suitable carbohydrates a complex food could be set up to make the base able to read itself. The plant system would be large

prefabricated glasshouses with provision for artificial lighting during the long night, the growth of the system, and the production of oxygen and some kind of power source.

Starlike cells deposit there may be, especially underneath the surface of the moon, which could be set up to make the base able to read itself. The plant system would be large

Some scientists believe that the classes are well suited to the interests of solid-state physicists, up to 50 km in diameter, which combine with other areas in a linear and non-linear way.

But just if there are areas of suitable ones there will be no stopping them back in time. They must be used on the moon, because the "space-hopping" will probably always be enormous.

Nevertheless, it is not impossible the one day that will be the last industry in the moon, perhaps after a few years of mining operations or heavy equipment for the exploration and exploitation of the solar system.

The factories and their services will be based underground, where neither the radio radiation nor the solar radiation will be able to penetrate the walls of the buildings.

It is a tough job of thank that about 30 years ago the first man landed on the moon and now he has to live on the surface of the moon for 30-40 years.

What about the cost?

It is a difficult question to answer.



Apollo 11 has the world agog

A massive radio and television audience gave up sleep and work to watch astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin become the first men on the moon. The picture shows crowds thronging Trafalgar

Square, London, to watch a television monitor display the historic moment as the lunar module made a touchdown on the surface of the moon.

AAP-AP radio pictures by satellite



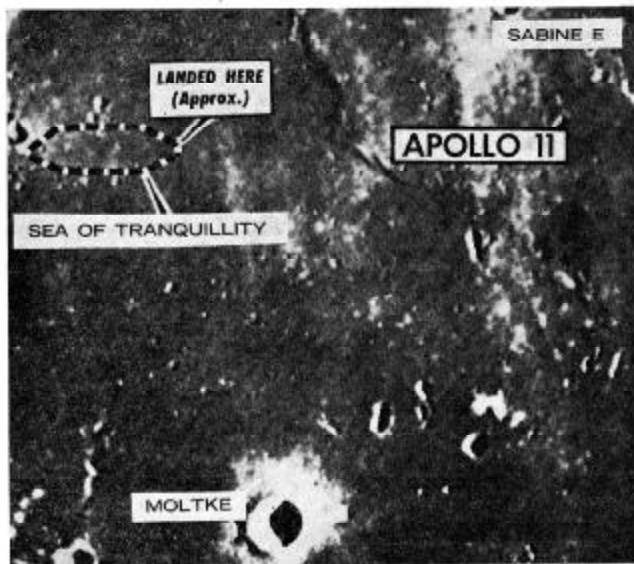
The Pope peers at the moon through a powerful telescope in the pontifical observatory at his summer retreat. — AAP-AP picture.



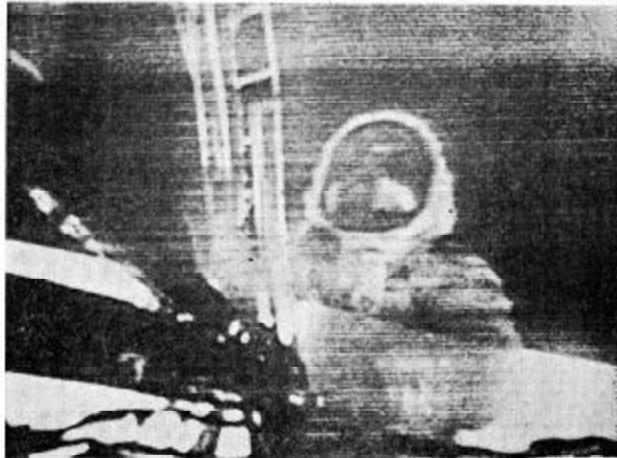
Astronaut Charles Conrad, centre, flight commander for the Apollo-12 mission sits at the flight commander's console at the Houston Space Centre.



"Thank God they have landed safely" . . . Mrs Stephan Armstrong, mother of the astronaut.



This map shows the Sea of Tranquillity where Apollo-11 landed.



A close-up photograph of Astronaut Neil Armstrong — the first man on the moon.