# Gandhi asks more power

Prime Minister Indira challenging any con-Gandhi's government stitutional amendment; yesterday asked parliament to approve constitutional changes weakening the courts and giving her and Parliament more power.

Gandhi's opponents, 30 of whom walked out of parliament in protest against the proposed amendments. charged that what she asked would lead to a "single party dictatorship.'

Law Minister H.R. Gokhale introduced the amendments that would affect 59 of the 395 articles in the constitution that took effect three years after India achieved independence from Britain in

The governing Congress party which Gandhi leads has overwhelming majorities in both houses of parliament and approval for the proposals is considered certain at parliament's next session in

The proposals include:

NEW DELHI (UPI) - Court to hear petitions

 preventing high courts in the 22 states from hearing cases involving federal laws;

 forbidding strikes of workers in public services, including governmental, quasi-governmental and municipal operations;

 removing the provision giving India's figurehead president the right to ignore the "aid and advice" of the prime minister. The change orders the president to "act in accordance" with such advice from the prime ministers.

Gandhi's opponents changed last month that the changes were designed to establish ''authoritarian policy in the country." They said the amendments would institutionalize the powers given Gandhi when she declared a nationwide state of emergency in June 1975.

emergency resulted in suspension of civil forbidding the Supreme liberties, censorship of the discuss the changes.



Indira Ghandi

press and the jailing of people for up to two years without the filing of charges. Tens of thousands of the prime minister's political opponents

have been arrested. All the actions undertaken since the emergency, including its proclamation, were provided for in the constitution.

Gandhi's opponents from nearly all parties set up a committee to work against the proposed amendment but abandoned their efforts after charging the government forbade public gatherings to

# declares

DUBLIN, Ireland (UPI) -Parliament voted yesterday to declare a state of national emergency in the Irish Republic, giving the green light to the government's tough, new anti-terrorist

After two days of emergency debate at a specially convened session of parliament, deputies voted 70 to 65 for a government resolution declaring the

A similar resolution was approved 35 votes to 18 in parliament's upper house, the Senate. The body has limited powers, confined to holding

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI)

- Rightist and leftist forces

clashed with mortar and

rocket fire in suburban Beirut

and the mountains today and

two U.S. special envoys

returned for a new round of talks with Lebanon's right-

Rocket and mortar duels

past 24 hours were

claiming at least 87 dead over

reported between the south-

eastern suburbs of Chian

Chiah and Ain Rummaneh

and in the mountains north-

east of the capital.

wing leaders.

up legislation for 90 days, but as "unnecessary," and opits endorsement was vital for Cosgrave's immediate declaration of a state of days, sate as unincessary, and position deputies said the resolution would frighten away foreign investors.

> Before that parliament rejected by 70 votes to 64 an amendment put forward by the Fianna Fail opposition party opposing the resolution.

government win The cleared the way for debate on the new anti-subversive legislative package which Premier Liam Cosgrave demanded in order to "rid the country" of the outlawed Irish Republican Army

The formal government resolution declared that 'arising out of the armed conflict now taking place in Northern Ireland, a national emergency exists affecting the vital interests of the

Opposition leader Jack Lynch, whose government introduced the non-jury special criminal courts in 1972, opposed the resolution

Beirut troops clash

Three mortar rounds fell

during the morning behind .

the leftist-held Beirut radio

station in west Beirut, send-

ing pedestrians tempted into

the streets by a recent lull in the indiscriminate shelling of

residential quarters scat-

tering for cover. There were

At the same time peace

efforts bogged down over

reported rightist reservations

about the Arab League's

Maj. Gen. Mohammed

the

junction of

latest truce proposals.

Hassan Ghoneim,

no casualties.

"It will do more harm to Ireland than the terrorists have done in seven years,' Deputy John O'Connell said.

But Cosgrave, who personally piloted the measure through parliament, was unyielding in his hard-line reaction to critics of the measure.

"These measures are necessary to meet and overcome the challenge thrown down by an illegal organization dedicated to overthrow this state,' Cosgrave said.

Government spokesmen explained that the emergency declaration was necessitated by the proposed legislation which would empower police to hold suspects for seven days instead of 48 hours. Another new bill contains increased penalties for subversive activities.

Egyptian commander of the

Arab League's 2,500-man

peace-keeping contingent in

Lebanon, met for two hours

with rightist leaders to

discuss the League's latest

Christian sources said those

who did, Phalangist party and

rightist Lebanese army of-

ficials, objected to Ghoneim's

proposal to station Arab

League troops in the strategic

mountains northeast of Beirut

if and when the leftists and

their Palestinian allies agree

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to withdraw from them.

truce proposal terms.

## Russians offer disease answer

MOSCOW (UPI) — A Soviet newspaper said Wednesday the mysterious "Legionnaire's disease" that has killed 28 Americans may have resulted from Pentagon experiments in chemical and biological warfare that went "out of control."

The suggestion by the weekly Literaturnaya Gazeta appeared in an article that also charged the United States violating the 1972 convention banning biological weapons and alleged that the CIA was producing and stockpiling chemical and bacteriological agents of mass destruction.

The newspaper was commenting on the spread of unknown origin that has struck down 28 men and women, most of whom attended an American Legion convention in Philadelphia nearly two months ago.

"Now in the United States they express the supposition that the participants in the American Legion convention out of control Pentagon experiments with chemical and biological weapons," the newspaper said without naming its sources.

Among the victims, Literaturnaya Gazeta said, were residents of several cities where private industry was conducting secret experiments on "new kinds of weapons of mass destruction" for the Defense Department. The victims, cities and companies were not named.

### Statement sparks student riot

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (UPI) - Police using shotguns and pistols, tear gas, nightsticks and dogs battled hundreds of youthful rioters in a mulatto township yesterday.

At least five persons were wounded. Col A. P. van Zyl, commander of the riot police, said three persons were hit by police pistol fire and two others were wounded by buckshot. Witness said several others were injured by flailing nightsticks as police

The disorders broke out after prime minister John Vorster réplied to Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's condemnation of apartheid. Vorster said South Africa's internal policies are "not prescribed to her by any person or country from the outside.'

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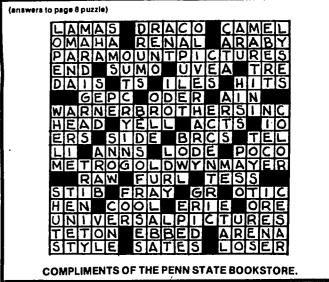
Rioters smashed windshields and large plate glass windows of shops — even those protected by heavy metal grills - and hurled stones into buildings. At one stage police opened fire on rioters who rushed a police vehicle.

Vorster's response in Johannesburg came a day after Kissinger said "South Africa's internal structure is incompatible with any

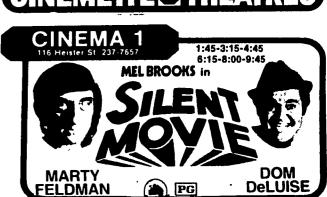


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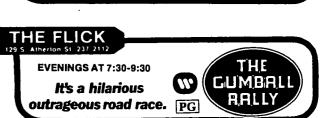


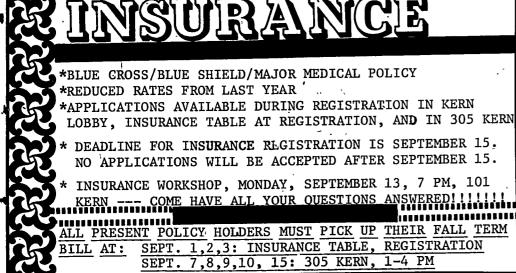
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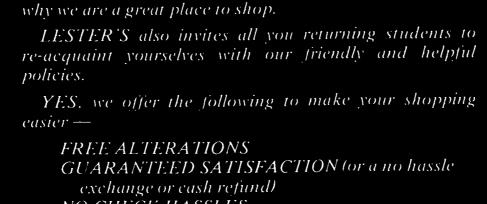


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