

Senate Endorses Troops For European Defense

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—The Senate gave full endorsement tonight to sending 100,000 American soldiers—four combat divisions and their supporting troops—to the defense of Western Europe.

But it called on President Truman to obtain the approval of Congress before ordering any more ground troops into the international army commanded by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

These are the cornerstones of the Senate's historic troops-for-Europe resolution, adopted by a vote of 69 to 21.

Action came on the second anniversary of the signing of the North Atlantic treaty in Washington April 4, 1949.

It climaxed nearly three months of bitter debate about what contribution the United States should make in fighting men to help guard Western Europe against the possibility of Russian aggression.

Fierce Contest

In its final stages, the debate became a fierce contest between those who want Congressional checks on the President and those who believe Mr. Truman should have a free hand as Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces.

The resolution expresses only the sense of the Senate. It is not legally binding upon the President, who claims full authority to deploy troops around the world but who has said he will consult Congress as a matter of courtesy.

Yet the opinion of the Senate will carry great weight at home and abroad.

Moreover, the Senate immediately approved 45 to 41, a concurrent, or two-house, resolution couched in much the same language and sent it along for consideration by the House.

House Opinion

Approval of the second resolution was an invitation by the Senate to the House to join in expressing its opinion on the issues. Like the Senate measure, it would be merely advisory if endorsed by the House.

Senator Taft of Ohio, the Republican policy leader in the Senate, hailed the Senate resolution as stating "we have the constitutional power" to restrain the President.

"No president of the United States will dare to defy the Congress," he said in the closing minutes of the debate.

Senator Connally of Texas, who was the Democratic floor manager for the resolution, saw in its passage assurance that "there will be no world war this year."

"The Russians will not defy the free nations of the world," he declared.

Reuther Re-Elected As UAW President

CLEVELAND, April 4 (AP)—Walter Reuther tightened his reins on the 1,250,000-member CIO United Auto Workers union today by winning an uncontested fourth term as president.

Reuther's hopelessly feeble opposition collapsed at the last minute and he was re-elected by acclamation.

The unopposed victory testified to the fiery, 43-year-old Reuther's strong and growing power in what claims to be the nation's biggest union. It was in sharp contrast with the situation of only a few years ago, when the union was split from top to bottom with vicious factional feuds.

New Radio Group Organizes Tonight

An organizational meeting to establish a radio workshop will be held tonight at 7 o'clock in 304 Sparks, David R. Mackey, of the Speech department, said yesterday.

The meeting is open to all students interested in script writing, radio announcing and acting, and radio production.

H. E. Nelson, assistant professor of speech, is working with Mackey on the project.

Rayburn Warns House Against Threat of War

WASHINGTON, April 4 (AP)—Speaker Sam Rayburn broke into debate on the Draft-Universal Military Training bill today to say the nation is in "terrible" danger of a third world war.

He did not give backing in so many words to the UMT section of the measure but he warned the House earnestly against "complacency" over the future. He promised to speak again later and give some more information he believes his colleagues lack.

Fresh from a White House briefing on Korea, the Texas Democrat told of a massing of troops in Korea and Manchuria "and not all of them Chinese Communists by a great extent." Asked off the floor if he meant Russians, the Speaker replied: "I'm standing on what I have said."

In the brief speech Rayburn told the lawmakers in solemn tones:

"I say in all earnestness that it is my firm belief that we are in greater danger of an expanding war today than we have been at any time since the close of the world war in 1945."

This was his caution for the future:

"This complacency, this winning of a little battle in Korea, had better not lull the American people to sleep, because I think we stand in the face of a terrible danger and maybe the beginning of World War Three."

Rayburn took to the floor something he seldom does unless an issue he and the Administration rate vital is in doubt, shortly after a bitter attack on the military bill by Rep. Barden (D-NC).

House Probes Surplus Deal

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—House investigators learned today of a \$1,270,000 deal in which army surplus trucks were bought for as little as \$200 and sold back to the Government for as much as \$3,900 apiece.

Chicago truck dealer Morris Green said he and associates netted \$425,000 from the resale of 1,000 surplus trucks they bought in the Philippines.

Green said that they had to pay out some \$325,000 in fees, legal costs and commissions, including:

\$127,000 to the Schnitzer Bros. steel company of Portland, Ore., which tipped them off that the Atomic Energy Commission was in the market for heavy duty trucks.

\$42,000 in an out-of-court settlement to the estate of Joseph Freeman of Los Angeles. Green said he later learned Freeman had been "mixed up with the Garsson-May deal, or something like that."

House Defeats Proposed State Income Tax Levy

HARRISBURG, April 4—(AP)—The Administration's income tax bill went down to a crushing defeat in the House today.

The vote was 98 for and 108 against the key bill in Gov. John S. Fine's \$163,000,000 tax program. It proposed a levy of one-half of one per cent on personal incomes to raise \$119,000,000 in the next two years.

Twenty-two Republicans, splitting with the party leadership, joined a solid 86-vote Democratic minority to give Administration forces a major setback.

But Republican leaders refused to resign themselves to the defeat. A move was immediately started



Gov. John S. Fine

to revive the income tax bill next week.

"Republican leaders in the House have no reason to consider the income tax proposal as being dead," commented Speaker Herbert P. Sorg (R-Elk).

Fine himself hinted that a new try will be made to enact the personal income tax bill.

"On reflection, the House may yet recognize the Administration proposal as the best possible tax program," said the governor. "Otherwise, the tremendous burden of proposed revenue measures will rest with the Legislature."

The vote was seven short of the constitutional majority of 105 required to pass a bill. Actually, however, it was only four votes short since Rep. Charles C. Smith, the Republican leader, and two other GOP representatives switched their votes to the negative.

Allies Break 38th In 3 New Places

TOKYO, Thursday, April 5—(AP)—Allied forces punched across parallel 38 in three new places in North Korea Wednesday against bristling Red resistance.

One armored spearhead rammed four miles north of the Red Korean border. It was feeling its way toward the heart of the massive Communist build-up behind the west-central front.

Chinese and Korean Red armies—an estimated 500,000 men—are believed coiling for a great spring offensive aimed at sweeping United Nations forces into the sea.

But the battle-wise Eighth Army was not sitting on its hands. The Army's communique reported an American force advanced in the Yongpyoong area against "moderate to heavy resistance."

That's two miles inside Red Korea, 35 road miles northeast of

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—announced American casualties in Korea reached 58,550 today, a rise of 1,430 in a week.

The total, representing casualties reported to next of kin through March 30, included 8,753 killed, 39,023 wounded and 10,774 missing in action.

Seoul and 20 road miles southwest of Kumhwa, big Red communications and supply center. Kumhwa is the apex of the Chinese defense triangle north of 38.

To the east of that fresh crossing, a second tank-infantry task force plunged four miles into the Communist north in the Topyong area. This right flank column met heavy Red artillery and mortar fire.

Oscar Winners Linked To Reds

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—Academy Award winners Jose Ferrer and Judy Holliday, and two prominent university scientists, were listed today by the House Un-American Activities Committee among those whose names have been associated with the current Communist "peace offensive."

Their names, with scores of others, appeared in a 166-page report just issued by the committee analyzing the peace offensive, which it called "the most dangerous hoax ever devised by the international Communist conspiracy."

Ferrer, who won the coveted Academy Award for his role in "Cyrano De Bergerac," is under subpoena for appearance soon in the committee's investigation of Communism in Hollywood. He has emphatically denied and Red leanings.

His name, and that of Miss Holliday, who won this year's Oscar as the dumb blonde in "Born Yesterday," were listed among persons purportedly affiliated with from five to ten Communist-front organizations.

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