

U.S. Ready To Blast Aggressor

WASHINGTON, (AP) — Congress' top authorities on atomic energy report the United States is in position to smite any aggressor with a "terrible atomic counterblow."

And the retaliation would "unquestionably . . . be swift and sure," the senate-house atomic energy committee said in its annual report to congress.

The committee said the program for developing a hydrogen bomb—a weapon scientists say would be many times more terrible than the atomic bomb—has "gone forward."

The committee's report is carefully edited for military security. Thus, details were lacking on hydrogen bomb and other atomic developments.

PROGRESS

But the report states that in the past two years, the greatest development has been in the field of "weapons development." That means progress in using atomic power in weapons other than the A-B, such as artillery, guided missiles and torpedoes.

A committee member seized upon this to predict that "atomic weapons offer us real promise of winning war quickly." He was Rep. Durham (D-NC) vice chairman of the committee.

Other points in the annual report:

- "Firm strides" are being made toward use of atomic energy for an experimental submarine, and, eventually, aircraft and industrial power plants.
- American scientists have perfected means to check on atomic developments outside America. This has twice allowed Pres. Truman to disclose atomic explosions in Russia.
- The committee recommended "greater boldness and more scientific and technical daring" in atomic energy development.

MAXIMUM USE

The committee has asked the atomic energy commission and the defense department to report by January 3 on how the U.S. could make maximum use of atomic energy and weapons for defense.

In a statement accompanying the report, Durham declared that an atomic counter offensive could do in a few weeks what years of orthodox warfare did in Germany. "It becomes realistic," he said, "to hope that . . . we could win victory in 10 percent of the time otherwise necessary."

Psychologist Eyes Pooch

By BEM PRICE

ATHENS, Ga., (AP)—It took 10 years but a psychologist finally has concluded that in many ways dogs lead peoples' lives.

They hound each other unmercifully out of sheer frustration. Some have a perpetual bone to pick, while others have barks much worse than their bites.

In the world encompassed by the Laboratory of Dr. W. T. James of the University of Georgia there are top dogs, middle class dogs and underdogs.

And, alas, reports James, in the dog's life the only chance the neck have to inherit is for the top dogs to knock themselves off.

TOP DOGS

In the constant fang warfare for material rewards, he added, the timid go hungry while the top dogs grow fat.

The social world of dogs has no room for comradeship. In the battle for survival it is strictly dog eat dog. No really top dog ever takes up for the underdog.

James has been conducting his experiments by placing the dogs of various temperaments in a run at the end of which is a food box from which only one dog can eat at a time.

The timid dog will go cower in a corner, while the aggressive type moves straight ahead.

Two of the domineering type promptly start fighting until the superiority of one is established.

If there is a top, middle and underdog in the run at the same time, the top dog proceeds to eat his fill while occasionally the middle class dog out of frustration and rage over his secondary position will take out his spite on the underdog.

SUCCESSION

If the top dog is removed from the run the middle class dog moves up to take his place.

James said that size has nothing to do with determining a top dog. Sometimes a little dog with a superior bark or growl will intimidate a much bigger dog thoroughly.

The same behavior pattern shown by dogs, James concluded, is to be found in mice, chickens and, in fact, throughout the animal kingdom. It also has been found in children.

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