

Nukes

I remembered the line from the Hindu scripture, the Bhagavad-Gita; Vishnu is trying to persuade the Prince that he should do his duty and, to impress him, takes on his multi-armed form and says, "Now I am become Death, the destroyer of worlds." I suppose we all thought that, one way or another.

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reflecting on the Trinity Test,
the first detonation of a nuclear weapon,
on July 16, 1945, at 5:29 AM**