

# Troops To Europe Gets Senate Committee OK

WASHINGTON, March 8—(AP)—Two major Senate committees today approved resolutions urging that troops be sent to Europe—but calling on President Truman to get endorsement of both houses in following this policy.

Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.) quickly explained this restriction was intended to apply only to future troop moves—not to the assignment of four divisions already promised by Truman.

One, adopted unanimously, requires only approval of the Senate.

Approved 16 to 8

The other, approved 16 to 8, is a concurrent resolution, requiring both Senate and House approval.

However, this is merely an expression of Congress, without force of law. Administration forces rallied to defeat 13 to 11 a Republican proposal to make it a joint resolution, which would become law with the President's signature.

The key provisions of the resolutions are in two paragraphs. One, from the original sponsored by chairmen Connally (D-Tex.) and Russell (D-Ga.) of the two committees as follows, reads:

### Key Provisions

"It is the belief of the Senate that the threat to the security of the United States and our North Atlantic treaty partners makes it necessary for the United States to station abroad such units of our armed forces as may be necessary and appropriate to contribute our fair share of the forces needed for the joint defense of the North Atlantic area."

And this one proposed by Senator Smith and supported by the coalition:

"It is the sense of the Senate that, in the interests of sound constitutional processes, and of national unity and understanding that congressional approval should be obtained of any policy requiring the assignment of American troops abroad when such assignment is in implementation of article 3 of the North Atlantic treaty."

This article is the heart of the treaty, under which mutual help is pledged in building defenses to discourage aggressors.

# Sought Atomic Secrets, Says Gov't Witness

NEW YORK, March 8 (AP)—One of the three defendants in the nation's first atom spy trial was accused today of saying in 1945 there was a continuing need to supply military secrets to Russia "even though the war was over."

Max Elitcher, 33, an engineer employed by the U.S. Navy on confidential projects for 10 years until 1948, made the accusation against Julius Rosenberg, 34, an electrical engineer.

Elitcher admitted Communist affiliation under cross-examination and said he concealed this he signed a loyalty oath in 1947.

### On Trial With Wife

Rosenberg is on trial in federal court with his wife Ethel, 34, and Morton Sobell, 33, a radar expert, on charges of conspiring to spy for Russia during World War II. They face a possible death penalty.

He said both Rosenberg and Sobell asked him to supply government secrets while he was employed in the Navy's Bureau of Ordnance in Washington, but that he never did.

### Asked For Plans

The witness said Rosenberg: Asked him in Washington in 1944 to obtain plans, blueprints and other information for possible use by the Soviets.

Told him that many people were aiding the Soviets by providing secret information.

Asked him whether he knew any engineering students or graduates who were progressive and who would be safe to approach on the question of espionage.

Told him that some interest in the United States denied information to the Soviets during the war and impeded their war effort.

# U.S. Says Reds Lead Arms Race

PARIS, March 8 (AP)—The United States accused Russia today of fomenting the current armament race and said any western move now to disarm would alarm the free peoples of the world.

U.S. Ambassador-at-Large Philip Jessup made the statement at the meeting of the Big Four deputies who are trying to arrange an agenda for a meeting of the foreign ministers of France, Britain, the United States, and Russia.

Sitting at his right was Andrei Gromyko, Russian deputy foreign minister. One source present said Jessup looked squarely at Gromyko as he asserted:

The majority of the free peoples of the world and those seeking escape from bondage are alarmed by the mass of armaments of the Soviet Union and its bloc.

This alarm will increase, not diminish, if the United States, Britain, and France halt their efforts to reach a military parity with Russia, unless there is some assurance from Russia that she has abandoned her aggressive policy.

A short time before, Gromyko had said that the "furious arms race of the West" was causing the world's tensions. He said the West had started the movement and that the people of the world are worried by it.

This exchange was part of the fourth session of the deputies.

### APRIL DRAFT QUOTA

HARRISBURG, March 8 (AP)—State draft headquarters today fixed Pennsylvania's April draft quota at 4243 men, some 1408 less than called in March.

The national quota was set at 60,000, a reduction of 20,000 under the March call.



President Truman

# President Figures In RFC Deal

WASHINGTON, March 8 (AP)—A Senate committee investigating alleged influence on Reconstruction Finance lending discovered evidence today that President Truman himself once supported a \$12,000,000 loan to a Boston, Mass., corporation.

Working through a personal diary turned over to them by RFC Director Walter L. Dunham, the investigators found an entry stating that John R. Steelman telephoned Dunham last year to communicate the President's interest in a project to build a mammoth garage and air raid shelter under Boston common.

The entry was made part of the record in the inquiry being conducted by the Senate Banking subcommittee under the chairmanship of Senator Fulbright (D-Ark.).

Fulbright did not inquire into the circumstances of the entry beyond drawing it to Truman's attention and getting it into the record.

Dunham testified today that a fellow director of the RFC had tried to get him to resign two weeks ago and become "the goat" in the Senate's investigation of the big government agency.

The former Detroit banker told the committee that the suggestion came from C. Edward Rowe, who is under fire himself in the inquiry.

# Allied Troops Move To Halt Red Drive

TOKYO, Friday, March 9—(AP)—Allied troops seized jagged snow-patched heights along the Korean battlefield Thursday, advancing up to two and one-half miles in a major offensive designed to forestall a powerful Communist counter-punch.

Fighting in nippy weather but under clear, sunny skies, American troops paced the general advance with strong artillery and air support. Chinese retreated hastily at points, leaving burning campfires and hot food behind.

In the west, 25th division troops drove through a lacework of Chinese Communist mortar and machinegun fire to gain a bitterly-contested one and one-half miles in their two-day-old offensive 15 miles east of Seoul. This expanded the 25th's bridgehead four miles north of the thawing Han river.

### Attack Blocked

In the east, U.S. Seventh division troops blocked a major North Korean attack by capturing three peaks, each more than a half-mile high in wild mountain country northeast and northwest of Pangnim.

The Reds had driven a five-mile-deep salient in this area through the lines of a faltering South Korean division.

In the center of the United Nations front a battalion of Canada's famed Princess Patricia's own light infantry charged with fixed bayonets up the steep 60-degree slopes of a hill, only to find that Chinese resistance there had collapsed overnight.

The Canadians were flanked by

British, Greeks, and American First Cavalry division troops on their left and U.S. Marines on their right.

Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's command acknowledged that his U.S. Eighth army was engaged in a major offensive. Censors had not allowed frontline correspondents to call it even a general attack until more than 24-hours after the jumpoff.

# Kentucky Senator Dies After Crash Of Truck, Auto

WASHINGTON, March 8 (AP)—Sen. Virgil Chapman of Kentucky died on the operating table at Bethesda Naval hospital today seven hours after his automobile collided with a big trailer-truck in a fashionable residential section of Washington at 3:20 a.m. E.S.T.

The 55-year-old Kentuckian, a Democrat, was a veteran of 25 years in Congress.

His death reduced the Democratic majority in the Senate to a one-vote margin, 48 to 47.

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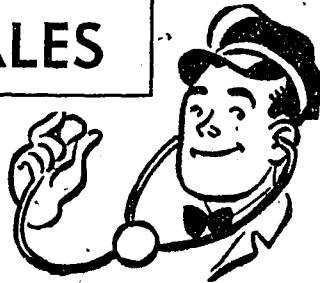


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