

Unveiling Detonation Of U. S. Hydrogen Bomb Reveals Devastating Fury

By ELTON C. FAY
USS Mt. McKinley, Off Bikini — Americans have shown they can deliver the H-bomb from one of their standard bombers, the B52.

Over Bikini Atoll Monday morning (Sunday, U.S. time), the awesome hydrogen bomb was dropped for the first time from an American plane.

The eight-jet B52 without modification in bomb bay or shackles, dropped the bomb and set off the mighty blast on precisely the scheduled minute over Namu, in the American proving ground in the Pacific.

No task force officer or physicist disputed the assumption that any B52—fastest and longest-ranged of U.S. jet bombers—could carry and drop a similar H-bomb weapon on any chosen target.

The B52 Stratofortress, bombed from eight miles up. There was light—a burning, awful light—that hit the ocean out to the farthest horizon. From 10,000 feet above Black and white bull's-eye, the fury of fusion explosion hurled out a mighty shock wave.

EQUALS 10 MILLION TNT TONS

Coral dust and a mighty spray of water leaped toward the sky. The flashing heat scorched the sands and seared the sea.

A force unofficially estimated as at least that of the energy produced by detonation of 10 million tons of TNT was loosed in the explosion.

Earlier this year, Soviet officials had claimed that Russia had dropped a hydrogen bomb from a plane. No official in the United States challenged the claim. Furthermore, it appeared to be reiteration in another form of a statement last fall by Russia that one of its thermonuclear bombs had been exploded high in the air to avoid heavy contamination by radioactive matter.

CIVIL DEFENSE NEED STRESSED

Sixteen civil defense experts who witnessed today's H-bomb explosion said they were "not necessarily dismayed by the sight, awe-inspiring though it was."

Their statement:

"The tremendous thermonuclear detonation we witnessed here emphasizes the vital need for increased civil preparedness to strengthen the weakest link in our total defense which is an essential deterrent to aggression.

"Dropped as it was from an operational jet aircraft, this bomb should bring home to Americans everywhere that the deliverable hydrogen weapon is a reality. However, civilians, too, can defend themselves and their industry and keep their determination to fight back, should the need arise, even against such a weapon as this.

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A runoff in November between incumbent Charles S. Woodruff and Warren A. Woodruff in the race for circuit judge, Second Judicial District, appeared certain today.

Incomplete returns showed a district-wide total of 26,651 for Woodruff and 25,083 for Woodruff. The other candidate, Gerald O. Kabler of Sutherlin, had 8,076. For a clear-cut victory, one candidate would have to garner more votes than his two opponents combined.

Totals from 86 of Douglas County's 87 precincts (minus Fairhaven), showed 6,630 for Woodruff, 6,472 for Woodruff and 1,613 for Kabler.

In Lane County, with returns in from 295 of 321 precincts, the count was 13,925 for Woodruff, 13,584 for Woodruff and 4,921 for Kabler.

In Coos County, with all 72 precincts in, the vote stood at 5,407 for Woodruff, 4,475 for Woodruff and 125 for Kabler.

In Curry County, with 5 of 13 precincts reported, the vote was 689 for Woodruff, 552 for Woodruff and 117 for Kabler. The Associated Press reported.

Tuesday, The News-Review will give the remaining Douglas County totals by precinct which were not included in tabulation of 79 precincts Saturday. In Lane County, it is hoped all counting will be completed by tonight or Tuesday morning.

Judges, Attorneys Urged By Brownell To Speed Up Cases

WASHINGTON — Atty. Gen. Brownell called on lawyers and judges today to speed up their handling of court cases.

"The basic problem is to overcome inertia," he said.

Brownell's remarks were prepared for a two-day conference of 80 officials of bar associations and judicial organizations assembled to seek means of quickening the wheels of justice.

"We know that justice delayed often means justice denied," Brownell said.

Because of the delays, some persons settle legitimate claims at a fraction of their worth and others "have been driven to other means for resolving dispute," he said.

"We cannot afford to drive people from our courts to other means of settling disputes because judicial relief is so distant and remote as to be meaningless."

In another prepared address, Orin S. Thiel of the Administrative Office of U.S. Courts said many court cases in recent years have taken four years or more for decision. In 24 judicial districts, he said, half or more of the cases have required at least 15 months for disposition.

New Courthouse, Youth Home Voted In Lane

EUGENE — A new Lane County courthouse will be built at the present courthouse site here as a result of Friday's election.

Voters overwhelmingly approved the construction and chose the present site by a narrower margin.

They also authorized a new juvenile home and continued the county-wide garbage disposal program under a four-year levy.

Construction of a swimming pool at Amazon Park on the East side was approved by Eugene voters.

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy today becoming partly cloudy this afternoon through Tuesday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours — 72
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 43
Highest temp. any May — 102
Lowest temp. any May — 26
Precip. last 24 hours — 0
Precip. from May 1 — 2.64
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 48.39
Excess from Sept. 1 — 20.07

Sunset tonight, 7:36 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 4:42 a.m.

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City Tax Base Vote Still Undetermined

Count So Far Puts Question Behind By 24

One Precinct's Result Locked In Ballot Box To Await Canvass Job

Roseburg city officials may not know before one to three days whether the city has a new tax base because of a tight vote on the measure last Friday and a four-up Saturday morning.

As it stands now, the proposal to increase the base is behind by a narrow, unofficial 24-vote margin, 1,500-1,476. That's with 17 of the city's 18 precincts counted.

Still missing are the results in Fairhaven precincts, and it's apparent now that the results won't be learned until the county clerk canvasses the precinct's ballots. Apparently, a tally which was to be posted outside the polling place, was stuffed in the ballot box, instead. And the box can't be opened except in the presence of the county canvass board.

County Clerk Charles Doerner said this morning that the board will start meeting Tuesday morning. It may take until Wednesday night to complete the canvass.

City officials have expressed confidence that the measure carried in the Fairhaven precinct. But it would take 25 votes, by The News-Review's tally, to carry it.

Farrell also pointed out that absentee ballots aren't included in The News-Review tally, which would change the picture slightly.

If the measure carries, the city tax base would be increased from \$73,625.13 to \$265,716.67. That would be (Continued on Page 2 Col. 4)

Oregon G. O. P., Democrats Both Claim Victory Signs In Morse - McKay Contest

Stevenson's Triumph Regarded As Boost In Campaign's Final Hurdles In Florida, California

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Latest Count Listed On Other Candidates On Douglas Ballot

Only two close election races stood out in Douglas County today as all 87 precincts had reported returns, an unofficial tally by The News-Review shows.

D. H. Dimick won the Democratic nomination for state senator by only 121 votes over Lloyd V. Arant, the tally reveals. Both are Roseburg men.

Dimick, an attorney, polled an unofficial 3,249 votes to Arant's 3,128.

The other race was for circuit judge. However, Douglas County results aren't conclusive, as four counties were choosing a judge in the Second Judicial District. More complete results are in another story today.

Judge Charles S. Woodruff apparently didn't get the majority of votes he needed to succeed himself, so probably will be in a runoff election in November with Dist. Judge Warren A. Woodruff.

In Douglas County, Woodruff received 6,630 votes to Woodruff's 6,472. A third candidate, Gerald O. Kabler of Sutherlin, had 1,613, and it was his vote that threw the election into a runoff.

Those results are from 86 precincts.

Also from 98 precincts, Hall S. Lusk had 8,418 to 4,834 for L. B. Sandblast for justice of the Oregon Supreme Court.

In votes for county offices, these were the complete results (unofficial):

County judge: Republican — Er-

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Kootenai River Rages; Emergency Declared

BONNERS FERRY, Idaho — The swollen Kootenai River, an annual spring enemy here, crashed through two dirt dikes and poured over 3,800 acres of farmland here Monday as the Army raced to the defense.

The defending troops gave way while a convoy of 500 infantrymen and engineers with heavy equipment rolled through the streets of Spokane, 110 miles away, en route from Ft. Lewis, Wash.

The Army defenders were displaced to the North Idaho town of 2,000 after Gov. Robert E. Smylie declared a state of emergency when the river went over the listed 31-foot flood stage.

The Army will help build up protective dikes in 14 other "diking districts" which were still holding the water away from some 26,000 other acres of rich farmland.

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No one has yet reduced the cost of the omnibus housing bill to any specific over-all dollar total. It leans heavily toward the provision of better housing for the poor and the aged.

One provision for a huge low rental public housing program for low-income families — 135,000 units a year for three years — was headed for a fight. Its sponsors have added a provision which would let the President boost the total to 200,000 units a year, or cut it to 50,000 units.

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Population Of U. S. Placed At 167,440,000

WASHINGTON — The Census Bureau Monday estimated the U.S. population on April 1 at 167,440,000, including armed forces overseas.

The bureau said this was a gain of 16,308,000, or 10.8 per cent, over the 151,132,000 on April 1, 1950, when the latest census was taken.

The Bureau said approximately 2 1/2 million babies were born in the period 1950 through 1955. This was almost as many as the total number of births in the decade 1930-40. A total of 4,691,000 births last year was a record high, the Bureau said.

Myrtle Creek High School Diplomas To Be Given Tonight

Sixty-six seniors of the Myrtle Creek High School will be graduated tonight at 8 in the Myrtle Creek High School gymnasium, reports correspondent Ruth M. Evans.

Baccalaureate services were staged Sunday afternoon with the Rev. Wayne Brown giving the main address, "God and You."

The Rev. Earl Sample and Rev. J. Elbert Nash also took part in the program. Music was supplied by the high school band and chorus.

The featured address for commencement tonight will be delivered by Clyde Martin, supervisor of secondary education for Southern Oregon college at Ashland. His address is entitled "The Great American Gamble." The salutatory will be given by Terry Lee Lampert and the valedictory by Margie Musick.

Myrl R. Barkhurst, principal of the school, will announce winners of scholarships and present the class of 1956. W. A. Will, chairman of the school board, will present the diplomas.

The Rev. John R. Kimmel will give both invocation and benediction.

Woman Employee Of Loan Firm For 28 Years Admits Enormous Embezzlement

NORFOLK, Va. — Minnie Mangum pleaded guilty Monday to embezzling \$1,082,968.25 from her employer, the now-defunct Commonwealth Building and Loan Assn.

The 52-year-old spinster (her friends say she is nearer 60) stood up in a crowded courtroom and made her plea in a low voice.

Her plea came after Ira White, deputy clerk of Corporation Court, had read 22 counts in an indictment. She pleaded guilty to the 22nd and final count which represented the aggregate of the other counts.

The defendant's face remained devoid of expression as she made her plea.

Miss Mangum was found guilty by a Corporation Court jury last Thursday of making false statements to the state Corporation Commission in 1946 concerning the condition of the association and sentenced to 10 years in prison. She was charged with understating liabilities by \$248,400.08.

Highly Respected

The indictment on which Miss Mangum was arraigned Monday was one of 16, including one alleging she stole a grand total of \$2,884,000 from Commonwealth over a period of 22 years.

The 190-pound defendant was a highly respected resident of Portsmouth, just across the Elizabeth River from Norfolk, and enjoyed for many years a reputation for generosity to her family and her friends.

In her home, she took care of a blind sister.

Miss Mangum worked for Commonwealth for 28 years, in recent years as assistant secretary-treasurer.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Senator Morse, opponent of the partnership power policy, appears to have received more votes in the Oregon primary than the total cast for all four Republican candidates for U. S. senator. And President Eisenhower, whose administration favors that policy, got more votes than Stevenson and Kefauver combined, notwithstanding the handicap of dominant Democratic registration. That's a poser for the cracker-barrel political wise-acters.

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Baptist College, Town Part After 122 Years

WAKE FOREST, N. C. — Wake Forest College and the village that has its name today prepared to part after 122 years of mingled history.

Graduation ceremonies this afternoon for some 320 seniors wound up business on the campus here for the Baptist college. It will reopen for the summer session June 18 on a new campus in Winston-Salem, 110 miles to the west.

INJURED BOY ON MEND

A 16-year-old Riddle boy, Billy Cecil Goodin, was reported showing slow improvement at Forest Glen Hospital in Canyonville today.

The youth was seriously injured Friday afternoon when his car was wrecked off the Riddle road. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Goodin.