

Japan's Peace Navy May Trouble H-Bomb Testers

LONDON (AP)—Plans of Japanese protest groups to send a "peace navy" into Britain's hydrogen bomb testing zone in the Pacific could pose one of the most embarrassing questions of the nuclear age.

In the long run it would affect every other nation seeking to test a hydrogen bomb at sea in an island area—including the United States.

The question is: What can the bomb testers do if demonstrators refuse to leave the danger area after being warned away?

From inquiries at the British foreign office and among Western naval circles, the answer appears to be: Nothing.

The testers could go ahead and be free of responsibility if the demonstrators are killed. But from a legal viewpoint, they could not compel the demonstrators to leave so long as they remained clear of the three-mile to 12-mile territorial limits.

1,000-MILE ZONE
The danger zone declared for Britain's tests in the spring extends for nearly 1,000 miles in each direction from Christmas Island.

The Japanese Seamen's Union has opposed the "peace navy" plan as not in the interests of peace. Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi called it inappropriate.

Nevertheless, the plan has been approved at two rallies attended by thousands of Japanese. In England, a retired poultry farmer and his wife are seeking to join the expedition, saying they will "deliberately risk mutilation" to make their H-bomb protest known.

Asked what course Britain will take if the expedition materializes, a foreign office spokesman said: "It's a hypothetical question and there is no need to give an answer. Her Majesty's government expects everyone to act responsibly."

POLICE RAID REDS
MADRID (Reuters) — Madrid police Saturday raided what they described as a centre for preparing clandestine Communist propaganda in a Madrid suburb, detained 14 alleged Communists and seized a quantity of "subversive literature."

A police statement said some of the 14 persons arrested had been in prison for Communist activities.

CAIRO (Reuters) — Egyptian President Nasser said Saturday Israeli ships will be allowed to use the Suez Canal only if Arab refugees from Palestine "are given back their property, rights and land."

He told a group of American editors that Israel's use of the canal and Gulf of Aqaba "is tied up with the Arab refugees problem—we want to solve it as a whole."

In the course of a three-hour talk, the Egyptian leader also denied that he or Egypt was going Communist or that Egypt was "playing the East against the West."

Nasser told the newspaper men: "When we are facing starvation the United States refused us oil and wheat, while Russia was willing to feed us and supply medicines and other things."

COMMERCE WITH EAST
"Our commerce with the Eastern bloc is now growing for the simple reason that we are unable to trade with the West, which is exerting economic pressure for political reasons."

The president said Egypt "must build a strong army to face the Israeli threat." Egypt had bought arms from Russia after the West refused its requests, because "otherwise what happened to the Arab refugees in Palestine would have happened to us."

A British reply to an official Japanese protest against the tests contained what appeared to be a hint that force would be used to clear the danger zone if necessary.

It said aircraft patrols have been set up to guard against any ship entering the area inadvertently and added: "If any such vessel is sighted, warning leaflets in several languages, including Japanese, will be dropped advising the vessel to leave the danger area. If such a

warning is disregarded, a ship will be sent to the spot to make sure that, in its own interest, the vessel leaves the danger area."

The foreign office spokesman declined to say whether this meant intruders would be ousted by force.

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COLLISIONS ON ST. PETER'S ROAD

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Immediate Revision In Military Planning Urged

OTTAWA (CP) — A revision in military planning, with more emphasis on general defence in Europe, has been advocated in the Commons by the Opposition's defence critic.

Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, (PC—Esquimalt-Saanich) said that, because of NATO weakness in Europe, a Russian attack is "far more likely" to come in the form of a ground attack than by nuclear weapons.

If the NATO shield was unable to check the attack, he said, the United States and Britain would be left with the "awful decision" of whether to be the first to use nuclear weapons, in the knowledge that retaliation in kind would be certain.

"Only by having the most up-to-date weapons for use by ground forces, to be employed in Europe, could we ever have a hope of checking the Russian numbers, unless the nuclear bomb is used," Gen. Pearkes said.

REVIEW OF SPENDING
He called for a review of Canadian defence spending to ensure that the best available weapons be provided to the troops to give them "a fighting chance" in any future war.

But he said that because of changing world conditions and weapons developments, there could be no substantial cut in defence spending "for some considerable time."

That statement differed from the Progressive Conservative stand before the last election in 1953 that over — all government spending could be cut by \$500,000,000, in large part through defence economies.

PARLIAMENT SATURDAY
Saturday, March 30, 1957—Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, (PC—Esquimalt-Saanich) urged a revision in military planning, with more emphasis on ground defence in Europe.

J. C. Van Horne (PC—Restigouche—Madawaska) demanded provision for lower down payments on federal housing loans.

The Commons agreed at its first Saturday sitting of the session to sit still longer hours in the drive towards dissolution. Monday, April 1, 1957—The Commons continues the budget debate. The Senate sits.

Gen. Pearkes spoke during the budget debate as the Commons met for its first Saturday of the session. Attendance in the 265-seat house during the day ranged between 30 and 50 members.

At the end of the sitting, the House agreed to a further extension of its hours starting Wednesday. The changes will leave the House with morning, afternoon and evening sittings six days a week except for Wednesday mornings and Friday and Saturday evenings. The session is expected to end with a pre-election dissolution about April 12.

WIDE RANGE
The Saturday debate covered a wide range of political issues as members took part in what likely is the last general debate before the election campaign. The budget debate winds up Tuesday.

Hazen Argue (CCP—Assiniboia) attacked the March 14 budget as one which forgot the Prairie provinces.

The budget had promised greater rail transportation subsidies to the Maritimes, ignoring the fact that Western Canada had the highest freight rates in all Canada.

It had offered to build Maritime power plants and link the power systems of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Yet the government

consistently refused to help the proposed South Saskatchewan river power-irrigation project.

Mr. Argue said he welcomes the aid to the Maritimes. It probably was because of the defeat of provincial Liberal governments in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Saskatchewan could get the same benefits by defeating every Liberal candidate there in the coming federal election, including Agriculture Minister Gardiner.

DEALT WITH PENSIONS
Several members dealt with government plans to increase to \$40 million a number of pensions payments, including the old age security paid to all over 70 and the federal-provincial old age assistance to the needy between 65 and 69.

Joseph Fontaine (L—St. Hyacinthe-Bagot) said that instead of the \$6 monthly increase in the old age security pension, he would have preferred to see everyone receive a \$40 payment at age 68.

C. W. Carter (L—Burr-Burgeo) said the suggestion by Opposition Leader Diefenbaker to increase pensions to \$60 would cost an extra \$50,000,000 a year and involve higher taxes. The Conservatives had criticized the government for not halting inflation and yet they made proposals for greater spending which would increase inflation.

Expect U.K. Prime Minister In Major Policy Speech Today
LONDON (Reuters) — Prime Minister Macmillan, his government's prestige shaken among some right-wing supporters by events in Bermuda and Cyprus, will plead his cause in a major policy speech in Parliament today.

A group of right-wing Conservatives—estimated to number from 60 to 80 members of Parliament—Bermuda agreement with President Eisenhower on British use of United States atomic-armed guided missiles.

They fear the prime minister in effect handed over Britain's defences to the United States by agreeing that the atomic warheads of the rockets will remain under American "lock and key."

Macmillan's Conservative party still has not recovered from last Friday's resignation from the cabinet of the Marquess of Salisbury, powerful behind-the-scenes figure credited with advocating Macmillan's appointment to the prime ministership.

QUIT OVER CYPRUS
Lord Salisbury, 63-year-old head of the House of Cecil, quit because the government freed Cypriot Archbishop Makarios Thursday without getting in return a demarcation of violence on the Mediterranean island.

Other Conservatives support Lord Salisbury's position and some party members suspect the cleric's release was influenced by U.S. pressure at Bermuda.

But the dissidents are not expected to pursue their criticism to the point of voting against the government.

During parliamentary debate on the Bermuda conference, other major issues will include the future of nuclear tests, the Suez Canal question and the domestic problem of industrial unrest. Major industrial and shipyard strikes have pulled 1,700,000 British workers off their jobs.

STATEMENT ON H-BOMB
Japan has pressed for a halt to forthcoming British H-bomb tests on Christmas Island in the Pacific. Macmillan said he will make an important statement concerning his government's attitude on hydrogen and atomic bomb experiments, which he added will continue. On this issue, the prime minister is assured of full party support—and Labor party criticism.

The cabinet's stand on the Suez question could bring a new flurry of criticism from right-wing members in the "Suez group." They fully supported the intervention policy last fall of former prime minister Eden and vigorously opposed the decision to withdraw British troops before victory was achieved.

Poor Visibility Caused By Drifting Snow Is Blamed

Seven Island residents, six adults and one child, are in the Prince Edward Island Hospital with various injuries following two separate accidents which occurred on the St. Peter's Highway in the vicinity of Marshfield around noon yesterday.

Injured and in hospital as a result of one accident are Mr. Avalah MacCallum, Carleton Siding, possible fractured ribs; his wife head lacerations and a fractured ankle; James Eric Ellis, Summerside, fractured ribs; his wife, and one son Harold (9), face lacerations; Ross Ellis (10), suffered slight face lacerations, but was not required to remain at the hospital overnight.

The second serious accident of the day sent to hospital Dr. Hammond Kelly, Southport, two legs fractured; and his companion in the vehicle, Barry Rankin, Queen Charlotte High School student, Southport, one fractured leg.

George Clow, Charlottetown, driver of the other car, suffered injuries to his chest; his wife, knee lacerations and bruises; their son Robert, face and head lacerations; none of the Clow family required hospitalization.

Both accidents took place in narrow cuttings during poor visibility due to heavy drifting. In the first MacCallum car, driven by Mr. MacCallum, was travelling toward the city, when it met the Ellis car driven by the owner in a narrow section near Marshfield. MacCallum was accompanied by his wife, son and daughter. The MacCallum children were uninjured. In the Ellis vehicle were Mr. Ellis his wife and four sons. Two of the Ellis boys escaped without injury. Both late model cars suffered considerable damage.

The second accident occurred on Godfrey's Hill, and involved four vehicles. Mr. George Clow who was driving East in his late model car collided head-on with Dr. Kelly's half-ton truck. Mr. Clow was accompanied by his wife and son. Barry Rankin was the only passenger in the Kelly vehicle.

Two other motorists escaped injury when their vehicles plowed into the first two from opposite directions. A large oil truck driven by Lloyd Hillier, Charlottetown struck the rear of the Clow car, while Albert Cheverie of Souris, who was driving toward the city drove his car into the rear of the Kelly Truck.

Strikes Spread To London Area

LONDON (AP)—Spreading factory strikes hit this manufacturing capital Saturday, paralyzing more and more of the industry on which Britain lives.

An estimated 1,700,000 workers now have laid down their tools in factories and shipyards making everything from hammers to sewing machines and electronic brain computers; from engines to bombers, sleek new tankers and liners.

A half-million men in about 1,000 Greater London plants Saturday joined 1,000,000 "engineering" workers who walked out a week ago, mainly in Scotland and Northern England. Two hundred thousand ship makers began the third week of their strike, which has silenced 70 shipyards around Britain.

Neither side in the wage disputes held out any prospect of peace moved during the weekend. Negotiations in the last week broke down in deadlock.

Labor Minister Iain MacLeod pinned his hopes for an early end to the strikes on an appeal to the unions to call off their walkout and return to work.

Search Abandoned For Missing Plane
HALIFAX (CP)—RCAF search and rescue officials here Sunday announced temporary abandonment of a search for a civilian Aeronca aircraft and its pilot, missing from Knob Lake, Que., since March 22.

Pilot Gerard Diluzio, after flying two Knob Lake residents to a Labrador fishing camp, disappeared on his return trip. The passengers were picked up by rescue planes March 23.

RCAF officials said heavy snowfall and drifting conditions in the area make aerial search futile now but it may be resumed after a thaw sets in.

7 N.B. Potato Men In Ottawa For Tariff Talks
OTTAWA (CP) — Representatives of New Brunswick potato growers arrived in the capital Sunday night for tariff talks with federal officials.

The seven-man group is headed by H. C. Greenlaw of Millville N.B., president of the New Brunswick Potato Shippers' Association. Mr. Greenlaw said the group hopes to have talks early this week with Agriculture Minister Gardiner, Finance Minister Harris and Labor Minister Gregg, New Brunswick cabinet members.

He said, in an interview, the group had statements to make before its meeting with federal officials.

However, he was quoted last week as saying that failing equalization of Canadian and United States tariffs, Ottawa would be asked for other measures to aid the potato industry. Farmers have said the present price of \$1.50 a barrel is \$1 below production costs.

Find Body Of U.S. Woman Slain By Iranian Bandits

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—Iranian authorities announced the discovery Sunday of the body of Mrs. Anita Carroll only six miles from the spot where desert bandits killed her husband and three other persons a week ago.

The body was being flown to Tehran. The interior ministry said identification was not yet official but that "it could not be anyone else" but Mrs. Carroll.

Interior Minister Assadullah Alam said the pretty 35-year-old American woman apparently was killed by a shotgun blast soon after the slaying of her husband and another U.S. technical aid official and two Iranians a week ago Sunday night.

There was no immediate report as to whether Mrs. Carroll was killed in the ambush with her husband and her body carried away,

or had fled and been caught and killed later.

The discovery climaxed a week-long search of the desolate Tang-e-Kohkeh Desert 600 miles southeast of Tehran by 1,200 troops and police. Until the end Iranian authorities were convinced Mrs. Carroll had been kidnapped by the bandit gang for sale in the slave markets of the Gulf of Oman or the Persian Gulf.

RECEIVED MESSAGE
Only a few hours earlier the interior ministry had received a message from the bandit chief, a notorious 60-year-old outlaw named Dadeshah, saying Mrs. Carroll was "quite safe and unharmed" and offering to set her free if the bandit leader also would be allowed to go free. The government replied with an "assurance of amnesty."

There was no immediate explanation of this report. Police had quoted a "witness" as saying Saturday that he saw a white-faced foreign lady alive and well with the bandits, and reported other evidence that Mrs. Carroll was alive.

Mrs. Carroll was accompanying her 37-year-old husband and Brewster Wilson, 35, of Portland, Ore., on a motor trip across the desert to inspect a U.S. aid project when they were ambushed. Carroll and Wilson held off the outlaws for an hour with pistols until their ammunition was exhausted. Their bodies and those of the two Iranian jeep drivers were found by an army patrol.

In Mrs. Carroll's home town, Issaquah, Wash., her family expressed shock and bewilderment at the sudden turn of events.



Montreal, — Nine-year-old Kenneth Leblanc smiles after hearing that his sight has been saved. He lost the sight of his left eye a year ago while playing with a

WILL SEE AGAIN

companion. He was fitted with an artificial eye. Recently he ran home screaming that the same companion has thrown glass in his eyes. Doctors said the cornea

was perforated and the eye was injured by glass splinters but not severe enough to destroy sight. (CP Wirephoto)

Unemployment Plan For Fishermen Begins Today

OTTAWA (CP)—An unemployment insurance plan for commercial fishermen goes into effect Monday. They won't start drawing benefits before next Jan. 1.

However, their payments will begin going into the \$900,000,000 unemployment fund as from Monday.

About 50,000 fishermen on Canada's coasts, rivers and lakes are to be covered by the plan, culmination of years of government study to find a way of overcoming tricky obstacles in the path of providing them with coverage.

A main obstacle always has been that only about seven per cent of the fishermen work for wages, which is the normal basis for the calculation of payments into the fund by those insured and for the payment of benefits to them.

GOT AROUND DIFFICULTY
Most commercial fishermen are

self-employed or work on a share-the-catch basis with others.

The upshot of this has been that it was tough to fix responsibility for deducting contributions from earnings and for keeping records.

For the fishermen, the commission got around the difficulty by naming the "user of his catch as an employer, for purposes of insurance. A fisherman who has an employer will have his contributions to the fund deducted from his sale price of fish. The buyer will have to keep the records.

In most cases, the unemployment insurance commission says, this will enable the whole crew of a fishing vessel including the captain to qualify for insurance.

SAME BENEFIT TERMS
Fishermen qualifying for benefits will be able to draw them only during the period of Jan. 1-April 15, which is the one in which "seasonal benefits" are extended

to workers in other industries and which also is the slack season generally for the fishery.

Within this period, the benefit terms will be the same as those extended to other workers in seasonal occupations already covered, such as logging and stevedoring.

Persons working a minimum of 15 weeks during their employment season would be qualified for a minimum of 10 weeks of seasonal benefits. The general formula is one week of benefit for every two weeks worked, with a maximum of about 16 weeks of benefits.

The benefit rates for fishermen will be scaled up and down depending on their weekly earnings, on the same basis of those in other occupations.

For those without dependents, the benefits will range from a low of \$6 to a high of \$23 a week. Fishermen with dependents will be able to draw between \$8 and \$30 a week.