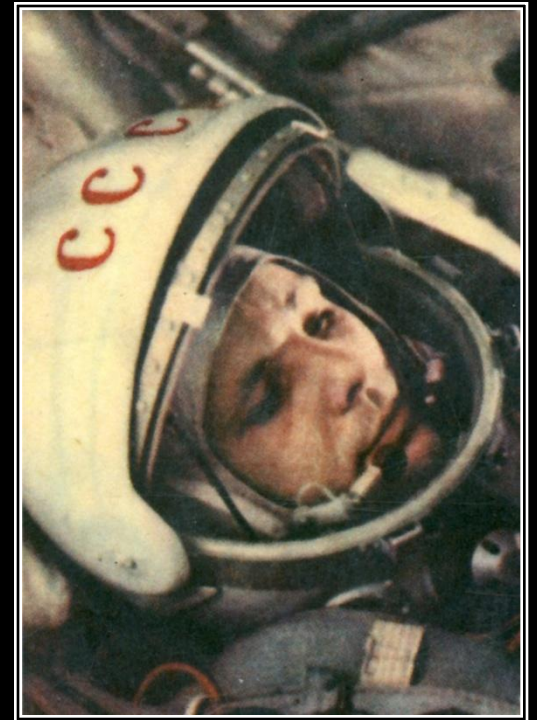
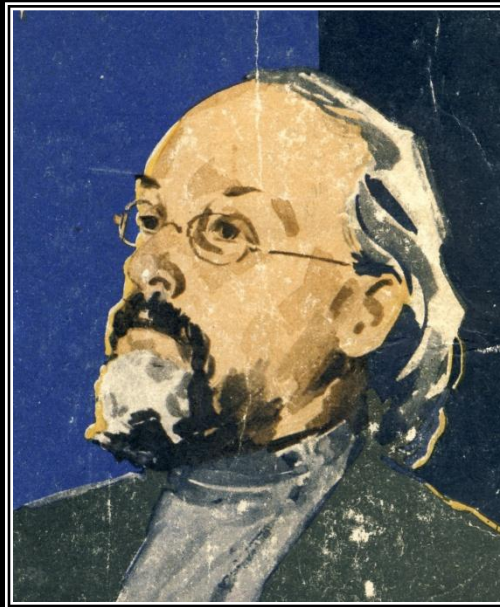
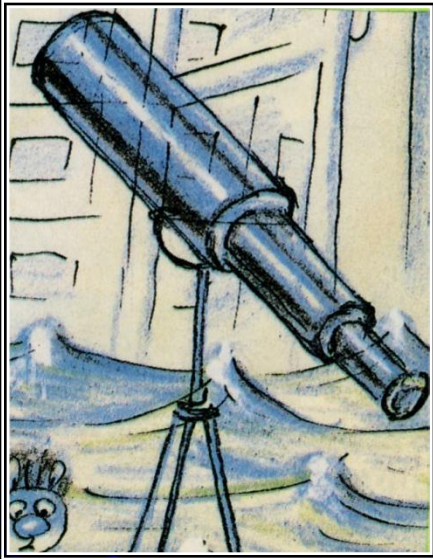


# EXPLORING SPACE





**The universe is  
infinite...**



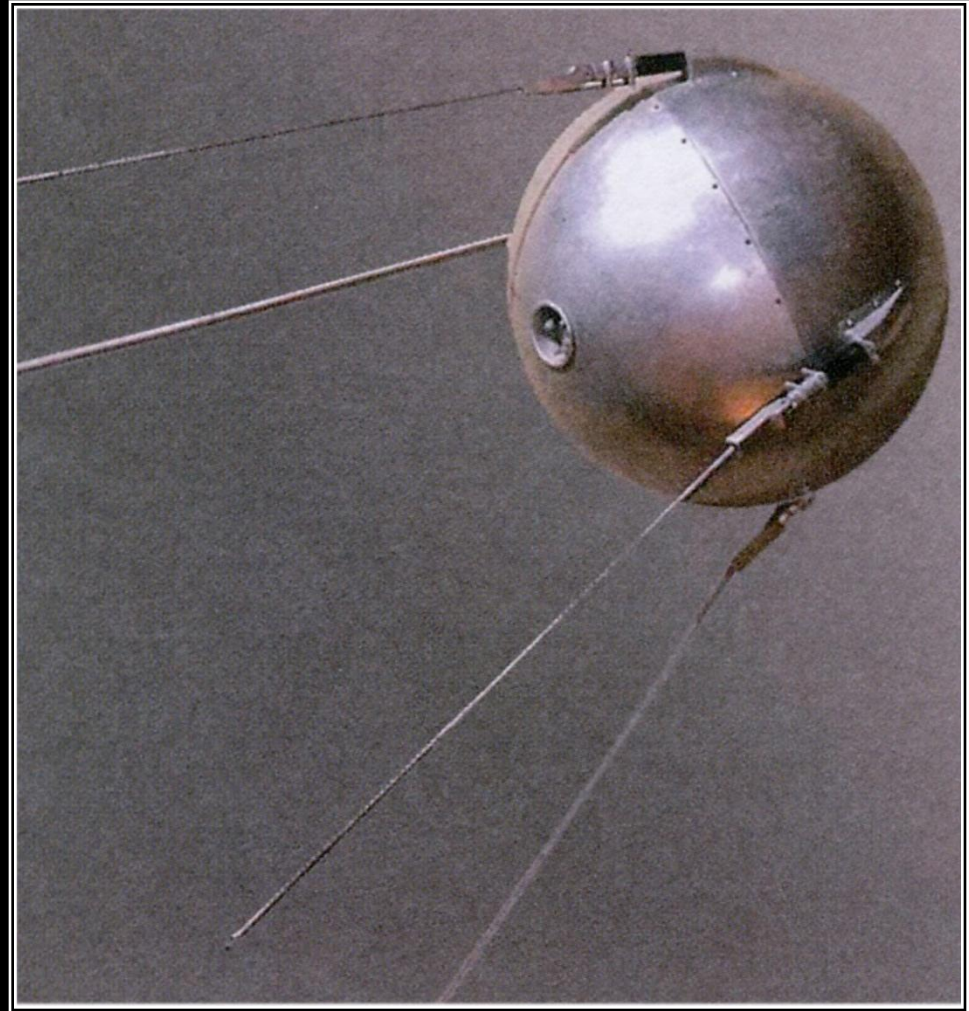


**The Soviet people were the first  
to fly into outer space**



October 4, 1957

*SPUTNIK*



April 12, 1961

*VOSTOK*

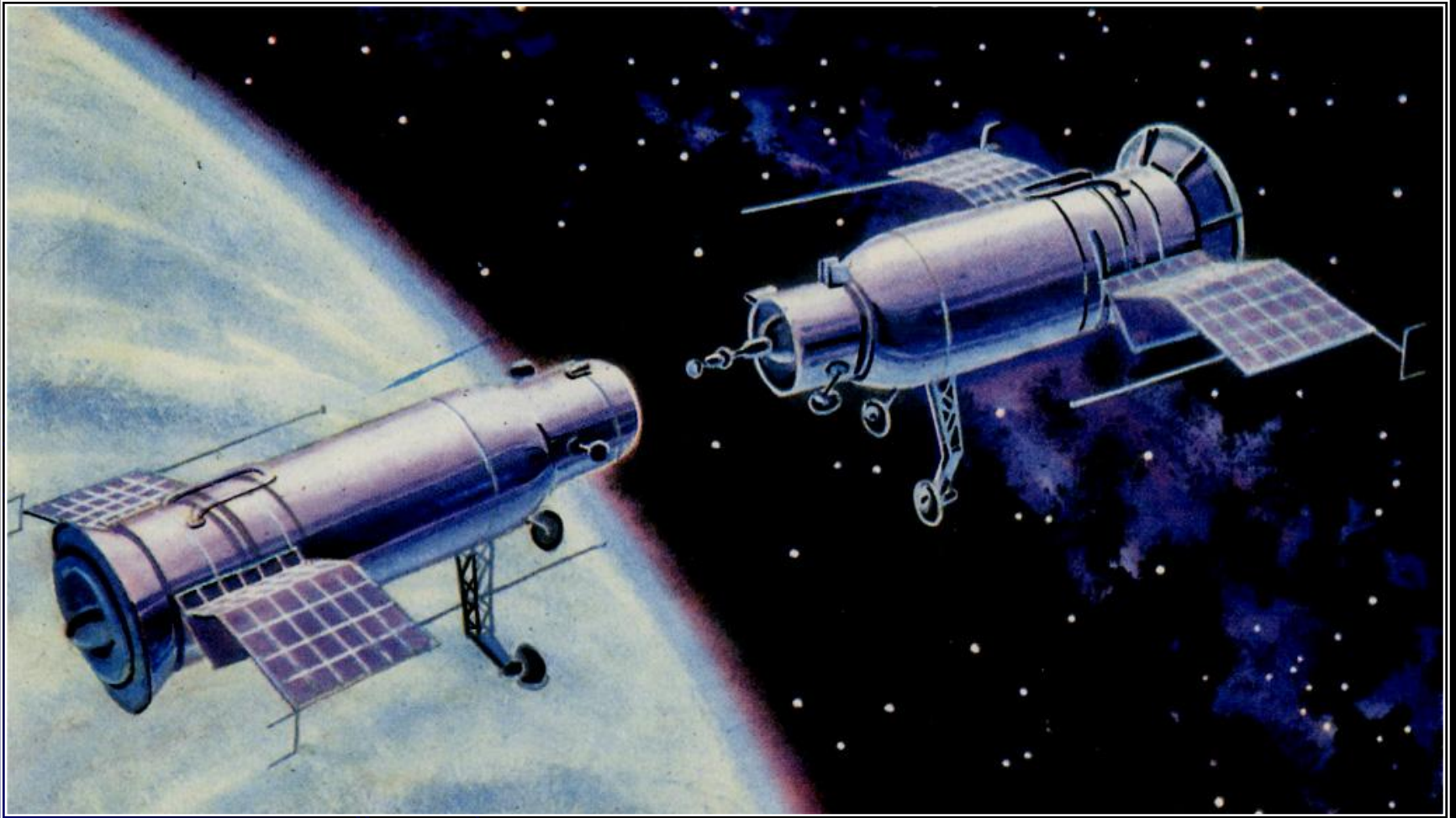




# Yuri GAGARIN



# Making space stations





# Yuri Gagarin's parents

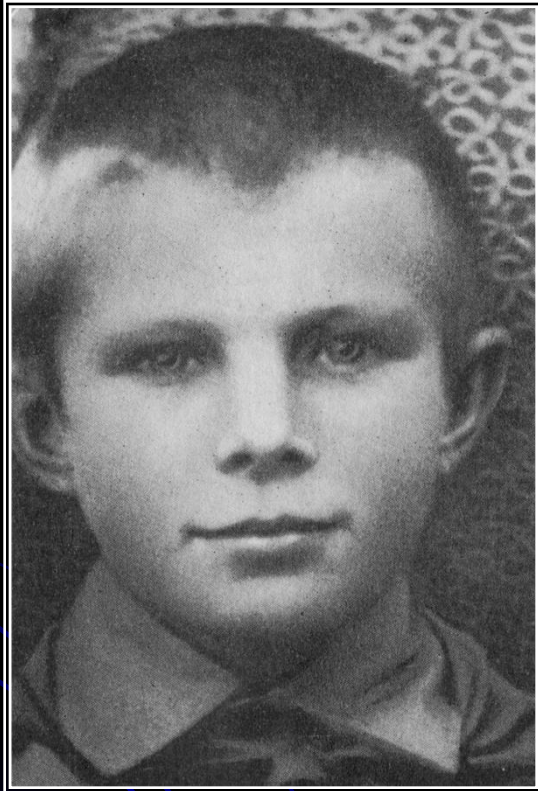


Anna Timofeevna

Alexei Ivanovich



He took his school studies very seriously

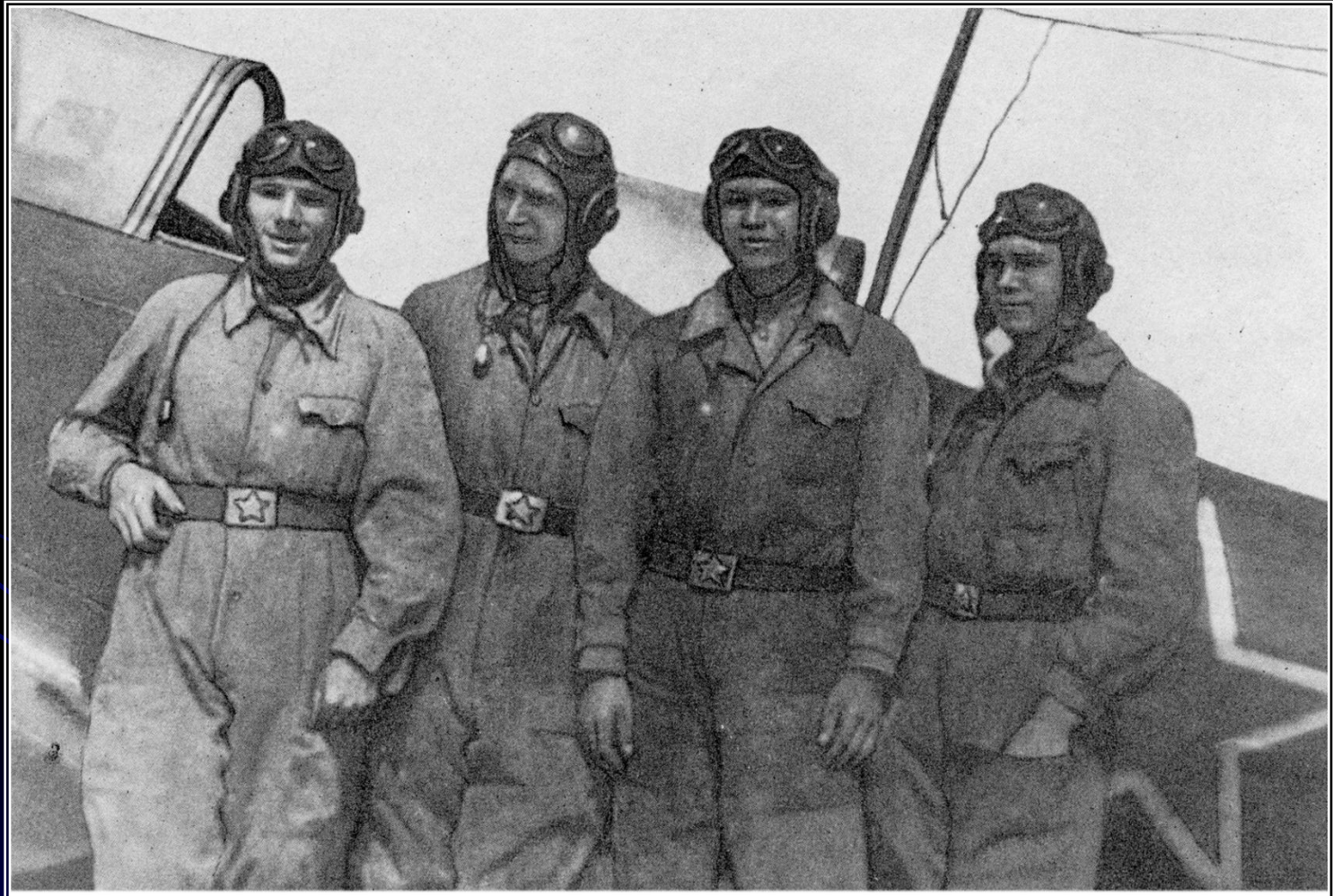


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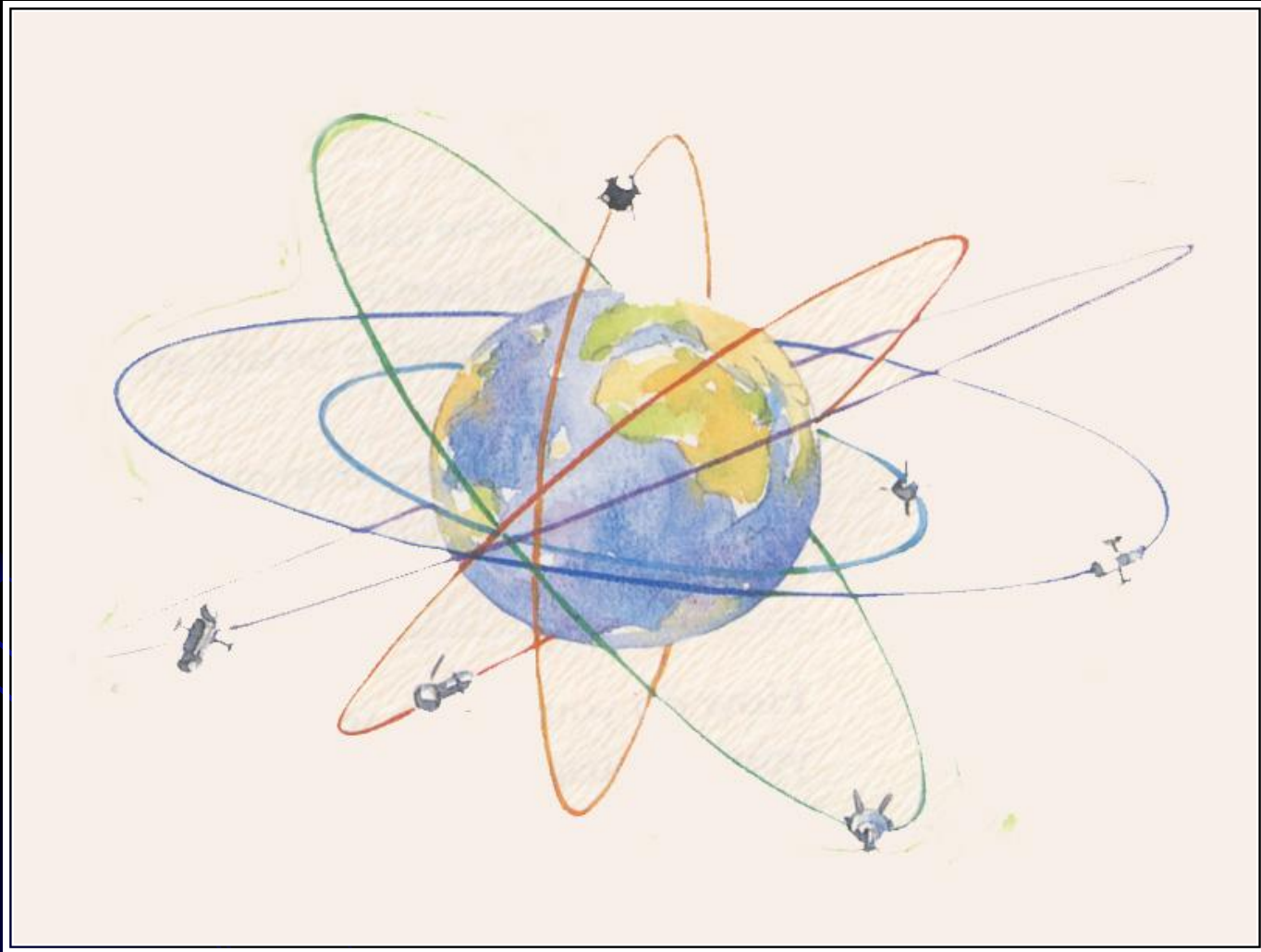




At the age of 23 Yuri became a pilot



# Orbiting the Earth Satellites





# The first group of Soviet cosmonauts



April 12, 1961

*VOSTOK*





# Before the flight



Yuri Gagarin was awarded the Gold Star of Hero





Yuri GAGARIN visited nearly every country





# Among the children







A photograph of Earth from space, showing the Americas and surrounding oceans. The text is overlaid on the image.

*“Flying round the Earth  
in a spaceship,  
I saw how wonderful our planet  
was.*

*People, let us preserve this  
beauty and not destroy it.”*

*Yuri Gagarin*



