



THE NUMEROUS CAUSES and effects of juvenile delinquency were discussed by this panel group Tuesday afternoon when meeting before a PTA group at Riverside School. Members of the panel from left to right are Jim Harpole, scout executive; Garry Robertson, assistant superintendent of Klamath Falls schools; Mrs. Josephine Kittredge; James Overdorff, moderator; Odell Olson, local police sergeant; the Rev. Robert Greene of the Episcopal Church; Francis Mathews, Klamath County juvenile officer; and Dave Card, local attorney formerly associated with the district attorney's office. — Photo by Kettler

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
An atomic bomb, lacking only the FUSE that would have made it a world-shaking horror, drops from a B47 jet bomber into a farmyard in South Carolina. Because the fuse was lacking, only the triggering device (loaded with TNT) exploded. Even at that, the explosion wrecked a farmhouse and injured its six occupants—fortunately not too seriously.

The Air Force rushed a decontamination team to the spot but eased fears later by announcing there was no radioactivity and that the bomb was harmless from a nuclear standpoint.

The technical explanation is that there was NO RADIOACTIVITY because there had been NO FISSION of the uranium in the device.

There are World-wide repercussions. The British papers give the explosion big headlines and fresh demands are being made by left wing elements in Britain for banning U.S. missile bases there.

How did the bomb come to fall from the bomber?

The explanation suggested this morning is that a simple locking device in the bomb bay failed to work.

Shocking?
It certainly is.
The mysterious horrors of nuclear weapons make it all the more shocking.

But let's keep our sense of balance. We are surrounded constantly by dangers. For example:

Three Connecticut children were burned to death last night in a fire that destroyed their home while their parents were working the night shift at a nearby factory. Three other children escaped with their lives, but one of them is in a critical condition after trying to save his brother and sisters from the flames.

The origin of the fire is not known.

In Fresno, some time during the past week-end, seven persons—four adults, two teen-aged girls and a baby—were asphyxiated. They apparently died of gas fumes from a defective heater.

Human beings have always been surrounded by dangers.

In the days of our pioneer ancestors who built their cabins in the forests of the frontier—or on the wide prairies—there were lurking enemies who might strike at any moment. History tells us they did strike with startling frequency.

Back in the dim beginning of the human race, there were the sabre-tooth tigers that roamed at night ready to pounce on anyone who strayed from the protection of the sheltering caves.

Human beings have NEVER been free from danger. It is probable, everything considered, that modern dangers are no greater than the dangers of the past.

So let's keep our nerves steady and go on with our daily business of making a living.

Polio Clinic Schedule

All adults who care to take the Salk polio vaccine shots under the Klamath County PTA sponsored program at \$1 per shot may do so at the following clinics this week:

Wednesday, March 12, Keno School, 7 p.m. for Keno, Worden and Fairhaven districts.

Thursday, March 13, OTI student lounge, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 14, Pelican School 7 p.m., for Pelican and Conger districts.

Saturday, March 15, Altamont Junior High School 2:30 to 3:30 and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. for Altamont and Peterson districts.

Juvenile Problems Aired At PTA Sponsored Meeting

Numerous phases of the local and national juvenile delinquency problems were aired Tuesday during a panel discussion sponsored by the Riverside PTA.

Garry Robertson, assistant school superintendent, cited a revealing figure when telling the group that as far as the schools are concerned there is just about one per cent of the students who constitute the bulk of trouble encountered at the schools.

"However," he said, "you hear so much about the trouble caused by the scant minority that it often appears that the trouble is more widespread than it actually is."

The group pointed out that on a nationwide basis the juvenile delinquency factor has increased by about 70 per cent during the past 10 years.

Members of the panel generally agreed that one of the principal causes of delinquency is lack of respect, and that the teaching of respect must begin in the home.

Attorney Dave Card pointed out that children respect authority and that such authority must be administered if the youth of the country is to be properly controlled.

James Harpole, scout official, pointed out that the youth of today is faced with a great deal of leisure time and that the scouting programs are largely designed to occupy that leisure with beneficial teachings and programs.

Another aspect of the problem was brought to light when Odell Olson, a sergeant with the local police force, said he is convinced that the widespread automobile use by teenagers is a major contributor to juvenile delinquency.

Olson said his experience as an officer indicates that extensive automobile usage presents more vandalism opportunity for the potential delinquent and facilitates the accomplishment of his deeds.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower asked Congress Wednesday for \$85,603,000 in additional appropriations for reclamation and watershed and flood protection. The stepped-up spending is part of the anti-recession campaign.

Of the total, \$70,823,000 is for the Bureau of Reclamation. It includes funds to start construction of the Flaming Gorge Dam in Utah and Navajo Dam in New Mexico, both major units of the Upper Colorado River storage project.

It also would provide increases for the Columbia Basin project in Washington state, the Central Valley project in California, the Colorado project in Colorado, and the Grand Canyon unit of the upper Colorado River development.

The agriculture department would get \$14,780,000. Funds for watershed protection would be boosted from 14 to 24 million dollars and for flood prevention from \$13,220,000 to 18 millions.

Forty new watershed projects, already authorized by Congress, would be started, in addition to increased spending for 60 under way.

The new appropriations requested will be added to the budget for the fiscal year beginning next July 1. Eisenhower already had announced that they were coming, in a letter last Saturday to Republican congressional leaders.

Mack Claims No Pressure Used In Miami Video Case

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former FCC Commissioner Richard A. Mack said Wednesday nobody put any pressure on him in a contested Miami television channel case — "they bothered me."

Mack, telling reporters he felt "not too good," returned for questioning before a House subcommittee investigating alleged pressures and influences on the Federal Communications Commission.

Mack broke off his previous testimony before the committee almost two weeks ago and resigned from the FCC 10 days ago.

Mack testified several people contacted him concerning the contest over TV Channel 10 in Miami.

"Nobody put any pressure on me," he said. "They talked to me, and I don't react to pressure."

Then Mack said, "Let me put it this way—they bothered me."

Asked what he meant by "bothered," Mack said he had lived in Florida all his life, he had known some of the people involved in the Channel 10 case for years and they contacted him.

When he used the term, "bothered," Mack said — "It's pretty hard to slam the door on a friend," he told the questioner, Rep. Harris (D-Ark), committee chairman, he thought Harris had had the same experience in legislation.

Harris said, "If I were you I think I'd go a little stronger."

And Rep. Mack (D-Ill.) said

A-Bomb Drops Accidentally On US Community; No Blast

Eisenhower Delays Action On Tax Cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of the Treasury Anderson said Wednesday the administration will make no decision on any anti-recession tax cut until "the future course of the economy has been clarified."

Anderson read newsmen a prepared statement dealing with the business slump after he and other government economic advisers concluded a conference with President Eisenhower.

Anderson said his statement had been approved by Eisenhower.

"No decision regarding taxes has been made," Anderson said. "Whatever decision regarding taxes is taken will be reached only when the impact of current developments of the future course of the economy has been clarified and after consultation with congressional leaders."

Replying to a question, Anderson said he would expect to confer with the leaders of both major parties.

Meanwhile, the Defense Department informed Congress it is stepping up construction spending to a rate of approximately two billion dollars for the next five months as a boost for the economy.

Undersecretary of Defense Donald A. Quarles said this was "admittedly a very much higher rate" than planned "and will tax the capabilities of the responsible agencies."

Quarles testified before the House Armed Services Committee on a Democratic-sponsored resolution calling for a speedup in defense spending as a check on the business slump.

The committee quickly approved the resolution by a 24-2 vote.

Anderson declined to speculate as to when the administration may reach a decision regarding taxes.

Republican congressional leaders said Tuesday Eisenhower had decided to wait at least a month before making any determination.

In his statement, Anderson said all aspects of the economic system are under "constant study and review."

Eisenhower met with his economic advisers amid signs the administration is hesitating between tax cuts and spending as a means of bolstering the economy.

With Democrats driving ahead in efforts to pump more federal money into job-giving projects, Eisenhower was reported preparing to send to Congress another in a series of recommendations to carry out the stepup he outlined last week in spending on public works projects now under way.

It calls for an additional 96 million dollars of federal spending now on reclamation and flood control projects. Administration proposals for expanding the highway building program were given to a Senate committee yesterday.

But there was no indication Eisenhower had arrived at any final decision on whether to recommend an even greater increase in such spending — if the economy does not respond to current prodging — or whether to turn to the tax reductions favored by Vice President Nixon and others.

That could hinge on the amount of added spending considered necessary.

Secretary of Commerce Weeks said in Buffalo, N.Y., that "the next 60 days will be the acid test" of whether production and employment will rise under the impetus of programs already started by the administration. But he said "additional steps will be taken whenever necessary."

In Chicago, Secretary of Labor Mitchell predicted the February unemployment total of 5,173,000 "will be the peak," and that an "upturn in employment in late May" can be expected.

Whatever steps are taken, congressional Republicans and Democrats have arrived at an unspoken agreement that, in the interest of creating jobs, budget balancing is out of the window. What one GOP leader described privately as a "tremendous" deficit seemed in prospect.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Treasury Department says it is down to its last Alaskan dog sled mail route, a rugged operation which was once common in the northern territory.

In an area where air and other transportation has largely taken over mail delivery, the surviving sled route is being operated on remote St. Lawrence Island, in the Bering Sea.

Postmaster General Summerfield says the operation "still symbolizes the (mailman's) spirit of dedication to duty in the face of adverse conditions."

Chester Noonwolk, 22, of Savoonga, an Eskimo village on the island, handles the service as a contract carrier between his home village and Gambell, 50 miles northwest. He makes the 100-mile round trip about twice a week, and has been at it since 1956.

Between June and October, Noonwolk handles his route by skin boat directly over the open sea, but in the frozen months he relies on his 10 huskies. His pay is \$40 a round trip.

The Savoonga-Gambell sled trip usually takes a day, unless Noonwolk runs into one of the frequent howling storms or has trouble on a "soft" trail. The return trip takes twice as long, because the mail load in that direction is always heavier.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Establishment of a new national wildlife refuge in the Klamath Marsh of Southern Oregon was approved Tuesday by the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission.

The project comprises 24,417 acres, of which 72 per cent is Indian tribal and trust land. When the Klamath Indian Reservation is liquidated, the Fish and Wildlife Service will acquire the marsh to save valuable waterfowl lands.

The refuge will permit establishment of public shooting grounds in certain districts which might otherwise be taken over by duck hunting clubs.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Considerable cloudiness through Thursday with a few showers of rain or snow. Low Wednesday night 24-29; high Thursday 38-43.

High yesterday	36
Low last night	23
Precip. last 24 hours	0
Since Oct. 1	13.25
Same period last year	10.35
Normal for period	8.84

Navy Cancels Satellite Try

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The Navy canceled another attempt to fire its Vanguard satellite rocket shortly before noon Wednesday after hours of trying.

The effort twice came within three or four minutes of launching, only to be frustrated by technical difficulties.

In Washington, a Defense Department announcement on the cancellation said:

"Technical difficulties slowed the test to the point where the allowable time liquid oxygen could safely remain in the Vanguard test vehicle was exceeded, necessitating a postponement."

"The test will be re-scheduled in the near future."

Wind conditions apparently were favorable and the visibility was excellent. Wind and visibility had contributed to similar failures of Vanguard launching attempts last Friday and Saturday.

Reporters and photographers had been observing the launching activity from a rooftop a mile and a half away since shortly after daylight.

At 11 a.m. EST the gantry crane or working stand was moved away from the missile for the second time and a warning horn blasted a signal to clear the launching area.

Meyers awarded the contract, subject to final approval at Hamilton Air Force Base, to the Hamilton Construction Company, Klamath Falls. The bid was \$21,077.50, more than \$3,000 below the maximum allowance for the work to be done.

Other bidders were Phoenix-Matthews of Portland, \$30,000 and Thompson and Georgeson, also of Portland, \$29,000.

The work includes construction of a 25,000-gallon underground steel tank for storage of 115-145 octane gasoline and work connected with its installation.

SEATTLE (AP) — The State Grange urged Washington's seven congressmen Tuesday to support legislation freezing federal farm price supports at present levels.

Agriculture Secretary Benson has announced he will reduce dairy price supports to 75 per cent of parity April 1 and wheat supports by 22 cents a bushel.

A. Lars Nelson, State Grange master, said such action would reduce farm income even further at a time when the administration is taking emergency action to combat the recession.

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Mishap Hurts Six, Damages Dwellings

FLORENCE, S.C. (AP) — Air Force investigators probed into a deep crater Wednesday for fragments of an atomic bomb dropped accidentally near here. There was no nuclear explosion.

The bomb struck in a sparsely settled area five miles east of Florence.

The explosion, 100 yards behind the home of Walter Gregg, railroad worker, wrecked the residence and injured six persons, none seriously. At least six other houses and a church were damaged.

Fears of possible radio-active contamination of the area were quickly dispelled by experts.

The TNT triggering device of the bomb which fell from a B57 Tuesday burst into the earth and opened a gulch 50 feet wide and 20 feet deep.

Air Force spokesmen said the trigger had not been connected directly to the atomic explosive charge. A nuclear explosion could have laid waste this city of 30,000.

The Air Force recovered hundreds of tony bomb fragments in an all-night search of the mile-square blast area. A spokesman said souvenir hunters carried off several larger pieces of the highly secret bomb and an appeal was made for their return.

A board of inquiry began quizzing crew members of the B47 at Hunter Air Force Base, Savannah, Ga., to find out why the 10-ton range bomber dropped the device. A Strategic Air Command spokesman said only it resulted from "malfunction of the plane's bomb lock system."

The Savannah Evening Press received a report that an airport manager at Timmonsville, S.C., overheard the plane's pilot say: "Oh, my God, I've just had to drop a bomb."

The Hunter base commander, Maj. Gen. Charles B. Dougher, at a news conference, apologized to the people of this community for what he termed the unfortunate accident.

In Washington, Rep. Kilday (D-Tex.), a member of the House Armed Services Committee, asserted "I certainly didn't realize that the TNT detonator and the atomic charge were both actually in place in bombs being carried in this country."

He added, "There is a lot more I would like to know about this. . . . It is well known that TNT is tricky stuff, affected by temperature and climate."

A senior Pentagon nuclear official said last year that the odds are better than two billion to one against a nuclear explosion of an unarmed atomic bomb.

Gregg, his wife, three children and a niece were treated at a hospital for minor injuries. The niece, 9-year-old Ella Davies was held at the hospital for further treatment of scalp wounds.

The child was thoroughly scrubbed by hospital attaches as a precaution against possible radiation.

The Air Force said, however, there was little or no danger of radiation. It said the remote danger of contamination could arise only from scattered nuclear materials.

Nevertheless, an area of approximately two square miles was roped off by air police. A team of Air Force experts flew here from Hunter Air Force Base at Savannah, Ga., where the B47 was based, and set out to find the bomb fragments.

Several pieces of the highly secret device were carried off by curiosity seekers. The Air Force appealed for their return.

Gregg was in the garage in his back yard when the device exploded. Mrs. Gregg was in the house sewing.

"I was sitting there sewing and the next thing I knew I was crawling out from under boards and plaster," Mrs. Gregg said.

Gregg, stunned momentarily, said: "I looked around and my whole living house was gone. It was falling to pieces. The garage started to fall apart too. I got out of there."

An unarmed atomic bomb, such as the one dropped here, is one in which the complicated mechanisms required to set off a nuclear chain reaction have not been connected and therefore cannot produce a nuclear explosion.

The Air Force said, however, that the bomb which fell here contained all of the elements that would be used in an actual military attack except the complete triggering device.

Actress Tells Divorce Plans

CINCINNATI (AP) — Actress Marie McDonald said Wednesday she has changed her mind and will file suit for a divorce from her husband, Harry Karl, West Coast businessman.

She wants the divorce, she told a reporter, she "can testify against him" in support of her charges that he engineered her abduction more than a year ago.

The blonde beauty was sued for \$1,100,000 Tuesday by Sid Hudson, an associate of her husband, on a charge of slander.

Hudson alleged that Miss McDonald had "refused to grant permission to Karl to divorce her but on the contrary, for spite, vengeance and sheer wanton disregard for truth and human feelings, falsely and maliciously accused Karl and Hudson of conspiring to commit the alleged kidnapping."

He said any money he might get through the suit would be given to charity. Hudson's name was not mentioned by the actress in her statement at a news conference here last week.

Miss McDonald, who is appearing at a Northern Kentucky night club near Cincinnati, said California law might keep her from testifying against Karl if he was still her husband at the time of court action.

Only last week, she told Karl she would not give him the divorce he wanted. She told newsmen she still was in love with Karl and that his infatuation with another woman was just a passing thing.

Potato Prices Take Big Jump

PORTLAND (AP) — Potato prices to growers rose sharply Tuesday in Central Oregon, the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture said.

Number 1 Russets brought \$3.50-\$3.60 for 100 pounds bulk, after shipping and inspection fees. That represented a jump of \$2.25 over prices received in a comparable period of 1957.