## He Nearly Jailed Bohr in 1944

## How Churchill



Churchill was alarmed NIELS BOHR

Churchill considered having him confined. atom bomb in 1944, the Russians about the Winston Churchill to physicist, Niels Bohr, tried The late Danish nuclear to get Prime Minister LONDON, Sept. 24 (AP) and tell

energy project. and Atomic Energy, 1935official history of the 45," published today. It is United the first installment of the Gowing in a book, "Britain This is told by Margaret Kingdom atomic

writes that Bohr, a pioneer figure in the history of nuclear Atomic Energy Authority vist and historian of the Mrs. Gowing, the archiphysics, became

> could be brought into a system of international control. going on in the world of should be told what was the atomic bomb so they convinced that the Russians

## Talks to Churchill

view." able memory of the inter-In 1944 he saw Churchill. The book says Sir Winston retained "a very disagree-

speak the same language."
Churchill put his doubts
to Lord Cherwell, his scientific adviser: Bohr said they "did not

be confined or at any rate made to see he is very near a Russian professor, an old friend of his in Russia. It seems to me, Bohr ought to close correspondence with "Professor Bohr . . . is in

> as saying. the book quotes Churchill the edge of mortal crimes,"

## Matter Dropped

upon by British intelligence. The matter was his letters had been agreed scientists came to Bohr's defense, saying he had dropped. done nothing improper and Cherwell and other

of 77. Nazi-occupied Denmark to England in October 1943. He died in 1962 at the age Bohr had escaped from

Mrs. Gowing also says that the British government was the first government in the world to be told by scientists that an atomic She reports that

. atom bomb was feasible and indicated how it could ham University that an memorandum at Birmingnow at Oxford, drew up a and Prof. Rudolf Peierls, scientists, Prof. be built. Frisch was 35 at Frisch, now at Cambridge, spring of 1940 two refugee

sive research into the which in 1940-41 did exten-Maud Committee, headed came the government's the bomb. problems of construction of by Sir James the time and Peierls, 32. Out of the memorandum Thomson,

entered the war, the work America on the After the United States bomb moved

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