

## Three-Way Aid Fund Plan Main Fruit Of Special Session Of Congress

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (AP)—Congress today handed President Truman a \$522,000,000 aid fund for France, Austria and Italy as the main fruit of a 35-day special session.

Along with it went a republican-sponsored bill calling for voluntary measures by business and agriculture to combat cost of living increases at home while relieving want abroad.

The stopgap relief fund, approved just before adjournment last night, was \$75,000,000 less than the administration wanted to buy food, fuel and fertilizer for the three European nations during the winter months.

It had fared far better during its trip through congress, however, than the president's ten-point anti-inflation program featuring standby wage, price and rationing controls, which met with a congressional thumbs down.

### Grant To China

The appropriation bill carried, in addition to the European aid monies, an \$18,000,000 grant to China. The administration had made no such request but the senate decided to toss it in as a sign of support for Chiang Kai-shek's battle against the Chinese communists.

In its final form the bill also provided \$340,000,000 to meet occupation and relief costs for American forces in Germany, Japan and Korea, a compromise figure worked out by a house-senate conference committee.

The state and army departments had asked \$490,000,000 for these purposes and the senate allowed the full amount. The house, which had voted a \$260,000,000 cut, finally settled for one of \$150,000,000.

There was one other major last-

minute dispute between the two chambers. It was over the amount of wheat, flour and wheat products which must be retained in the United States on July 1, when the new crop year begins.

### Figure Out

The house put this at 150,000,000 bushels over strong administration protests. The senate voted to let President Truman reduce the total to 125,000,000 bushels on March 1. The house figure finally was accepted by senate conferees.

Then Chairman Taber (R-N. Y.) of the house appropriations committee hurried back to the house floor and won approval of the bill by a vote of 233 to 2. The senate accepted it on a voice vote.

Within a few moments—at 7:14 p. m. (EST)—the senate had passed an adjournment resolution. The house quit at 7:32 p. m., and the session which began November 17 was over.

The regular session will begin next January 6, with main interest centered on the \$17,000,000,000 Marshall plan for long range European recovery and a GOP bill to cut taxes \$5,600,000,000 a year.

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## Cordon To Spend Vacation At Home

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Cordon, chairman of the senate public lands sub-committee on territories, will sail January 7, arriving in Hawaii January 12. He will spend a week or ten days investigating the statehood problems.

He will be accompanied by Mrs. Cordon.

## Rotary Hears Vocal Group

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Mrs. C. A. Henderson, regular Rotary pianist, served as Rotary Ann chairman of the d-y.

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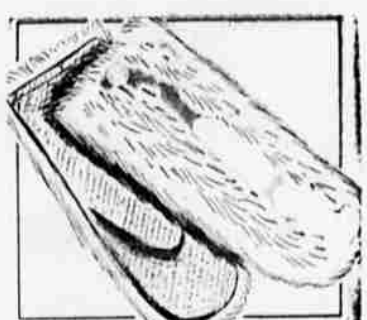
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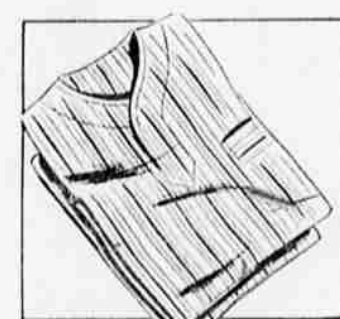
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