

Troops In Nevada Get Atom Baptism

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Nov. 1—(P)—The United States' first atom-supported troops received a baptism of nuclear fire today in a powerful blast that broke seven store windows in Las Vegas, 75 miles off. Exercise Desert Rock, history's initial tactical use of an A-weapon, was a rumbling success from the moment a large bomb was dropped by a B-29 flying at 10,000 feet. The bomb burst at 7:30 a.m.

(PST) at approximately 2000 feet above the Yucca flat test site.

It was the fourth and loudest explosion in the Atomic Energy Commission's present series, but it was not as impressive visually

LONDON, Nov. 1—(P)—Britain is out to explode her first atom bomb in about six months if Prime Minister Churchill has his way.

A qualified source said tonight Lord Cherwell has been given orders to speed up Britain's whole atomic energy program, which includes the development of atomic weapons. Cherwell is paymaster general, with atomic affairs in his charge.

as the third blast Tuesday. This may have been due to brighter sunlight (a half-hour later) and high winds which broke up the clouds faster.

But to the GIs who were shaken in their observation posts six to

10 miles from the burst. This bomb was "it." And in North Hollywood, Calif., 225 miles from the scene, residents phoned police to report an earthquake.

To Las Vegas, it was the first fall series to equal the strongest shocks of the five explosions last winter.

There were no injuries reported to either service men at the test site, or civilians in the Las Vegas area.

More than 1000 paratroopers and infantrymen—most of them attached to the 11th Airborne Division, Camp Campbell, Ky.—were in the so-called front-lines for the single day maneuvers.

Four-thousand other soldiers participated as service troops, using Camp Desert Rock as a base.

There was little doubt to most observers—including the 2000 official gazers near the site—that today's experiment was primarily a radiation-effects test.

The World At a Glance

U.S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Friday, Nov. 2—(P)—Cold rain and snow flurries reduced the Korean fighting to patrol scraps Thursday as the truce talkers at Panmunjon came closer to agreement on a cease-fire line.

BERLIN, Nov. 1—(P)—The Communists are building a powerful new radio station in east Berlin in a desperate effort to blot out Western radio voices, informed sources said today.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1—(P)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower is making a flying trip to Washington this weekend, but the White House says "no emergency" is involved.

The White House said not a word about any political angles, but Senator Duff (R-Pa.), an Ike-for-President man, said he intends to talk politics with Eisenhower while the General is here. Duff didn't say when or where.

Draft Call Asks Quota of 1757

HARRISBURG, Nov. 1—(P)—State draft headquarters today issued pre-induction physical examination calls for 1757 men to meet the December draft quota.

The December draft quota for Pennsylvania has been set at 1015 men.

Col. Henry M. Gross, state draft director, explained that pre-induction calls always outnumber the actual monthly quota to offset rejections.

The quotas, with board number in parentheses, community, and number called include:

Altoona recruiting main station: (27) Bedford 14; (38) Ebensburg 16; (39) South Fork 20; (40) Johnstown 14; (41) Johnstown 12; (48) Clearfield 24; (156) Somerset 22.

Philadelphia recruiting main stations: (45) Coatesville 12; (46) Coatesville 14; (109) Norristown 14; (150) Tamaqua 6; (151) Mahanoy City 12; (152) Mahanoy City 14.

Pittsburgh recruiting main station: (67) Uniontown 18; (68) Perryopolis 6; (69) Brownsville 4; (70) Uniontown 14; (73) McConnellsburg 2; (74) Waynesburg 8; (76) Indiana 20; (103) Charleroi 18; (164) Washington 24; (165) Washington 14; (167) Greensburg 20; (168) New Kensington 18; (169) Greensburg 18; (170) Greensburg 20.

Wilkes-Barre recruiting main station: (43) Mauch Chunk 16; (94) Hazleton 18; (96) Wilkes-Barre 12.

Boy Tells Phi Sigs Joke

A little boy out Halloweening Wednesday night stooped at the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity house. He asked for tricks or treats.

"What tricks can you do?" asked one of the brothers.

The boy thought and replied, "I can tell a joke."

"Go ahead," was the rejoinder. "A head of lettuce, running water, and a tomato were having a race. The lettuce was a head, the water was running second, and the tomato was trying to catsup."

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