

Britain Explodes Atomic Device

Perth, Australia — (U.P.) — Britain successfully exploded an atomic device in the Monte Bello islands today. The blast ended the current series of nuclear tests.

An official announcement said scientific records were being collected for an evaluation of the explosion and safety precautions were in operation.

The first explosion of the current series was set off May 16. Observers at the time regarded it as a trigger for the first hydrogen bomb Britain planned to test next year.

But last Thursday Prime Minister Anthony Eden announced his government was willing to discuss with other powers a general limitation or abandonment of test explosions.

His statement coincided with publication of a British Medical Research Council report.

It warned that strontium, the radioactive poison released in nuclear explosions, could cause ill effects if the rate of firing increases.

Bikini, Eniwetok May Be Permanently Uninhabitable Because of Atom Tests

United Nations, N.Y. — (U.P.) — The islands of Bikini and Eniwetok may have been rendered permanently uninhabitable by the deadly fallout from U. S. atomic and hydrogen weapons tests, a UN report indicated today.

The report said inhabitants of the two atolls in the Marshall Islands possibly may never return to their ancestral home islands, scene of the American nuclear weapons tests.

It did not say why the natives might not ever return but left the inference the islands were so radioactive from the nuclear explosions as to be forever uninhabitable.

The report was made by a UN mission which visited the Pacific trust territory administered by the United States. It was submitted today for discussion in the Trusteeship Council.

Tests Were Authorized

It noted that islanders had been "displaced" by American

authorities as a "result of atomic and thermonuclear tests." Natives of Rongelap will be permitted to return, the report said, but in the cases of Bikini and Eniwetok the displacement "is likely to be permanent."

The Congress of the Marshall Islands twice petitioned the Trusteeship Council to have the nuclear tests suspended unless they were deemed necessary for the welfare of mankind. The council twice authorized the United States to hold the test provided adequate safeguards for the protection of human life were taken.

The report gave no indication of dissatisfaction with the safeguards. And it noted that despite fears, there were no deaths among the islanders although a number were "irradiated" from fallout.

Natives Complain

Chief complaint of the Bikini natives appeared to be that they had been transferred to Kili Atoll, south of Bikini, has a more rainfall and presents different agricultural problems. In addition, it lacks fishing facilities afforded by the lagoon at Bikini.

The report said there had been some outstanding claims for compensation by displaced natives but that the United States has informed the United Nations "all claims . . . had been paid and that continued assistance was being rendered to the islanders."

The report said the mission "had an opportunity" of meeting with a group of medical officers attached to the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission who had conducted a medical survey of the Rongelap people following a bomb test.

The officers, according to the report, informed the mission that "The people concerned had been irradiated from the fallout in three ways: Penetrating gamma radiation from the ground, trees and houses resulted in whole body radiation; skin contamination from fallout resulted in spotty localized irradiation of the skin and scalp; and internal contamination occurred from ingesting of contaminated food and breathing in fallout material."

Many Became Ill

During the first 24-28 hours after the detonation "about two-thirds experienced nausea . . . a large number experienced itching and burning of the skin, and in a few cases of the eyes . . ."

"Following this, the people were free of any complaints until about two weeks later when skin lesions developed," it said. "As a result of penetrating radiation, white blood cells were depressed to about 50 per cent of

Indefinite Foreign Aid Need Seen in Speech To Kiwanians

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Gov. George N. Craig of Indiana said today the United States will have to extend economic aid to other countries for an indefinite period in order to assure the leadership of the free world.

In a speech prepared for delivery to the 41st annual convention of Kiwanis International, Craig warned America must not relax its vigilance against the threat of Communism despite recent Russian overtures.

"The American taxpayer has, of course, every right to be weary of carrying the costly burden of large scale foreign aid," he said. "But the cost of this assistance, it seems to me, a small part of our national income to devote to the struggle against the spread of world Communism."

He pointed out that in the past year Russia has been extending aid to so-called neutral nations in a "clear imitation" of our Marshall plan.

"And so the economic phase of the cold war has today become the paramount phase of the cold war," he said.

The Kiwanis outgoing president, Jackson A. Raney of Indianapolis, said Monday night that the past year has been "glorious and glowing" for Kiwanis International.

Goal Achieved

"We have achieved our goal of 250,000 members," he said. "Moreover, he said, new clubs are springing up at a "heart-warming pace" and the future should bring "indefinitely greater realizations of our past attainments."

Convention activities today include a pageant of achievement featuring the Fresno, Calif., Youth Orchestra; addressed by Dick Forde of Kalamazoo, Mich., and Ed Stebbins of Little Rock, Ark., and district dinners.

Clatsop Loggers Protest Purchase

Astoria — (U.P.) — Representatives of several Clatsop county logging operations have protested to the county court against the Crown Zellerbach corporation's proposal to obtain exclusive right to purchase a large portion of county-state owned timber in the county.

The protest followed reports that the Crown Zellerbach firm was contemplating building a large pulp mill in Astoria if it could obtain sufficient guarantees of timber.

One representative of Clatsop county timber firms said that if the exclusive contract is granted, it would amount to an exchange of payrolls rather than an additional one for the county. He said that many other firms would be forced out of business if the deal is consummated.

normal by about the sixth week with platelets (which keep the body from bleeding spontaneously) being depressed to about 30 per cent of normal by the fourth week."

But these blood elements, it continued, "had gradually recovered to normal range at subsequent studies conducted at six-month, one-year and two-year intervals."

Loss of Hair

Skin contamination "resulted in spotty loss of hair and skin lesions beginning two weeks after exposure," the report said. ". . . The majority of the skin lesions were superficial" and were no worse than a sunburn with the outer skin peeling away."

"About 20 per cent of the people developed deeper lesions which became weeping ulcers," it said. "However, even these healed rapidly, but a few of the people still showed some scarring and lack of repigmentation."

Tokete Falls Pupils Get Merit Citation

Students of Tokete Falls school, Tokete Falls, have been awarded a citation of merit by trustees of the American Museum of Immigration for their contribution toward the establishment of the proposed museum at the foot of the Statue of Liberty.

The class was cited for their "patriotic participation in operation unity," the project to mobilize the free will gifts of the American people to "pay tribute to the epic role of immigration in building our great Nation of Nations."

Britain Drawing Up New Constitution for Cyprus Government

London — (U.P.) — Britain has drawn up plans for a new Cyprus constitution that would grant a liberal measure of self-government to the rebellious island, it was reported today.

The new plan to restore peace on Cyprus was worked out in negotiations between Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden and Cyprus Governor Sir John Harding who came here for a few days and remained for three weeks.

Talks between Britain and Archbishop Makarios, leader of the "Union with Greece" movement on Cyprus, broke down earlier this year over a Cyprus constitution, touching off new waves of anti-British violence on Cyprus. Makarios was exiled to the Seychelle Islands.

Troops Counter Terror

Britain was making an all out effort to crush the violence with military force. Rigid curfews amounting to house arrest for Cypriots were in effect in several cities. Death sentences were being meted out to convicted terrorists.

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Cypriots' Status Problem

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the main difficulties facing Eden and Harding. The Greek Cypriots total 400,000 and presumably would control any elected legislature. The London Times suggested today that a new constitution would have to provide guarantees for Turkish minority rights.

The Times also said the new proposals called for the governor of Cyprus to keep control over internal security and the police force as long as necessary during the self-government period.

The Greek Cypriots rejected this idea in previous negotiations which failed when they refused to grant what Britain considered to be proper guarantees for the rights of the Turkish minority.

RC Home Nursing Room Moved to Courthouse

The Red Cross Home Nursing room has been moved from the Sparta building to the Red Cross office in the first floor of the county court house.

Home nursing classes are conducted by the Red Cross when the demand is great enough to form a class.

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FCC Engineer Denies Link in Police Check

Vancouver, Wash. — (U.P.) — J. H. Hallock, Portland, engineer in charge of this district for the Federal Communications Commission, denied yesterday that the recent arrest of an FCC representative was responsible for a subsequent inspection of city police radio equipment.

Vancouver Police Chief Harry Diamond had told the city council here last week that the city's radio equipment had gone without attention for years until an FCC representative was recently arrested on a traffic violation.

Since that time, he said, the equipment has been subject of frequent checks and the city cited for a number of violations.

LETUCE HEAR IT

Wiaota, Wis. — (U.P.) — Augustine Roenerud left a message for his wife in a lettuce patch last month. He planted the patch so that the lettuce plants, just now pushing up through the ground, spell, "Hi, Mom."

THIEF SHUNS MERCHANDISE

Grand Rapids, Mich. — (U.P.) — A thief with but one goal in mind stole a \$20 bill from an appliance store display Monday. Police said only the bill was taken. The many TV and radio sets and other appliances were left untouched.

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