House Republicans Vote To Cut Trumans' Budget

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (AP)-House Republicans voted in a closed door session Wednesday to support a \$6,000,-000,000 slash in President Truman's \$37,500,000,000 budget. Members said the standing vote was unanimous.

House G. O. P. members held their meeting as the senate neared a formal vote on the budget with indications it would approve a \$4,500,000,000 cut.

In a party meeting Tuesday, senate Republicans voted 22 to 19 for the smaller figure.

Morse Unsure of Cut WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (AP) -Senator Wayne L. Morse, (R., Ore.) said in a statement Wednesday that he cannot vote for a proposed cut in the federal budget until he knows just what items are to be trimmed and how much.

"I can't vote for a blanket budget cut," he said, "Until I first see to what extent it is proposed to weaken the security of our country by injuring our national defense program and endangering our international obligations to win the peace."

The senate Republicans' action stirred sharp debate in both sen-



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ate and house with Representative Owen (R., Ill.) shouting that the senators acted "cowardly."

The G. O. P. split apparently made it a foregone conclusion that the senate would favor a \$4,500,-000,000 cut, proposed by Senator Eugene D. Millikin (R., Colo.), as a substitute for the \$6,000,-000,000 recommended by the joint senate-house budget committee. Most Democratic senators were

backing Millikin's figure. The chief argument of those op-

posing the bigger figure is that it would require too heavy cuts in military spending.

The budget committee's recommendations were up formally only in the senate. While the house will not consider them until Thursday, Owen's criticism of the senators touched off an advance debate there.

Representative Jamie Whitten (D., Miss.) argued that a \$6,000,-000,000 slash not only would take money from the war and navy departments, but would cripple agriculture.

Historic India Statement Due by Attlee Thursday

LONDON, Feb. 19-(AP) Authoritative sources said Wednesday that Lord Wavell will be called home soon from his post as viceroy of India and that Prime Minister Attlee will make an historic statement on Indian freedom in the house of commons Thursday.

The disclosures stimulated speculation that the British government might be preparing to withdraw from India and to announce a plan for the sub-continent's complete independence, perhaps within a year.

Weather Forecast

Oregon: Mostly-cloudy Thursday and Friday with light rain northwest portion Thursday night and becoming general over most of the state Friday night. Slightly warmer east portion Thursday night. Gentle to moderate variable wind off coast becoming southerly.

Lilienthal's Chances Looking Up

A Democratic policy committee official said tonight the senate is Pending Fund Cut presently inclined to confirm David E. Lilienthal as chairman of the atomic control commission, but Senator Kenneth Wherry (R., Neb.) said there is "grave doubt" about this.

The Democratic official, who declined to be quoted by name, said confidential information from senators who have not publicly stated their views point toward senate approval of Lilienthal's nomination. On the other hand, Wherry, the Republican whip, cited to a reporter the estimate by Senator Kenneth McKellar (D., Tenn.) that 15 Democrats will vote against confirmation. If that is approximately correct, Wherry said, Lilienthal's chances are slim.

three Republicans, have announced publicly that they favor confirmation. Fourteen senators, including four Democrats, have said they are against.

Lilienthal's supporters, meanwhile, hailed a statement by Chairman Bourke B. Hickenlooper (R., Iowa) as an indication that the patience of senate atomic committee members is wearing thin under the protracted attacks McKellar has launched against the nominee.

American Jewry' Blamed

LONDON, Feb. 19-(AP) A leading labor member of parliament reported that Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, facing critics in a Laborite caucus Wednesday, blamed American Jewry's pressure on the United States government for Bevin's failure to reach a Palestine settlement.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.-(AP) O.P.A. to Continue Morse Warns G.O.P. of Policy WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.-(AP)

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Price Administrator Max McCullough said today that OPA's rationing and price control activities will continue "uncurtailed" pending final congressional action on the house-approved \$9,000,000 slash in the agency's funds.

The house action provides reduction of that amount in funds already provided for OPA.

McCullough maintains that if the senate concurs and the reduction finally is made, all OPA activities will have to be abandoned, including enforcement of rent ceilings, and sugar rationing.

Norblad Argues Army Thus far, 15 senators, including Should Reduce Brass

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19-(AP) The army should reduce the number of its officers, Representative Walter Norblad (R., Ore.) said in a statement Wednesday.

He said that while the number 10,590 to 6,489.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.-(AP) Republican party leaders should be told by the rank-and-file that the party will be repudiated in 1948 if it returns to its "economic mistakes" of the 1920's, Senator Wayne L. Morse, (R., Ore.) said here Tuesday night.

In a dinner speech celebrating the 55th birthday anniversary of the late Wendell L. Willkie, Morse 🚗 said Willkie recognized that a party must first stand for sound principles and secondarily for election.

"He knew that standing just for anything for election's sake in order politically to capitalize upon the prevailing prejudices and misinformation of the people, is the surest way to weaken and betray a political party," the senator said.

of enlisted men has been cut from 8,000,000 to 1,070,000, the number of colonels has been cut only from





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