

Quaker Brands Truman Order For H-Bomb 'Unwise, Immoral'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—(P)—A Quaker leader today branded President Truman's order to make the hydrogen bomb "unwise and immoral," contending that first there should be strenuous new efforts to make peace.

Samuel R. Levering of the Friends (Quakers) committee on national legislation told a senate foreign relations subcommittee that Americans want a great moral crusade for peace through world control and reduction of all armaments, "and through generous use of our economic resources to improve world living standards."

Club Speaker



Norman Olson, president of the Layman's Bible Study League of North Hollywood, Calif., will address Salem Kiwanis club at luncheon this noon in the Marlon hotel. He will speak on a topic related to Brotherhood week.

U.S. Defense Chiefs Push A-Sub Plans

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—(P)—America's defense chiefs today were reported pushing plans for development of the world's first atom-powered submarine—a project that might revolutionize naval warfare.

Theoretically, such an undersea craft would have an almost unlimited range.

Research on "atom engines" for airplanes was also reported progressing.

Close secrecy surrounded both projects, but a well-posted informant said discussions are underway between the navy and the Electric Boat corporation of Groton, Conn., builder of many of the navy's submarines.

The atomic energy commission disclosed that three Electric Boat technicians have been sent to attend "nuclear reactor" courses at the Great Oak Ridge, Tenn., atomic works.

To Provide Power
The nuclear reactor is the "furnace" which provides the ingredients of A-bombs and, it is hoped, will provide power for atomic engines also.

An informant said the navy-electric boat discussions are so far along that in all likelihood congress will be asked to tack on new funds for the work in making up the 1951 navy budget for the fiscal year beginning next July 1.

AEC officials said the commission and two of its major contractors—General Electric and Westinghouse—are negotiating with Electric Boat in connection with the atom-powered submarine project.

May Extend Energy
Scientists say the amount of nuclear fuel destroyed in the split second of an A-bomb explosion could be utilized, under controlled conditions, to give off useful energy for months or perhaps even years.

Thus the critical factor of fuel consumption in naval craft—which played an important part in the long running chase and final destruction of the German super-battleship Bismark during World War II—would be virtually eliminated in atom-powered ships.

An AEC report to congress last month revealed that progress has been made toward development of reactors suitable for submarine or surface vessel propulsion.

It said the reactor would be "a single purpose machine designed specifically for the purpose of producing large amounts of heat under conditions that will permit conversion to power for naval vessels."

The report noted that the research and development work was well advanced, and declared that "detailed engineering design of a ship propulsion reactor is scheduled to begin during 1950."

Miners Ignore Lewis's Order to Man Pits



JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Feb. 20 — Allen Croyle (center), secretary of local 3648 of the United Mine Workers, addresses meeting of his local near Johnstown, Pa. The local ignored back to work orders of UMW President John L. Lewis, saying they couldn't act until they received the official telegram. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Plea for Peace Talks Renewed By Churchill

LONDON, Feb. 20—(P)—Winston Churchill renewed his appeal to the British people tonight to endorse his idea for new high level talks with Russia.

The 75-year-old conservative made his last major speech at Manchester as both labor and tory leaders predicted victory in Thursday's election. Political observers from all shades of opinion predicted a neck-and-neck race to the wire. Both parties redoubled their bids for doubtful votes.

Prime Minister Attlee issued a message to all labor candidates and workers warning that the campaign was "in its most vital stage."

"If our campaign maintains the increasing tempo and splendid spirit which has been evident so far," he declared, "then I am confident that a new labor government will be returned to carry

on with the work which we began so well in 1945."

Lord Woolton, chairman of the conservative party, told a Midlands farming community rally the election is "neck and neck," and added:

"I believe that one of the biggest problems we conservatives will have to face when we get back into office—you observe I did not say 'if,' I said 'when'—is the problem of the cost of living."

Two possible barometers, the bookmakers and the stock market, showed uneasy fluctuations. Bookmakers' odds against a conservative victory dropped for a time today to 11 to 10, as the result of a flood of tory money over the weekend, but returned to 6 to 5, the same as on Saturday. Odds on labor, after a similar flurry, went back to 4-6.

Other Halls Rented
Churchill, the war-time member of the "Big Three" in allied councils, spoke to a crowd of 2,000 in Manchester's Albert hall. But the conservatives had rented seven other halls in the city where another 6,000 heard him over a relay network.

He asked Britons to repudiate leaders of the labor party who have charged that his proposal for another big three talk in an effort to solve atomic and other prob-

lems with Russia was a campaign "stunt."

He assailed labor's leaders as being "above the heads of the working people" and unwilling to let them discuss matters "of life and death to the nations."

Churchill said his plea for new talks had "rolled round the world and may have created a new situation."

Labor party ministers have not rejected Churchill's idea in so many words, but some have called it "soap box diplomacy," and Prime Minister Attlee has said that the question of an atomic settlement is a matter for United Nations channels.

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AFL Teachers' Union Leader Speaks at OCE

OREGON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, Monmouth, Feb. 20—John Eklund, national president of the AFL American Federation of Teachers, today complimented Oregon College of Education on a "basically intelligent and fine job" of teacher training.

Eklund, speaking before nearly 200 OCE teachers and students, said a speech last week he had intended as an attack on "remnants of a three-year certification program" in Oregon has been misinterpreted and misquoted as an attack on "the dual system as it now exists in Oregon."

He referred to a speech last Thursday at Reed college in Portland where he was quoted as saying the state's teacher training system was a "relic of the dark ages" because of the dual system. Under the dual system, elementary and high school teachers attend different preparatory institutions.

"I agree wholeheartedly with Dr. Louis Kaplan's view that the heart of the matter is certification and standards problems," Eklund said here today.

Kaplan, head of OCE's education and psychology department, had answered Eklund's charges in a talk before Pi Lambda Theta education honorary Saturday in Portland.

The national president today said he felt his remarks last Thursday had been quoted in such a manner as to give a "distinct misinterpretation" of his intent.

Santiam Area Studies Road

Statesman News Service
MEHAMA — Representatives from Gates, Mill City and Elkhorn met at the Riverview cafe in Me-

hama last week for an informal discussion of road conditions linking those communities. Purpose of the meeting was to appoint a committee to appear before the county court and request a passable road over the four mile section of Gates hill.

No definite agreement was reached at the meeting however, because of diverse opinions. One

Elkhorn faction favors rerouting the present Elkhorn-Mehama road across the river from the present course to maintain a water line grade. This road, however, would still be a distance of 25 miles from Mill City, it was said.

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Northwest Units Scheduled for Joint Maneuvers

SPOKANE, Feb. 20—(P)—Some 3,000 officers and men from three branches of the Pacific Northwest Reserve and Military forces will stage joint maneuvers this summer.

Members of the national guard, the regular air force and the air force reserve will stage the maneuvers June 10-25 in conjunction with the guard's annual encampment.

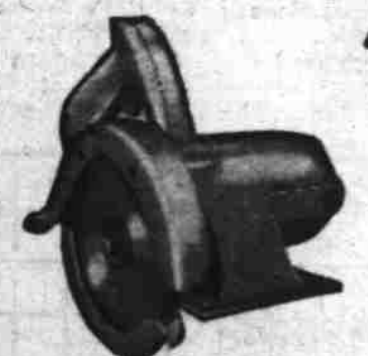
Lt. Col. Marshall Shore, intelligence officer of the 60th national guard fighter wing at Spokane, announced the plan after a meeting with military officials from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

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