## President Given Blanket Authority By House Bill

WASHINGTON — (A) — The Lucas said "it is absolutely nec-House Judiciary committee Tues-day approved a bill giving Presi-dent Truman blanket authority to reshuffle government agencies and revise war contracts.

Leaders plan to ask house pas-sage of the bill tomorrow under suspension of the rules.

Russian Air Superiority
Warned By British Lead

A similar bill was introduced in the Senate and was promptly challenged by Senator Taft of Ohio, Republican policy leader.

The measure, offered by senate tlemocratic Leader Lucas of itinois, would restore Mr. Treman's World War II authority to reorganize the government and permit re-negotiation of war contracts.

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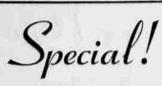
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## Warned By British Leader

Urging a sharp step-up of British rearmament, retired Air Chief Marshal Sir Guy Garrod told a meeting of the air league of the British empire "time is against us."

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Sir Guy, who is chairman of the league and who from 1940 to 1943 was in charge of training men for the Royal air force, said it is certain the Russians have "extremely advanced types" of fighter planes. Sir Guy said that Russia, as a potential aggressor, is in a position of overwhelming strength except for the atom bomb.



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FANTASTIC KIDNAP PLOT-Gambler Harold Smith, owner of Reno, Nav., nationally-known Harold's club, and police inspect dummy lumber truck which authorities say was to be used in a fantastic plot to kidnap one of the wealthy Smith family children. Smith pushes on planks that reveal concealed opening to hollowed interior of load of lumber. (AP Wirephoto)

## Aged Scotch Whiskey Finds Emergency Use

PENCOED, Wales — P— For 12 years, Mrs. Amelia Griffiths hoarded a bottle of prewar Scotch whiskey against an emergency.

Then she heard that a 14-year-old horse named Frank half allen into a ditch in his pasture near her house. Would be rescuers failed to get him out and were about to send for a man with a gun.

Mrs. Griffiths, who is 63, decided the long-awaited emergency had come. She trialged across the field with her bottle of Scotch under her arm.

After one swallow, Frank let go with a lusty kick. Halfway through the fine old liquor he turned on his side and took a deep breath. As the last drops trickled down his throat, Frank surged to his feet and lit out for home like a two-year-old colt.



NABBED BY REDS — Archbishop Josef Beran, of Prague, has been seized and secretly imernment of Czechoslovakia, ac-cording to an announcement by the National Catholic Conference in Washington.



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