

House OK's Spain For ERP Funds

WASHINGTON, March 29 (AP)—The house voted 149 to 52 today to invite Franco Spain into the \$6,285,000,000 foreign aid program.

The foreign affairs committee had agreed to include Spain, but Rep. Vorys (R-Ohio), in charge of the aid bill, said the state department is against it.

And whether the senate will go along is another question.

In any event, Spain could get in on the program only if she agreed like other participating countries to join in a European recovery program of cooperation and self help.

Spain Named

Spain now is specifically named as eligible to qualify under the bill before the house. Eastern European nations are not.

The door is open for Russia and her satellite nations to come in under the same terms as Spain, by agreeing to terms of the program.

Rep. Hand (R-N.J.) immediately offered an amendment to limit the European program to the 16 nations which have signed up already to work together toward an economic comeback.

It would cancel out the section which now mentions Spain and would permit Russia and her satellites to come in if they agree to play ball.

Specific inclusion of Spain would have financial implications. The way the program is set up, the European program would be distributed among 16 nations.

Addition of Spain would require some research into Spanish needs and requirements. And that in turn could result either in increasing the total size of the European program or spreading the money among 17 instead of 16 countries.

Navy Sponsors New Contest

No top from a "flat-top" or stack from a cruiser is needed to enter the U. S. navy's state-wide contest offering a free trip on a navy man-of-war.

The contest announced by Vernon Chitwood in charge of the navy recruiting office for Klamath county, is open to men between the ages of 17 and 31. The only requirements are that entrants be male citizens of the United States residing in Oregon or the southern counties of Washington, and be within the age limits.

All the contestant has to do is finish the sentence "I believe that the United States navy offers greater opportunity to young men because . . ." using 50 words or less. Either verse or prose will be acceptable and entries will be judged on originality, sincerity, composition and accuracy.

All entries will be judged at the main navy recruiting station in Portland and will become the property of the navy.

Official contest entry blanks which must be used are obtainable from the navy recruiting station in Klamath Falls. These blanks contain all the necessary information on the contest.

Smoke Drives Guests Out

PORTLAND, Ore., March 29 (AP)—Thirty hotel tenants scurried down fire escapes and ladders last night when smoke billowed through the building from a ground floor storeroom.

Fire Investigator William Goertz said damage was \$6500 in a music record shop, in which several hundred discs were destroyed.

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Famed Crater Lake Rim Lodge Built Of Native Rock



Hundreds of visitors each year are drawn to this artistic lodge located on the rim of the famous blue lake which nestles in the crater atop a mountain. The lodge, constructed a quarter of a century ago by the Crater Lake National Park company, is included in the sale of the company by R. W. Price, organizer and president to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lee and son, Kenneth, of Oakland, Calif. (Left).

Crater Lake Lodge Passes To New Owners After Long Ownership By R. W. Price

By JOY BIGGS
Twenty-eight years ago R. W. (Dick) Price organized the Crater Lake National Park company, whose sale to the Lee family of Oakland, Calif., was announced yesterday. This is the company which owned and operated the Crater Lake Rim lodge, 18 sleeping cabins, eight deluxe cabins, cafeteria, boats on the lake and summer bus transportation to the national park.

Price did not see the site at the lake until the year after the company was organized. The structure then used as a guest lodge was a rough, barnlike, unfinished building built by a man named Parkhurst in about 1912. There was one community lavatory, no bath and the partitions between the rooms

rim road at \$80 per day and the road was in such poor condition the loads were necessarily small and it was a pretty expensive proposition to build the new stone lodge which now stands on the site of the original building.

In the spring of 1923, the 100-room annex was built making 130 guest rooms in all. The last improvements made before the depression were the cottages and cafeteria built in 1928. After that work was delayed until 1941 when the eight deluxe cottages were put up.

16,000 Visitors
The first year the company operated the lodge there were 16,000 visitors to the park. In 1947, the last year the company operated under Price there were 370,000 visitors to the park.

In 1925 Price started an advertising campaign and thereafter made an annual trip, working from Chicago to Washington, D. C., north to Boston, west to Buffalo and Cleveland and back to Chicago, visiting railroad passenger agencies and tour agencies spreading the good word about Crater Lake national park. At none of the stops made that year had any of the clerks heard of the place. After three of the yearly visits results began to show with inquiries coming from far afield for information and reservations.

Price made the last of these public relations trips in 1941 and found the clerks knew as much as he did about rates, schedules, and so forth. Price gives the Southern Pacific Railroad company credit for a large share in promoting the park through its own travel folders and pamphlets.

During the war all operations ceased and the lodge and buildings were closed down and the company derived no revenue whatsoever from any of the property.

New purchasers of the Crater Lake company are Mr. and Mrs. Michael E. Lee and son, Kenneth. They plastered board which had cracked, leaving cracks two and three inches wide in some places. **Portland Start**
Price's hotel career started at the Mallory hotel in Portland and it was there he conceived the idea of organizing the company. He is a native of Oregon and was born in Portland, still his home. The new company's president left Medford for his first trip to look over the situation at 8 o'clock of a July morning, 1921 and due to the poor condition of the roads then used as a guest lodge was a rough, barnlike, unfinished building built by a man named Parkhurst in about 1912. There was one community lavatory, no bath and the partitions between the rooms

Saving Bond Quota Passed

BAKER, March 29 (AP)—Baker officials have been notified by the treasury department, savings bonds division, Portland, that this county has sold 140 per cent of its U. S. savings bonds quota for 1947.

The Baker county quota was \$730,000. A total of \$1,163,935 was accumulated. Only one other county in Wasco, topped Baker's percentage of quota.

Price plans to enjoy life vacationing with his wife. They have a cabin at Rhododendron near Mt. Hood which they built 25 years ago and he has never spent June, July, August or September there. He and his wife have always wanted to take a trip to Alaska and plan to do that some day now. Another trip they want to take is from Chicago, by boat through the great lakes, down the St. Lawrence river, stop at Montreal and Quebec, go down the east coast, through the Panama and home. His hobby is gardening though and he may putter among the flowers in the garden his wife landscaped, before taking off for anywhere.

The Price's daughter is Mrs. Charles Fyock of Klamath Falls.

Walking Baby Is Big Attraction

LEWISTON, Me., March 29 (AP)—Baby Robert, Norman Kolreg who walked at the age of nine days—with support—is showing off.

An advertisement in the Lewiston Daily Sun today announced visiting hours for "people wanting to see walking 10-day-old baby." (Robert is 12 days old today.)

The ad was placed after many persons had come to see the infant. Members of the family said, adding that everyone left a little something for the baby.

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The state game commission scouted a report that the fish might be unfit for consumption. Biologists said late-run Cowitz and Lewis river smelt in Washington had a fungus that caused rapid spoilage, but otherwise was harmless. They said the fish in the Sandy were in A-1 condition.

Firemen Answer False Alarm

City firemen were turned out at 8:01 last night to the New Method cleaners on a report of sparks coming out of the stack. Nothing was found amiss, however, and the alarm went into the books as "false."

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