

**Luck Still Holds
He's Wondering**
STON—Mike Sobolew-
window cleaner, is afraid his
will run out some day.
1942 he fell 90 feet but re-
d from his injuries.
either day he was clean-
shadow of a down town build-
when the catch of his safety
happened, leaving him dan-
15 feet in the air. A second
catch held him, however,
a fellow worker rescued him.

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Possibility of Atomic Warfare Presages Medical Precaution

By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE
NEW YORK — (AP) — Breakfast
scene in an American family on
the eve of another war.
Wife: "You had better wear
your atomic suit to work today."
Husband: "I have it ready. By
the way, maybe we had better
start eating atomic bread."
Wife: "Silly! We've been doing
that for a month." New names,
atomic suit and atomic bread, but
these describe some simple and
easy protections enumerated for
atomic war by Major A. J. Bauer,
U.S. Army Medical Corps, and
deputy chief of the special pro-

jects division, office of the sur-
geon general of the Army.
An atomic suit is light-colored
and loose-fitting. That single pre-
caution can save thousands of
painful burns. There is no guess-
work here. Dark colors and tight
fits burned many persons in
Japan.

Remember the photos of grilled
backs of Japanese women? The
grill-work was made by red
stripes on white cloth. The sear-
ing heat flash went through the
red. The white was complete pro-
tection.

Any dark color similarly trans-
mits heat. Black possibly is the
worst. Black writing on thin white
paper exposed to the Hiroshima
bomb was burned so that the
writing was only ashes. The white
was unscorched.

Japanese wearing robes loose in
some places but pulled tightly
around arms, or across shoulders,
were burned where the tight areas
had faced the atomic flash. Else-
where underneath loose clothing,
these persons were unscorched.

The atomic bread is something
new, and still in the future.
"Considerable work," says Major
Bauer, "is being done in the
use of drugs as a protection
against radiation. So far these
experiments have not been con-
clusive, but future knowledge may
well suggest the advisability of in-
corporating some substance in a
common human food such as
bread."

Another precaution is to immu-
nize people against tetanus. This
disease will have a better chance
to hit the unvaccinated through
the great numbers of burns and
the injuries from toppling build-
ings and flying objects.

Major Bauer also suggests im-
munization against diseases of the
digestive system. There are pro-
tective medicines for cholera and
dysentery, but not for most diges-
tive disorders. These diseases
would be expected to multiply due
to atomic bomb destruction of
water and sewage systems.

The entire nation should be
typed for blood transfusions, Ma-
jor Bauer thinks. He says the
number of transfusions is likely
to be fantastic. The numbers prob-
ably will require trained laymen
both for typing and transfusions.

The plan for atom bombs, he
says, will involve a change in
viewpoint.
"One definite statement may be
made of such plans," says Major
Bauer. "The area which each
group can ignore in its plant is
its own locality. The shocking
power and devastation wrought
by an atom bomb so disrupts an
area that outside help is necessary
to carry out operations."

"This plan for emergency op-
eration must differ from any of
the past in that it will have to be
on a national basis. Cities must
plan to handle the emergencies of
their neighboring cities. The direc-
tor of the emergency plan for one
city must be a resident of some
other community."

In more powerful atomic bombs,
Major Bauer says we may assume
that the upper limits of destruc-
tion will not more than double
the bombs already known, unless
some new basic information is un-
covered. He says the assumption
of doubled destructive area may
be considered valid because ef-
fects of a bomb fall off rapidly
with distance.

The bombs increase their de-
structive range only as the cube
root of their increase in power. A
possible exception, not discussed
by Major Bauer, is that as bombs
get bigger, the distance travelled
by the flash of heat and of light,
including sun-burn, may rise
equally with the added bomb
power.

Poster Winners' Works Displayed

Seven winners in the 4-H club's
poster contest will have their
work displayed this week at the
club summer school in Corvallis.
Winners were all from Bethel
School in three classes of competi-
tion. They were: Sue Shreeve,
home economics; Larry Wolfe,
Julia Poole, Herbert Christie,
health; and Richard Stadther and
Patsy Sutton, leadership and
achievement. Pat Langan, Willa-
kenzie, was the winner of the ag-
riculture class competition in
which his two brothers were run-
ners up.

Food Said All Right Though Can Opened

SCHENECTADY, N.Y.—(U.P.)—It
is not necessary to transfer food
from an opened can to a dish be-
fore storing it in the refrigerator,
scientists of the General Electric
research laboratory point out.
The U. S. Department of Agri-
culture says:
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if the can is cool and covered—as
it is to empty the food into an-
other container. . . . A few acid
foods may dissolve a little iron
from the can, but that is not

harmful, not dangerous to health.
"Cans and foods are sterilized
in the processing, but the dish into
which the food is emptied is far
from sterile. In other words it
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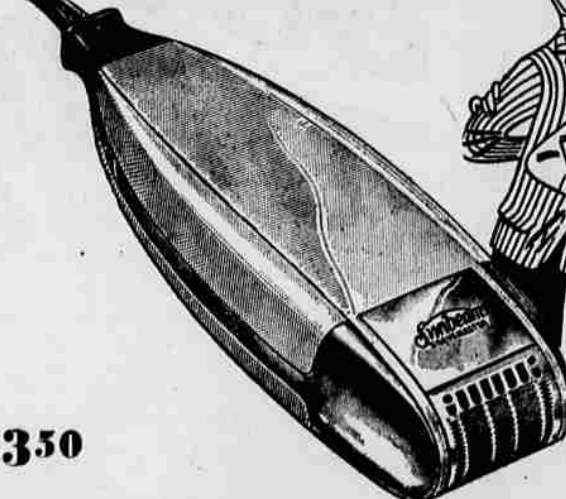
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