

Houston Post



# WELCOME HOME

By JIM MALONEY, Post Reporter

Two fit-looking young men, looking none the worse for their nearly eight days away from the mother planet, returned home Thursday to a dampened homecoming.

"It is good to see home folks again," Lt Col L. Gordon (Gordo) Cooper said minutes after arriving at Ellington Air Force Base.

**THE PILOT**, Lcdr Charles (Pete) Conrad made this brief rejoinder:

"For once, Gordo has said it all. It is great to be back home again. It's good to see you."

Their homecoming was brief, quiet and a happy reunion for the Gemini 5 astronauts and their families.

Cooper, 38-year-old native of Shawnee, Okla., and Conrad, a Philadelphian of 35, had only a short time with their families before returning to the debriefing process of their record space flight that brought virtually every man-in-space record to this country.

**AGAIN, AS THEY** have been since their father left for his historic space flight, the Conrad children were bouncing all over the place and were a picture of uninhibited boyishness that delighted the some 250 persons

who were at planeside to see their father and Cooper.

Three of the boys were barefooted. They had got their shoes wet while running through puddles of rain water while they waited for See **ASTRONAUTS** on Page 12

by the mayor's office resulted in the firing of eight employees. Another was allowed to resign.

Two of those men, in addition to two bonds men, were later indicted. They have not yet come to trial.

Chief Corporation Court Clerk Kraus Earhart, said Thursday that the investigation of the warrant division was reopened Monday.

He said the investigation began after Court Auditor Jim See **TRAFFIC** on Page 12

## R WEATHERBY

ouston Area: Partly cloudy scattered thundershowers high Saturday. Temperature range expected Friday, degrees. Thursday's, 74-92 degrees.

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is good economy for the ty to pave this road. It cost less to maintain it."

**THE ROAD** is being topped asphalt stabilizer. County near Doss estimated that material will cost \$3,500, the labor.

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## On in Congress

# ewardesses Defended

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Asked why some airlines insist on putting their stewardesses out to pasture at so young an age, she referred to a newspaper article quoting an unnamed airline executive on the subject.

"It's the sex thing," the executive was quoted as saying. "Put a dog on an airplane and 20 businessmen are sore for a month."

The observation led Rep William D. Hathaway, D-Maine, to suggest the airlines have a misapprehension about the nature of commercial aviation.

"They need to be educated to the fact that they're not operating flying bunny clubs," said Hathaway, "but just another means of transportation."

"I would oppose with my dying breath," Scheuer added, "the notion that a woman is less beautiful, less appealing, less sensitive after 30, and I'm sure my colleagues would agree."

"We had better," said O'Hara, "if we want to be relected."

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# Lutcher Stark, Orange Philanthropist, Is Dead

H. J. Lutcher Stark, 77, multi-millionaire Orange philanthropist and heir of one of the great American lumber fortunes, died at John Sealy Hospital in Galveston at 1:20 PM Thursday.

Stark, often referred to as "Mr Orange" in recognition of his many civic and business activities, died of complications after a heart attack. He was admitted to the hospital June 14.

**Funeral services will be held** at 5 PM Friday in the Claybar Funeral Home chapel in Orange. The Rev Ben Gillespie, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Orange will officiate.

Entombment will be in the family mausoleum in Evergreen Cemetery.

**STARK** increased the family fortune which started in the 1870s in the lumber industry and expanded to banking, rice farming, real estate and oil field drilling and exploration.

Stark was also widely known for his many philanthropies, particularly those benefitting young people and educational facilities.

A great many of Stark's donations were anonymous, and it is not known how many institutions he endowed.

**AN ARDENT** believer in a strong educational system, Stark was for 24 years a member of the board of the regents of the University of Texas. He was first appointed to that post in 1919 by Gov William P. Hobby. During three of his six four-year terms, Stark was board chairman.

He was a 1910 graduate of the university, and gave many gifts to the school, including tens of thousands of

dollars worth of rare books for the libraries. He also donated about \$100,000 for construction of Memorial Stadium.

He received honorary doctorate degrees from Baylor University in 1933 and from Southwestern University at Memphis, Tenn, in 1938.

**IN 1958**, Stark's name was added to the Longhorn Hall of Honor at the University of Texas. In 1963 he was awarded a distinguished service award by Texas Women's University at Denton.

He held the offices of president of the Lutcher and Moore Lumber Co, board chairman of the Orange First National Bank, president of the Lutcher Stark Development Corp, treasurer of the Vinton Petroleum

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# Want Ads Department Closed Monday

Call today to place your Want Ad to start Saturday, Sunday, Monday or Tuesday. Our Want Ads Department will be closed on Monday, Labor Day, in order for our entire Want Ads staff to enjoy the holiday.

To place your ad to start during the holiday week end or on Tuesday, just dial the letters **W-A-N-T A-D-S** between 8 AM and 6 PM today.

lunch on the job and only a 35-minute rest break just before nightfall. The lunch was sent in by the White House.

Mr Johnson decided to meet with them after reading a report from Secretary of Labor Willard Wirtz and Secretary of Commerce John T. Connor, who are in on the negotiations, which indicated the negotiations were making progress.

benefits to about 43 cents an hour over three years. The union reportedly was sticking to its demand for 49.8 cents. Steelworkers now earn \$4.40 an hour in wages and fringe benefits.

Stressing that a strike-avoiding settlement is necessary in the national interest, Mr Johnson reeled off statistics to paint a gloomy picture of how

per cent higher in the first half of 1963 than in the first half of 1964, he reported.

He asked the negotiators to take all these things into account in their bargaining and avoid a strike.

At his request, the negotiators on Monday postponed a midnight Tuesday strike deadline until midnight next Wednesday.

arrangements for their removal — it was some person on the outside (not a city employee)," he said. The actual theft, he said, was done by someone who had access to the records — in other words, a city employee.

"Who he is we don't know, but obviously he wants to embarrass his employer. I'm confident the person or persons

monthly report which showed how many tickets were written by officers, and what was done with them.

This report showed whether they had gone to court and whether they were found guilty, dismissed or quashed.

These figures now are also not readily available.

The only way to determine how many cases have been dismissed, quashed, or judged guilty is in the annual report.

## Orange Philanthropist Stark Is Dead at 77

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eum Co, and president of the Nelda C. Stark and H. J. Lutch Stark Foundation, a non-profit corporation organized exclusively for public, charitable, religious and educational purposes.

Stark figured prominently in Orange's industrial expansion. He made available 65 acres of land for Orange Car and Steel, 1,041 acres for I. E. du Pont de Nemours expansion, 650 acres for Allied Chemical and Dye, 701 acres for Goodrich Gulf Chemical. He also made land available at reasonable prices for residential development in Orange.

**HIS PHILANTHROPIES** included donating 20 acres of land as a site for the Orange County Memorial Hospital. He also built Stark Stadium, the Orange High School football field.

For many years, he outfitted the Bengal Guards and



**H. J. LUTCH STARK**  
Orange Philanthropist

Lancers, high school organizations, and sent them to games. He gave the Orange School District the West End

Park and built a clubhouse for the Guards and Lancers.

Stark helped to organize in 1919 the Orange Rotary Club, of which he was a charter member. He was district governor of Rotary International in 1920 and 1921.

**IN THE EARLY 1920s**, Stark organized a musical organization composed of members of the First Presbyterian Church called "Lutch Stark's Boys, Inc." The group later branched out to include boys of all religious faiths.

Stark also organized the Bengal Guards, an all-girl drum and bugle corps, in 1935.

He also was interested in the Boy Scouts of America and at one time was a member of that organization's national council.

Other organizations to which he belonged included the Masons, Scottish Rite, Shrine, American Iris Society, Louisiana Society of Horticultural Research and Texas Ornithological Society and the National Association of Audubon Societies.

In 1954, Stark acquired the original folio set of John James Audubon's Birds of America. The set, owned by the artist-naturalist, included his sample volume of 100 original paintings and engravings. It is now at Shangri-La, Stark's garden and bird sanctuary near Orange.

**LONG AN AVID** collector of unusual types of art and pioneer Americana, Stark assembled over a period of more than 40 years one of the most complete collections in America. His art collection is valued at \$4 million.

A lifelong resident of Orange, Stark was born Dec 8, 1887, the son of William H. Stark and Miriam M. Lutch Stark. He was the grandson of Henry Jacob Lutch and Francis Ann Lutch, pioneer Orange settlers.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs Nelda Childers Stark; two sons, Homer H. Stark and William H. Stark II; seven grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter, all of Orange.

## Doenitz Case Investigated

KIEL, West Germany—(Reuters)—The state of Schleswig-Holstein has begun an official investigation to see whether there is a case against former Nazi Grand Adm Karl Doenitz arising from the execution in 1945 of a German naval officer, it was announced Thursday.

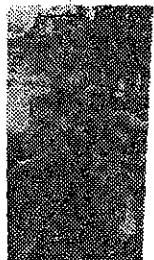
A spokesman for the state's justice ministry, in making the announcement, declined to give details of allegations against Doenitz, who briefly led Germany after the death of Hitler.

He was released from Berlin's Spandau war crimes prison in 1956 and will be 74 this month.

The spokesman said the prosecutor at Flensburg has opened an investigation into the conviction and shooting of Capt Lt Jepsen, sentenced May 6, 1945, on charges of desertion and plundering.

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By Associated Press

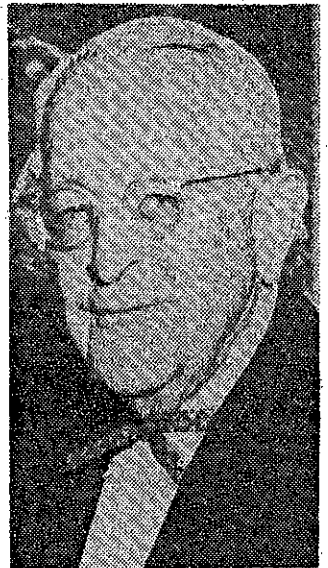
ORANGE—H. J. Lutchter Stark, one of Texas' wealthiest men, who inherited a vast lumber fortune and increased it, died Thursday of complications of a heart attack. He was 77. Stark's family began its lumber fortune in the 1870s, and he moved into oil, real estate, rice farming and banking. For many years he was one of the highly influential men directing the growth of the University of Texas.

His philanthropic endeavors were many, with Texas Woman's University at Denton and the University of Texas at Austin among the recipients of his donations. The Denton school was of particular interest to Mrs. Stark.

## \$4 MILLION ART COLLECTION

There was no immediate assessment of his fortune, but knowledgeable persons estimated his art collection alone at \$4 million.

Death came to the multimillionaire in John Sealy Hospital in Galveston, where he had gone June 14 for treatment.



H. J. Lutchter Stark

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Entombment will be in the family mausoleum in Evergreen Cemetery.

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## Rare Books

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He donated his collection of rare books to the University of Texas. He also gave the art collection to the school, but later withdrew it in a disagreement over proper housing for it.

The collection was begun by his mother, who died in 1936. The collection covered many fields: paintings, books, etchings, laces, tapestries, rugs, silk weavings, porcelains, jewelled toys and fine metal work.

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The porcelain art works include a large number of original reproductions of birds in life size by the renowned Doughty.

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#### Holds Offices

He held the following offices: President of the Litcher and Moore Lumber Co., chairman of the Orange First National Bank, president of the Litcher Stark Development Corp., treasurer of the Vinton Petroleum Co. and president of the Nelda C. Stark and H. J. Litcher Stark Foundation, through which he and Mrs. Stark channeled most of their philanthropic contributions.

He was a Mason and member of several groups within that organization, and belonged to the National Association of Audubon Societies, American Iris Society, Louisiana Society for Horticultural Research, the Texas Ornithological Society, the Rotary Club, and was on the national council of the Boy Scouts of America.

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led him in the early 1920s to sponsor a musical organization of the First Presbyterian Church called "Lutch Stark's Boys Inc." It later included boys of all faiths.

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