

Explosion In Holland Tunnel Stresses Need Of Systems For Protection Of Nation

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP)—The explosion of a chemical-laden truck in the Holland Tunnel gave

America a needed peacetime lesson of what could happen in war. It was a small-scale example of how vulnerable a great city is today.

The Holland vehicular tunnel runs beneath the Hudson River and joins Manhattan and Jersey City. It has twin tubes, each more than 9,000 feet long.

The accidental blast tied up traffic in the west-bound tube a few hours, halted traffic in the east bound tube more than a day. It temporarily interrupted news, television, telephone and wire-photo circuits.

But what would happen if a band of desperate, highly trained men made a determined attempt to knock out New York City? This thought keeps police officials nervous about the activities of political groups who believe in changing governments by force.

It has been estimated that as few as five atom bombs, properly placed, would render the Metropolis nearly helpless.

But it wouldn't require atom bombs to plunge the city into a period of chaos. An internal fifth column of revolutionary technicians could conceivably accomplish this objective—for a time.

For vital hours or days they might slow or nearly halt the pulsing heart of the greatest city ever built.

That heart is Manhattan, where huge corporations headquarter in

Mrs. Edith Willkie, Son Injured in Auto Upset

CAMBRIDGE, O., May 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Edith Willkie, 58, and her son, Philip, 29, were injured Sunday when their car overturned on a slippery road during a rain-storm. They were cared for here at St. Francis Hospital.

Neither was listed as critically hurt.

Mrs. Willkie is the widow of Wendell L. Willkie, 1940 GOP presidential nominee.

the tallest towers beneath the sky. Vital to all America is the most intricate thing ever devised by the mind and labor of man. It is a few square miles of beauty, ugliness, life and death, poverty and wealth. It is very important to all America. It is more than just an artificial paradise on the land, more than a paragon on the rest of the nation.

With its vast port and its many talents, it gives as well as takes, creates as well as absorbs. Like other cities it is no longer just a blight on the countryside. It clothes the farmers who feed it, and it sends them cash and radio programs in exchange for their corn. They depend on it as it depends on them.

But like all complicated things, it is easily disturbed and can't reproduce itself well. Cut an arm off a starfish and the starfish will grow another arm. And the severed arm will grow another starfish.

Manhattan—or any other big city—isn't so facile at repairing itself.

It is as dependent on supplies as the human brain is on blood.

What Could Happen
The arteries that feed Manhattan are a system of some 30 channels that include the Holland Tunnel, public utility tubes, vehicular and railway tunnels and bridges. They join it west, north and east to New Jersey, the Bronx, and Long Island.

Choke those channels or destroy them and Manhattan would black out like the brain deprived of blood. It might not die—but it would certainly faint.

It is within the range of possibility that a band of fanatic men could attack and destroy, or at least interrupt, these 30 channels simultaneously—and stir wide panic. And who is there to say that such a thing never will be attempted in an insecure world?

The lesson of the Holland Tunnel blast is the same as that of the Texas City explosion, and nations—to set up systems to protect themselves against disasters, designed or accidental.

KRNR DIAL-LOG

While we wait for Eugene on the Daylight Saving Time issue—and Eugene, in turn, no doubt waits for Scapoose or some such on the same question, let's check a few KRNR programs as they now stand. Tonight, there's the "Sammy Kaye Showroom" at 7:15 . . . "The Cisco Kid" at 7:30 . . . "What's the Name of That Song?" at 8 . . . and "The Casebook of Gregory Hood" with Elliot Lewis in the title role at 10:30.

Tomorrow night at 7:30, Marco Reed's amusing comedy, "Yes, My Darling Daughter," will be air-adapted by the "Comedy Playhouse" program. Jack La Frandre is the director-host for this series of all-time Broadway comedy hits, which feature the Gold Coast Players in leading roles.

"The Fishing and Hunting Club of the Air" tries out its new broadcast time tomorrow night at 8:30. This will be a regular Thursday night placement, as far as we can tell. Herein lies a tale originating with "The Fishing and Hunting Club." It's an accepted fact (among Texans) that everything in the Lone Star State is bigger, better and more abundant—including the fish heard on the program, offers the following Texan's tale about a giant sea bass which tore up everybody's tackle—until the fisherman figured a way to catch it!

"I got me a donkey engine, a windlass, 300 feet of rope and 20 feet of chain for a leader," the Texan explained. "Then I put on a big shark hook and baited it with the hind quarter of a steer. Well sir, I hooked that fish, started up my engine and began hauling it ashore. Everything was going fine until I discovered I'd set up my rig too close to the shore—about 50 feet from the water's edge. The windlass wound him up alright. But, drat it, there wasn't room enough to get him clear out of the water—an' he broke away."

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- REMAINING HOURS TODAY**
- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
 - 4:15—Frank Hemingway.
 - 4:30—Passing Parade.
 - 4:45—Say It With Music.
 - 5:00—Religious Requests.
 - 5:15—Music.
 - 5:30—Captain Midnight.
 - 5:45—Tom Mix.
 - 6:00—Music.
 - 6:15—Mutual Newsreel.
 - 6:30—Sports Page.
 - 6:45—Local News.
 - 7:00—Three-Quarter Time.
 - 7:15—Bill Henry.
 - 7:30—Music.
 - 7:45—Sammy Kaye Showroom.
 - 8:00—Cisco Kid.
 - 8:15—What's the Name of That Song?
 - 8:30—Freddie Martin Show.
 - 8:45—Bob Eberle Show.
 - 9:00—Music.
 - 9:15—Hi Neighbor.
 - 9:30—Music.
 - 9:45—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
 - 10:00—Concert Master.
 - 10:30—Gregory Hood.
 - 11:00—Rhythm Rendezvous.
 - 11:30—Sign Off.

- THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1948**
- 6:00—Sunrise Serenade.
 - 6:15—News.
 - 6:30—Music.
 - 6:45—Sam Hides the Trail.
 - 7:00—Yawn Patrol.
 - 7:15—Breakfast Gang.
 - 7:30—Local News.
 - 7:45—Music.
 - 8:00—News.
 - 8:15—Victor H. Lindlahr.
 - 8:30—Wally's Coffee Time.
 - 8:45—Haven of Rest.
 - 9:00—Modern Home.
 - 9:15—Man About Town.
 - 9:30—Music.
 - 9:45—Shopper's Guide.
 - 10:00—News.
 - 10:15—Music.
 - 10:30—Say It With Music.
 - 10:45—Easy Aces.
 - 11:00—Ladies First.
 - 11:15—News for a Day.
 - 11:30—Music at Noon.
 - 11:45—Sports Page.
 - 12:00—Music.
 - 12:15—Local News.
 - 12:30—National News.
 - 12:45—Market Reports.
 - 1:00—Man on the Street.
 - 1:15—Florists Show.
 - 1:30—Music.
 - 1:45—Eddie Howard.
 - 2:00—Against the Storm.
 - 2:15—It's Requested.
 - 2:30—Johnson Family.
 - 2:45—School Program.
 - 3:00—WCTU Program.
 - 3:15—Local Loan Show.
 - 3:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
 - 3:45—Frank Hemingway.
 - 4:00—Passing Parade.
 - 4:15—News.
 - 4:30—Straight Arrow.
 - 4:45—Captain Midnight.
 - 5:00—Tom Mix.
 - 5:15—Gabriel Heatter.
 - 5:30—Mutual Newsreel.
 - 5:45—Local News.
 - 6:00—Music.
 - 6:15—Three-Quarter Time.
 - 6:30—Bill Henry.
 - 6:45—Sports Page.
 - 7:00—Music You Remember.
 - 7:15—Comedy Playhouse.

Truman Farm Program Handed To Congress

WASHINGTON, May 18.—(AP)—The Truman administration Tuesday sent Congress its controversial farm program aimed at giving consumers a price break on food surpluses.

Drafts of proposed legislation were sent to Vice President Barkley, president of the Senate, and Speaker Rayburn of the House. There was no immediate indication as to whether the measures will be introduced.

The bill follows the general outline of the program which Secretary of Agriculture Brannan sketched before a joint meeting of the House and Senate agriculture committees April 7.

So far, the proposal has won little support in either committee. It has drawn sharp opposition from several major farm organizations, including the powerful American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Grange. Only the National Farmers Union has come out for it.

A major feature of the plan is proposed use of production payments to assure producers of perishable products a predetermined adequate return when supplies are large.

Prices of these products—principally hogs, cattle, lambs, milk, eggs, chickens, fruits and vegetables—would be allowed to drop to levels determined by supply and demand.

If this price averaged below the level which the program said producers should receive, the latter

Navy Rejects Samoan But Gives Him Free Ride Home

SEATTLE, May 18.—(AP)—Tevel Amperosa, disappointed in his hope of joining the Navy and seeing the world, started the long trip back to his Samoan home island today.

The 25-year-old South Sea Islander is making the trip by special Navy dispensation.

Amperosa is the Samoan who wanted so badly to serve in the Navy, which he came to know during the war, that he traveled across the Pacific to try to get in. After spending all his own savings and \$200 borrowed from a brother, he was rejected because he was short on educational requirements.

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College Prexy Gets Bid To Unite Defense Medicos

SEATTLE, May 18.—(AP)—The Seattle Times said Tuesday Defense Secretary Louis Johnson has asked Dr. Raymond B. Allen, president of the University of Washington, to undertake the job of unifying the medical branches of the Army, Navy and Air Force.

University sources said that President Allen was undecided whether to accept the position, the Times reported.

Dr. Allen, a doctor of medicine as well as of philosophy, became the university's 21st president in September, 1946. He has aided in the establishment of the University's new medical and dental school.

Before coming West he was executive dean of the Chicago colleges of the University of Illinois. He is 47. He was appointed last December by ex-Defense Secretary Forrestal to serve on a committee to advise the armed forces on medical matters.

Boy's Burp Saves Need Of Surgical Operation

PASADENA, Calif., May 17.—(AP)—Doctors and nurses were all giving up when Donald Ekstrand, five,

Suddenly Donald burped. Up came his lunch. Along with it was a little metal Christmas tree bell. Doctors had planned to open up his esophagus to get it.

Instead, they pulled off their rubber gloves and Donald's parents took him home.

Rate Boost Request Last For Some Time, Roads Say

WASHINGTON, May 17.—(AP)—The railroads indicated Monday that the new freight rates increase they are now seeking will be the last to be asked at this time.

Attorney Jacob Aronson told the Interstate Commerce Commission that although operating costs have continued to go up since the increase was asked last October, "the railroads at this time will not ask for rates higher than those sought in their petition."

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