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U. S. to Increase Atom Stockpile**Greater Civilian Defenses Planned**

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broad hint that Russia would have the bomb sooner than most expected, and who pointed our course when our monopoly ended. Mr. McMahon said:

"When the day comes that Russia begins her production of atomic weapons, we shall rely upon an overwhelmingly greater stockpile of our own as the principal warning to aggressors."

Cites Two Key Points

Rep. Albert Thomas (D. Tex.), chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee that handles supply bills for the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, moved today immediately after the President's announcement to see what can be done to increase our stockpiles.

He announced that he would call on AEC to determine two things:

ONE: Can it increase its atomic weapons production program?

TWO: How much more money will it need to do this?

Rep. Thomas, like other Congressmen, is ready in this situation to let AEC practically write its own ticket on appropriations to increase our production of bombs.

Mr. Thomas pointed out that because of our monopoly we doubtless have much more powerful atomic weapons than has Russia. But this, he explained, probably is a waning monopoly, too.

Bombs Much Better

The AEC has itself announced, after recent atomic tests at Eniwetok in the Pacific, that the bombs we are producing are much better than the ones which were dropped during the war on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The Atomic Energy Commission itself is saying "no comment" to all queries. It is, however, conferring with officials of the State Department and National Military Establishment, out of which will come, perhaps, some sort of agreement on how much can be said about how the Russian explosion was discovered, what our course will be, and what next steps will be taken in an effort to secure international control of atomic energy under the United Nations.

Three Held in \$585 Pen and Pencil Theft

Three men were arrested on pre-burglary charges today in the theft of \$585 worth of pens and pencils from the Bramwood Press Co., 120 W. North St.

Police said one man admitted his part in the burglary. A part of the loot was found in his home, police reported.

WOODEN LEG FOR SALE

WARNER, N. H., Sept. 23 (UP)—The town of Warner offered a wooden leg for sale today. The artificial limb was bought several years ago for a needy resident who since has died.

IN INDIANAPOLIS**EVENTS TODAY**

International Association of Fire Chiefs—Great Lakes Division, and Indiana Fire Chiefs—Indiana Division—Through Saturday, Lincoln Hotel. Business and Professional Women—North Central Conference—Through Sunday, Clarendon Hotel. International Plasmatic Therapy Association—Meeting—Through Sunday, Hotel Indiana. Indiana—Dinner—Dance—D. M. Howe High School. Junior Chamber International—Nursery Association—Lunch—Lincoln Hotel, 8 a. m. 38th St. Branch, Indiana National Bank. Brightwood Christian Church—Talent Show—10 a. m. 12th St. Branch, Indiana. National Conference—Last 32nd French Lick. Indiana Golf Club—Weekly luncheon meeting, Seville Hotel. Gramercy—Annual dinner show at 8 p. m. YMCA auditorium. Ruth Hashak Services—Sundown, Indiana. Hindu Temple—Annual Diwali festival—Junior Garden Club of John Strange—Meetings from noon to 4 p. m. in school. Bell District and Masonic Reunions—No. 28, HOOF—At 1:30 p. m., Germania Hall.

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Russians Fire Atom Blast, End U. S. Monopoly Idea

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Martha's Vineyard, Mass., was told about it in a telephone call from Washington.

Authoritative State Department sources suggested that this country has more details about the Soviet explosion than anyone else indicated it has.

The precise date of the blast, where it occurred, and how effective it was could not be revealed in any case, they said, for security reasons.

As to the effectiveness of the Russian explosion, one fact is known—there is no such thing as a small atomic bomb.

Atomic explosives cannot be detonated in quantities smaller than the "critical size" which this country had hoped was a secret.

And atomic explosives in that critical quantity is not merely effective, it is city-wrecking.

What effect on U. S. Soviet relations Russian possession of

atomic explosives will have is anybody's guess.

State Department sources hoped it would have a "sobering" effect on Russian statesmen.

Urge Calm Study

They called for calm consideration of the news about Russia's atomic explosion. And they said there is no reason to expect that this event makes the prospect of war greater or more immediate.

Now that the atomic weapon race is on, some sources thought the grim facts of life would force the United States, Canada and Great Britain into closer atomic co-operation.

Together they made the wartime bomb. Since 1945, however, they have done nothing jointly in the weapons field and have tended to go their atomic ways separately.

To correct this decisive trend, representatives of the three nations are now meeting in secret

sessions here to plan the future commandant of the American sector of Berlin.

These men, members of the combined policy committee set up in 1943, knew about the Russian explosion and "it is a factor in their continued discussions," it was said at the State Department.

Both the White House and the State Department wanted the public to take calmly the fact that the United States bomb monopoly has come to an end.

Talks With Aides

The White House said Mr. Truman had no plans to say anything more to the people than he has said already. Reporters had wondered if he would go before the public by radio.

The President, it appeared, was busy with his military high command. In addition to the Cabinet meeting, he scheduled conferences with Gen. J. Lawton Collins, Army Chief of Staff, and Brig. Gen. Frank L. Howley, former

Activities Committee said Russian espionage in this country "undoubtedly" had helped the Soviet atomic project to grow faster than predicted.

He said the committee would release a report soon showing that the Russians had "unlimited opportunities for getting" U. S. atomic secrets.

But Russian scientists, among them the great British-trained physicist Kapitza, had all the basic information they needed without stealing it.

The late Defense Secretary James Forrestal said a year ago that Russia had enough knowledge to make the bomb but lacked the industrial capacity to produce it.

HUSBAND KILLED TO HANG

LONDON, Sept. 23 (UP)—Margaret Vaughan Williams, British women's army private who murdered her husband in Klagenfurt, Austria, July 4, will be hanged Oct. 11 at Holloway prison, it was announced today.

Seymour's Lights Chosen as Model

Times State Service
SEYMOUR, Sept. 23—The Seymour Chamber of Commerce yesterday was informed by General Electric Co. that this city has been chosen to represent typical American street lighting modernization.

The selection was revealed by a G. E. representative who informed the C. of C. that plans are being completed for a traveling exhibit featuring Seymour as the typical American city, to be sent to all parts of the United States next year.

Dedicated a year ago on Sept. 27, the city's new street lighting system has 64 10,000-lumen lights on 20-foot standards. The lights burn all night and are turned on and off by an electric eye.

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