

Mixed-Up Cloud Produced by Monday's Nevada Atomic Explosion

Winds Push In Three Directions; No Harm Contained

Washington — (U.P.) — Monday's big bang in Nevada produced the craziest and most mixed-up atomic cloud of the spring test series.

It went three ways at once, meteorologists reported today. Part of it soared east from the proving grounds and is now far out over the Atlantic.

Some of it drifted west and got shredded up in the mountain passages of California.

Another bit steered northward for a while and then turned east to get dissipated in a large area over northern Nevada, northern Utah and southern Wyoming, and northern Colorado.

Mixed up as it was, there was no real harm in the cloud as far as the people below it were concerned. Neither the Atomic Energy commission nor the weather bureau has heard any interesting news concerning it.

A few seconds after the explosion at 5:20 a.m. (PST) Monday, it looked as though the cloud might drop a little radioactive fallout on some of the scientific and military observers.

That was when a cross wind whipped part of the cloud stalk in their direction. The observers got out of its way in a hurry and no fallout was reported.

As the AEC has explained often, the gadgets blown up in Nevada don't pack enough power to create a fallout hazard outside the test area.

After some Nevada explosions there have been reports of radioactive hail or rain and fogged photographic equipment hundreds of thousands of miles from the proving ground.

Such radioactivity has, however, been far too slight to hurt anybody. Monday's cloud apparently didn't contaminate even a single raindrop anywhere.

Airplanes participating in the spring tests tracked the cloud's various parts for 500 to 600 miles from the explosion site. Thereafter more than 100 weather stations, plus AEC observers at various major installations across the country, watched its invisible progress instrumentally.

One of the men whose job is to keep track of clouds from the Nevada atomic tests is Robert List of the weather bureau here. He gave this rundown of what happened to Monday's cloud:

The top part, rising 40,000 feet above Yuca Flat, got caught up in a high westerly and took off to the east.

The lowest part of the cloud got involved with a wind going the other direction and "dribbled back into California."

The middle part of the atomic debris from the Monday shot, the part ranging from 10,000 to 20,000 feet in altitude, said goodbye to the others and headed off north from the explosion site.

RUBBER CAR

Akron, O. — (U.P.) — Rubber parts are used in more than 260 places in the modern car, besides in the tires and radiator hose. Rubber cement is used in about 536 places.

WANT A CITY HALL?

Central Falls, R. I. — (U.P.) — A second-hand city hall is up for sale. So far Finance Director E. Donald McLoughlin has reported only two false nibbles — one by a church, the other by a noodle company.

Rural Firemen Answer Two Alarms This Week

Central Point — The Central Point Rural Fire department was called to two fires this week. One was a log house on the Butte Falls rd., which burned down, according to Fire Chief Dick Krupp.

The house was a considerable distance out of the CP rural district, he reported, and was enveloped in flames when the department arrived Monday afternoon. The Jorde family lived there. One pumper and a pick-up answered the call.

The other fire burned several acres of brush on the Ramsey canyon rd. Sunday. The chief stated that the fire was being controlled by residents when the department arrived. No buildings were threatened.

Four-County Effort Pledged to Support New Cascade Route

Klamath Falls—Cooperative, four-county efforts to obtain a new highway between Medford and Klamath Falls were pledged at a gathering of highway committee members of four chambers of commerce here last night.

Representatives from Lake, Klamath, Jackson and Josephine county chambers of commerce met to discuss what can be done in support of the proposed new route over the Cascades by way of McAllister Soda springs and Lake O' Woods.

Agree to Appear

They agreed to present the matter before the state highway commission at a combined meeting, with representatives of all counties present. It was argued that, because of the stepped up federal road program suggested by President Eisenhower, this route should be included on maps of the bureau of public roads, and that further work should be done through the federal government to secure access road fund commitments for the route.

Attending the meeting from Medford were Chet Hubbard, chairman of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce highway committee; Paul Rynning, former highway committee chairman and county engineer; Walt Garner, past president of the chamber; Don McNeil, secretary-manager of the chamber; and E. B. DeVoe, highway committee member.

Evacuation of Cities Said Impossible Task

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) said today Civil Defense is setting up an "utterly impossible task" in proposing to evacuate all the nation's major cities in event of enemy air attack.

Gore, a member of the joint congressional Atomic Energy committee, sharply questioned the practicality of the administration's mass evacuation plan.

"I wonder if this plan is any more valid than the advice of just a few months ago to build shelters and dig in," Gore said in an interview.

Civil Defense Director Val Peterson warned an Armed Services subcommittee Tuesday that in event of enemy attack, all 92 critical target cities in the nation will have to be evacuated.

Corn yields in the U.S. rose from an average of 22.6 bushels per acre in 1933 to 40.6 bushels per acre in 1952.

Pickin' Pears

News and Notes From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH

Acting Manager R. H. Denning drew attention to one of the glaring faults of government use of highly technical or obscure language—when he spoke at the incentive awards meeting last week.

He told of an incident when the bureau of standards replied to a plumber who had written in, requesting confirmation of his findings in the use of strong acid to clean drain pipes. The government scientist, who handled the letter, wrote a thoroughly scientific explanation of the effects of hydrochloric acid upon metal, making it obvious, he thought, that it was damaging to the pipes.

"I am glad you agree with me that the acid does the work," the plumber wrote back, thanking the department for the high flown letter.

The government official tore his hair and then sent this directive to the confused plumber: "Don't use hydrochloric acid; it eats hell out of the pipes."

A delightful concert sponsored by the Junior Red Cross was given by the symphony orchestra of the Medford High school at the theater last week. It was presented under the direction of John Drysdale, with the young ladies attired in pink evening frocks, and the men in white coats.

Joan McCready, special services secretary, recently acquired a new car. In order to give it a good workout, she decided to drive it all the way to Montana, her home state. She has returned safely, but says she ran into a little difficulty at Plains, in a slight encounter with another driver.

Semi-monthly fire drills and a quarterly evacuation operation have been ordered by the management. One building at a time only will be used in the drills. The exact time will not be specified, to provide an element of surprise.

A dozen mothers of accordiana girls were present when they appeared at the special event arranged for them by VFW Post 6412 at the recent open meeting in the veterans hall.

A joint installation of officers is planned by the WWI Veterans and the Rogue Valley auxiliary to be held at the "barracks" in April.

Tom Ginn, American Legion VAVS representative, has been named chairman of the public information committee, the other members being Mary Newmann, Lester Moser and Mabel Nicholson. The object is to acquaint the public with the work of the Veterans Administration Volunteer Services in ministering to the needs of veterans domiciled at Camp White and other VA hospitals and homes.

The new Dominews is under editorship of Ross W. Lewis, ex-newspaper reporter, with a number of new names listed in the contributing staff. Among them are Dan Dyer, formerly with the "New Yorker," and Tom Beckett, stenoclist, with considerable experience as a teletype operator. The "new blood" also includes Samuel Sims, Clifford Thompson and Francis Rohr.

The Camp White orchestra is practicing for their scheduled appearance on television next Monday night.

Dead line for Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday.

Rogue River's Need for School Building Cited by House Group

Salem — Rogue River school district is one of 34 districts throughout the state which the House education committee says are the "most distressed" from the standpoint of needing new buildings for schools. It is the only such district in Jackson county.

Only two of the districts operate both elementary and high schools. All others operate only elementary schools, as in the case in the Rogue River district.

Plan of Little Benefit

The listing was made in connection with committee discussion of plans to take care of Oregon's need for some \$100,000,000 worth of new schoolrooms within the next few years. The committee indicated it feels President Eisenhower's school building plans will be of little benefit to Oregon, and that the state had better seek its own ways and means of solving the problem.

Five possible alternatives for assisting the 34 districts, which cannot take care of their own building needs because they would have to exceed legal bonding limits to do so, are being studied by the committee.

Proposals Listed

These proposals are increasing the bonding limits of districts, giving more basic school support to the distressed districts,

issuing state school bonds, providing money from the state's general fund, and financing on the county level.

A decision as to which plan, or combination of plans, will be recommended will come after the House taxation committee decides on a bill which would limit bonding powers of counties, cities and school districts.

Other ideas which the committee is studying would call for double daily school shifts, and 12-month, rather than nine-month, operation.

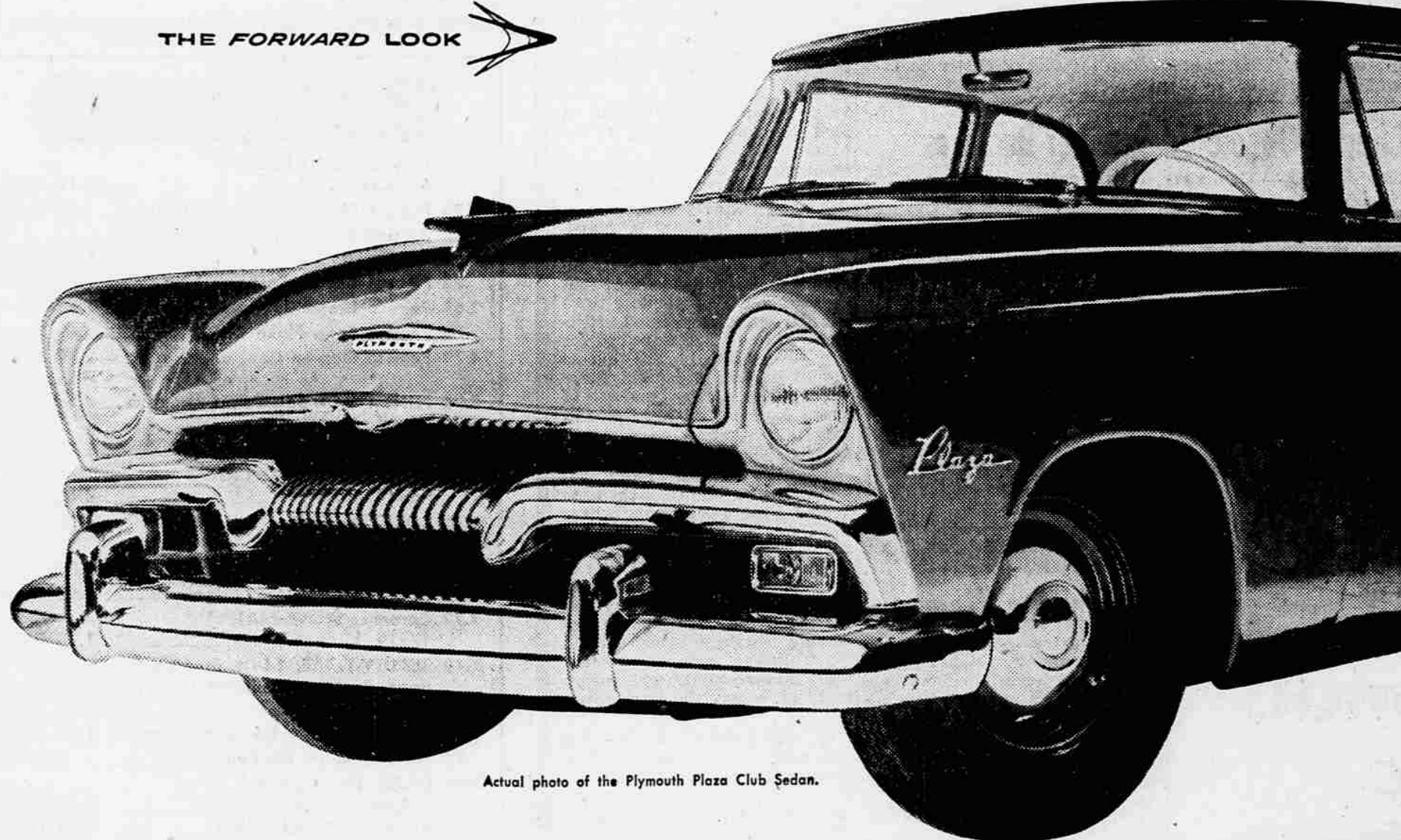
Bristol, Conn. — (U.P.) — Firemen summoned to a smoke-filled apartment by a neighbor quickly brought the situation under control. They reported, "burned toast."

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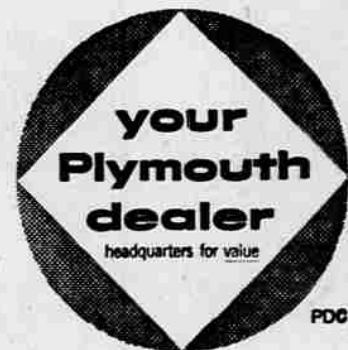
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