

# Basic Detail Report

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## Practice Mercury Capsule on USS Intrepid

### Date

May 1962

### Primary Maker

Morris B. Mellon

### Medium

cardboard, film

### Description

Slide, Color; Personal horizontal image of a practice space capsule on a forklift. The capsule was used for practicing the recovery of astronaut Scott Carpenter and his Mercury capsule as part of the Mercury-Atlas 7 NASA mission. The forklift and capsule are on one of USS Intrepid's aircraft elevators. The capsule is black and white, and the forklift is yellow. There is a large pulley hanging in front of the capsule, and two officers in khakis stand near it. Both officers are wearing yellow cloth helmets with thick, yellow protective ear muffs and goggles on top of their heads. There are other crew members in dungarees surrounding the cart. In the background crew members in various uniforms are watching the events. Captioned by photographer/donor, "Practice for Scott Carpenter recovery." Slide mount has "20", "May 62N", and "Made in U.S.A." printed in blue and red on one side. "Kodak Ektachrome // transparency // processed by Kodak" printed in blue on the other side.

### Dimensions

2 × 2 in. (5.1 × 5.1 cm)