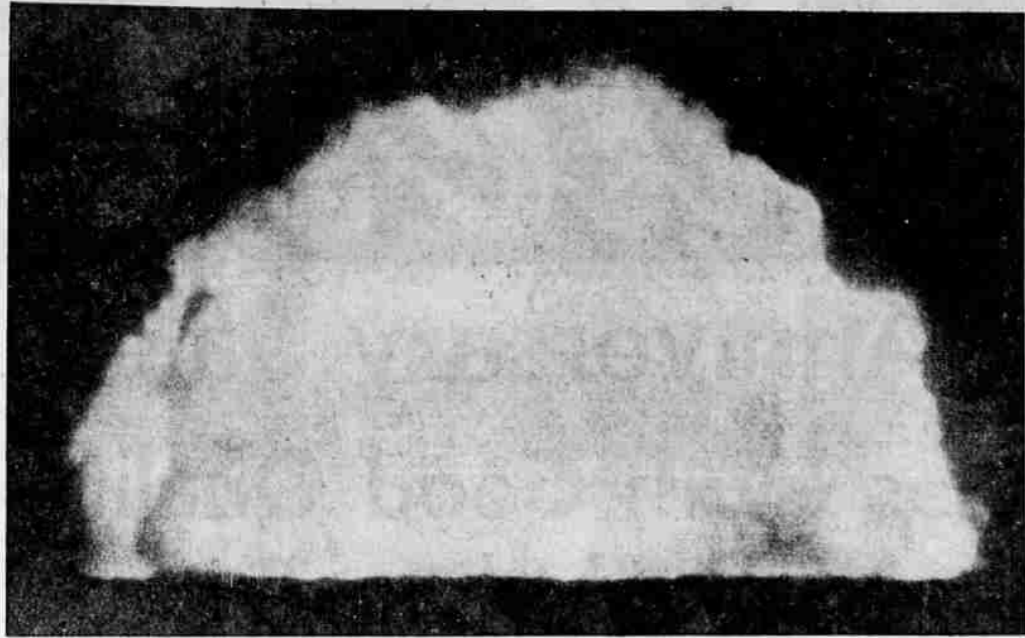


British Test Atomic Device



This picture, made with a long lens camera 55 miles distant, shows fireball forming over the remote Monte Bello Island, 12 miles off Australia's northwest coast as the British touch off the second and final nuclear device of their current series of experiments. The device exploded is believed to be the trigger for Britain's hydrogen bomb, scheduled to be tested next year in the vicinity of Christmas Island, about 1,400 miles south of Hawaii. (AP Wirephoto)

Electronic Brain Aids Army In Getting Right Replacement

By HERB ALTSCHULL
HEIDELBERG, Germany (AP)—With a minimum of fanfare, the United States has put into operation the closest thing yet to a robot army.
It's all done with electronic brains and little cards with a lot of punch marks.
Not that the machines do anything quite so frivolous, but if it was urgent they could find a 25-year-old cook with blue eyes, brown hair and an appendix scar in the United States as a replacement and have him in southern Germany in 48 hours.
The gadget is called a "transceiver."
It knocks holes in a card at the European U.S. Army headquarters here and at the same time, by transceiver radio, stamps the same holes in a card at Ft. Dix, N.J., where European replacements are selected.
In the old days, the Army shipped over replacements by the boatload. The replacements landed at Bremerhaven and went 450 miles by train to Zweibrücken. There they spent three days getting placed and, in some cases, wound up back at Bremerhaven.
None of that any more.
Army headquarters here keeps up a continuing file on what replacements are needed for the quarter million U.S. soldiers in Europe.
As soon as someone is transferred, dies, goes over the hill or

what have you, the Army machine rattles off a card saying what is needed.
At the same time, Ft. Dix collects cards on personnel available for overseas duty.
These cards are slotted together in another machine and presto! Out comes the replacement right there on a card. The card even contains his orders. Ft. Dix interviewers take a few moments to confirm the machine, but it's almost never wrong.
Brig. Gen. Bruce Easley, adjutant general at Heidelberg headquarters, said the machine not only saves some 10 million dollars a year but that it insures against misuse of manpower, saves headaches for the GIs and could be mighty helpful in an atomic war.
The transceiver has handled some 40,000 replacements since it went into operation last fall. Now the Army is trying to set up a massive transceiver card catalogue file that would enable the Pentagon to put its finger on any of its men, anywhere in the world.

Faith Healer Not Cause of Cabinet Delay

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP)—Premier Willem Drees has denied that the furor over a woman faith healer's reported influence on Queen Juliana is delaying formation of a new Dutch government.
The Socialist premier told a news conference some foreign publications had carried a report that a Cabinet could not be formed "unless the Queen modified her personal relations" with Miss Greet Hofmans, the 61-year-old faith healer who has prayed over the monarch's nearly blind youngest daughter.
"In reality," Drees declared, "the formation of the Cabinet will not be influenced by that in any way."
He added he was aiming at a new coalition government in which the nation's five largest political parties would participate. The Communists would be excluded.
The Premier, whose Labor party won the largest number of seats in last Wednesday's general election, conferred yesterday with leaders of the four other parties. He said he expects them to reply next Monday whether they will join in the new government.
Drees' statement to newsmen was his second denial in a week that Juliana's friendship with the faith healer had any effect on Dutch government policy. Last Friday he emphatically rejected the idea that the Queen might abdicate or that she and her husband, Prince Bernhard, might get a divorce or separate.

Nehru Leaves For U.S. Visit

NEW DELHI, India (AP)—Prime Minister Nehru flew to Damascus today on the first lap of a month-long slated to take him to London, Washington and other capitals.
Nehru planned a night stopover at the Syrian capital before pushing onto the London meeting of British commonwealth prime ministers.
The Indian leader is scheduled to visit in Washington with President Eisenhower July 2-10, but there has been speculation the President's illness may force a change in plans.
Nehru's itinerary also includes stops at Frankfurt, Mainz and Bonn in Germany, and villa to Paris; Bristol, Yugoslavia, Cairo and Beirut, Lebanon.

New Comedy Writers Help TV Programs

NBC Youth Movement Paying Off for Network

By WILLIAM EWALD
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK (UP)—The favorite food of the chomping jaws of television is comedy. Its future is no laughing matter to network officials.
It was only last spring that NBC set in motion a project labeled "New Comedy Writers" to develop gag makers. Now, one year later, Ross Donaldson, manager of the network's writing service, points out that the project is rolling.
"As a network we felt we were falling on bad times as far as comedy is concerned," explains Donaldson. "Vaudeville and burlesque are no longer with us and as a result, there's no workshop around for beginning writers at all."
"The only way for a comedy writer to develop is to work with comic talent and so we thought we'd provide an atmosphere in which young writers could develop."
What NBC did was to ask for material from hopeful scribblers who wanted to imbibe a little atmosphere.
"We got 9000 pieces of material and then we just quit counting," recalled Donaldson. "We read it all and got down to 50 or 60 people."
"We saw all of them and then hired four people, then we hired nine more a little later on."
Donaldson admitted there had been opposition from some NBC comedians who wanted no part of young writers. "I'd say we met resistance from about 25 per cent of our top comic talents," said Donaldson, "but there are very few holdouts now."
Start At \$161 Weekly
One of the new writers in the project was only 19 years old, one

was fresh out of college, another had written only a few night club acts. All went to work for \$161 per week, the minimum writing fee at NBC.
Despite the scattered resistance, they tackled a variety of jobs (with consequent boosts in salary). Two worked on the Martha Raye show, two helped out Steven Allen and five went to Hollywood to work on the Sunday "Comedy Hour."

There also was some piece work with Bob Hope, George Gobel, "Wide World of Sports" and "Salute to Baseball" spectacular.
"Hal Kanter, Gobel's producer-writer, called them the best new writers he has seen in years," said Donaldson, "and Jonathan Winters said one of the young men was the only writer he had ever been able to work with."

U.S. to Sell Atomic Fuel

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The United States has agreed to sell Australia 1,100 pounds and France 88 pounds of U-235 to fuel atomic power plants.
The agreements, announced yesterday, are the first of their kind to be signed since those last year with Britain, Belgium and Canada.
MONMOUTH—The North W. Lamette district of Ninety and Nine will have its bi-monthly meeting at the Christian church in Monmouth, Ore., at 6:45 p.m. Monday. A special speaker will feature the program.

Four Yolks Found in Egg

EUREKA, Calif. (AP)—Someone's hen laid a real bargain egg—one with four yolks.
It turned up yesterday at the Poultry Producers of Northern California plant here—the first in more than 270 million eggs candled there in 30 years. Manager Frank Eggerer said he's seen lots of double yolks and an occasional triple.
The quadruple yolk wasn't much larger than a normal egg.
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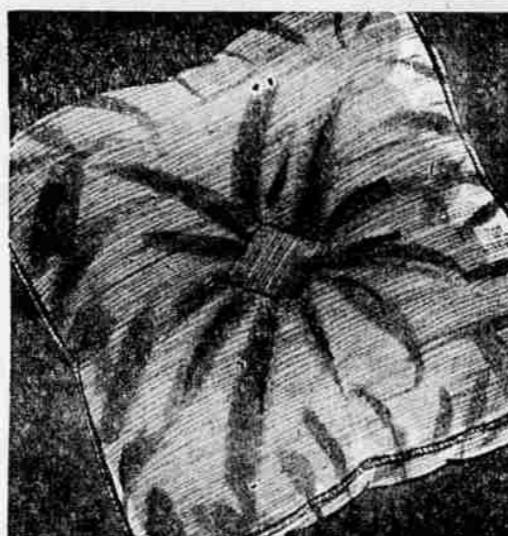
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