

(Editors Note: Our rewrite man, suffering with acute spring fever and a peripathetic mind, last week got this story all balled up. In the interests of accuracy and a desire to keep what friends we have, the following is reprinted the way it should have been in the first place.)

ENROUTE TO ATOM TEST AT BIKINI

Robert N. White S1/c of Cave Junction, better known as 'Bob White,' is on his way aboard the USS Burleson to Bikini Atoll to participate in the atomic bomb

tests scheduled for next month.

White reports that many animals are being taken aboard ship for the experiment; 200 pigs, 200 goats, 4000 white rats, 120 white mice, and many guinea pigs. After the test White and his shipmates on the Burleson will pick up the animals, dead and alive, for scientific and research work. For these experiments the Burleson carries the most costly and extensive laboratory ever put afloat.

Keepers of the animals expect many to survive the test and live to a ripe old age in government laboratories.

Batting the Breeze

By BARNEY

THE RECENT PROPOSAL of the United States to destroy its store of atomic bombs and turn its "know how" over to a United Nations Atomic Energy Commission give us a definite shiver. We wondered if it would not be a repetition of the fiasco of the "twenties," when we sank real ships under a Naval Limitation treaty, while other countries merely destroyed ships on paper. Then a few years later we were forced at great cost to build feverishly for our own protection. It has yet to be demonstrated that a militarily weak country has any inhibitive effect on a war minded neighbor, while, conversely, a strong country has at least a modicum of security from aggression.

To be sure, it will be impossible to keep the "secret" of nuclear fission, and it is just as sure that, while Moscow accuses Spain of having atomic bomb factories, the U.S.S.R. is leaving no stone unturned in acquiring atomic knowledge, whether by scientific research, espionage (page Lt. Nicolai G. Redin) or by beating the drum to have the United States turn over its "know how" to some international commission where the desired information would be more accessible—all in the name of sweet peace.

Of course, in theory, the proposed control commission would have the privilege of inspecting the various countries to see what's cooking — atomically. This gives us small comfort. We have no concrete information now of what is going on behind the iron curtain of Russia's "inner zone," and we do not envisage in the near future that Moscow will welcome any "unfriendly" (i.e. uncommunitistic) visitors for an uncondemned tour of the dim recesses of the U.S.S.R.

In closing we would say to Uncle Sam, "Do what you can toward making a peaceful world, but if you destroy your atomic bombs, in the face of Russia's present policy of expansion and avowed purpose of world wide communistic domination, you are inviting a 'Sunday punch.' You will not only be a fool—but what is worse—a recurrent fool."

MEETING NOTICES

Illinois Valley P.-T. A. meets the last Thursday of each month.
Co. A, O. S. G., meets every Friday night.
Belt Lodge, A. F. & A. M. meets fourth Saturday each month.
Eastern Star Chapter meets the third Tuesday of each month.
H. E. U. meets every second Tuesday of the month.
American Legion Post No. 70 meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month.
American Legion Auxiliary meets the first and third Wednesdays.
Veterans of Foreign Wars meet the 2nd and 4th Mondays.
Ladies Auxiliary V. F. W., meet 2nd and 4th Mondays.
I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 55 meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, I. O. O. F. hall.
Illinois Valley Grange meets the first and third Thursdays at 8 p. m.
O'Brien Women's club meets on the second Friday of each month.
Marguerite Relekah Lodge No. 111 meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at I. O. O. F. Hall, Kerby.
The Women's Missionary Society of the Selma Baptist church meet every fourth Thursday of the month in the new unit at the church.
Missionary group of the Community church meets on the third Thursday of each month.
Illinois Valley Junior Chamber of Commerce meets first and third Mondays of each month; social meeting fourth Monday; Board meeting second Monday.

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ly for members of the House and Senate who would be destroyed in such a blast, the resolution provides that the Legislatures of the States, whose Senators and Representatives have been killed, will meet and choose Senators and Representatives to fill out the uncompleted terms.

We are truly living in an atomic age, or at least in an atomic bomb age.

SPENDING POLICIES

Letters I receive, and conversations with people wherever I go clearly indicate that most people in this country who do any thinking about government are deeply concerned with the present condition of federal finances, and not only want to see the budget balanced, but our debt reduced. The people do not want any more deficit financing for the purpose of paying subsidies. They want appropriations made for things actually needed, but they do not want any fancy trimmings, such as propaganda departments in domestic agencies or over staffed bureaus.

Right now, Congress in handling appropriation bills, and members of Congress (at least on the Republican side of the aisle) are hammering away for reduced spending. The Administration and the Executive Departments do not give us much help along this line. In fact, most appropriation requests submitted this year have been for increases. The Departments, incidentally, have their own very effective way of building up pressure on Congress to favor their appropriations. The House Appropriations Committee does a valiant job of resisting such pressures from within and outside the government, but it does not have an adequate staff of experts to give it necessary technical and statistical information. I hope, if and when Congress adopts legislation for its own improvement, a better and larger technical staff for the Appropriations Committee will be provided.

MINE ASSESSMENTS

Recently I have received several requests for information concerning the expiration of the moratorium on assessment work on mining claims which has been in

effect during the war. Department of Interior officials advise that there will be at least one full year in which to do required assessment work after Congress or the President declares the emergency at an end. If such a declaration is made before July 1st, this year, the assessment work would have to be completed before July 1st, 1947. If the emergency is declared ended after July 1st, this year, and before July 1st, 1947, then the required work on claims must be completed by July 1st, 1948.

Former Residents Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Harpell, former residents of the valley, now living in Crescent City, visited friends here Friday. Mr. and Mrs. George Covey accompanied them on their return trip, remaining until Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Riley Armstrong and son Doug made the return trip with the Coveys. Doug has recently returned from service in Italy and France.

RECENT BRIDE HONORED BY SHOWER

Mrs. Roy Budd (nee Evelyn Hays) was the honored guest at a miscellaneous bridal shower given by Mrs. Grace Hudron and Mrs. Hazel Eggers at the home of Grandma Holland at Bridgeview.

Many lovely and useful gifts were presented, after which refreshments of cake, coffee and punch were served to the 47 guests.

Entertains Missouri Friends

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Jones entertained visitors from Kansas City last week. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones and son Robert. Father and son have recently returned from service in the Pacific and Japan. Mr. Jones is a veteran of World War I who enlisted in the early part of World War II. Both were in the Navy.

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