

BOMB

L.T. - Olds. Fri. Sept. 1st. '61.

The Soviet Union ^{last no} ~~didn't lose any~~ time following
on the announcement
up / Khrushchev's ~~decision~~ to renew nuclear testing.

Yesterday - the Kremlin announcement. Today - the first
explosion. Place - Central Asia, near the city of Semi-
Palatinsk. Type of bomb - our government calls it
"intermediate." Meaning - a bomb larger than most nuclear
weapons. But - not a super-bomb.

One thing Khrushchev did today - was to give our
detection system a test. Tonight he knows ^{that} it's ~~remarkably~~
accurate. We had the facts about place, time and type of
bomb - shortly after the atomic blast went off, out there in
~~Soviet~~ Central Asia.

CONGRESS FOLLOW BOMB

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There was an immediate reaction to the White House announcement - on Capitol Hill. Members of Congress, warning that we must be prepared for - more Soviet atomic explosions to come. Also - much bigger bombs. Because the Russians *presumably* ~~obviously~~ have set up - a series of tests. The one today - only the beginning.

DEAN

The American Ambassador to the Geneva Conference today used the word - "overkill". An ominous word - in this age of possible nuclear warfare. "Overkill" - meaning that it isn't enough to destroy military targets. The strategy is to commit as much murder and mayhem as possible - among the civilian population. A strategy of frightfulness ^{such} as the world has never known. ~~It before~~

~~Arthur~~ Dean, ~~is~~ of course - referring to Khrushchev and those Soviet super-bombs. Dean, pointing out that a one hundred megaton bomb - has no military value, in the ordinary sense. It can't pulverize a military target any more thoroughly - than the atomic bombs ~~already~~ in existence. Hence, Khrushchev can have - only one motive. ~~The Soviet~~ ~~dictator wants~~ to terrorize humanity - with threats of what our Geneva ambassador calls "overkill."
~~"overkill"~~

BELGRADE

The opening of the Neutralist Conference in Belgrade - ran the gamut of opinion from East to West. Nasser of Egypt, denouncing Russia - for exploding more atomic bombs. Tito of Jugoslavia, taking a non-committal line about the danger of war - without pointing a finger at anyone, Indonesia's Sukarno, coming out against the West - on the Berlin issue.

Sounds like some sort of balancing act in Belgrade, but no one doubts that this neutralist conference has been badly disturbed - by Khrushchev's new belligerence.

BERLIN

The document made public by ~~the~~ the State Department today - proves that Russia once acknowledged the rights of the West along the air corridor to West Berlin. It's an agreement signed by both sides - in Nineteen Forty-Seven. As you might expect, the Soviets were being - intransigent. That is - with planes not belonging to the western allies. Stalin, demanding that all flights be restricted - to the aircraft of Britain, France and the United States. The Dictator, admitting that those three had unlimited access to West Berlin, by air. Including - both civilian and military planes.

BRAZIL

Tonight the Brazilian Navy is blockading the coast of Rio Grande do Sul. An aircraft carrier, leading the drive to seal off the big southern province - that seems to be holding out for Vice President Goulart. Today, ~~pink~~ planes flew over Rio Grande Do Sul - dropping anti-Goulart leaflets. Charging that if the Vice President becomes President - he will make Brazil subservient to Communism. The leaflets, asking the people not to support an insurrection - against the authorities in Brasilia.

Meanwhile, in Brasilia, the politicians are still trying to come up with - a formula to end the crisis. ^{The} Most popular suggestion at the moment - Goulart, to be allowed to take office under the Constitution. ~~That is~~ as a figurehead, ^{with the} Real power, ^{in the hands of} ~~to be handed to~~ a Prime Minister.

~~But~~ will Goulart consent - to this? The answer ^{to} ~~that~~ ^{that} may decide the issue of - peace ~~or~~ or war in Brazil.

Beginning with what happened ⁵ ~~ed~~ in - Rio Grande Do Sul.

AID

The money bill passed by the House Appropriations Committee today - is not identical with the authorization okayed yesterday. The sum authorized - over four billion dollars. The money voted - almost nine hundred million less.

But this discrepancy - may not last for long. The cuts introduced by the committee - could be restored when the full house takes up the measure for debate. And then the Senate gets a crack - at the money bill.

PLANE

Tonight there's an ironic connection between Chicago and Capitol Hill. Between ^{this morning's} ~~that~~ catastrophic plane crash - and a vote in Congress.

The vote, approving a bill for - airport construction. Amount - three-hundred-and-seventy-five million dollars, to be spent over the next five years. Main objective - to make flying safer. Modernize our airports, and increase their facilities - for checking planes before they leave the ground.

~~Yes,~~ It was ironic that this should be the subject for congressional debate - as the big Trans-World Airline plane was plunging into an Illinois cornfield. Cause of the disaster - not yet known. ~~The F B I investigation - called "routine"~~ ^{so far is} All we know that the "Constellation" caught fire - in the air. The pilot, attempting to circle back - to the airport.

He couldn't make it. The airliner plummeted ^{ing} ~~down~~ into the field - ~~and~~ ^{ing} skidded for a hundred yards. Then it

exploded^{ing} with a roar so violent - it sounded to some like
an atomic bomb. The toll - seventy-eight dead.

HOLIDAY

This Labor Day weekend there will be some seventy four million cars on the road, traveling more than seven billion miles.

And then the statistic that we don't like to hear, the National Safety Council, predicts that four-hundred-and-twenty will die on our highways - before the holiday is over. Let's all drive carefully, fool the statisticians and save all those lives.

PARTICLE

How's this for a number? One-ten-thousand-billion-billionth - of a second. Otherwise, expressed - in the following mathematics. First - the period denoting a fraction. Then - twenty-two zeros. Finally - the number ten. A segment of time so small, it's unimaginable.

But it's real - according to scientists at the University of California Lawrence Radiation Laboratory at Berkeley. They say it stands for - the life span of a newly discovered sub-atomic particle. The Omega Meson - which doesn't stay around very long. Just long enough to make it - a basic building block of the universe. Dick, the Omega Meson survives for one-ten-thousand billion-billionth of a second.

BUSINESS

"When you are talking to a woman - she talking to you - do you listen to the tone of her voice, not to what she's saying?" We are advised to do so - by someone referred to as an anonymous business executive. Masculine - needless to say. He offered his opinion to the Research Institute of America - when it was conducting a poll on the psychology of office workers.

What else do bosses say - about their feminine employees? One thinks, they are too sensitive; too ready to burst into tears. Another, that they are too rebellious - to prone to founce off in a huff when annoyed.

As for the ladies, and their opinions - of their bosses, says one - "I can't stand the type who holds your arm when he talks to you." Another complains that her boss lets the word pile up all day - and tosses it on her desk twenty minutes before it's time to go home.

If you want a brief summary of how girls feel about office jobs - the following is good as any. In the words of one Gal Friday:- "Working with men isn't hard because all you have to do is avoid thinking out loud, flatter them, listen to their woes, and get out the work."

... by proposing that he join Britain and the United States - in banning nuclear explosions in the atmosphere. Put an end to the danger of contaminating the atmosphere with fallout. London and Washington, not even asking for Soviet guarantees. Simply declaring that western scientists can police such a ban without entering the Soviet Union.

No one believes that Khrushchev will agree to this. But the point is, that by refusing he is sure to further alienate public opinion nearly everywhere around the globe. All this is emphasized by today's announcement from our Atomic Energy Commission -- that Russian scientists have just touched off another atomic test.