A WEEKEND ADVENTURE DRIVE

Planetariums and observatories



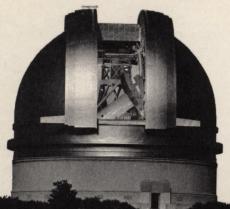
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Foucault (foo-ko) pendulum swings free in space as earth turns under it.

Tiny solar system spins earth around sun, shows tilt that makes seasons.





Shuttered dome rises 12 stories, has view balcony for visitors, helps keep telescope at cool night-time temperature. Cities below sparkle in clear, still air.

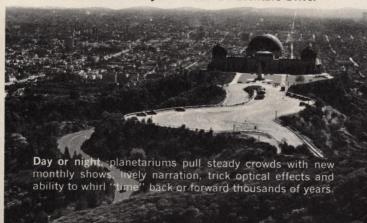


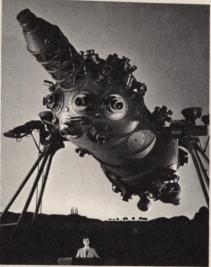
BLASTING OFF on a planetarium tour of the moon, complete with countdown, landing and re-entry, you can enjoy the life of an astronaut with no worries about weightless cookies or your retro rockets. Other armchair tours take in the planets, explore outer space and trace the constellations.

Blinking into a real telescope at an observatory, however, you can "look back" 1500 light-years into the Milky Way and behold the beautiful, luminescent Orion nebula (cover). Here, swirled in spirals of hydrogen and incubated by the nearby suns, a star is "born" from the dust of space.

Either experience offers its share of exhilaration, wonder and awe. At the planetariums you'll find extra exhibits on such mysteries as meteorites, sunspots and cosmic rays. And from the observatories, high among pines and pure air, you can scan magnificent panoramas of our own earth.

Here, from your Union 76 Minute Man, is a guide to planetariums and observatories in the West, and the hope you see a "star show" on your Weekend Adventure Drive.

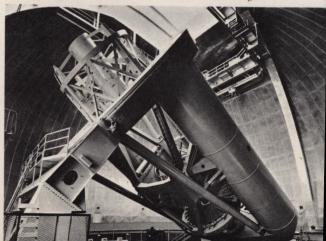




Projector at a planetarium can weigh four tons, coordinate 321 lenses, display some 4000 stars, planets and constellations, and cost a million dollars.



Telescopes, actually huge research cameras weighing up to 530 tons, can be balanced on a film of oil so a 1/12th horsepower motor keeps them tracking a star across the sky. Lenses and mirrors up to 17 feet in diameter are polished for years with optical rouge to tolerances of a millionth of an inch. Result-the clarity of this photo of the Pleiades, showing the brighter stars surrounded by clouds of galactic dust and gas.



PLANETARIUMS AND OBSERVATORIES IN WASHINGTON AND OREGON



WASHINGTON

1 Victoria (B.C.)

Dominion Astrophysical
Observatory. Free demonstrations, talks and star-gazing
through the 73-inch reflector
telescope, one of the world's
largest, every Saturday night
between 8 and 10 (Standard
Time) from April through
November.

(2)Bellingham

Washington College of Education. Free. Write the planetarium director for arrangements.

(3) Seattle

Pacific Science Center
Realistic rocket rides in the
huge "Spacearium" built by
the U.S. government for the
Seattle World's Fair, complete
with a planet-by-planet tour
of the solar system. You sit on
the carpet, look up at the
theater dome and soar through
space amid full-color panoramas and stereophonic
sound. Continuous shows
from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on
weekends. \$1 for adults, 50
cents for children and \$2 for
the whole family.

4) Yakima

Planetarium at Yakima Valley College. Free. Write the planetarium director for arrangements. (5) Cheney

Planetarium at Eastern Washington State College. Free.
Write the planetarium director for arrangements.

6 Pullman

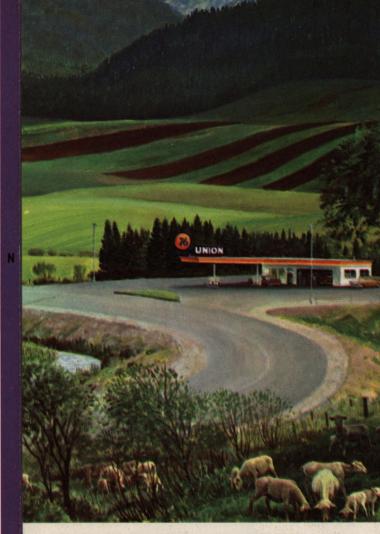
James Richard Jewett
Observatory at Washington
State College. A 12-inch
refracting telescope open to
the public on occasional
Friday and Saturday nights.
Write the director of the
observatory for advance
reservations.

Institute of Technology Building at Washington State College. A small (85-seat) planetarium open to the public on occasional Fridays and Saturdays. No chargearrange for tickets through the department of mathematics

OREGON

7) Portland

Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. Planetarium shows at 2:30 and 3:30 on Saturday afternoons, and at 2,3, and 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoons. Adults 40 cents, children 20 cents. You can tour other exhibits in this \$600,000 science center (admission 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children, preschoolers free) before or after the show, and you'll find Portland's new zoo right across the street.



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