

Ships Seizure Bill Approved

Senate Votes 3 to 1 Empowering FDR to Use Alien Vessels

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Nary (R-Ore) voted for the measure.

One big subordinate issue was involved in the controversy—whether the president should be permitted to transfer axis ships to England. An opposition move to prohibit such procedure on the ground that it would constitute a "needless provocative act of war," was defeated, 43 to 38.

Some 80 vessels are affected by the ship bill, including two German craft and 28 Italian vessels. The bill is intended primarily to authorize inclusion of the vessels in the shipping pool now being assembled for the service of the United States or Great Britain.

The vote of 43 to 38 gave the group of senators opposing the administration's foreign policy one of its closest approaches to a victory.

\$100 Bill in Collection Is Mystery

TRENT, Ore., May 15.—(AP)—When they scraped out the collection plates at this Lane county community's church last Sunday they found a C-note. It like to have caused a panic.

The \$100 bill, strictly a pioneer in the Trent church's plates, was genuine and negotiable, and the bank took it without the slightest raise of the eyebrows. The community church is attended by country people in the main and the donor remains anonymous.

Army Modifies Requirements

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(AP)—Army service for men convicted in their youth of relatively minor law violations was made possible Thursday by new regulations announced by selective service headquarters.

The regulations modified a previous sweeping disqualification of all registrants who had been found guilty of "any crime which under the laws of the jurisdiction in which they were convicted is a felony."

Henceforth only men guilty of certain heinous crimes, chronic offenders, or men awaiting a criminal trial are to be banned as "morally unfit."

Officials said the new regulations would result in reclassification of several thousand men who had been indefinitely barred from military service.

The heinous crimes listed included treason, murder, rape, kidnapping, arson, pandering, sex perversion, or illegal drug dealing.

With regard to registrants awaiting criminal trial, the revised regulations provide that in the event of their release, they may be reclassified.

Dishonorable discharge from the armed services also debar a man from further service.

Legislation exempting former sailors, marines and coast guardsmen from liability under the draft act was approved by the senate today and sent back to the house for consideration of minor amendments.

Says Knudsen Needs Power

PORTLAND, May 15.—(AP)—William Knudsen could clean up the lag in defense production within a month if he were put in full charge, H. L. Coe, consultant to the National Association of Manufacturers, said here Thursday.

Speaking at a meeting of manufacturers and business men, Coe said "economic planners," not otherwise identified, were responsible for production failing to hit its full stride.

He said that Knudsen, chief of the office of production management, lacked full power because "economic planners want to make room for themselves."

In the afternoon at a closed session Walter B. Weisenburger, executive vice-president of the NAM, presided over a question and answer period dealing with factory usage, labor relations and priorities in defense manufacturing.

Famous Jewel Cut Safely

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP)—Preliminary cutting of the President Vargas diamond, third largest ever found, was completed Thursday after six weeks of precise work and only a few minutes after the time Adrian Grasseley predicted he would be finished.

The removed slice weighs 21.85 metric carats and will be retained by the stone's owner, Harry Winston, diamond dealer, who paid \$700,000 for it.

Women Picket Outside as Halifax Makes Speech



While Lord Halifax, the British ambassador, spoke inside, this group of women, representing various organizations to keep the U. S. out of war, paraded outside a Chicago hotel, carrying the banners pictured. In his speech, the first he made on a seven-day tour of the midwest, the British envoy said that Germany's domination of 164,000,000 people "carries within it the seeds of its own destruction."

Senior Class Makes Trip

JEFFERSON—Members of the senior class of Jefferson high school visited Silver Creek Falls state park, and various business institutions in Salem Thursday.

They were accompanied by Miss

Josephine Gatchell, class advisor; and Mrs. Robert Terhune. Seniors attended were Robert Cole, Wesley Jorgenson, Harold Weir, Ronald Hoven, Frank Wickham, Pauline Thomas, Bette Terhune, Maxine Etzel, Johnetta Davis, Violet Farman, Leo Huber, Eileen Chilton, Robert Chase, and Dorothy Hague.

Members of the senior class unable to attend were Beverly Wells, Bette Weidman, Olga Schultz, and Jim Kelly. Plans are progressing for class night to be held May 22; baccalaureate at the Christian church, May 25; and graduation, May 29 at the Masonic hall. Professor Jones, Willamette university, will give the address at graduation; and Mr. Whitaker, pastor of the Christian church, will preach the baccalaureate.

Greatest Warship Ever Built Formally Joins US Navy Amid Ceremony and Convoy Talk

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—(AP)—The powerful USS Washington, "finest warship ever built," formally joined the navy Thursday and Secretary Knox, in an interview at the brief ceremonies declared it "and every other American ship should be used to insure the delivery of goods to England."

He did not comment directly on convoys, but asserted "if you ask me if I think we should insure the delivery of those things we make for England, I certainly do."

Then, speaking to the officers and men in exercises signifying the end of the mighty battleship as a navy yard project and its beginnings with the USS North Carolina as the two leading units of the nation's sea power, the secretary said the war in Europe, in its final terms, "is a contest for control of the seas."

"We are determined there shall be no lessening in the emphasis we place on sea power," he declared. "We're in the process of building the greatest navy the mind of man has ever conceived."

Thousands of workmen, who broke all construction records by completing the 35,000-ton Washington 17 months ahead of schedule and hundreds of guests

cheered as Rear Admiral A. E. Watson of the Philadelphia navy yard transferred command of the dreadnaught to Captain Howard Hartwell James Benson.

Secretary Knox congratulated the Washington's 75 officers and 1200 blue jackets, drawn up at attention on the ship's afterdeck, asserting "it is a marvelous thing to be called to duty on one of the two greatest

battleships that ply the ocean. You come to the command of this ship when sea power means more to the national safety and security than at any other time in the nation's history."

With heavy guns already mounted and virtually ready for duty, the sleek \$70,000,000 warship will take its place with the fleet "probably by July 1," Admiral Watson disclosed.

The Washington now becomes the 17th battleship on the line, equipped with triple gunned turrets, armored against attack from the sky and "capable of taking on anything afloat."

Her heaviest armament includes nine 16-inch guns, eight anti-aircraft guns and 12 five-inch secondary guns. The rest of her destructive force is a naval secret.

Detrich Schmitz, representing the governor of Washington, presented Captain Benson with the Washington state flag.

Tumor Test Is Simple

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—(AP)—Simple application of pressure to the jugular vein often can disclose to a physician whether a person has a tumor or cancer of the brain or spinal cord, Dr. Robert A. Aird, University of California nerve surgeon, reported Thursday.

This method was used to advantage in diagnosing the ailments of 100 patients and in two instances it was of great help in demonstrating that no tumor or cancer was present in the central nervous system, Dr. Aird said in the current issue of the Archives of Neurology and Psychiatry.

In these two cases, he added, the trouble was found to be elsewhere in the body. These findings made it unnecessary to risk delicate operations on the brain or spinal column.

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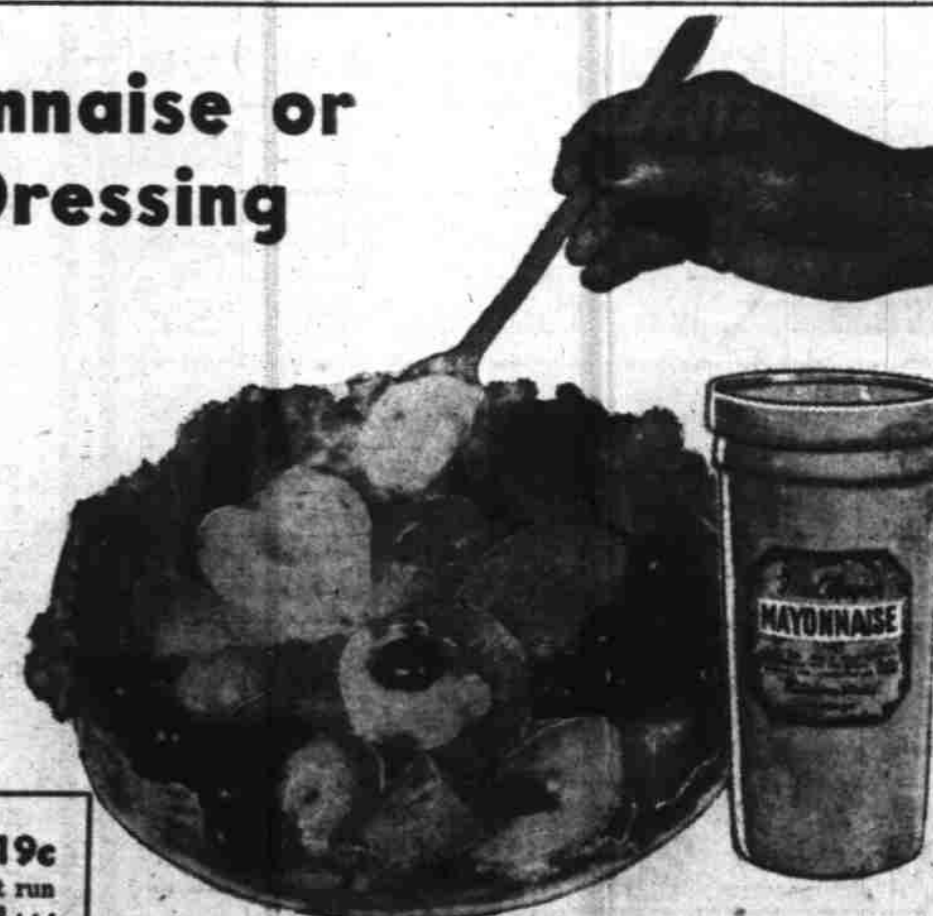
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