

Scientists Speculate On Rumor Of Weapon More Powerful Than Atom Bomb

AUCKLAND, N. Z., June 13 (AP)—New Zealanders speculated today on the nature of a new weapon—approaching the atom bomb in importance, but cheaper—which the New Zealand Herald described as a joint development of scientists from this country, Great Britain and the United States.

Prof. David James Leech, said to be a leader in coordination and development of research on the project, was made a commander of the Order of the British Empire in the Royal birthday honors announced this week in London.

The Herald said its source of information about the new weapon was most reliable, but could not be disclosed.

The report said that, although research failed to reach the stage for practical application during the war, the project was being pursued under the strictest secrecy by scientists in the three countries.

"Had the project been completed in time, it might have played a role as effective as the atom bomb in subjugating Japan," The Herald said.

There was no hint of the nature of the project. One authority said that on completion, it could be given practical application in a variety of ways. One of these applications, it was stated, would have some similarity to one of the applications of the atom bomb.

Scientists were reported thoroughly examining all possibilities. They were said to have exchanged ideas and information. So far as is known, no details of the project have been revealed to countries other than New Zealand, Britain and the United States.

The total amount allowed for welfare work in Klamath county during 1947-48, contributed by the federal government, state and county, will be \$284,000.

Beginning July 1, all public assistance programs, including old age assistance, aid to dependent children, aid to the blind and general assistance, will be reduced in food and personal needs allowances. That will be a continuing situation.

Clothing Out
All items for clothing in the grants are taken out for the summer months, July, August and September. At the end of that time, in October, all grants will be reviewed to see if summer earnings have been sufficient to cover clothing purchases for the year. If not, adjustments will be made accordingly.

These reductions are pursuant to Chapter 454, Oregon laws of 1947. The state welfare commission has established uniform welfare standards in all counties, within the limits of the funds available. The state commission has termed the reductions necessary.

Medical care will continue to be given under the present policy. The \$284,000 total budget for the coming fiscal year is broken down as follows:

Old age assistance, \$139,200.
Aid to dependent children, \$42,000.
Aid to blind, \$12,000.
General assistance, \$72,200.

The county's share, \$51,745, gives \$30,880 for old age assistance; \$8072 for aid to dependent children; \$202 for aid to blind; and \$21,660 to general assistance.

The budget figures are based on an estimated monthly case load for fiscal year of 290 old age grantees, 40 families with 100 dependent children, five blind persons and 100 general assistance cases.

Farley Tells Of FDR Split

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—James A. Farley disclosed today that his split with the late Franklin D. Roosevelt stemmed from his refusal to go along with the ill-fated 1938 attempt to "purge" congress members who opposed the supreme court reorganization plan.

The former postmaster general and democratic national chairman said the four-time president "never forgave me for putting party welfare above the personal allegiance he considered his due."

In the first of a series of articles in Collier's on "Why I Broke With Roosevelt," Farley said he supported the court plan "to the hilt" but for the sake of the party declined to participate in attempts to defeat its opponents in the primaries a year later.

Among the intended targets of the "purge," attributed by many to the late Harry L. Hopkins, were Senators George of Georgia and Tydings of Maryland. Both were renominated and reelected.

Farley wrote that there was "no sharp, clean fracture of friendship," but rather a "slow, imperceptible drifting apart of political principles."

Eugene Man Grand Master

PORTLAND, June 13 (AP)—The grand lodge of Oregon Masons elected Walter M. Ransom, Eugene, grand master, yesterday at the 97th annual session.

Other officers named: Worth Harvey, Eugene, junior grand warden; James Whitely Drabb, junior grand deacon; Carl Chambers, Pendleton, junior grand steward; Ursell E. Hiatt, Umatilla, grand sword bearer; John J. Kennedy, Eugene, grand pursuivant; N. K. Tulley, Eugene, grand chaplain; Frederick M. Hunter, grand orator.

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Klamath Flying News

Smaller Navigator
Jack Tilman left Monday evening for Portland where he will check his new model of the Tilman navigator with the patent attorneys. The newest model is just 14 inches square and one inch deep with a stainless steel back. This is 10 inches smaller than the original model.

Production of the navigator will probably start immediately upon the return of Tilman, according to Stanley Pede, one of the three partners, Tilman, Pade and Tittle. The instrument will be produced by Pade and Tittle Sheet Metal works, 231 Market.

Wedding Bells
Grove H. Bancroft, instructor for Oregon Aircraft service and veteran navy pilot, exchanged marriage vows May 31 with Leola Jean Mestretti of Walla Walla, Wash., in Walla Walla. Bancroft's parents live in Santa Ana, Calif. The bride and groom are at home at 5418 Shasta way.

Exams Over
John O'Connor passed his flight examination for a private license this week and Wally Moss soloed. Both men have been taking instruction with Oregon Aircraft service.

KUHS and Moss is a light referee. "Flipper-Turn Moss" and "Student Pilot Moss" are tags he answers to around the hangar.

Capt. Eduardo Muxo, army recruiting officer, who has been taking flight instruction with OAS, went aloft Saturday and Sunday in spite of dreaching showers.

Ray Royse left for McChord field Tuesday for his physical exam.

Short Stops
Gene Durant and Penny Payne returned from Chilquin Tuesday where they flew the Republic Seabee from the field, taking the Markward brothers and Don Ristell, a private pilot, up.

Payne flew the Seabee to John Day Wednesday, stopping in Burns to visit Roe Davis, Piper dealer there who has an airstrip.

Bud Stevenson of Macdoel, who has his own Taylorcraft, is about ready to get his private license.

Jim Lund, distributor from Vancouver, Wash., was here with a new super de luxe Ecoupee. He came here from Redmond and was en route home via Portland. He took off in pouring rain.

Louis Thurlow, owner and manager of the Thurlow manufacturers, flew his Ecoupee here Sunday on business.

George Dusette flew in from Los Angeles in a Piper cruiser Sunday and after landing took off for Eugene. Several private pilots were stranded by the storm over the week-end.

A Beechcraft Bonanza was flying around the airport, making short hops and landings Thursday, but the pilot didn't file flight plans. A Bellanca Cruiser also stopped at the local hangar to gas up.

Eight PFP's flew over Thursday from Los Alamitos, Calif., on a navy reserve training flight and made a stopover for the night before taking off for home Friday morning.

Air Search Meeting
The Klamath Air Search and Rescue unit held a meeting Tuesday night to formulate plans for the Jaycee boat regatta, June 22, the 4th of July parade and rodeo and for an airshow for local pilots, to be held sometime in mid-July.

Lakeland Flying service is offering a prize of \$100 for the winner of a water race between the Republic Seabee and the winner of the motor boat race at the June 22 regatta.

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Ted Case Heads Veterans Information Service Here

Klamath county has gone into the information and guidance business. Its personal representative in this new, and somewhat strange field for a county government, is Ted Case. Ted holds forth in an unpretentious office in the basement of the county courthouse. He is there to help the veterans and he is doing a bang-up job.

Somewhat reticent to talk about his job at first (he's only been at it since May 1 of this year), Ted finally admitted he was gratified at the volume of inquiries that have come his way so far.

"Most of the questions," explains Ted, "are concerned with such things as: how to go about claiming bonds on unused terminal leave, how to file dependency claims, or how to gain admittance to a veterans hospital for treatment."

That's most of them all right, but every once in a while a veteran will come up with something truly original—like the man who wanted to know how he could get replacements on his terminal leave bonds because they had been burned up in a fire. (Ted didn't go into detail on this, but if you have a fire in your house look him up.)

On the matter of pension claims, also a frequent inquiry, Ted can give you all kinds of help. He maintains close liaison with the Portland offices of G. O. Pike, department of Oregon service officer for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Art Miller, American Legion man serving in the same capacity. These men are experts on pension claims and Ted frequently refers veterans to their counsel.

"But the big deal here," says Ted, "is information. They want to know about housing, employment, GI loans, readjustments on army pay and a million other things. The right information is important. Usually I have to send them to someone or some agency which has more detailed information, but one way or another, their questions are given the utmost consideration."

So, there's your cue, veterans. If you have a problem, dump it in Ted Case's lap—it's his job, and he likes it!

APPOINTED
SALEM, June 13 (AP)—State public welfare commissioners H. H. Lake and Bard G. Skulason, both of Portland, were reappointed by Governor Earl Snell today for four-year terms.

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