

FRESH LEND-LEASE BILLIONS REQUESTED

White House Puts Need Up To Congress

Sen. Ellender Demands Final Settlement Plan, Criticizes Great Britain

WASHINGTON, May 6.—(AP)—President Roosevelt asked congress today to appropriate \$3,450,750,000 to carry forward the lend-lease program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945.

He also requested that any unexpended balances of previous lend-lease appropriations be made available, which would make the aggregate for the new year \$7,188,893,000.

The president's recommendations were forwarded a few hours after Senator Ellender (D., La.) had urged that the United States fix now a policy on final lend-lease settlements.

The appropriations, the White House said in a statement, is for industrial products required for the manufacture of planes, tanks, guns, and other war supplies in allied countries, food and other agricultural products needed to maintain the rations of their soldiers and war workers, and related services.

Another item in the message proposed that \$88,299,000 received as a result of operations under the lend-lease act be used to procure lend-lease farm and industrial products.

The president also requested \$20,881,000 for administrative expenses of the Foreign Economic Administration.

Britain Held Remiss.

Ellender said he was "concerned" about a senate appropriations committee report showing the United States had extended \$21,794,237,819 in lend-lease goods and services to allied nations and had received in return \$2,129,151,000 in reverse lend lease up to March 15 this year.

Noting that the appropriations committee report credited Great Britain with slightly more than \$2,000,000,000 of the reciprocal aid total, with Russia accounting for \$1,000,000, Ellender said:

"I don't want to be critical of Russia, because she has had her hands full, and I have faith that Russia will come through and compensate us to some extent, possibly through her huge oil reserves. But with Great Britain it is different."

Alexander Rennie, Benton County Legislator, Dies

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 6.—(AP)—Alexander Rennie, representative from Benton county in the Oregon legislature through five sessions and one special session, died Friday following illness from a heart block. His name is on the Benton county primary ballot for re-election. His wife survives.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

SENATOR TYDINGS, of Maryland, whom FDR tried to liquidate in 1938 (but failed), is renominated by Maryland democrats by a four-to-one majority over his nearest opponent, who had campaigned on a straight platform of 100% support for FDR for a fourth term.

FROM that, one might jump to the conclusion that the fourth term is going to run into serious difficulties in the South.

Don't be too hasty. Over and over again, all over the country, people have voted overwhelmingly FOR a candidate whom FDR had urged them to vote AGAINST and then have turned right around and voted overwhelmingly for FDR himself. You never can tell.

THIS writer has talked to a considerable number of people who plan to vote for FDR, fourth term or no fourth term, but intend to vote for anti-Roosevelt senators and congressmen.

They don't like the New Deal. They are fearful of bureaucracy. They are strongly opposed to the steadily growing transfer of government from the courthouse and the state house to Washington, and feel that if this movement isn't checked the American way of life will be changed radically FOR THE WORSE.

But they have personal confidence in FDR, and they HOPE by electing him and at the same time electing a congress that will be UNFRIENDLY to him, they

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China Faces Grave Threat In Jap Drive

Foe Gains Most of Vital Railroad in Effort to Strike Knockout Blow

(By the Associated Press)
Exactly two years after forcing a humiliating surrender upon the defenders of the Philippines, the fighting forces of Japan today found themselves on the offensive in only one of five theaters of war. But that offensive contained a grave threat to China.

The enemy was engaged in a many-pronged operation in China's rich north-east region. In Chungking there was a feeling the operation had a grand objective: to knock China out of the war and remove it as a possible base for allied attacks on Japan's home islands. The Japanese appeared to have won control of all but 40 miles of the Peiping-Hankow rail route, and to have shifted their main effort to captured Loyang, railways crossroad to the northwest. The seizure of this junction would facilitate a drive upon Chungking, protected though it is behind great mountains and jungle.

From the other four theaters came reports of allied success. In India the British opened a general attack to clear the invaders from the Kohima area. Southeast Asia headquarters declared the Japanese were thrown out of important positions around that allied base protecting the Assam-Bengal supply route to China and Burma.

Across the border in Burma Lt. Gen. Stilwell's Chinese soldiers bowled over the Japanese to advance down the valley leading to Mogaung. Enemy defenses in another part of the valley also were overpowered in the American general's drive to capture Mogaung and Myikina, enemy bases blocking a future junction of the Lede and Burma roads.

Jap Bases Blasted
Gen. MacArthur and Adm. Nimitz maintained their persistent air attacks on enemy bastions from the Kuriles north of Japan to New Guinea and the Marshalls.

MacArthur's fliers stepped up

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Douglas Veterans' Council Organized

Formation of the Douglas County Veterans' council was completed at Drain last night at a meeting of representatives of veterans organizations at Reedsport, Drain, Oakland, Sutherlin and Roseburg.

Erwin Short, Roseburg, was elected council commander; Alenden Leash, Reedsport, vice-commander, and Roy O. Young, Roseburg, secretary.

A committee consisting of Roy Young, representing the American Legion; Ward Cummings, Veterans of Foreign Wars; R. L. Preston, Disabled American Veterans, and George Bailey, Spanish War Veterans, was appointed to prepare constitution and by-laws.

The council is being formed for the purpose of coordinating the efforts of all veterans groups in matters of legislation, policy, service, rehabilitation, etc. Similar council groups are being formed in other counties with a state organization contemplated in the near future.

Strike of Truckers in Idaho, Utah Is Ended

SALT LAKE CITY, May 6.—(AP)—Civilian freight, stacked high on docks in Utah and southern Idaho, began to move today as union workers returned to their jobs following a two-week motor transport work stoppage.

Representatives of the AFL Teamsters' union and operators of eight intermountain motor freight lines signed an agreement yesterday which placed the dispute in the hands of an arbitrator.

The dispute originated at Boise Idaho, two weeks ago and involved union refusal to pick up freight from the non-union Compton transfer depot there. Sympathy walkout followed in other southern Idaho and Utah lines.

Primary Election, May 19, Draws Little Interest. U. S. Senator Race Bitter; No Contest for Douglas County Offices

(By CHARLES V. STANTON)

Although the primary nominating election is near, Friday, May 19, being the date, there appears to be but little interest. Lack of contests, except for a few offices, coupled with the fact that the war absorbs the major attention of the great majority of people, leads political observers to anticipate casting of ballots by only a very small percentage of the state's eligible voters.

Only two contests appear to be attracting public attention, these being on the republican ticket for the two offices of United States senator, as the people of Oregon must elect this year both senators, due to the death of Charles L. McNary.

Consequently the battles between Cordon and Sprague for the short term, and Holman and Morse for the full term are the only issues which save the election from being a complete wash-out so far as general public interest is concerned.

Delegate Rivalry Keen

Were it not for the abundance of candidates for delegates, the party tickets would be extremely light. But both parties will have ample material from which to select convention delegates.

With seven republican delegates to be chosen from the state at large, there are 17 candidates, while two are to be chosen from the Fourth Congressional district out of the five candidates in the field, one Richard Wilmut, being from Douglas county. Democrats

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Allies Ask Swiss To Halt Nazi Aid

WASHINGTON, May 6.—(AP)—The United States has taken another step toward plugging the channels of vital war goods flowing to Germany; negotiations are in progress to reduce Switzerland's exports to the Nazis.

The talks are being held in London between delegations from Switzerland and this country, and have already been under way for several weeks.

Expected result is a new trade agreement with Switzerland, to take the place of an interim pact signed last December.

Switzerland sends the Nazis fuses, chronometers, precision instruments and a small quantity of ball-bearings. The strategic importance of these products is quite disproportionate to the amount sent, since they require highly skilled workmen and top quality materials, both extremely short in Germany today.

Switzerland cut these exports by more than half when the December agreement with the United States was negotiated, and further reductions are now being asked in line with the allied policy of blocking every possible German channel of highly strategic war supplies. The United States is also asking a cut in credit extended to Germany by Switzerland.

In return, Switzerland is requesting increased supplies from this country, mainly food, cotton and TNT.

Husband, 14 Years Old, Unworried About Draft

DENVER, May 6.—(AP)—At least Ellsworth (Sonny) Wisecarver, 14-year-old schoolboy husband of Elaine Wisecarver, 21, doesn't have to "worry about the draft."

That was the opinion of the bride as they awaited the arrival today of Los Angeles police.

The couple, held in Denver county jail, were married in Yuma, Ariz., April 29—a marriage that prompted the youth's mother, Mrs. Mildred Wisecarver, to file a complaint of child-stealing against the bride.

New Owner to Rebuild Myrtle Creek Theater

A. L. Brown, recent arrival from Oakland, Calif., will start work immediately to rebuild the Myrtle Creek theater, destroyed by fire several months ago. Mr. Brown has purchased the site and will install a 400-seat show house. He has had more than 25 years of experience in the theater business.

Trunk Corpse Mystery Not Yet Solved

Police Seeking Clues to Identity of Woman and Her Probable Murderer

CHICAGO, May 6.—(AP)—Police questioned more than a dozen men and women today as they hunted for additional clues to aid in solving the mysterious death of a woman whose semi-nude body was shipped from Chicago to Los Angeles in a trunk. Search also was intensified for the man who arranged the shipment.

Packed in salt and a mass of blood-soaked clothing, the body was discovered by a Los Angeles Railway Express clerk yesterday, when he opened the trunk after he had seen brine seeping from it.

No injury was found on the body, but Los Angeles authorities said further examinations were to be made to determine whether the victim had been poisoned, had died from a blow or had been smothered. They identified her as between 30 and 40 years old.

Police Lt. Philip Brietzke of the homicide division said detectives had established that the trunk was shipped early last Sunday morning by a man about 42 years old. He was accompanied to the railroad station by a 13-year-old boy.

Brietzke said the man had told Charles R. Heniff, a rate clerk at a Railway Express agency in the station, the trunk contained his personal belongings and he had given the name of John Lopez as both shipper and addressee.

The trunk was sent C. O. D., Brietzke said Heniff reported, after the clerk had told the man the charge for the 245-pound shipment, which had been valued at \$50, would be \$25. He added the man told him he intended to travel to Los Angeles by bus.

Earlier investigation of the

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Polish Religion Stands, Priest Assured by Stalin

MOSCOW, May 6.—(AP)—The Rev. Stanislaus Orlemanski of Springfield, Mass., conferred with Premier Stalin and Foreign Commissar Molotov again Thursday and today he described Stalin as "very friendly disposed toward the Roman Catholic church."

The Polish-American priest said that Catholicism would remain the religion of Poland and that "Stalin will not tolerate any transgressions in this regard."

(Father Orlemanski's visit to Russia has been sharply criticized by Catholic leaders in the United States.)

Father Orlemanski, who is pastor of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary church in Springfield, lauded the Russians as a "wonderful people" and Premier Stalin and Foreign Commissar Molotov as "great men."

Child Fatally Scalded By Tumbling Into Hog Vat

COQUILLE, Ore., May 6.—(AP)—Three-year-old Geraldine Furnish died yesterday of scalding after tumbling into a vat of water her father had heated for butchering hogs on his farm near Coquille.

Fortresses Smash Austrian Messerschmitt Factory



Flying Fortresses of the U. S. army 15th air force bring devastation to Hitler's Luftwaffe as they blast the Messerschmitt fighter plane factory at Wiener Neustadt, south of Vienna, Austria. This photo, one of the most graphic bombing pictures to come out of the war, was made by the army air force during the height of sustained pre-invasion bombardment.

BALKANS LASHED BY ALLIED AIR FLEETS; PESCARA DAM IN ITALY OPENED BY BOMBS

French Bases Of Nazis Given New Pounding

Little Opposition Met By Allied Fliers; Reds Mass for Drive to Berlin

(By the Associated Press)
Despite stormy weather, nearly 250 U. S. Liberator bombers, with an equal number of escorting fighters, pounded Hitler's Atlantic wall emplacements in the Pas-de-Calais department of France today.

The daylight blow followed a night in which British planes laid mines in enemy waters without loss and Canadian-manned Mosquito bombers on an offensive patrol over Northern France attacked and severely damaged several parked enemy aircraft.

The British-based U. S. Liberators did all their bombing in the Pas-de-Calais through an overcast, thick the German ground gunners did not even bother to shoot at some of the attackers. No enemy fighters were encountered.

Allied aerial operations from British bases were curtailed yesterday morning by a 60-mile-an-hour gale which swept the Dover strait. The wind sent great waves crashing over the "invasion beaches," piers and harbors.

On Dover cliffs it was impossible to stand against the bitter wind and driving rain.

Meanwhile, the allied expeditionary air force announced that railway yards at Hazenbrouck and the junction at Motteville, both in northern France, were attacked by RAF fighter-bombers yesterday along with Cambrai.

Reds Massing Huge Army

German reports relayed through Stockholm said today that the Russians had massed men and equipment "on an enormous" scale in Old Poland for a new drive on the path to Berlin.

The reports said the red army was concentrated in great strength in the vicinity of Kovel, 170 miles southeast of Warsaw, and also was gathering near Kolomyia, 30 miles southeast of Stanislawow near the old Czech border.

A bulletin said that Russian air and sea units had sunk five more German and Romanian escape ships off Sevastopol in support of

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Surprises Await Allied Invaders, Rommel's Boast

Nazi Chief Also Prates About "Military Honor"; Invasion by Air Already On, Briton Says

LONDON, May 6.—(AP)—Marshal Erwin Rommel added his voice today to the invasion guessing din, declaring the attack "must be regarded as imminent" and asserting that the German soldier, "armed with new weapons, is ready for the utmost."

The allies, he declared in a German broadcast, "will come up against many great surprises."

"This is particularly true of those enemy formations which may try to land by parachute or from gliders behind the coastal front," Rommel declared.

The broadcast said he addressed his commanders after completing a tour of Mediterranean coast defenses and quoted him as saying:

"My inspection of the interior of the country has shown the existence of an interesting system of tactical measures which can be described as a complete novelty."

Rommel, whose forces were driven from Africa by the triumphant eighth army troops of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, made a reference to that experience.

"Before the attack on El Alamein," Rommel said, "Montgomery asked his men to kill Germans wherever they meet them. On account of this order wounded and captured German soldiers were murdered at El Alamein."

"We German officers do not give orders to our men which are in crass contrast to military honor."

Air Invasion Already On

Capt. H. H. Balfour, British undersecretary for air, declared that for all practical purposes some 138,000 allied airmen already have opened the main battle of the invasion.

He asserted that the destruction executed during April "throughout the length and breadth of occupied Europe" by these airmen would make the invasion path from the coast to Berlin more direct.

Looking to the peace beyond the invasion, the London Daily Herald said today that the European advisory commission now had "practically completed" a detailed document setting out armistice terms to be presented to Germany.

Reports received here through Stockholm, possibly German-inspired, said the Nazis had sent 20,000 reinforcements into restive Denmark and 30,000 into Norway as anti-invasion moves.

Son of Viereck, Alleged Seditionist, Is Killed

WASHINGTON, May 6.—(AP)—Corporal George Sylvester Viereck, Jr., New York City, was killed in action March 24 in Italy, the War department has disclosed.

Young Viereck's father is one of 29 defendants facing trial here on charges of sedition conspiracy. The elder Viereck already has been convicted on a charge of serving as a German agent without registering with the state department.

Romanian Oil Centers, Rail Yards Blasted

Shattering of Huge Dam Looses Heavy Flood On Nazi-Occupied Region

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, May 6.—(AP)—American bombers today attacked five points in Romania.

The targets were the railroads and an aircraft plant at Brasov, 75 miles north of Bucharest; Pitesti 60 miles northwest of that capital, Carova 95 miles to the east, Campina and Turnu-Severin.

Fortresses and Liberators fought through enemy fighters in bombarding the targets at Brasov.

The blows, coming in a steady offensive against Balkan targets, were the first delivered against Pitesti and Carova.

Immediate reports on damage and allied losses were unavailable. Some enemy aircraft were shot down. The American forces were probably 500 to 750 strong.

The heavy daylight blows quickly followed up heavy, overnight RAF assaults on Romania and Friday's daylight attacks on Balkan targets and the spectacular breaching of the Pescara dam in Italy.

The oil center of Campina was hit last night by British bombers; Turnu-Severin was still reeling from yesterday's assault in which the daylight raiders also hammered Pitesti. Official photographs of the latter attack showed bombs had wrecked workshops, warehouses and were well concentrated on the rail yards which serve as a particularly important transshipment center for Danube river traffic.

Heavy forces of American bombers struck into Romania yesterday and hit the oil and rail center of Ploesti and the railway

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Death Comes to Siamese Twins

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., May 6.—(AP)—To Joyce and Sandra Siterly, tiny girls doomed never to have a separate existence, death came as a release today from the bonds that joined them at their birth six days ago.

Joyce, the larger and apparently stronger, ceased her labored breathing shortly after midnight and Sandra, whose circulatory weakness foretold an early end to the struggle for life, died a few minutes later.

Their was the only birth of Siamese twins ever recorded in Pennsylvania and the way in which their gaunt bodies were joined—with heads at opposite ends of the crib—was said by doctors to be almost unprecedented anywhere.

The twins' widowed mother, Mrs. Mary Siterly, 24, who wept when she learned how their bodies were linked, wasn't to be told of their death until later today. Her husband, Harold, was killed in a motorcycle accident two months ago.

Dr. J. Elmer Gotswalt, who delivered the twins, said they contracted pneumonia although hot water bottles and electric heating pads surrounded them from the first.

Levity Feet Rent

By L. F. Rosenblatt

"Every dog has his day." He may be reviled or persecuted 364 days of the year, but on the day of the pet parade he'll win the plaudits of a pageant-hungry multitude.