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## Congress To Begin Many Inquiries

Investigation May Exceed Legislating In Next Few Weeks

Washington, April 11—(AP)—Legislating may give way largely to investigating when Congress reconvenes tomorrow for a session leading up to the national political conventions.

With committees of both houses charting explorations into nearly every phase of the war and post-war picture, final disposition appears likely for little more than a half dozen major measures.

Interest was concentrated on three principal bills to be considered in between appropriation measures for governmental departments.

Top of the calendar is a bill to prohibit the wartime use of racial and sex discrimination programs to prevent the shipment of goods.

Showing the "fight with the Red" bill are measures to extend the peacetime program for children, and a \$200,000,000 Social Security "G. I. bill of rights" designed to provide educational, medical, dental and other benefits for veterans of World War II.

Both of the above bills are slipping in the upper chamber of Congress in the past few days.

## LUNN MAN HEAD OF REGION'S FUN UNIT

A new group of officers for the Lunn Memorial Fund for the Blind has been elected at a meeting of the Henderson Chapter of the American Legion, Tuesday night.

## 750 Planes Make Attack On Continent

London, April 11—(AP)—More than 750 Liberators and Mustangs attacked aircraft plants in the west coast today.

The Berlin radio said air battles had broken out over the Bielefeld and Hannover areas as Nazi fighters intercepted large United States formations flying deep into the Reich with atomic bombs.

The incident was the first since the Berlin raid in which the atomic bomb was used. The attack was described by reports from the British southwest coast, which said that the loss of bombers during the early morning hours was due to the big outburst of German fighters.

The main target of the RAF night raiders in an industry statement said were fuel works at Ghent, Tournai, Valenciennes and other northern France and Belgium.

# Reds Wiping Out Nazis Trapped In Crimea Work Earning Draft Deferment Is Listed

## FIRST TWO-GALLON BLOOD DONOR



THE TITLE "American Blood Bank" rightfully belongs to smiling Leo Park of Detroit, Mich., who gave before 14 pint containers of blood, the equivalent of what he has given to the Red Cross. He is believed to be the first two-gallon donor in the U. S. (International Socialphoto)

## 2,000 U. S. Planes Bomb Nazi Plants On The Continent

### German Plane Is Shot Down Above Swedish District

Stockholm, April 11—(AP)—A German plane was shot down by Swedish anti-aircraft fire over southern Sweden today, killing the crew. The incident occurred as the eleventh United States bomber to land here since Easter came down at Aulehorn. The crew was uninjured.

### Biggest Food Job To Come, Wickard Says

Bellevue, Mo., April 11—(AP)—Soybean and corn crops in the lower half of the state are in excellent condition, according to a report by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The report is the first in a series of reports that will be issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

## State Draft Heads Given Full Powers

Some Students Will Be Granted Delays; Coal Mining Listed

Washington, April 11—(AP)—Selective Service Director Louis B. Hershey today issued a list of deferred activities in which he authorized state draft directors to defer by men under 26.

The list did not include coal mining, but it was announced that State directors in certain coal districts are being given special authorization to defer selective class induction would result in serious curtailment in coal production.

Producers said that coal will be deferred only if they can enter a recognized amount of selective draft deferment.

Students in these professional schools, law schools, and medical schools will be granted deferments until July 1 will also get deferments.

Deferments were authorized for all those in employment under 26 who are engaged in the following activities:

1. Under jurisdiction of the Office of War Relocation.

2. Research, planning and production of synthetic rubbers, butadiene and styrene, production of essential raw materials in three government-owned plants operated by the Rubber Reserve Company at Memphis, Tenn., Nashville, Tenn., and Blue Island, Ill.

3. Army service in the Amphibious Force, Pacific, and other units of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, and in the United States Coast Guard.

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## Hold Conferences On Employment of Discharged Vets

Raleigh, April 11—(AP)—North Carolina Selective Service officials went to Lumberton for a conference today on employment of discharged veterans.

A session at Wilmington also was planned for today; Kingston tomorrow; Edenburg Thursday; Rocky Mount Friday; Winston-Salem April 17; North Wilkesboro, April 18; Hickory, April 19; Asheville, April 20; Charlotte, April 21; and Durham, April 22.

The conferences will be under the general supervision of Lt. Col. Thomas H. Upton.

## House Group Splits Over 4-F Problem

Washington, April 11—(AP)—A conflict among House Republicans over the Draft Selective Service bill today was resolved by a vote of 217-197.

Chairman May, Kentucky, defeated opponents but the draft and registration and the manpower committee report was not passed.

On the other hand, House and Senate leaders today agreed on a bill which has been considered possible legislation to bring 4-F status into essential occupations or military service, and the group will continue its study.

Coolidge is still in government.

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## SUNRISE SERVICE AT SOLDIER'S TOMB



GEN. GEORGE C. MARSHALL stands at attention before the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D. C., after participating in a sunrise service for the late Gen. Walter W. Walker, Jr., and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Charles E. Ford, Most Excellent Grand Master of the Knights Templar.

## Knox Predicts British Will Halt Jap Thrusts In Eastern India Area

Washington, April 11—(AP)—The U. S. State Department today expressed confidence that British troops in India will be able to stop the Japanese drive near Imphal.

Stating that the Japanese invasion of India is a small number of men and that they do not regard it as particularly serious, Knox said:

"The British ought to be able to hold it and to hold it well."

At a press conference after a reported concentration of Japanese units at Singapore, the secretary said such reports had been received but it was understood that the enemy force has been destroyed, or far reduced.

## JAP RESSURE CONTINUES IN EASTERN INDIA AREA

Delhi, India, April 11—(AP)—The Japanese are continuing to advance in the eastern India area, while the British are holding their position in the Imphal area.

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## Only Escape Bottleneck Almost Gone

Battle Now Raging On 75-Mile Front; Iasi Half Circled

Moscow, April 11—(AP)—Russia's fourth Ukrainian army stormed down the Crimean from two directions today in a drive aimed at completely clearing south Russia of the Axis invaders.

As General Malinovsky's third army smashed to within six miles of Odessa, the escape bottleneck through which the remnants of the Nazi Odessa garrison were fleeing toward Romania.

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## 'ONE-MAN ARMY' IS COMING HOME



WHILE HER SON Howard reads the good news to neighbors in Pittsburgh, Pa., Mrs. Irene Kelly holds the letter telling her that her son, Sgt. Charles "Commando" Kelly, holder of the Congressional Medal of Honor, is coming home from Italy. Only the other day she wrote to Pres. Roosevelt requesting a furlough for her son so that she could see him before her sight failed completely. (International Socialphoto)

## Italian Unit Repulses Nazi Thrust

Allied Headquarters, Rome, April 11—(AP)—Italian troops today repulsed a Nazi thrust in the south of Italy, according to a report from the Italian government.

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## WEATHER

### FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Scattered thundershowers tonight and over west portion this afternoon; continued mild; partly cloudy, windy; center Wednesday, preceded by thundershowers east portion in the forenoon.

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## Americans Now Control Nearly All New Britain

Washington, April 11—(AP)—The U. S. Army today announced that it had taken control of nearly all of New Britain, a strategic island in the Pacific.

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