

Speculation Over New Secret Weapon

Auckland, N. Z., June 13 (AP)—New Zealanders speculated today on the nature of a new weapon—approaching the atom bomb in importance, but cheaper—which the New Zealand Herald described as a joint development of scientists from this country, Great Britain and the United States.

Prof. David James Leech, said to be a leader in coordination and development of research on the project, was made a companion of the British empire in the royal birthday honors announced this week in London.

The Herald said its source of information about the new weapon was most reliable, but could not be disclosed.

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