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The United States is pressing a major program - to transform the hydrogen bomb into a blessing for mankind.

The H-bomb, now a devilish menace - to serve as the mightiest form of "atoms for peace."

Today, Chairman Lewis Strauss, of the Atomic Energy Commission, ~~disclosed~~ disclosed a little - about the super-secret project, On which - top flight American scientists are working. ^{He says} ~~believing~~ that full success might come in twenty years. The basic problem being, of course - to find a way to control the ¹righful power of the hydrogen explosion. How to harness it - and use it.

The scientists have a vision of something simply fantastic. The ocean - as a source of atomic power. The great seas of this earth - to provide enough energy to fill all possible human requirements for untold ages.

They are working with - deuterium^{m.} Which is a heavy form of hydrogen. Found in ordinary water. A tiny fraction - one part of deuterium to sixty-four-hundred parts of water.

This goes for the water in the ocean, and the atomic energy

chairman
~~champion~~ says: "There is enough deuterium in the sea to supply one thousand times the power needs of the world for the next one million years."

Which certainly would mean a lot of "atoms for peace."

DIPLOMATIC NOTE

The western powers have sent Moscow a diplomatic note - stating terms in any negotiation of the German question. There are three points, we hear.

The western powers will not recognize that East German puppet regime - under any circumstances. They will not regard the question of German frontiers as being settled - until an All-German peace treaty has been signed. And they want assurances that the Soviets will guarantee free communication between Berlin and West Germany.

This, of course, is in preparation for the meeting of the Foreign Ministers in Geneva later this month.

~~(From West Germany we hear - that, at Geneva, the Soviets will be offered a fifteen point security pact. In return - for free elections to unify all Germany.)~~

~~The security pact would provide a demilitarized zone, between East and west. A zone - that would include nearly all of East Germany - and a strip of West Germany.~~

DENMARK

Denmark is on the verge of a spectacular spy trial. So says a dispatch from Copenhagen - following the arrest of an employee of the Danish Ministry of Defense, who was photographed - in the act of passing secret information to a Soviet agent.

Denmark is a strategic link in the defense arrangements of the North Atlantic Treaty Alliance. The spy - a clerk who had access to secret Nato information. He fell under suspicion, and was put under surveillance. Which culminated when he was photographed - in the act of handing over secret material.

CZECH ARMAMENT

The Communist regime in Czechoslovakia confirms the agreement - to sell armament to Egypt. Which had been announced - in Cairo. The Red government says the Egyptians will get weapons - in return for cotton and rice.

SWEDEN

Sweden reports on the end of - modified prohibition.

For fourteen years the Swedes have had a sort of dry era - with a strict rationing of alcohol^{ic} beverages. Which ended on Saturday, and the fear was- that the Swedes would go on one unrestricted binge. So what has happened?

The big rush on the ~~beer~~ beverage stores was - for beer. Not hard liquor - like the traditional aqua vite.

Drunkenness on Saturday and Sunday - less than the previous weekend. The people - drinking beer, instead of hard liquor which had been their favorite under modified prohibition.

PARIS

In Paris, Premier Edgar Faure and Foreign Minister Pinay have postponed their friendship visit to Moscow. The Soviet Ambassador was called in and informed - that the atmosphere, now, is not favorable.

So why the chilly cancellation? ~~REASONS~~ Because, in the United Nations, the Russians voted for a U N debate on the question of Algeria. The French are bitter about any notion of the world organization interfering. Since they consider Algeria to be simply - a part of France.

Paris ~~NO~~ has withdrawn its delegation from the U N in protest. Though keeping - the ~~FRENCH~~ French seat on the Security Council.

So now a further expression of resentment - the postponement of the friendship visit, which the French Premier and Foreign Minister were to have made to Moscow.

MOROCCO

Over the weekend - a sudden insurrection of Berber tribes in Morocco. An outbreak of guerrilla fighting - in the Atlas mountains. Sudden attacks - on French outposts.

Hitherto, the Nationalist uprising has been largely ~~as~~ in city areas - not among the tribes. But these now have started a concerted guerrilla campaign against the French. Who, today, took severe counter-measures.

Planes, tanks and artillery - spreading havoc among the tribal villages in the Atlas Mountains. French commander, General de la Tour, giving orders - for a merciless quelling of the tribal rebellion.

PERON

The ex-President of Argentina paid a visit - to the President of Paraguay. Exiled Peron, having arrived, finally, at the city of Asuncion - made a call on President Stroessner. The Paraguayan chief - having an exceedingly German kind of name.

Last year, there was a similar visit - when Peron was at the height of his power. At which time - President Stroessner made him an honorary general of the Paraguayan army.

Today, the Paraguayan President received the fallen dictator at his home - not at the Presidential palace. Underscoring the fact - that it was a personal call, and not official.

In Buenos Aires, meanwhile, the statement is - that Peron is mentally unbalanced. So stated by Peron's own former Vice President - who has now surrendered voluntarily, and seems to be backing the new regime. He states that, of late years - Peron showed ~~an~~ symptoms of mental malady.

FOLLOW PERON

The latest from Buenos Aires - a statement made by provincial President Leonardi. Who says - he wants to quit his job as soon as he can. He wants an election at an early date. And hand his authority over to constitutional officials. So that he can, in his words, "go quietly home."

MEXICO

In the harbor of the flooded Mexican port of Tampico, the United States aircraft carrier Saipan lies at anchor - with fourteen helicopters. These whirly birds - now the only hope for hundreds of people marooned by the flooding of nearby rivers.

The Saipan arrived on Saturday with huge supplies of medicines and food for the stricken city of Tampico - hit so hard by successive hurricanes. The helicopters - on the job of shuttling the supplies to points on shore. But now they've taken over that other task - of rescuing people, who can be seen clinging to roof tops and trees. In the midst of the inundation.

TYPHOON

Japan - hit by another typhoon. The second - in a week. This one, typhoon Marge, hit the smallest of the four main islands, with a ninety-five mile an hour wind. And-torrential rain.

Marge expected to by-pass the great cities, like Tokyo and Yokohama.

PRINCESS

There's a story with a positive sound - that the engagement of Princess Margaret and Group Captain Townsend will be announced, about the middle of this month.

Time Magazine passes this along; ~~S~~aying - the announcement has already been prepared by the Lord Chancellor. And - that Prime Minister Eden took it ~~along~~ to the Queen in Scotland, last week. For - her okay.

The magazine says the report comes from an "official source" in London. Telling of the forthcoming engagement of the Princess and the divorced Captain.

The medical report on President Eisenhower - favorable again. There was ^{some} anxiety, last night, when the patient showed - signs of fatigue. Today, the New York stock market took a tumble - because of the report.

But ^{the} President had a good night of sleep - and ~~so~~ today ^{seemed on the} ~~he was on the previous~~ road to recovery. ~~So~~ No sign of complications - no ~~fa~~ unfavorable symptoms of any sort.

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Today's news brings a statement from Democratic National Chairman Paul Butler. Who says - the Presidential heart attack will cause "no change" in Democratic campaign strategy for Nineteen Fifty Six.

Chairman Butler put it in these words: "We're still running against President Eisenhower - or the man he picks."

He said - the Democrats expect that, if President Eisenhower does not run for reelection, he will "hand pick" the Republican Presidential candidate.

Today, the President sent a letter to Vice President Nixon - concerning the way Nixon has been running White House ~~aff~~ affairs in Washington. The letter reads:

"Dear Dick: I hope you will continue to have meetings of the National Security Council and the Cabinet - over which you will preside in accordance with procedure you followed during my absence from Washington. As ever. Dwight D. Eisenhower."

This puts a formal okay on the role of "acting President" which Nixon has been playing in Washington.

PRISONER

Here's a story of - mental combat. How an American airman, prisoner of war in Korea - beat the Reds in a weird game of ~~physical~~^{psychic} combat.

Captain Elmer Llewellyn of Missoula, Montana, who was a navigator in a B-29, tells - how they tried to break him down mentally, and get information from him.

"They didn't beat me," he relates, "but, the treatment I got - was worse than ^{any} beating. I was made to stand erect night and day for long periods. Another of their cute tricks was to compel me to remain seated for a long time- while a guard watched, making sure I didn't get a chance to get up, or stretch, or even move."

So how did he keep his mental balance?

"I beat them," he says, "by dreaming up a chain of business enterprises, building them up step by step."

In his mind, he built super¹-markets, drug stores, restaurants. I figured out," the Captain relates, "the

number of board feet of lumber needed. I picked out the equipment. I catalogued every item that would be sold."

He also figured out the finances. ~~Which~~ which can be complicated *in* *such* ~~in~~ business.

That kept his mind busy, intensely preoccupied.

And ~~that~~ *so he* won the psychic battle. "My little game saved me from ~~me~~ breaking, and kept the Reds from getting any information," he says.

Which reminds me of a fiction story by Franz Werfel,

Who wrote of an ordeal of solitary confinement inflicted on a prisoner by the Nazis. In that case, the captive played a mental game of chess, thinking up intricate combinations. Playing a game across the board - all in his mind.

BASEBALL

There's no need to describe today's baseball game.

A description of one inning *tells the story.* ~~- is quite enough. The first~~

Phil Rizzuto came to bat - playing in his fifty-first World Series game, which tied the ~~second~~ - set by Joe DiMaggio. Carl Spooner, the Dodger fireball pitcher was wild - and Rizzuto drew a walk. Whereupon - he stole second. Spooner's fireball - still was wild. And Gil McDougald walked.

Up came Yogi Berra - catching in his thirty-ninth world series game. Setting a record - for catchers. Bill Dick ~~is~~ ^人, the previous record holder - having caught in thirty-eight.

Berra hit a single - scoring Rizzuto. Then Hank Bauer hit a single - scoring McDougald.

Up ~~is~~ came Bill Skowron - and he slammed a homer.

— and the game —
So that was the first inning ⁷ the Yankees making

five runs. The rest of the game - a mere aftermath. Brooklyn relief pitcher Russ Meyer, didn't allow another Yankee run. But Yankee pitcher Whitey Ford held the Dodgers to one run.

Report from

Montreal tells of a deplorable faux pas. Attending the arrival in Montreal - of the Princess Royal, Aunt - of Her Majesty the Queen.

They had the red carpet out - of course. At the railroad station - a strip of carpet of gleaming crimson. Honoring - royalty. The only trouble was - that the Queen's Aunt never got a chance to walk on the red carpet.

The Princess Royal - greeted by Mayor Jean Drapeau. Whose duty it was - to escort her to an automobile. Which the Mayor did - but he was nervous about meeting royalty. Mayor Jean Drapeau was - overwhelmed. So flustered - that he walked on the red carpet. While - the Princess Royal stepped along on the cement pavement.

Today, Mayor Jean Drapeau was mortified, chagrined. What a faux pas!

ROADS

News from Italy, which could indicate - spectacular changes in this world of ours. Not only a Red revolution - but also, blue, green and yellow. At first glance, it doesn't seem anything so much. But - think ~~is~~ what it could mean.

The news dispatch states that Italian technicians have found a way - of coloring asphalt. Able to dye the ~~asphalt~~ asphalt, as you ^would a piece of cloth. Giving that road-making material any ~~tone~~ of the rainbow.

Which, they say, opens a prospect - of colored highways. Roads of - a glowing crimson, a gleaming emerald - royal purple, or flaming orange, or, the highways could be striped. Yellow and black stripes, or even - red, white and blue.

But who would want a highway ~~ss~~ system - colored like a harlequin's costume? Why anything so gaudy? The answer - there would be no more need of highway signs.

Instead of highway twenty-two, it would be ^{— well} the red one,
easy to follow!

ROADS

Or say for ~~fa~~ driving your instructions - take the green road, until you come to one with baby blue stripes. Follow that for two miles - then take the orange turnpike right on into Philadelphia.

Sounds ~~famfi~~ fanciful, but it might make sense - following the Italian discovery of a way to color asphalt. From coast to coast a rainbow pattern of highways of all colors.

Hugh - but some of us are color blind?