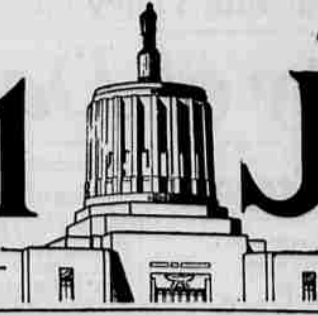


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## Cabinet Revolt Halts Yugo Pact with Axis

### \$4 Billion More To Place Army On Conflict Basis

House Committee Asks Funds for Plant for a 4 Million Man Army

Washington, March 21 (AP)—The house gave overwhelming approval today to a \$4,073,810,074 appropriation for the army and navy after refusing to prohibit use of any of it for conveying materials to any foreign country.

Washington, March 21 (AP)—An additional outlay of \$4,073,810,074 for the army and navy, including funds for new plant capacity sufficient to supply a 4,000,000-man army "on a combat status" was recommended to the house today by its appropriations committee.

About half of the huge sum would be a direct cash appropriation with the balance in contract authorizations for which congress would have to provide the funds later, possibly this year. The committee explained that roughly half of the army's \$3,778,393,254 share was earmarked for new projects. The balance originally had been included in the war department's budget estimates for the fiscal year starting July 1 and were transferred to this bill to expedite the program.

### Pilot Training

Rep. Gen. G. H. Brett, chief of the air corps, disclosed to the committee that the army is planning a tremendous expansion of its pilot training program. He said the present plan to turn out 12,000 pilots a year, inaugurated last October, is to be stepped up to 30,000 pilots annually.

Opening debate on the measure, Rep. Woodrum (D-Va.) told the house that exclusive of the \$7,000,000,000 to finance the British aid program, the pending bill brought to \$25,182,674,015 the total of appropriations, contract authorizations and budget estimates for both the army and navy for the current and next fiscal years.

### Identify Nazi Atlantic Raiders

London, March 21 (AP)—The British press association said today that the German warships which Prime Minister Churchill said Tuesday had "crossed to the American side of the Atlantic" were the battleships Scharnhorst and Gneisenau.

### Compensation Bill Signed by Sprague

Governor Charles A. Sprague signed 21 bills into law today, including measures to place allocation of gasoline tax revenues to counties on a basis of actual residence of car owners rather than their post office addresses.



President inspects Navy's big air station—President Roosevelt inspected Navy's big air station at Jacksonville, Fla., with Captain Charles P. Mason, commander (center), and Rear Admiral McIntire (right). In the background are training planes and hangars. — Associated Press Photo.

### Call Off Strike At Wright Field

Dayton, O., March 21 (AP)—In the avowed interests of national defense, an AFL leader today terminated a 17-day strike that had paralyzed work on an essential \$5,900,000 expansion program at Wright field, the army air corps' huge testing laboratory.

### \$7 Billion Bill Wins Approval

Washington, March 21 (AP)—A senate appropriations subcommittee approved without change today the administration's \$7,000,000,000 aid-to-Britain bill.

The bill, already passed by the house, is expected to receive prompt approval from the full senate appropriations committee. It will be taken up in the senate Monday, and some leaders forecast passage without major change by Monday night.

### Harvill Strike Ties Up 6 Big Plane Plants

Los Angeles, March 21 (AP)—Executives of six large plants producing airplanes for the United States and British governments reported today the strike at Harvill Die Casting Corp. threatens a coastwide shutdown of aviation factories unless ended quickly.

### RAF Raids Nazi Base at Lorient

London, March 21 (AP)—Large fires and many explosions were caused by Royal Air Force planes in a raid during the night on the German submarine base at Lorient, on the invasion coast, the air ministry said today.

### Luftwaffe Rains Bombs Upon Plymouth

Attack Follows Visit of King and Queen—Many Buildings Wrecked

Plymouth, England, March 21 (AP)—Attacking only a few hours after King George VI and Queen Elizabeth had visited the city, the Luftwaffe rained high explosive and fire bombs on Plymouth during the night.

Three churches, a motion picture house, commercial buildings and many private homes were damaged by the raiders. A number of children were killed when a bomb hit a hospital and two children were born during the attack. One of them was delivered by doctors working in a bomb crater where the mother had been thrown.

### Church Observes Its Centennial

"Faith of Our Fathers," the hymn which introduced the program celebrating 100 years of the First Methodist church in Salem last night when several hundred persons gathered in the main auditorium to hear former pastors tell of their experiences, was characterized by W. C. Hawley as the "hope of the state and nation."

### Martin Quits GOP Monday

Indianapolis, March 21 (AP)—Rep. Joseph W. Martin, Jr., (R, Mass.), said today on his arrival for a two day republican leaders' conference he would resign at GOP national chairman Monday and "then it will be up to the committee to act."

### Nazi Replace Dutch Courts

Amsterdam, The Netherlands, (Via Berlin), March 21 (AP)—A decree today gave German High Commissioner Arthur Seyss-Inquart authority to use machinery to execute summary justice—shooting for serious offenses—and to set aside Dutch officials any time it is necessary for "public security."

### Italian Somaliland Natives in Revolt

London, March 21 (U.P.)—Natives in northern Italian Somaliland are in revolt against the Italians, already hemmed in by advancing British empire forces, military informants said today.

### 50 Merchant Ships To Be Lent Britain

Washington, March 21 (U.P.)—A high maritime commission official said today that approximately 50 merchant ships will be transferred to Great Britain under the war-aid act "within a few days."



At the Methodist Centennial Banquet—Members of the Methodist church since 1891 occupied this table at the opening celebration of the centennial anniversary. Inserts—Right, J. D. McCully, age 85 and a member of the Salem First Methodist church since April 1870, was considered oldest person present in respect to affiliation. Left, Professor J. T. Matthews, member since 1883, was seated at the head of the table reserved for 80-year members.

### Noel Coward Warns Japan

New York, March 21 (AP)—Playwright-actor Noel Coward—now an unofficial ambassador of goodwill for the British ministry of information—said today "it would be very unwise for Japan to take issue with the United States fleet in the Pacific ocean."

### Battle Still Rages About Tepeleni

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, March 21 (AP)—Accounts reaching the Yugoslav frontier today said a fierce battle still was raging in and about Tepeleni, central Albanian town reported entered by the Greeks yesterday.

### Diamonds Found In Refrigerator

Portland, March 21 (AP)—A woman reported to police yesterday the mysterious theft of her two diamond rings. Detectives quickly cleared up the mystery. One of them looked into the refrigerator. There, inside an otherwise empty fruit jar, were the rings.

### 3 Serb Leaders Flout Orders of Regent Prince

Bitter Resentment in Country Over Alignment With Ancient Enemies

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, March 21 (AP)—After first rejecting the resignations of three sub-ministers who refused to approve alignment of Yugoslavia with the axis, Chief Regent Prince Paul accepted them tonight and instructed Premier Dragisa Cvetkovic and Vice-Premier Vladimir Macek to fill the posts as quickly as possible.

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, March 21 (AP)—A swelling tide of internal discontent, led by three anti-German cabinet ministers and other high officials, forced tonight probable postponement of the Yugoslav government's plans to align itself with the axis Sunday at Vienna.

The three ministers—Serb leaders in this nation of mixed peoples—who resigned in protest against a crown council decision to yield to Germany, refused to remain in the cabinet even though Chief Regent Prince Paul ordered them to do so.

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### Dykstra Resigns As Draft Director

Washington, March 21 (AP)—Clarence A. Dykstra has resigned as director of the selective service administration to devote his entire time to his duties as chairman of the newly appointed national defense mediation board.

### King's Dog Bites Count

Seville, Spain, March 21 (AP)—Count Mafra of Portugal who came here to settle the thousand dollar hotel bill and to get four dogs left by former King Carol of Rumania was bitten by one of them. Carol fled recently to Portugal.

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