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EARTH PATH INDICATOR FOR ASTRONAUTS — Future astronauts may use this revolving globe-type replica of the world to "see" where they are as they orbit through space. Called an Earth Path Indicator, the new device is being developed for Project Mercury, the United States man-in-space program, by the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company in Minneapolis-Company engineers explain that the astronaut will view the slowly revolving globe through the instrument's window (top), and get the same impression as if he were actually seeing the earth below him through a window in his capsule. He will be able to tell where he is in relation to oceans and land masses, information of critical importance when he fires the rocket to return to earth. (60-1537)



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