

PEOPLE IN THE NEWSVirginia

In Northern Virginia, to unveil a huge memorial to George Washington, comes President Truman. Saying that, like Washington, he would use force to defend democracy, Mr. Truman declares that to have world peace, we must have atomic control:

"We believe that the plan for control of atomic energy, which has been worked out in the United Nations and has been approved by the overwhelming majority of its members, would be effective. The plan, therefore, has our support. It has our support not because of its form or its words but because we believe that it would achieve effective control. The stakes are too large to let us, or any nation, stand on the pride of authorship. We ask for a plan that will provide an effective, workable system. Anything else would be a sham agreement."

New Mexico

Glyde Holliday is another man in the news. By fixing a newsreel camera into a V.2 rocket, Holliday makes an experiment with space. Shooting up over New Mexico at 3,000 miles-an-hour, the camera takes these amazing pictures of the earth, filmed as the rocket ascends with the smoothness of a lift. The camera looks down over a million square miles of our world. The river is the Rio Grande.

On the way down, the rocket camera records a weird panorama.

From these experiments will come new revelations about the stratosphere and the possibilities of a trip to the moon.

Boston

The children of Boston come into the news with an up-to-date "T" party - the "T" standing for taxes. The kids, who have been saving stubs from their cinema admission tickets, dump them into Boston harbour made famous nearly 200 years ago by another kind of tea party. That time, it was a symbolic protest against British taxes. This time it's in outcry against America's much resented cinema tax.