

High Level Disarmament Talks Urged

Laborite Leader
Asks Big 3 Parley

LONDON (AP)—Apparently trying to steal political thunder from left-wing insurgents, the moderate leadership of Britain's Labor Party called Monday night for a Churchill-Eisenhower-Bulgakov meeting on mass destruction weapons and disarmament.

The bid was made in a motion put forward for House of Commons debate. It followed weeks of particularly sharp feuding between factions of the divided party, with the Conservative government's hydrogen bomb policy a key issue.

The motion was signed by Party Chief Clement Attlee and other members of Labor's "shadow cabinet," the group that would form the government if the party were to return to power soon.

DEBATE EXPECTED

Observers said Prime Minister Churchill presumably will treat the motion as a censure move and will order it debated next week. If defeated on the vote following the debate, he would have to resign.

Asserting that the H-bomb can only destroy civilization, the motion said the proposed British-Soviet-United States talks should aim at "the lessening of world tension and the preparation for effective world disarmament" through the United Nations.

It called on Churchill to approach the United States and the Soviet Union "immediately" to arrange such a meeting with President Eisenhower and Premier Bulganin.

ELECTION POSSIBLE

Observers interpreted the motion as an attempt by Attlee to rally the party behind him for a united attack on Churchill's ruling Conservatives. A general election may be called this year. It must be held before October, 1955.

The mild-mannered former prime minister has long been under fire from Labor's left-wing elements, led by Aneurin Bevan. Only last week, during a parliamentary defense debate, Bevan and 57 others defied party orders on a vote.



HOMES FLOODED—The flooding Ohio River which already has left 1,355 persons homeless in Hamilton County, Cincinnati, Ohio, is expected to crest at 61 feet Thursday. Above photo shows flooded homes in Eastern section of city, one of hardest hit areas as water rose above 57 feet. (NEA)

Jelke Trial Juror Selection Continues

NEW YORK (AP)—The task of picking jurors continues Tuesday in the new trial to determine whether Playboy Minot F. "Mick" Jelke induced girls into a life of ease society vice.

Three married men were seated on the jury on the trial's opening day Monday. Asst. Dist. Atty. Anthony J. Liebler predicted selection of the full panel would take 2 to 3 days.

Jelke, 25, heir to an oleomargarine fortune, was convicted on 2 counts of compulsory prostitution 2 years ago but won a new trial because the judge had closed the courtroom during the prosecution phase of the trial. Judge Francis L. Valente said he took this step to safeguard "public decency and morals."

Both prosecution and defense attorneys say the new trial will bring into the open the names of prominent men.

In his address to prospective jurors Monday, Liebler announced that the state's principal witnesses will be the same cast of high-priced call girls, madams and male associates as in the first trial.

Liebler later specifically asked each prospective juror if he would look unfavorably on the testimony of a prostitute solely because

her being a prostitute. The 3 sworn in said they would not. One of the 20 men examined Monday said he could not believe a prostitute and was excluded.

In his turn, Defense Atty. George Washington Herz asked each juror if he would be prejudiced by Jelke's former "Bohemian life" or career as a "high-flying playboy."

He also asked: "If it develops during the trial that the defendant lived with Pat Ward in the same apartment for 4 or 5 months and during that period had sex relations with her... would that fact in and of itself prejudice you against this defendant?"

Pat Ward, 21, was the state's star witness against Jelke in the original trial. He was convicted of inducing her to "live a life of prostitution." The 2nd count on which he was convicted alleged that he tried to do the same with Marguerite Cordova, 25.

Ship Disaster Laid to Poor Cargo Loading

NORFOLK, Va. (AP)—The Coast Guard said Tuesday that shifting of what it called improperly loaded cargo caused the freighter Mormackite to capsize and sink in an Atlantic storm last Oct. 7. The ship's master Capt. Patrick J. McMahon was negligent "in such a manner that shifting was possible," a Coast Guard board of investigation reported.

No comment was immediately available from officials of Moore-McCormack Lines, Inc., of New York City, operators of the freighter. Several court suits on behalf of crewmen are pending against the firm.

The Mormackite sank off the Virginia Capes. Thirty-seven of her 48-man crew perished, including Capt. McMahon.

The freighter was en route from Victoria, Brazil, to Baltimore, Md., with 9,003 tons of iron ore.

The investigators, whose opinions and recommendations were approved by Vice Adm. A. G. Richmond, commandant of the Coast Guard, and released Tuesday, said Capt. McMahon was negligent on two other counts:

1. "In not ordering preparations made to abandon ship" and
2. "In not ordering the radio operator to send a distress message."

POLICE BILL TABLED

SALEM (AP)—A bill to put the Oregon state police under civil service was tabled Monday by the House State and Federal Affairs Committee.

'Orphaned' Roads Give Legislature a Big Pain

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon Highway Department and the Legislature just can't agree on what to do about disposing of those "roads to nowhere" that are left over when crews get through taking the kinks out of twisting highways.

There are a lot of short pieces of road adjacent to new, straight stretches of highway around the state. Some are used to stockpile sand and gravel, some aren't even accessible any more, and others are just disconnected blobs in the scenic view.

The Highway Department tried to draft legislation saying exactly who should have title to these odds and ends of abandoned travel routes, but the Senate Highway Committee didn't like it.

The department tried again, and even its legislative spokesmen weren't satisfied.

Some legislators think the land on which the road fragments are located should be returned to the original owners. Others want to keep them for stockpiling department road supplies.

Present law says abandoned sections "are merely parts of the old right of way" which are no longer needed, and that title shall revert to abutting owners. But the state can preserve these sections for use, if they are needed.

The law also says that if the orphan road is inside a city, the city shall maintain it. And if folks nearby have been served

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Woman Shot; Man Killed

PORTLAND (AP)—John W. Shores, 28, wounded his former sister-in-law and then shot and killed himself after breaking into her home here Sunday.

Shores, who formerly lived at Juliaetta, Idaho, kicked in the panes of the front door at the home of Mrs. Raymond R. McGary.

Her uncle, Freedom L. Hale, tried to stop him but Shores, brandishing a revolver, ordered Hale to lie quietly on the floor. He then told Mrs. McGary to remove her clothing. When she refused he ordered her also to lie on the floor and then began shooting at her. She suffered wounds in both legs and on a finger.

She was taken to a Portland hospital but her condition was not believed serious.

Shores was the brother of Mrs. McGary's former husband. When the husband died in an automobile accident last July, he left \$10,000 insurance with Shores as the beneficiary. Shores signed the insurance over to the widow.

Three weeks ago she remarried. Her husband was away at work at the time of the shooting.

Loudspeakers Installed

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon House loudspeaker system Monday for the first time. Seven microphones are distributed around the chamber.



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