

Aid Measure Becomes Law

House Speeds Bill for Roosevelt's Signature

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o'clock, reporters filed into his office for the regular semi-weekly press conference.

Roosevelt refused to disclose list of supplies. Telling the newsmen what he had done, Mr. Roosevelt made it clear that for the time being, he would not disclose either the value of the supplies involved. The latter, he said, was not large, and the total original cost would not necessarily be the billing price.

This, he added, was for the reason that some of the equipment involved was out of date or was surplus or did not have the same monetary value as of the time it was manufactured years ago.

Much significance attached to the value placed upon the articles, because the new law limits transfers of equipment already on hand or previously appropriated for to a total value of \$1,300,000,000. For Mr. Roosevelt could, and advocates of the measure replied that he would not, set arbitrarily low prices for equipment transferred.

The president said he would urge the appropriations committees of the two houses to appoint a joint subcommittee, to visit the White House from time to time and receive all information on the progress of the program. Request for \$7,000,000,000 goes to Congress by letter.

The request for \$7,000,000,000 will go to congress Wednesday in the form of a letter to Speaker Rayburn, he said, disclosing at the same time that the leadership at the capitol had arranged to have congress go to work on it immediately. Hearings before a house appropriations subcommittee were scheduled to begin on Thursday.

(The lease-lend bill, while granting Mr. Roosevelt wide powers to procure the sinews of war and to lease, lend or otherwise transfer them to Britain or other nations, carries no appropriations. Hence the separate request for funds.)

Among those who advocated, and pledged, national unity during the house action Tuesday was Representative Martin (R-Mass.), the minority floor leader, and his brief speech was repeatedly interrupted for applause from both sides of the aisle. When he had concluded there was a standing ovation and loud and prolonged hand-clapping from democrats and republicans alike.

Martin explained that he had voted against the bill because he opposed its grant of power to the president, and feared the measure would "bring us nearer war." His position in that respect was unchanged, he said, but a majority of congress had spoken.

"We live, thank God, in a country where we can debate these great questions and divide as our convictions direct us," he continued. "But once the decision is reached, we accept the verdict of the majority."

"We may differ among ourselves, but there is no division in our loyalty to our country or our determination to protect the security of our people. We are one people; an undaunted people determined that real Americanism shall not disappear from the earth."

Senator Wheeler (D-Mont.), a leading opponent of the lease-lend bill, said he would make no effort to pare down the \$7,000,000,000 appropriation "or in any way tie the hands of the president."

"I expect also to vote for very large increases in taxes which are going to be necessary to carry out the provisions of this bill," he continued, adding:

"This is what the Morgans and the other international bankers asked for, and I hope they will like it."

WASHINGTON, March 11—(AP)—The lend-lease bill signed Tuesday by President Roosevelt confers upon the president tremendous powers to give a centralized direction to the help-to-Britain program.

While England is not named in the bill, and although assistance to both Greece and China is planned, getting war equipment to Great Britain is the law's particular purpose.

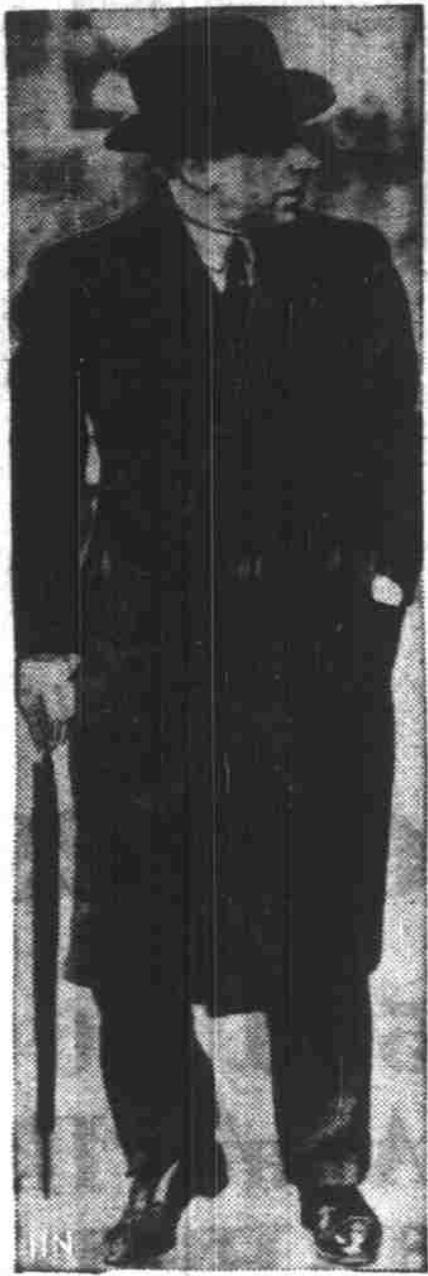
Under its provisions, Mr. Roosevelt may order the manufacture of any defense article in government arsenals or private plants. He may then sell, lease, lend or give these articles to nations whose defense he considers vital to the defense of the United States.

By the terms of the bill "defense article" is defined to mean "any weapon, munition, aircraft, vessel or boat," any "ma-

Obituary

Karl E. Hinges, late resident of 2620 Market street, at the age of 47 years. Survived by wife, Olga L. Hinges; one son, Norman Parrish Hinges; mother, Hallie Parrish Hinges; one sister, Mrs. Halie Nelson. Funeral arrangements later by the Clough-Barrick company.

Misses Blast



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chinery, facility, tool, material or supply" used in the manufacture of war supplies and any agricultural or industrial commodity or article for defense.

Consequently by his definition, the president's authority to order the production of defense articles is spread over virtually the entire field of American economy.

There are, however, limitations. Mr. Roosevelt may order the manufacture of such articles only after congress has appropriated money, or authorized the signing of contracts. Future appropriations for the army and navy may not be diverted to the help-England program, unless congress specifically approves.

When defense supplies are transferred to other nations the president is empowered to fix the terms and conditions of the transfer.

Another provision stipulates that the president shall send abroad not more than \$1,300,000,000 worth of materials already in the hands of the United States army or navy or already appropriated for.

In addition, Mr. Roosevelt may order the testing, inspection, repair, outfitting or reconditioning of defense articles owned by governments whose defense is deemed vital to that of the United States. Congressional debates made it clear that this includes the repair and outfitting of belligerent vessels in American ports.

The life of these powers is limited to June 30, 1943, except that contracts entered into before that date may be carried out until June 30, 1946.

PORTLAND, March 11—(AP)—Ella Reeve Bloor, 79-year-old "mother" of the communist party in America, said Tuesday that "mass pressure" would be brought against the lease-lend program.

She later added that she meant "mass protests" and not "mass pressure," and asserted that "some of the protests will come from the boys in the army camps."

"I think it's going to precipitate war," the elderly communist leader said. "We feel he (President Roosevelt) betrayed the people with the lease-lend bill."

Fort Stevens Gets WPA Allocation

WASHINGTON, March 11—(AP)—A WPA allocation of \$384,278 for improvement of buildings and grounds at Fort Stevens, Ore., was approved by President Roosevelt Tuesday.

In One Ear...

—Paul Hauser's Column

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And we have the coaches with us again, some of whom follow the old standard of the coaching profession, "If at first you don't succeed, cry, cry again."

We are in hearty accord with the British sailor who said the 1941 Nobel peace prize should go to the Italian navy.

POKE INTENDED AS ADVICE FOR THOSE NEEDING MORAL ENCOURAGEMENT AND ALSO FITTING AS A BARGE FOR SIX-DAY BICYCLE RIDERS WHO CAME TO AN UNTIMELY END.

You can have the things you want if you say you won't be daunted. Ergo, if you hate your girlie just keep jumping over a hurdle and back over again after meals.

And be as evasive as circus seals. If you'd call your teeth your own just gnaw every morning on a bone. And if to 100 you'd like to dodder eat nothing but the plainest fodder. And never drink a drop but woder.

Although the poem is somewhat sappy we offer a moral, short and snappy: Persistence is a noble virtue. At any rate, it cannot hurt you.

British Envoy Escapes Bomb

Blast in Istanbul Hotel Kills Two, Injures 23

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"may lead to serious diplomatic repercussions."

The hotel lobby was wrecked and some damage was done to the floor above. Windows in buildings across the street were smashed.

The bomb burst in the lobby of the Pera Palace, a large stone structure one block from the US consulate, just 10 minutes after the British party had entered.

The daughter, Anne, a tall, dark girl of 20, had acted as legation hostess in Sofia for the last 18 months in place of her mother, who is running a hospital canteen in London. She showed the same imperturbability that she did in Sofia when she drove a car flying the British flag through the streets on the first day of the German occupation.

Daughter of Envoy Describes Explosion

She was in the hotel lobby at the time of explosion. This was her description.

"As near as I could tell the floor just flew up."

This, it was disclosed, was the second attempt upon Rendel's life since he broke Britain's relations with German-occupied Bulgaria last week.

An effort was made Tuesday night to blow up the special train on which the diplomat and 67 other Britons—among them women, children and infants—traveled here from Sofia, a British source said.

School Board Plans Deal

Agrees to Offer \$7000 for Eight Lots With Income Stipulation

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was retained to make a preliminary investigation of certain proposed additions to the senior high school and to Parrish junior high school.

A survey of this nature was decided upon by the board several weeks ago.

The board referred to its building and grounds committee the request of the Salem Art Center for renewal of its lease upon quarters in the old high school building on High street.

The committee was instructed to make a study of other possible uses for the premises now held by the Art Center. The board did approve, however, the renting of additional quarters to the WPA for office space and for the use of the adult NYA defense training program.

Club Application Denied For School Meeting Place

It declined the application of the Salem Home Workshop club for a meeting place in the manual training rooms of schools twice monthly as contrary to public policy.

Purchase of a new boiler for the old high school at a cost of \$180 was granted.

Before adjournment, the school board took cognizance of the silver plaque received by the Salem high school chapter of the Future Farmers of America in 1940 competition. The plaque and the club's scrapbook, showing its membership and their achievements, were displayed at the board's meeting and favorably commented upon by Chairman Percy A. Cupper and by Superintendent Frank Bennett.

Maestro Quits Job

SHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 11—(AP)—Leopold Stokowski announced here Tuesday night that he would not return next season as co-conductor of the Philadelphia symphony orchestra where he has served since 1912.

Talbot Teacher Rehired

TALBOT—At the recent school board meeting of Sidney district, Mrs. Ethel Sohn was re-hired to teach the Sidney school. At this meeting the board also made plans to install a merry-go-round on the school grounds.

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By MAXINE BUREN

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Japan Grabs Rice in Siam Vichy Pact

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rice output of the ceded territory.

Thailand was understood to have acquired some 25,000 square miles of territory in Cambodia and Laos, areas she lost to Indo-China in 1904 and 1907. Thus she realized some, but not all, of her demands which led to four months of border fighting. Japan stepped in and effected an armistice January 31.

Signing ceremonies were held at the official residence of Premier Prince Purnmaro Konyo, concluding Japan's initial effort as a mediator in her proclaimed role of leader in greater East Asia.

The stern-faced, unsmiling delegates signed the numerous documents—all used pens except Japanese Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka, who used a brush.

Eye Defects Numerous

Civic Club Hears Many Draftees Rejected on Poor Vision

Defective vision causes rejection of more men chosen for army duty by selective service than any other cause, Dr. Leslie R. Burdette, former president of the American Optometric association and Salem optometrist, told the Salem Kiwanis club at its luncheon meeting yesterday.

Dr. Burdette spoke as a part of the local observance of "National Vision Week."

The speaker declared that 66.23 per cent of men called by the army are declared physically fit. Of the remaining 29 per cent, 13 per cent are rejected for vision defects and the remainder for physical deformities and other organic causes.

"Profession men can only go so far," he declared. "They can discover causes of and cures for defects, but the individual must make sure that corrections are carried out."

The speaker declared that national defense required the best possible standards of physical efficiency on the part of every citizen.

Varney E. Kuhn, Kiwanis club president, announced to the club that Marshall Dana, an editor of the Portland Oregon Journal, will speak at a meeting of the club sponsored by its agricultural committee next Tuesday, at which officers of granges and farmers' unions will be guests of the club.

Albany Woman Rites Slated

ALBANY—Miss Pearl Craft, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Matt Craft of Albany, died at the Albany General hospital early Monday, following an extended illness. Funeral services have been set for Wednesday at 2 p.m., from the Fisher funeral home. Rev. J. O. McDonald will conduct the services and burial will be in Riverside cemetery.

Miss Craft was born at Scio but had spent the greater part of her life in Albany or near here at the Craft country home on the Lebanon highway. In 1903 Miss Craft's father established a meat market in Albany and for many years Miss Craft served as bookkeeper and later as manager of the market until it was sold to Kamphor Brothers a few years ago. She was a member of the United Presbyterian church.

A sister, Mrs. Agnes Wright, of Albany, survives.

Annual Seal Move Starts

ASTORIA, March 11—(AP)—The annual northward migration of seals was under way off the Oregon coast Tuesday.

The coast guard cutter Onondaga went out to determine whether the gathering bands of seals were forming into one large herd for the long swim to the Bering sea. If the seals are moving steadily, the Onondaga will escort them to Cape Flattery where another cutter will take over the patrol.

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The cow, which was sold for a handful of beans that later brought wealth to poor Jack and his mother, was a most appreciated character. She sang, danced and philosophized in an un-bowdlerized manner.

The giant washed his teeth vigorously, much to the delight of the children, and was outwitted by the hero, who of course married the beautiful princess.

Legislators In Showdown

Major Measures Will Get Action by State Bodies

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giving and taking or a deadlock that will let experience rating rest in the form contained in the present law.

While the house left experience rating alone, the senate industries committee put a floor under the payroll tax rates between 1 and 2.7 per cent and a ceiling on the application of the penalty rates, from 2.7 to 4 per cent.

The lower rates would be discontinued if the compensation benefits fund dropped below approximately \$9,000,000, and on the other hand, the penalty rates would be revoked if the fund passed approximately \$15,000,000, which it is expected to do by the end of 1941.

The senate committee also ran counter to the house judiciary committee program on seasonality, the provision of the present law that cuts a majority of logging in-

dustry workers out of the benefitting class when they are unemployed. While the house made only minor changes in this bill, the senate virtually wiped out seasonality.

Seasonality Amendment Provides for Shut Down

A concession to labor, the senate seasonality amendment provides that an industry, in order to be ruled seasonal, must be shut down for three consecutive months each year for four years. Such an industry would be considered closed down when its payroll was less than 25 per cent of the maximum monthly payroll for the year in question.

Loggers, as a result, would in most cases be eligible to draw benefits at any time they were unemployed, rather than only during the present prescribed seasons, because logging operators say they could not be ruled seasonal under the senate bill.

The five liquor bills on the senate calendar are:

By Sen. Burke, to limit sale of fortified wine to state liquor stores.

By Sen. Burke, to authorize the license clubs that mix alcoholic drinks for patrons.

By Sen. Mahoney, to authorize appeals from liquor commission rulings made by the state alcoholic committee.

By Rep. Steelhammer, forbidding manager delivery of liquor from state stores.

The house appeal and club bills, subject of an inter-chamber dispute Monday, were made ready for action Tuesday, when the senate alcoholic committee agreed to report out the former and the house to send the latter back to the senate, from which it was withdrawn suddenly the day before.

The last beverage question, the house bill to legalize sale of light wines for "on premise" consumption, will be reported out by the senate committee this morning, the author, Rep. H. R. "Farmer" Jones said he was assured late Tuesday.

Senate Will Be Watched On Klamath Senator Bill

The senate will also be watched today for the action of its rules committee on the question of whether or not Rep. Henry Seamon's bill to give Klamath county a senator exclusively its own shall be considered in the upper house.

The measure was objected to by Sen. Rex Ellis, whose Umatilla-Morrow-Union joint district would be abolished, on the grounds that the senate had previously defeated an identical scheme.

Principal house and senate actions Tuesday included:

House bill to give cities 5 per cent of highway fund tabled by senate after receiving an adverse report from the senate roads and highways committee.

Senate prima facie speed bill, shifting the burden of proof from the officer to the motorist, sent back to house committee for amendment of maximum designated speed from 60 to the 55 miles per hour figure voted by the upper house.

Senate bill to construct a \$1,000,000 state office building in Salem upon authorization by the state emergency board passed by house.

Senate refused to concur in house amendments to senate measures to prevent insane persons from being lodged in jail while awaiting hearings and permitting them to be represented at insanity hearings by their own doctors.

House bill to tax gross revenues of public power systems apparently killed by attorney general's opinion that it is unconstitutional because it would tax public systems on a different basis than private systems are taxed.

House memorial urging congress to provide funds for Umatilla dam on Columbia river passed by senate.

Clatsop Forest Blazes

PORTLAND, Ore., March 11—(AP)—The third blaze of an early Pacific northwest fire season spread over 300 acres in Clatsop county, Ore., Tuesday.

Franco Foils Nazi Bomber Raid Plans

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Von Ribbentrop, it was said, summoned the Spanish ambassador to the Berlin foreign office and read to him rapidly a document containing German proposals for "Spanish cooperation."

Most important of these was a demand for Spanish territorial facilities to fly military planes to Africa.

About the same time, tonight's informants continued, German Ambassador Baron Eberhard von Stohrer called upon the Spanish foreign minister, Ramon Serrano Suner in Madrid "to discuss details for carrying out the agreement" which, Von Stohrer claimed, already had been reached in Berlin.

Serrano Suner was taken by surprise. He declared he had no knowledge of the agreement and had not even heard of Von Ribbentrop seeing the Spanish ambassador to Berlin on the subject.

Later, France granted an audience to Von Stohrer at his official residence, the Pardo palace.

Stohrer, it was said, repeated the German proposals.

France, informed persons asserted, turned them down as "inconsistent with the honor of Spain."

Los Monteros, it appeared, had merely made noncommittal acknowledgement of Ribben-trop's proposals when he called at the Wilhelmstrasse and, before he had a chance to report to Madrid, Von Stohrer was carrying out his end of the German maneuver at the Spanish foreign office.

The Spanish ambassador now will be replaced by former minister to Switzerland, Barcelona, it was understood.

The same sources which related this story said there had been increasing pressure on Spain recently for axis "free passage" to Africa.

Plane Crash Probe Ended

MARSHFIELD, March 11—(AP)—Investigation of an army plane crash which killed one man here Sunday was completed Tuesday by Major Charles C. Steed, McCord Field, Wash.

The plane, which ran out of gas, made a crash landing in the surf of Coos bay, killing Major Roy P. MacDonald, 44, Lieut. J. J. Trauer-nicht, 35, field artillery reservist, a passenger in the plane, was thrown clear by the impact. He flew to Hamilton Field, Calif., with Lieut. M. S. Benedict Tuesday.

The body of Major MacDonald was shipped to Oakland Monday night.

The wrecked plane will be ferried across Coos bay and transported to an army post.

Oddities

..in the News

ASTORIA—(AP)—The US biological survey has dispelled fears of Frank Nelson that his wife was losing her culinary touch.

He rushed home from a duck-hunting trip last December in anticipation of a tender dinner. He hasn't forgotten that bird since. It was tough and stringy.

The biological survey explained that a metal tag taken from the duck proved it was at least seven years old.

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Fishing off Santa Monica one night recently, Frank Martinez, 53, of San Pedro, hooked a four-foot bonito shark on his hand line and tossed it back in his boat without further attention.

The shark, however, flopped its way to where Martinez sat at the tiller and seized his right wrist, badly gashing it. He killed the fish, wrapped his wrist in a newspaper and set out for the harbor at San Pedro. He arrived slumped over his tiller, semi-conscious. After emergency hospital treatment for bone-deep slashes and severed veins, he was sent home.

WEST DES MOINES, Ia.—(AP)—Jim Duling, matched in a life-and-death struggle with an enraged 500-pound sow, said he owed his life to his dog, "Butch," a big Doberman Pinscher.

Duling had gone to a haystack to pick up a litter of pigs when the big sow attacked him and knocked him to the ground. The dog rushed in and engaged the sow, freeing his master. Duling called off the dog, he said, without injury to any of the participants in the battle.

SEATTLE—(AP)—Mrs. Grace E. Bell won an interlocutory divorce decree on the ground George E. Bell, a riveter, refused to let her play the saxophone, the clarinet or even the violin she had studied all her life. Additionally, she told Judge Robert M. Jones, her husband was "very cold and indifferent." Bell did not contest the case.

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—A transient officer set out in search of a missing pupil—and found him in an army camp.

The pupil is Ralph Ingento, listed on school records as 15. Ralph's mother said he had told

Nazis Poised On Frontiers

Half Million Shock Troops Await Word for Balkan Fray

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suoka, Japanese foreign minister, as an axis reply to enactment of the British aid bill.

Italian sources in Rome gave the impression that Adolf Hitler and Premier Mussolini would hold that the bill is tantamount to American entry into the war.

Yugoslav leaders were enroute to Belgrade for a crown council meeting today (Wednesday) to decide whether Yugoslavia should join the axis—under a reported demand by Germany that she sign as a full-fledged member. The leaders, summoned by Regent Prince Paul, were believed to have no alternative but to yield to Germany.

In Africa one of seven columns pressing into Italian Ethiopia was said by the British to have penetrated beyond Damacha, 100 miles northwest of Addis Ababa.

Another operating beyond Gabre-Darra in the south were said to have captured a brigade commander, a resident commissioner and their staffs in addition to "many hundreds" of prisoners.

At Cheran, Eritrea, Italian defenders estimated at 40,000 still stubbornly held up the British attempting to get by that mountain gateway to Asmara, the capital.

In Libya an Italian communiqué announced German planes had set fire to "several enemy tanks and motor trucks," and that the Italian garrison holding out at the southeastern oasis of Giarabub had repulsed new British attacks.

German bombers again gave Britain a sustained pounding last night, concentrating on the industrial midlands and a northwest town.

Novelist Sees Anglo-Nazi Alliance

PORTLAND, March 11—(AP)—An Anglo-German alliance is not far off, Kathleen Norris, novelist, predicted in a speech here Monday night.

"All this talk of enmity is talk of trade. Invasions are mere wartime gestures," she said, adding that a "tectonic alliance" between England and Germany would be more natural than one between England and France, a "Latin nation."

Late Sports