

**LIGHT OF 500 SUNS**—A fireball giving off the light of 500 suns illuminates top of cloud bank as stem of hydrogen bomb blast elongates over the tiny target island of Namu in Bikini Atoll where the U. S. made its first air drop of a thermo-nuclear weapon. The bomb was released from a B-52 intercontinental bomber at approximately 50,000 feet and exploded two miles above the target. The mushroom cloud reached a height of 100,000 feet and stretched laterally 100 miles.

## New Atomic Test Shots Being Prepared

Honolulu — (U.P.) — Atomic scientists at the Pacific proving ground were busy today setting up the next shot in this year's test series — but they made it plain they won't talk much about them.

Before leaving the proving ground Tuesday for Honolulu and home, newsmen who witnessed the first two explosions in the 1956 series were told few details will be given out about the rest of the tests.

There will be in all about 10 shots, ranging in size from the multi-megaton hydrogen explosion like the air drop of last Monday at Bikini to explosions of compact warheads of comparatively weak power.

The big shots are taking place this year at Bikini and the others at Eniwetok. Newsmen saw the shot towers at Eniwetok for at least seven more low yield explosions.

Had the May 21 blast taken place right over Washington, D.C., for example, it probably would have killed 85 per cent of the capital's residents.

Further proof of the H-bomb's

awesome power came from Tokyo. The Central Meteorological Observatory disclosed that earth vibrations from Monday's test traveled the 2300 miles from Bikini to Japan in just 12 minutes.

The Japanese ship Mizuhu Maru radioed it found the sea radioactive 1300 miles south of the test site. It said a Geiger counter check showed radioactivity of 1540 counts per minute.

The main emphasis in this year's tests is on nuclear weapons for defense. They are un-

### Grange

Pomona Grange

All articles to be entered in the HEC sewing contest must be brought to the May 26 Pomona meeting for judging. This includes articles for both the adult and juvenile contests.

All fifth degree ladies attending the meeting are requested to bring cookies. Meeting will be held at Central Point Grange hall, at 8 p.m.

derstood to include "pigmy H-bombs" for anti-aircraft missiles and a variety of warheads for battlefield use.

"The military has a nuclear requirement for every weapon which now uses high explosives," a high Atomic Energy Commission spokesman said.

### Oregonian Receives Telephone Bomb Threat

Portland — (U.P.) — A telephoned bomb threat was received by The Oregonian last night but police searched the building and the Greyhound bus depot without finding a sign of explosives.

Mildred Jellum, switchboard operator at the newspaper, said she answered a call at 8:10 p.m. from a man with a gruff voice who said "... The Oregonian and the Greyhound are going to be blown up within the hour."

### AIR SERVICE APPROVED

Buenos Aires — (U.P.) — The Argentine government Tuesday authorized the German Lufthansa Airline to establish commercial air services between West Germany and Buenos Aires.

### Haiti Government Sets State of Siege

Port Au Prince, Haiti — (U.P.) — The government announced today it has clamped a "state of siege" on three cities and arrested at least 35 persons to put a stop to the recent wave of unrest and minor violence.

Fifteen unruly school boys were injured in a riot here on Thursday, and at least two policemen have been injured in lesser outbreaks of violence elsewhere on the island sparked by opposition leaders who argue that President Paul Magloire's term of office expired May 15.

Magloire said in a radio address the state of siege was imposed on Port Au Prince, Jacmel and Aux Cayes to enable the government to apprehend the rebel leaders who have been "lurking in the shadows while criminally exposing unfortunate or innocent people to public force."

## Elliott, McAllister Hamilton, Keating, Boenke Among Convention Delegate Leaders

Portland — (U.P.) — Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, Democrat, and Gov. Elmo Smith, Republican, led their respective parties in vote-getting for delegates at large to national conventions, incomplete figures from last Friday's primary election showed today.

Republicans elect 10 delegates at large and Democrats eight. Neuberger had more than 147,000 votes with many precincts

unreported in these races. Rep. Edith Green, another Democrat, had about 140,000 while Gov. Smith had more than 130,000.

Other leaders among the Democrats included Monroe Sweetland, Joseph K. Carson Jr., Alfred H. Corbett, Walter Pearson, M. James Gleason and Jason Lee.

GOP leaders included Smith, Earl Newby, Rudie Wilhelm, Jr., Robert Elliott, Jess Gard,

Howard Belton, Wendell Wyatt, William McAllister, James F. Lonergan and Lowell Paget.

Each congressional district also names two delegates. Jack Bain and Austin Flegel Jr., were ahead in the third district for Democrats while Tommy Luke and Francis I. Smith led the GOP.

In the first district, Democratic leaders were Roy Hewitt and Jan Bauer of Salem and Republicans Mark Hatfield and W. S. Chadwick, all of Salem.

In the second district, Democratic leaders were Gene Conklin of Pendleton and Gerald Rutledge of Klamath Falls and Republicans Lowell Steen and Irvin Mann of Pendleton.

In the fourth district, Democrats Hugh Kirkpatrick, Robert

W. Straub, Walter Dodd, Alex M. Hamilton Jr. and Joseph Barnett were in a close race while Republicans Rodney Keating and Ed Boenke were ahead.

The count in many counties for the district delegates was not completed.

I want to thank the Jackson County voters for the fine support they gave me. I could not have lost to a better man than Mr. Allen Curry and I sincerely wish them to give that support to him in the November election.

... JOHN H. TIZEKKER

## Army Men Pleased With Performance of Controversial Nike

White Sands Proving Grounds, N.M. — (U.P.) — Obviously pleased Army officials planned eight or 10 more "shoots" of the controversial Nike anti-aircraft weapon today from semi-portable launching sites in rough mountain terrain.

Some 115 newsmen and photographers watched spellbound Tuesday as two Nike missiles were launched to intercept a tiny drone target, traveling faster than 500 miles an hour at an altitude of 15,000 feet.

The slender, 20-foot-long Nikes, fired two seconds apart, climbed to 10,000 feet within three and one-half seconds, and then leveled into a wide arc. One missile hit the drone, which was only 11 feet long with an eight-foot wing span, and exploded. The other Nike, close by, quickly was blown up by a self-destruction device.

The Army said it had planned the unrestricted demonstration long before the Pentagon erupted in an argument about the relative merits of Nike and the Air Force's Talos, developed by

the Navy. The Army said furthermore that it had made little change in its routine launching procedure for the press demonstration.

Today the company of newsmen and photographers were to be taken to remote Red Canyon in the Organ mountains, which rim this desert proving center, to watch training groups fire between eight and 10 Nikes from semi-portable launching sites.

After the successful demonstration Tuesday, Maj. Gen. Robert J. Wood, commander of the anti-aircraft artillery and guided missile center at nearby Ft. Bliss, Tex., said the newsmen had seen Nike—and that a successor now in development, Nike B, would be able to go far beyond the altitude range of "aircraft with which we are now familiar."

The Army demonstrated two other types of missiles Tuesday — the surface-to-surface Corporal rocket and the Honest John artillery ballistic missile. Both rockets scored solid hits on ground targets.

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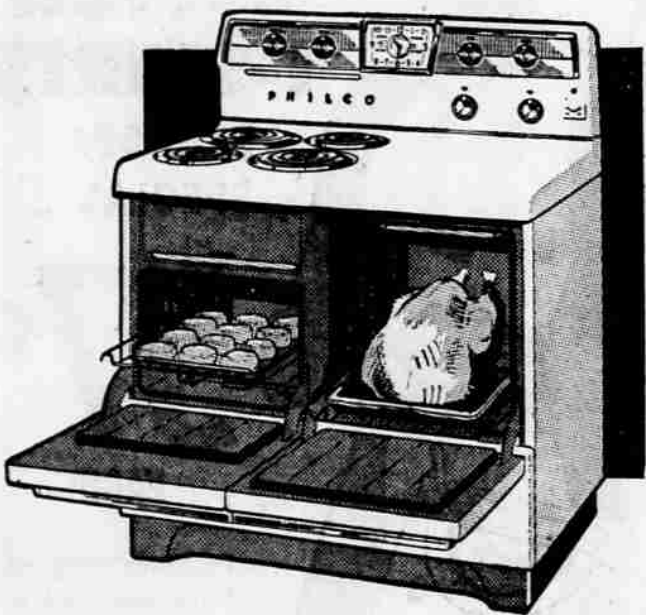


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