

NEWS FROM AMERICA.

Devastated as though by a blitz air-raid is the business centre of Roseburg, Oregon. It happened one night. Soon after one a.m. came the explosion that terrified the town's twelve-thousand people. Twelve were killed, more than a hundred injured. Daylight revealed the appalling damage, estimated at 12 million dollars. The cause of it all was amazing. A truck with six-and-a-half tons of explosives had parked for the night. Nearby premises caught fire and the blaze spread to the truck. 35 buildings were razed to the ground; damage extended over 22 blocks.

Paddle-wheel is the name given to the American satellite, which is now orbiting in outer space. A 90-foot triple-stage rocket took it up there. The paddles are now converting sunlight into electric power, to send radio signals to earth. England's radio-telescope at Jodrell Bank is tracking the satellite. Now see the dramatic scene as the rocket took off.

It was soon known that Explorer Six was safely on its way. Another scientific triumph at Cape Canaveral.