

Atomic Bombs To Be Tested Against Naval Vessels; New Data Promised

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (AP)—The United States, as custodian of the atomic bomb, intends to find out what it will do to warships as well as to cities and people.

An army-navy announcement disclosed that plans are under way today for a joint test of atomic bombs against naval vessels.

Similarly the results of a detailed, scientific study of the destructive power of nuclear explosion on buildings and humans will be forthcoming in a report of the United States strategic bombing survey in Japan. The first phase of this report is expected within the next three months.

The survey, a group of civilian and military experts appointed a year ago, made its second report on a European study available today—a blood-chilling account of the horrors modern war visits upon civilians. Members of the survey now are making a similar study in Japan, where the aerial bombardment of that country ended with the dropping of two atomic bombs.

Cryptic
The announcement on the forthcoming tests against warships was cryptic. It said only that plans for the operation involved assembling "many naval vessels," extensive use of record instruments and the gathering of necessary personnel.

Although there has been speculation that captured Japanese naval ships might be used as targets, navy officials say that because they lack such factors as extensive compartmentation, they are not fully comparable to American warships.

The second report of the strategic bombing survey covered the effects of the allied bombing on German civilian life. The medical branch of the survey found, among other things, that fire was the great killer in air raids and that an estimated 500,000 persons died in German cities under the pounding of aerial fleets.

These were the immediate results of the attacks. The doctors who made the study commented: "All aspects of bombing cannot be reported here because they are not as yet readily discernible in their entirety. We feel that the effects of bombing on civilian populations are in many ways subtle long-range effects."

Famine
The bombing, they said, brought Germany to the brink of pestilence and famine, a problem that now threatens the post-war administration of the defeated reich.

Maj. Cortez F. Enloe of Manassas, N. Y., one of the survey group, told a new conference that the atomic bomb raid on Nagasaki "was not nearly as bad as the area raid on the city of Hamburg." There, he said, three attacks in as many days set off fires that burned six weeks and in which 46,000 known dead were counted. An estimated 19,000 more bodies still are in the ruins two and one-half years after (Japanese authorities estimated that from 40,000 to 45,000 died in the Nagasaki attack.)

"The danger of the atomic bomb is the danger of fire," said Enloe.

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Congratulations go out to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cheyne who were married in Klamath Falls on Sunday, December 2. Mrs. Cheyne is the former Viola

Hicks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hicks. She attended Bonanza schools.

Friends are glad to see Harlan Prough able to be up and around again after submitting to major surgery in a Portland hospital some time ago.

Mrs. Ray Hicks, who has been sick for some time is now under doctor's care in Klamath Falls.

Potatoes can provide a third or more of the day's vitamin C needs, if eaten in generous quantities.

Christmas Dance Slated At Merrill

MERRILL—Students of Tulelake, Malin and Henley high schools will be guests of the Merrill high school students at a Christmas dance, Saturday evening, December 15, in the high school gymnasium. Appointments will be in keeping with the holiday season and the Chicagoans will furnish the music. Members of the Girls' Athletic association are sponsoring the event.

Baby Born After Mother's Death

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 11 (AP)—A baby delivered by Caesarian section after the death of the mother was thriving in an incubator at St. Vincent's hospital today.

The four pound, two-ounce boy was delivered a few minutes after the mother died of a heart ailment last Friday. The husband authorized the operation.

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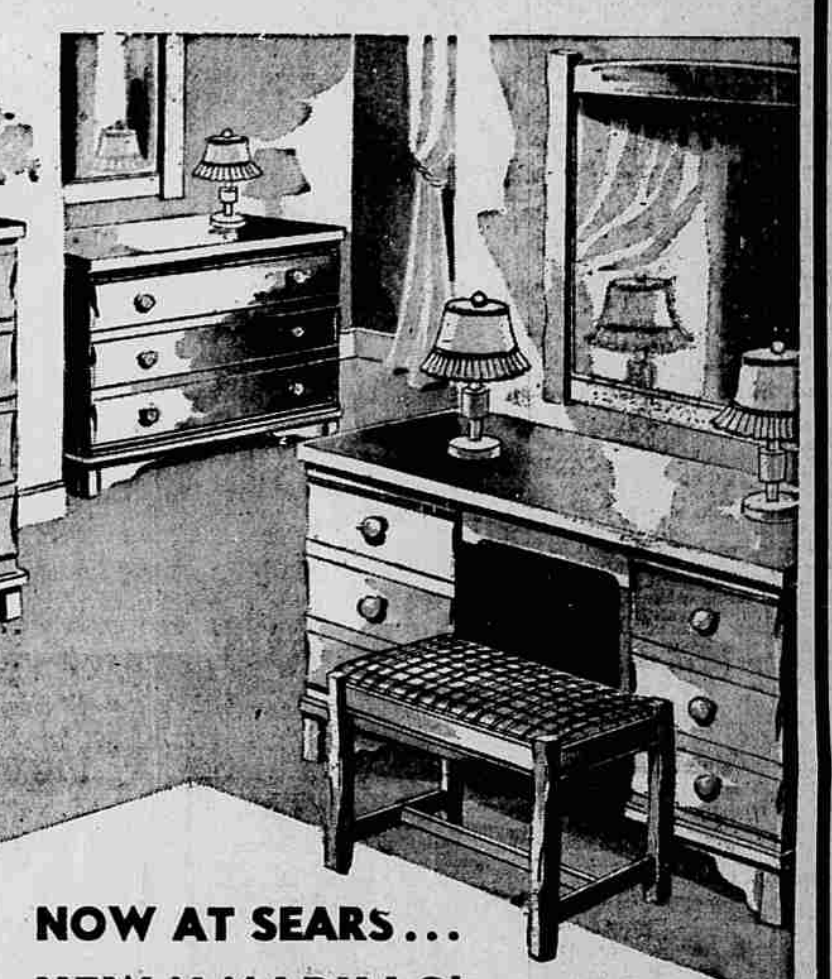
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