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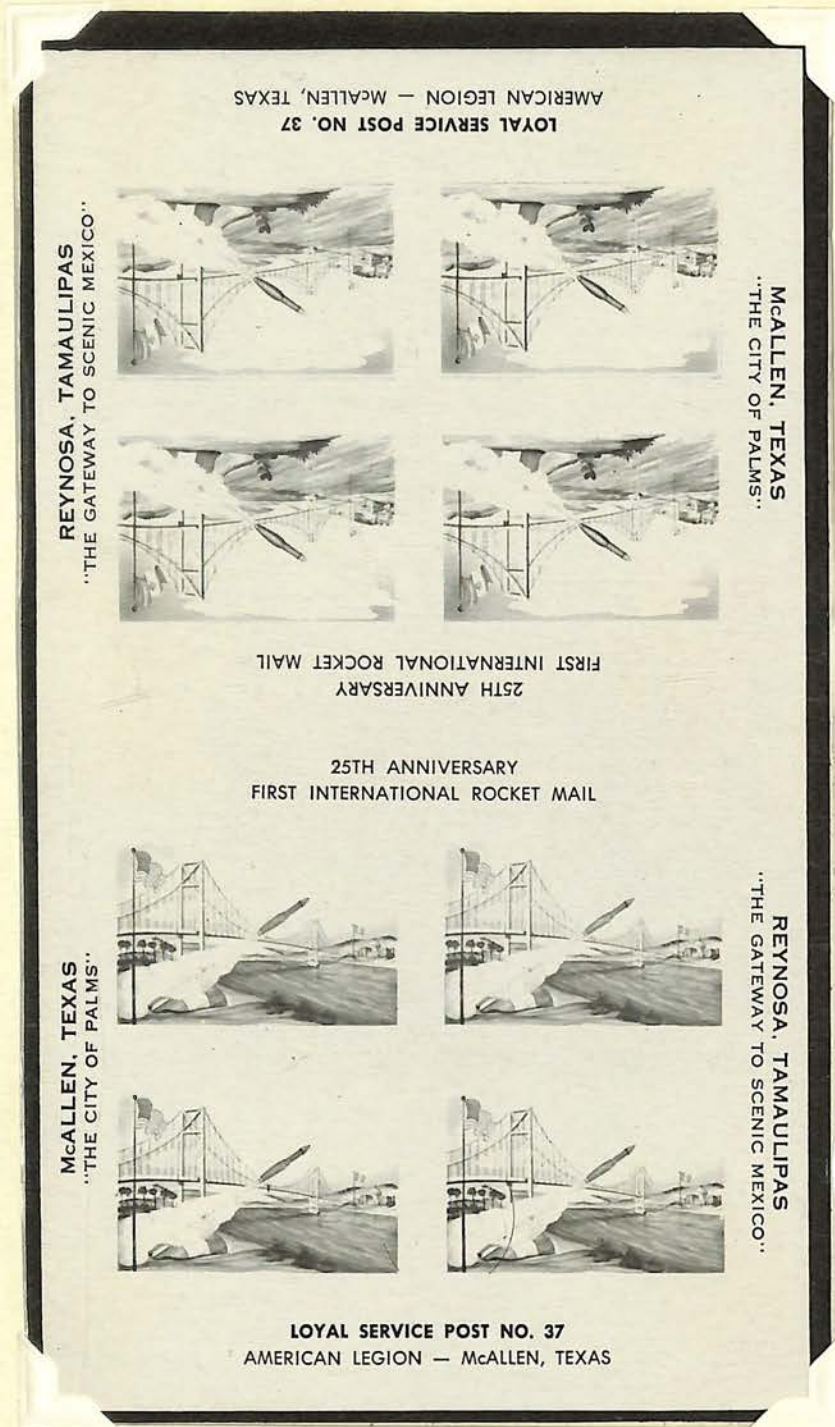
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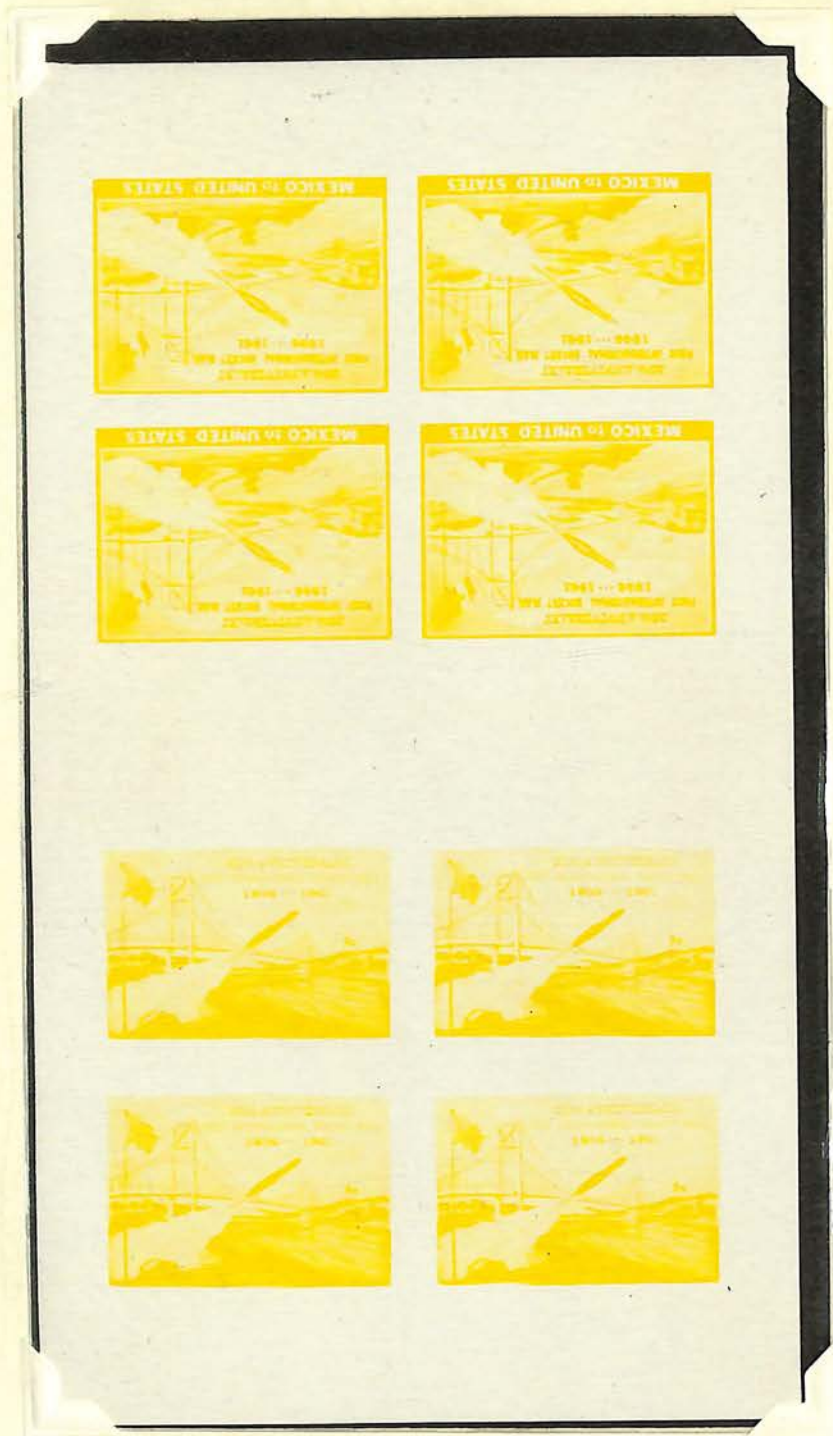
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AMERICAN LEGION — McALLEN, TEXAS

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COMBINATION

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PERFORATED TETE BECHE SHEETS OF THE STAMPS
USED ON THE FLOWN COVERS

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GUTTER BLOCK OF THE USA TO MEXICO STAMPS



COMBINATION USA TO MEXICO AND MEXICO TO USA TETE BECHE GUTTER BLOCK OVERPRINTED FOR THE UNITED NATIONS AND 'SPECIMEN'

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IMPERFERATED TETE BECHE SHEETS USED IN THE PRESENTATION FOLDERS

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TEST FLIGHTS TOOK PLACE ON JUNE 15, 1961. EXPERIMENTS WERE MADE BY USING DIFFERENT TYPES AND COMBINATION OF ROCKETS. THE ROCKET COVERS WERE FIRST FLOWN. THE CACHET WAS APPLIED LATER.

TEST ROCKET NO. 1



TESTED WITH ONE SMALL ROCKET TUBE

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TEST ROCKET NO. 2



TESTED WITH FOUR SMALL ROCKET TUBES

TEST ROCKET NO. 3



TESTED WITH TWO LARGE ROCKET TUBES

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TEST ROCKET NO. 4



TESTED WITH THREE LARGE ROCKET TUBES. ONE TUBE EXPLODED, CAUSING THE ROCKET TO CRASH.



AN ENGRAVED CACHET HAD TO BE USED ON THE BADLY DAMAGED MAIL

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THE FINAL TEST FLIGHT TOOK PLACE ON JUNE 17, 1961
AT WHICH TIME IT WAS DECIDED, DUE TO THE DIFFICULTY
IN SYNCHRONIZING THE FIRING OF MULTIPLE ROCKETS. IT
WOULD BE SAFER TO USE A SINGLE TUBE ROCKET.

TEST ROCKET NO. 5



ROCKET TESTED WITH ONE LARGE ROCKET TUBE

THIS TYPE WAS THEN USED ON THE REGULAR ROCKET
MAIL FLIGHTS

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AS THE MAIL CARRYING CAPACITY OF THE ROCKETS WERE LIMITED, EACH ROCKET FLIGHT WAS MADE UP OF EIGHT SECTIONS. THEREFORE THERE WAS AN ACTUAL FIRING OF EIGHT INDIVIDUAL SINGLE LARGE TUBE ROCKETS PER FLIGHT NUMBER. THESE WERE DESIGNATED BY A LETTER OF THE ALPHABET. SINCE THERE WERE FIVE FLOWN ROCKETS IN 1936 THE NUMBERS WERE CONTINUED AND STARTED OFF WITH #6.

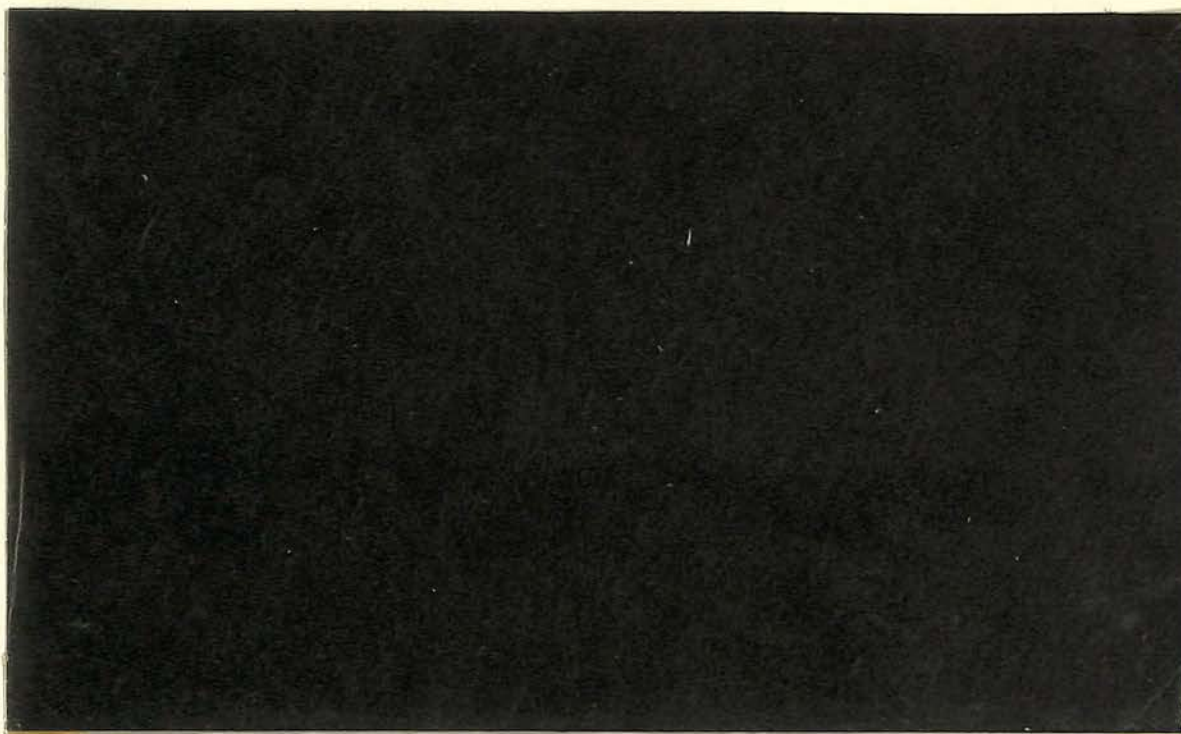
ROCKET NO. 6 SUN



THE FIRST ROCKET WAS FIRED BY G. ADAIR WHO ALSO HAD FIRED THE FIRST ROCKET IN 1936

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ROCKET NO. 7 MERCURY



THE SECOND SERIES OF ROCKETS WAS STARTED BY A.L. LANDRY WHO HAD FIRED ROCKET NO. 2 IN 1936 AND WAS THEN MAYOR OF MCALLEN

ROCKET NO. 7 SECTION F



THIS ROCKET EXPLODED AND FAILED TO CROSS INTO MEXICO. IT WAS REMAILED IN THE UNITED STATES.

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ROCKET NO. 8 VENUS

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McALLEN, TEXAS - TO - REYNOSA, MEXICO

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*Bolton 3 July 61
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DISPATCHED BY
ROCKET
U.S.A. — MEXICO

ROCKET No. 8 U.S.A. - MEXICO
VENUS

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UNITED STATES to MEXICO

ROCKET NO. 9 EARTH

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INTERNATIONAL ROCKET MAIL USA TO MEXICO JULY 2, 1961

ROCKET NO. 10 MARS

CORREO AEREO—VIA AIRMAIL
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JULY 2, 1936-61
McALLEN, TEXAS
— TO —
REYNOSA, MEXICO

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DISPATCHED BY
ROCKET
U.S.A. — MEXICO
Rocket No. 10 U.S.A. - MEXICO
MARS

25th Anniversary
First International Rocket Mail
1936 ... 1961

UNITED STATES to MEXICO

2 JUL 61 - 9
CIUDAD REYNOSA, TAM.

*Both 3:45 PM
W.C. for A Comm.*

ROCKET NO. 10 SECTION D

CORREO AEREO—VIA AIRMAIL

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— TO —
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FLIGHT STOPPED BY
ROCKET EXPLOSION

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MARS
SECTION D

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U.S. AIR MAIL

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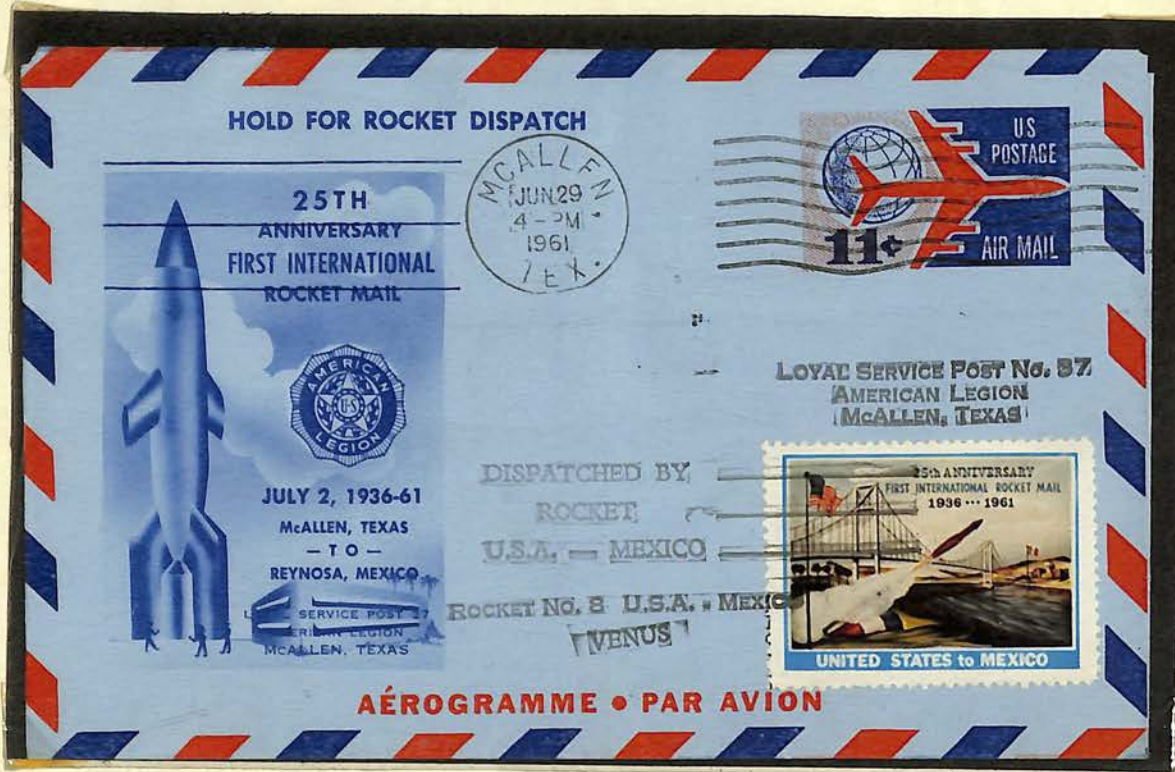
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THE US AIR LETTER SHEETS WERE CANCELLED AT MCALLEN, TEXAS ON JUNE 29, 1961, THEN HELD AND REDESPATCHED IN ROCKETS TO MEXICO. TWO AIR LETTERS WERE CARRIED IN EACH ROCKET. SHOWN ARE THE FRONT AND BACK SIDE.



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ROCKET NO. 8 VENUS

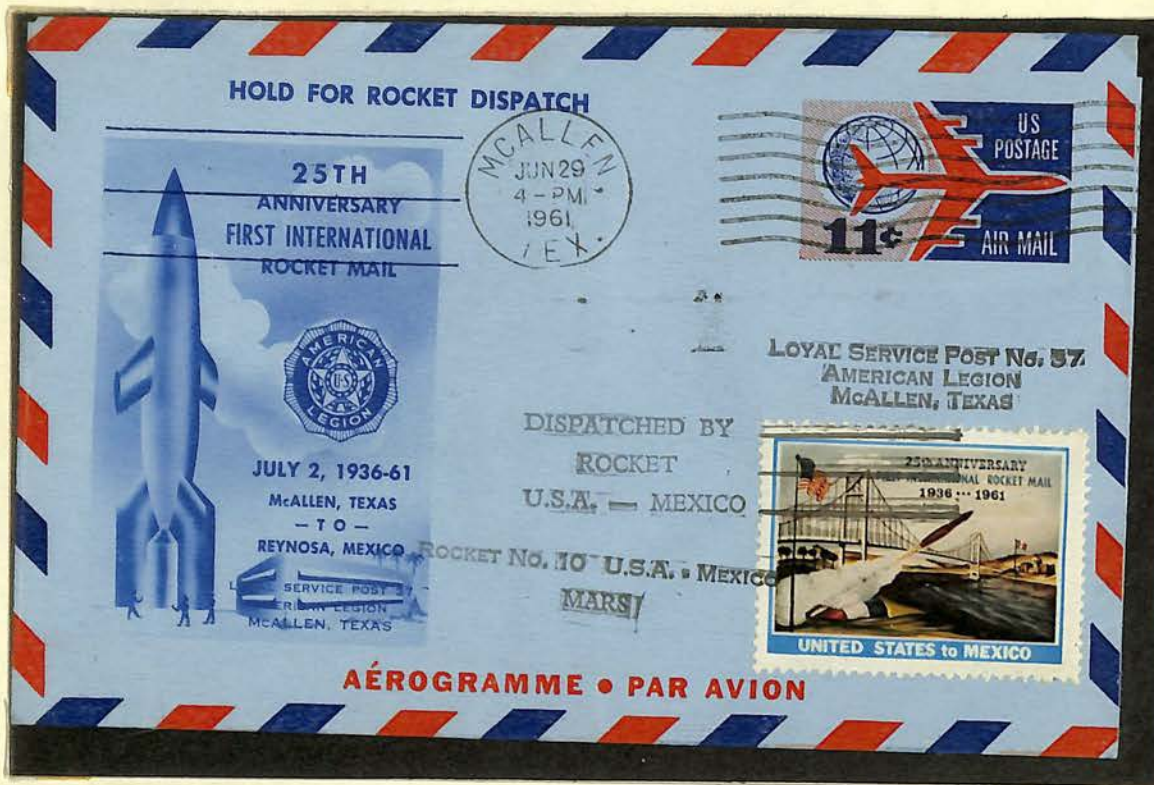


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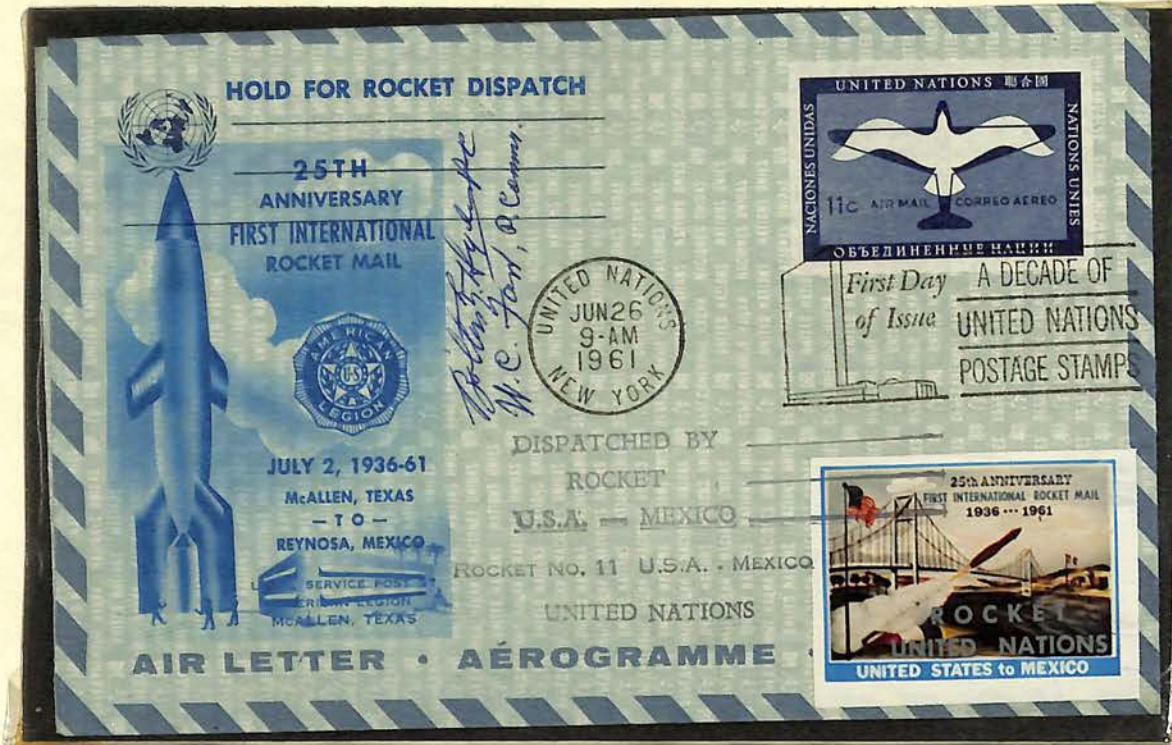
ROCKET NO. 10 MARS



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FIRST DAY COVERS OF THE U N AIRLETTER SHEETS THAT WERE LATER REFLOWN IN ROCKETS TO MEXICO

ROCKET NO. 11 UNITED NATIONS COVERS SHOWING FRONT AND BACK SIDES

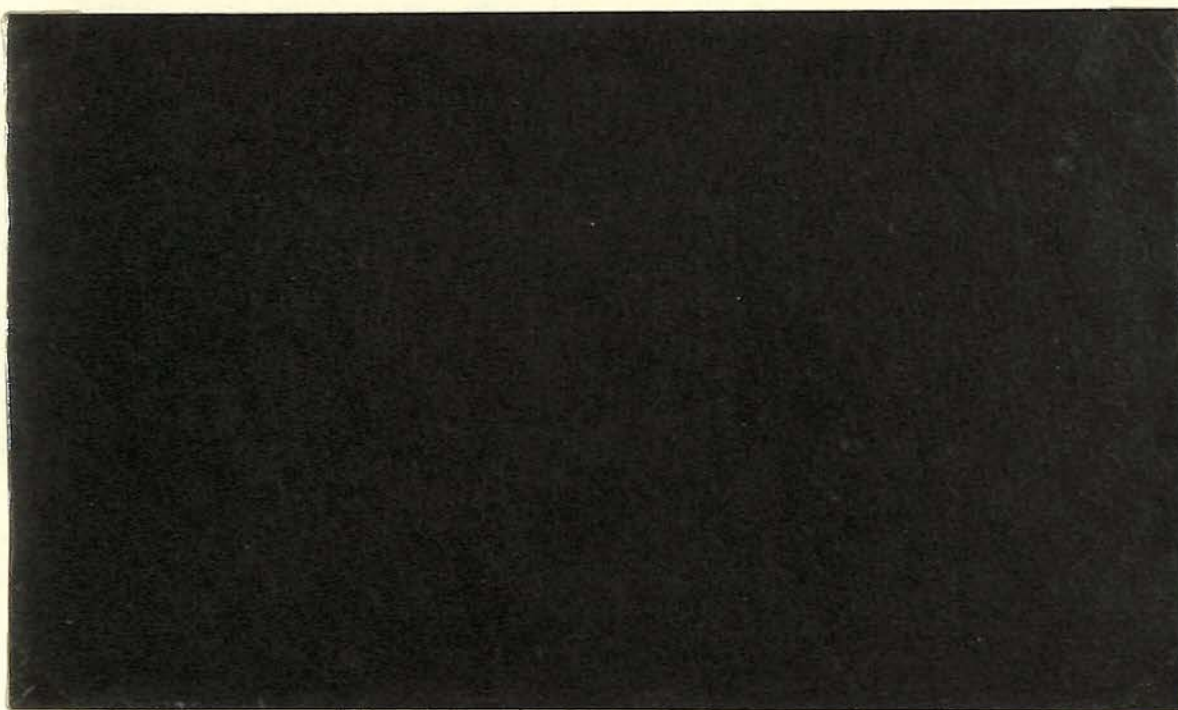


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ROCKET NO. 6 JUPITER



ROCKET NO. 7 SATURN



INTERNATIONAL ROCKET MAIL MEXICO TO USA JULY 2, 1961

ROCKET NO. 8 URANUS



ROCKET NO. 9 NEPTUNE



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ROCKET NO. 10 PLUTO



ROCKET NO. 10 SECTION A



THIS ROCKET EXPLODED AND FAILED TO CROSS THE RIO GRANDE. IT WAS REMAILED IN MEXICO.

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FIRST DAY COVERS OF THE U N AIRLETTER SHEETS THAT WERE LATER REFLOWN IN ROCKETS TO THE USA

ROCKET NO. 11 UNITED NATIONS COVERS SHOWING FRONT AND BACK SIDES



30TH ANNIVERSARY OF INTERNATIONAL ROCKET MAIL JULY 2, 1966

ON THE OCCASION OF THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY LAUNCHES AT McALLEN, TEXAS ON JULY 2, 1966, THE PAISLEY ROCKETEERS' SOCIETY OF SCOTLAND HAD A SIMULTANEOUS LAUNCH AT SEIL, SCOTLAND TO COMMEMORATE THIS EVENT.

30TH ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS FROM SCOTLAND

To Loyal Service Post No. 37
of the American Legion, McAllen, Texas,
on the occasion of the 30th Anniversary
of their First International Rocket Mail
Flights from U.S.A. to Mexico and from
Mexico to U.S.A.

From the Paisley Rocketeers' Society
(1936-1939) 30th Anniversary Committee
2nd July 1966.

John D. Stewart M.S.I.A.
Founder & President, Paisley Rocketeers' Society (1936-39)
Peter D. Stewart
Youngest Member, Paisley Rocketeers Society
Margaret J. Watson M.A., F.R.A.S.
Member British Interplanetary Society
Donald Malcolm F.R.A.S.
Member British Interplanetary Society



2.7.66 FLOWN IN RR-68 "OVER THE ATLANTIC"

"THE BRIDGE OVER THE ATLANTIC"
Clachan Bridge, near Oban 1792. Designed by Thomas Telford
MAINLAND TO SEIL No 12 OF 25

ROCKET RR-68 MAINLAND TO SEIL JULY 2, 1966