

Jane Fonda Likened To Arab Terrorist

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ANNAPOLIS, March 6—As legislators alternately snickered and squirmed, a state delegate today compared actress Jane Fonda to an Arab terrorist and Tokyo Rose.

"I don't care if she goes over and lives in the (Governor's) Mansion House," Del. William J. Burkhead (D-Anne Arundel) told the House Environmental Affairs Committee. "I don't care if she has her baby in North Arundel Hospital . . . But I do care when she says let's overthrow this great country."

Burkhead was the lone witness at a hearing on a resolution he has sponsored that would tell Miss Fonda she is not welcome in Maryland and would urge the state's residents to boycott her motion pictures.

Burkhead also is sponsoring legislation that would prohibit the activist antiwar actress from performing in Maryland, either in person or in a movie, and would require that her share of any proceeds from movies shown in the state be turned over to the state treasury.

The Committee is considered the most conservative in the General Assembly and a handfull of its members clearly favored passage of the resolution. But the majority of the Committee, many of whom privately joked about the resolution, gave no indication of how they would vote when the resolution is acted on later.

Burkhead arrived at the hearing complaining of a cold and asked Del. John S. Arnick (D-Baltimore County) the Committee chairman, to read a two-page prepared statement for him. Arnick read the statement, which praised patriotism, rapidly and in a low voice.

At Burkhead's request, John Szymanski, a Committee aide, then read, in a flat emotionless voice, transcripts from two radio programs in which Miss Fonda was accused of aiding North Vietnam and urging U.S. soldiers to defeat.

Burkhead told the Committee the killing of two American diplomats in the Sudan this week by Arab terrorists "reminded me of what Jane



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... won't bother to reply

Fonda has been urging all over Vietnam."

"If you were able to look at TV when you saw the two bodies being returned from Khartoum you would realize what I'm trying to get at," Burkhead said. "I'm trying to get at these people that believe in going around killing people and overthrowing their governments."

The Committee asked few questions, but two of its most conservative members suggested that Burkhead was being too moderate.

"I think the (state) Censor Board should rate all of her pictures O—for overthrow of the government," said Del. John J. Gallagher (D-Baltimore).

Del. Michael E. Foley (D-Prince George's) compared Miss Fonda to Tokyo Rose and Lord Haw Haw, the propagandists for the Axis powers during World War II, and suggested that the actress should be executed for treason.

"Well, I wouldn't want to kill her, but I wouldn't mind if you cut her tongue off," Burkhead said.

Reached at the headquarters of an antiwar group in California, Miss Fonda told reporters the Committee hearing "doesn't warrant any comment. I can't take it seriously."

Arnick said he had sent a copy of Burkhead's resolution to Miss Fonda and invited her to testify. She did not reply, he said.