

Hull Opposes Amendment

Real Senate Battle Flares on Troops out of America

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ed Thursday on the Ellender amendment.

Ellender claimed 49 to 51 senate votes (more than the 48 required for passage) while Barkley said the amendment would be defeated "by perhaps 10 votes."

Previously, the senate after more than two weeks of speech-making, turned suddenly to action and adopted a group of amendments to the bill, all of them proposed or approved by the administration leaders. Most of them were offered on behalf of the majority of the foreign relations committee. They would:

End the powers conferred upon the president on July 1, 1945, or sooner if a majority of both houses so voted.

Require the president to obtain specific congressional approval before committing the government to future expenditures under the British aid program.

Specify that the secretaries of war or navy or other department heads shall determine the "value" of existing defense materials transferred to Britain. (The bill already contained a proviso that no more than \$1,300,000,000 worth of such materials should be transferred, but opponents of the bill objected that the proviso was meaningless because the president could fix any value he chose on specific articles.)

Stipulate that defense articles acquired from future appropriations may not be transferred to other countries unless such permission is given by congress when the money is appropriated.

WASHINGTON, March 5—(P)—Four northwest private power companies, in replies made public Wednesday to a federal power commission order that they report intended political expenditures for 1941, objected because the order did not apply, among others, to the Bonneville power administration.

The statements were made by the Puget Sound Power and Light company of Seattle, the Pacific Power and Light company of Portland, the Northwest Electric Light and Power company of Portland and the Washington Water Power company of Spokane. A reply from the Portland General Electric company previously had been made public.

Last week, the commission said an investigation into the accounting disposition of political expenditures by the five companies disclosed outlays in excess of \$1,000,000, of which approximately half was "charged by the utilities to consumer service."

French Chief Flies Home

Gen. Weygand Arrives Secretly at Vichy From Africa Base

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current speculation here that the British might occupy Syria to establish better contact with the Turkish armed forces and, after the war, give Turkey a Syrian mandate.

2. That the Weygand visit was another in a chain of interviews between Benito Mussolini and Generalissimo Franco of Spain, between Franco and Petain, and now between Petain and Weygand, dealing with the situation in the western Mediterranean, possible German intentions there, or the disposal of Italian refugees from Tripoli in case the British complete the occupation of Libya.

Drivers' Bill out

The senate roads and highways committee Wednesday reported out favorably a house bill requiring proof of financial responsibility by motor vehicle drivers after one reportable accident. The committee also recommended passage of a bill by Senator L. W. Wiperman, Josephine county,

Great Balkan Battle Seen

Germans Mass Troops on Grecian Border; Turks Stand Pat

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Hoi, 100 miles south of this British colony, to Pakhoj on the Gulf of Tonkin were reported to have occurred on Monday, but only late Wednesday were they disclosed by the Japanese.

The main purpose, according to the Japanese, was to tighten the blockade against supplies flowing to Chinese Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, but the Japanese army spokesman at Canton described the operation as "an epochal achievement unprecedented in the annals of war."

LONDON, March 5—(P)—In a daylight raid in force across the English channel British bombers assailed the Nazi-held base of Boulogne Wednesday afternoon and harried the coastal areas of northern France, the air ministry announced tonight.

The Boulogne docks were said to have been squarely hit and a fire set off in the inner harbor. One German fighter plane was destroyed, the ministry added, and six seriously damaged.

The loss of three British fighter craft was acknowledged.

Defensively, the day was light. So far as could be learned, it was officially stated, not a German bomb fell on all Britain during the day. London had an inconsequential afternoon alarm.

The admiralty briefly announced that British naval forces had successfully raided "German interests in the Lofoten islands off Norway" Tuesday, but said details of the action had not been learned.

CAIRO, Egypt, March 5.—Native Ethiopians have routed an Italian garrison of 20,000 in Gofjam province and seized the fort of Buray, 140 miles northwest of Addis Ababa in a revolt "spreading like wildfire," the British announced Wednesday night.

(A Reuters, British news agency dispatch from Khartoum reported other rebels even had occupied Mansuka village, eight miles east of Debra Markos, Italian headquarters 115 miles from the capital, Addis Ababa.)

Port Bill Objected to

Passage of a bill placing the Port of Portland employees under civil service regulation was opposed by Henry Corbett and Edward Doyle, port commissioners, at a hearing before the senate Multnomah county delegation Wednesday afternoon.

Sponsors of the bill promised to prepare a number of amendments to the bill designed to satisfy the port commission.

providing for a survey and mapping of the state to uncover its mineral possibilities.

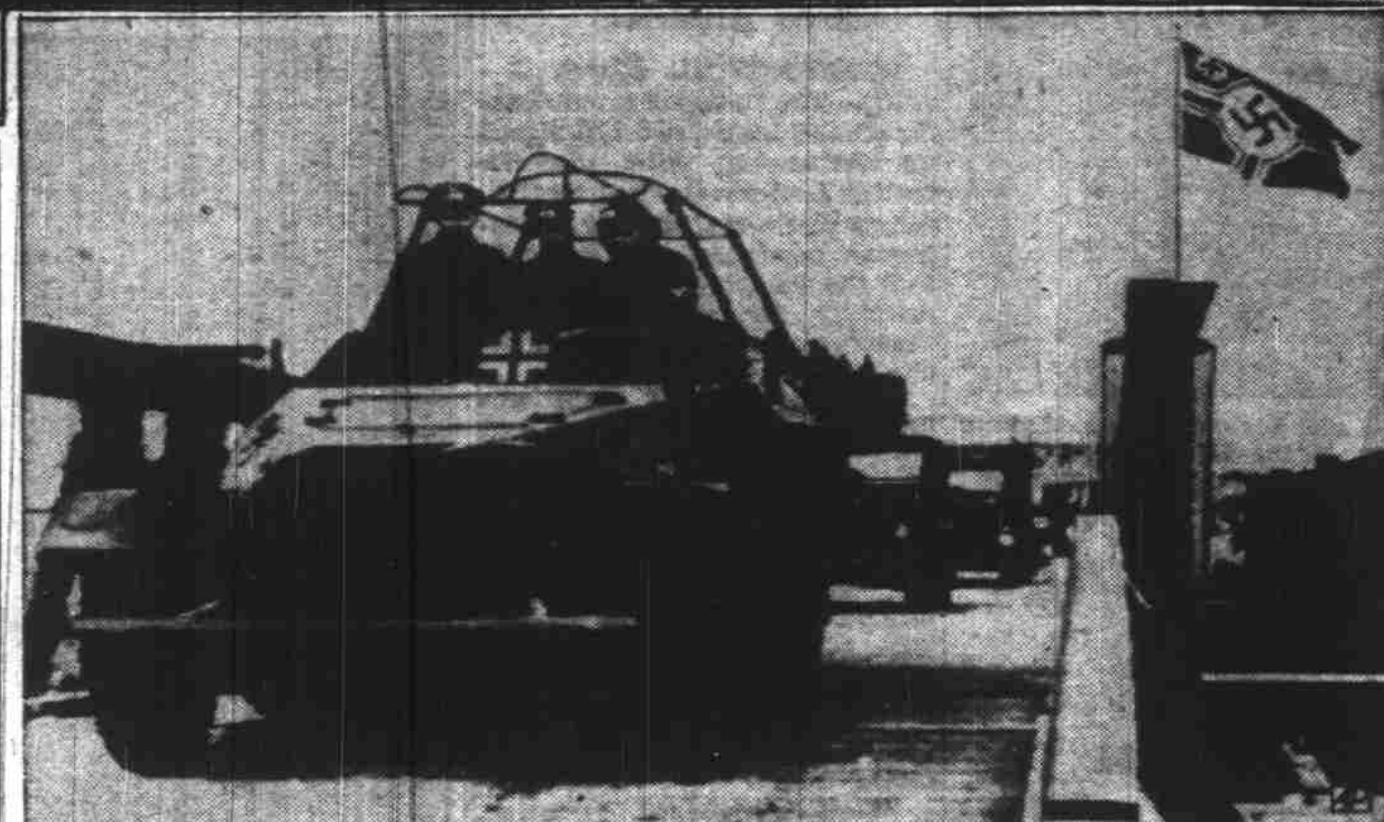
Raps Lend Bill as "Evil"



Senator Henrik Shipstead

Rapping the lend-lease bill, Senator Henrik Shipstead of Minnesota told the senate that if congress approves the bill "we will pay the bill with our money, our resources and the precious blood of American boys."

Stroke of Pen Adds Bulgaria to Axis



Historic signing—Representatives of Germany, Bulgaria and Italy are pictured in this Radiophoto signing the pact at Vienna—an incident which brought Bulgaria into the axis and increased the already strained Balkan tension. Bulgarian Premier Bogdan Philoff is seated at left. Center, Germany's Foreign Minister Von Ribbentrop. At right is Italy's Foreign Minister Ciano. Seven minutes and a stroke of a pen were required to turn this free country into an axis puppet kingdom. A German armored car crosses an unidentified Rumanian border bridge into Bulgaria the day after Bulgaria signed into the axis camp at Vienna. This picture was radiocast from Berlin to New York.

Benton Still House Issue

Battle Is Faced Over Senate Amendment on Redistricting

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mittee but Speaker Farrell told him committee selection was the chair's prerogative.

Fear was privately expressed later by house members that a deadlock might result in no legislation on the subject being enacted, which automatically would result in the election of a congressman-at-large; and it was pointed out that Rep. Lonegan was an avowed proponent of such a solution.

Voters To Ballot in '42 On Highway Revenues

The voters of Oregon will ballot in 1942 on a proposed constitutional amendment to prevent diversion of highway revenues to purposes other than construction and maintenance of highways, roads and streets. The house passed a resolution previously approved by the senate, submitting this issue to the electorate. Only four house members opposed it.

The sales tax issue was injected into the legislative session when the house committee on taxation and revenue recommended submittal of a measure calling for a 2 per cent tax of this nature to the voters, probably at a special election late this year.

Proponents of the measure described it as the "answer" to liberals' criticisms of the legislature's failure to provide for additional old age assistance. The bill provides that 60 per cent of the revenue would go into a pension fund and 40 per cent would offset property taxes.

To the accompaniment of renewed attacks on its asserted inadequacy, the house passed the measure setting the public welfare commission's budget at \$21,690,452. There were six dissenting votes, including that of Rep. J. D. Perry (D-Columbia) who charged that salaries of the commission's employees had increased a total of \$409,388 in three years though the numbers of employees had dropped from 612 to 543.

Rep. Rennie, chairman of the house ways and means committee, said overhead costs of the commission compared favorably with those of other states.

Britain Pleads For More Ships

LONDON, March 5—(P)—The greatest need for ships and men in the proud history of British seapower was proclaimed to the house of commons Wednesday by the first lord of the admiralty, A. V. Alexander.

It was an extraordinary plea to parliament for "many more ships and great numbers of men" . . . to fight "the battle of the Atlantic" which, beginning now, may mean as much to Britain as did last summer's fateful "battle of France."

Million Dollar Building Gets Approval of Ways and Means

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Communities along the route of the 1943 wagon train immigration are expected to arrange their own celebrations and a celebration of the provisional government's institution is proposed for the Willamette valley.

The ways and means committee, which will meet again today and probably complete its business for the session, recommended against passage of the firemen's pension bill which already has been approved by the house. This proposed law would take 60 per cent of the 2 1/2 per cent tax on fire insurance premiums now received by the state. The money

Men to Visit Stevens' ONG

A group of Salem men will drive to Fort Stevens today to see how the city's national guardsmen stationed there are faring and to ascertain what they need to equip their recreation halls. On their return, with cooperation of the Salem junior chamber of commerce, they plan to conduct a drive for the needed funds and furnishings to fill the guardsmen's needs for comfortable quarters in which to spend their off duty hours.

"We want to see for ourselves so we'll know just what our boys do need, before we ask Salem citizens' help," said T. B. "Tom" Hill, member of the 249th coast artillery parents' auxiliary.

Others making the trip will be Charles S. McElhinny and Rev. Robert A. Hutchinson, auxiliary leaders; Don Black, president of the junior chamber, and Stephen C. Mergler, managing editor of The Statesman.

California Sees Sunshine Again

LOS ANGELES, March 5—(P)—In all its incandescent splendor, the sun returned to southern California Wednesday after a month and a day of rainy-sometimes flood-like-weather.

Since February 4, Sol has been more or less a fugitive from his favored bailiwick. There have been eight rainstorms since then, making the wettest winter hereabouts in 48 years.

The sun came up clear Wednesday. Only random fleecy clouds were in evidence. The weather bureau said there probably would be no more rain for several days.

Cosmetic Bill Argued

The senate medicine, pharmacy and dentistry committee Wednesday heard arguments for and against passage of a house bill for the revision of laws committee relating to the practice of cosmetic therapy. Committee members said the bill probably would be reported out later in the week.

Consul Claimed Nazi Agent

Suit of Woman Says Wiedmann Heads Ring in US

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that he obtained information "to determine by what method the Panama canal could be made useless," that he employed officials of the United States government, that he hired workmen in vital industries to "foment class hatred," and that he encouraged strikes to undermine US defensive strength.

Wiedmann also was represented as having said he "worked together" with Henry Ford and Col. Charles Lindbergh, and that he (Wiedmann) was "active in secretly storing large quantities of ammunition," particularly in the east and in New Jersey, "to be used by the bund in fighting against the United States government."

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5—(P)—Princess Stephanie Hohenlohe, reputed Nazi sympathizer and close friend of German Consul Fritz von Wiedmann, was advised at her Palo Alto residence Wednesday that the board of immigration appeals in Washington, DC had rejected her appeal from a deportation order.

Ex-Rumanian King Escapes

Takes Magda in Wild Dash to Portugal From Spain

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few days ago was believed to have provided him with the papers necessary to cross the frontier. (Tonight, in Lisbon, friends admitted cautiously the ex-sovereign is in Portugal, but declined to disclose his precise whereabouts. In Bucharest, it was hinted he had been supplied with a Polish passport.)

Carol and his red-haired friend apparently had made the most careful plans for several weeks for their escape.

They left behind nothing of value but their four dogs—two Pekinese and two Fox Terriers—and three automobiles, including the one in which they escaped. This was found later abandoned in a wood near the frontier.

Even Carol's memoirs, upon which he had been working during his long enforced stay in Seville, were missing when police ransacked their rooms. A Spanish newspaper said Carol failed to pay his hotel bill.

For some time Carol and Mme. Lupescu had been in the habit of taking long drives in the country without a chauffeur. On such times they were accompanied by a small police patrol.

Lobby Hobnobber

Quips, "Angles" and Personalities at the Capitol

Sen. W. E. Burke, Yamhill county, Wednesday introduced a resolution expressing the "good wishes" of the legislature to Dunham Wright, Medical Springs, Union county, who will observe his 100th birthday anniversary on March 13.

Wright was a member of the legislature for 16 years, starting in 1872. At that time he represented all of Oregon lying east of the summit of the Blue mountains. At the legislative session in 1872 Wright was among those who voted for an appropriation of \$100,000 to construct the statehouse which burned in 1935.

Records show that he also voted to locate the University of Oregon at Eugene and was a proponent of the bill creating the state supreme court.

The long and short of it, as far as state employees are concerned, probably got together yesterday when Lowell Stockman, member of the state liquor commission, paid a call on Cecil Edwards, who is on leave as secretary to Gov. Sprague. Stockman isn't quite twice as tall as Edwards but his huge spread of shoulders gives that impression. Cecil was home on a brief leave from his duties as captain and regimental adjutant with the national guard at Fort Lewis. He said he was enjoying his life in a tent there, probably more than he would army life in a barracks house.

The Edwards-Unander "fun-nin'" feud broke out anew, with the report being put out that Elizabeth Welch, stenographer in the executive office,

put on a new ribbon in honor of Edwards' return—on her typewriter.

Claude Ingalls, republican editor from Corvallis, was seen in the senate gallery viewing the proceedings Wednesday.

Rep. Henry Semon (D-Klamath) had six votes for a "do pass" reappointment committee recommendation of his senator-for-Klamath-county bill, when Chairman John Steelhammer withdrew the bill, he says. The chairman indicated he was going to "hold it for awhile."

The house may go into another night session tonight. It has 35 bills on its calendar and, in addition, two special orders of business on controversial committee reports. The senate bills only 19 measures and one resolution for the day.

Sen. P. J. Stadelman, Wasco county, was host at a banquet Tuesday night attended by more than 100 persons. Virtually all senators and their wives were among the guests.

Seattle Plans "Blackout"

First Test in Major US City Scheduled Friday Night

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their shades and in most cases turn out their lights and night life in the Pacific northwest's largest city will come to a sudden halt.

Mayor John E. Carroll has asked all citizens who have no business, on the streets from 10:30 until 11 p.m., to remain at home but police expect natural curiosity to draw large crowds downtown. They will be prepared. No person will be permitted to step off darkened sidewalks during the blackout period from 10:40 p.m. until 10:55 p.m.

The only vehicles allowed to move will be those of the fire and police departments and physicians and even these machines must be answering emergency calls. Police and fire apparatus will travel with their lights shielded.

Coast guard cutters will patrol the waterfront to warn vessels tied up at berths in the harbor to dim their lights and to protect shipping from mishaps because of the shroud of darkness.

The two navigable lakes within the city and the Lake Washington ship canal will be patrolled. A power squadron of 30 small boats under Councilman William Norton will be on duty in Lakes Union and Washington to protect traffic and to warn houseboat owners to douse their lights.

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