

Reported Toward Industrial Use of A-Power

FRANK GANN, reporter... The Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) Wednesday announced new activities for the atomic power program... The commission's proving ground in Nevada.

The AEC said it was prompted to give this assurance because of "public concern in some communities" regarding possible radioactive hazards to man, beast and plant from periodic blasts aimed at developing "new and improved atomic weapons."

The commission granted that radioactive particles from the blasts in the desert area northwest of Las Vegas could be spread by air currents across the entire nation and could fall, like dust, "virtually anywhere within the United States." In fact, they've already been detected in most parts of the country, the commission revealed.

But the AEC said the radioactivity situation is well in hand, and a nationwide monitoring system will be maintained to see that it remains so.

In the latest account of its stewardship of the entire atomic program—in which Congress so far has invested or appropriated approximately 7 1/2 billion dollars—the AEC said:

1. Production of fissionable materials for A-bombs and for the operation of various atomic research furnaces "continued to increase in 1952," and production of atomic weapons "continued at the rate authorized by the President for calendar year 1952." As it has in the past, the AEC appeared to imply by the last part of that statement that it could have made more bombs if really pushed.

2. Four different industrial groups have told the commission they see attractive possibilities for tapping industrial power from the atom on an economic basis "in a few years."

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PRESENTS CREDENTIALS — Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. (left), newly appointed chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations, presents his credentials to UN Secretary General Trygve Lie at United Nations headquarters in New York. The former Massachusetts senator, now ranked as ambassador, succeeds Warren Austin, who retired.

Huge Lumber Mill Holdings Given to Adventist Church

PENDLETON (AP) — The owner of the huge Harris Pine Mills, Inc., Wednesday announced he had given his multi-million-dollar business to the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

A church official was named assistant general manager and will take charge as soon as he has learned the business.

The gift—the biggest ever received by the denomination—includes the pine mills, the timber stands, and furniture assembly plants at Chicago Heights, Ill., Alexandria, Va., and Cleburne, Tex. Value of the gift from Clyde H. Harris was not given but is believed to be about 10 million dollars.

The company owns about 50,000 acres of timber and has contracted for timber on 100,000 acres of government land.

Harris, speaking of overcoming early business obstacles, said "we did right by the Lord and He did right by us."

Models Aid Seaway Project

TORONTO (AP)—Experiments with scale models starting at the University of Toronto will play an important part in the construction of the St. Lawrence seaway.

The experiments are under supervision of Prof. G. Rose Lord of the mechanical engineering department. In the big laboratory of the university's modernistic Engineering Building, miniature scale models of the E. Lawrence River and the proposed seaway will be built of wood, plastic and tin.

The models actually are from 10 to 80 feet in length. By building them true to the originals, engineers can determine how their theories and plans will work in actuality. Stress and strain, water currents and pressures can be tested accurately before the actual job is started.

Prof. Lord, a professional engineer, says scale models are not new. The first miniatures of modern types were made in Europe around 1900, but were not introduced to Canada until the 1920s. Large-scale experiments have been carried out at the University of Toronto.

Hunch Saves Infant Girl

KLAMATH AGENCY — A mother's intuition saved the life of her two-month-old daughter here late yesterday.

The infant, Allison, was asleep in a bedroom. It was half an hour before her feeding time but her mother, wife of the Agency physician, Dr. F. D. Wilder, became apprehensive that all was not well and entered the room to find a wet towel from the bathroom had been placed over the baby's head and body. She was unconscious when found but was revived with oxygen.

Investigation disclosed that a young brother, apparently wanting to help care for his sister had covered her.

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NRECA Seeks Cheap Power

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The need for securing low-cost power through federal developments is an important objective of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. Democratic congressman Grace P. Poff told NRECA's convention Tuesday.

Mrs. Poff said the proposed high dam at Hells Canyon on Snake River between Oregon and Idaho could work the same wonders of productivity as the Hoover and Grand Coulee dams.

"Hells Canyon Dam could transform the great, underdeveloped and sparsely settled region in the Northwest into one of the nation's major centers of production," she said.

Mrs. Poff asserted Hells Canyon "would be neither a local issue nor a besuocratic evil. Hells Canyon is one of the last great dam sites in America and they are the rarest and most precious of all natural resources."

She pictured the Snake River, the main tributary of the Columbia, as a potential source of great benefits. If it were controlled, she said, barren land could be irrigated, huge industries could be built, transportation could be improved, and wonderful recreation facilities could be provided.

She labeled the lack of such a power development "colossal waste," saying over two million dollars worth of industrial production is being lost daily.

Public is invited to the court... Mrs. Poff said.

MEETS... Study Group... Mrs. Eugene Kellogg.

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Casualties Top 129 Thousand

WASHINGTON (AP)—Announced U. S. battle casualties in Korea reached 129,153 Wednesday, an increase of 182 since last week.

The Defense Department's weekly summary based on notifications to families through last Friday showed 30 killed in action, 141 wounded and 11 missing since the previous report.

This makes a total of 20,292 killed, 95,737 wounded and 13,024 missing.

Check Forger Returned Here

Lee Clark was to be returned here today from Eugene to face a charge of check forgery. He was arrested there by Lane County sheriff's officers on the Klamath County complaint.

Clark, according to Klamath Sheriff Murray Britton, is charged with cashing a bogus \$15 check at the store of J. V. Acuff in Crescent Lake in November.

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