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Forrestal, Stassen Are Speculated On As Knox Successor

Congressmen For Under Secretary; Tributes Are Paid

Washington, April 29.—(AP)—Strong congressional backing developed today for the appointment of James B. Forrestal, 52-year-old under secretary of the navy, to the cabinet post made vacant yesterday by the death of Secretary Frank Knox.

Sen. J. P. Cawley, proposed to be the President's nomination. The chief executive himself gave no hint he had considered it. There were those who believed it probable that Cawley had decided to support an appointment of another Democrat named Forrestal, expressed before the Mr. Roosevelt would seek to fill the gap with another Republican.

In that connection the name most often mentioned in speculation is that of Lt. Comdr. Harold L. Stassen, young former governor of Minnesota, who is on active duty with the fleet in the Pacific.

The assistant secretary of the navy, Mr. Stassen, would probably be named as a possible successor to Mr. Knox in an administrative capacity. He is the largest navy member of both the Senate and House naval affairs committee, who has worked in close contact with Mr. Knox in regard to the appointment of the secretary, from 1937 to 1941.

HIGH TRIBUTES ARE PAID TO THE SEVERAL OF KNOX

Washington, April 29.—(AP)—Tributes were spoken for Admiral James B. Knox, Navy commander in chief, today as an official eulogy by the House of Representatives.

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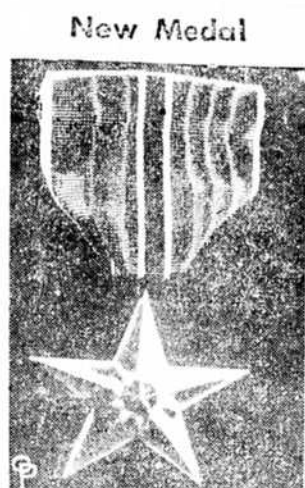
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Jap Drive Is No Cause Of Great Alarm

Southwest Asia Headquarters, Kairo, Egypt, April 29.—(AP)—Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, British commander in chief of the Southwest Asia Command, today said that the Japanese drive in India had not threatened the Allied strategic position or delayed the progress of the war in China, and that there was no justification for uneasiness in America.

The statement said, however, that the Japanese drive "strong and forceful" in Burma, stronger than the general public probably think, and since they have the advantage of interior lines of communication, we must all expect some offensive action on one or other sectors of the front. Hard fighting lies ahead of us in Burma.



New Medal

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has just authorized this bronze star medal as awarded to military, naval or aerial personnel for valor or meritorious achievement in the line of duty. The medal is authorized by Executive Order 9265, signed April 29, 1944. It is a five-pointed star with a ribbon.

Axis Blows In Poland Broken Up

Soviets Are Silent On Romanian Front; Tanker, Barge Sunk

London, April 29.—(AP)—Great Axis attacks southeast of Stanislaw in northern Poland have been broken up by 800 German and Hungarian troops, Moscow announced today. It said the German and Hungarian forces had been repulsed.

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Candidates Maneuvering For Convention Prestige

By LANN SISLET

Party leaders are maneuvering for prestige in the lead-up to the convention. The candidates are maneuvering for prestige in the lead-up to the convention. The candidates are maneuvering for prestige in the lead-up to the convention.

Army Quits Ward Plant At Chicago

Commerce Official Says No Need Now For Any Soldiers

Chicago, April 29.—(AP)—The Army withdrew today from the Chicago plant of Montgomery Ward & Company as the turbulent controversy between the management and the government settled for the day into a hearing before a National Labor Relations Board examiner on the question of representation by the CIO union involved.

Wayne Taylor, under secretary of commerce, now in charge of government seizures, said he had requested commander General John Davis, of the sixth service command, to withdraw the troops because "there is no reason for the presence of troops."

Chicago, April 29.—(AP)—Chicago's daily press today in the wake of the strike, the P. W. W. Co. is expected to be reorganized under Montgomery Ward & Co. The company is expected to be reorganized under Montgomery Ward & Co.

Mississippi Flood Goes Over Levee

Scores of Counties Inundated by Water; Rail Yards Covered

Flood waters of the Mississippi river today and suspended in river cut through a new operation of the Missouri Pacific, one of the largest in office railroad's freight yards at the junction.

ERISONER OF GERMAN

London, April 29.—(AP)—Mr. R. F. Fox, senior advisor to the War Department, today said that a British prisoner of war had been captured by the Germans. The prisoner was captured by the Germans.

Berlin Once Again Blasted By Nearly 2,000 U. S. Planes

YANKS TOUGHEN UP FOR INVASION ON ENGLISH MOORS



WEARING FULL PACKS, hundreds of American troops are seen here in their camp after exhaustive pre-invasion maneuvers in the rugged English country. The first wave of the invasion is expected to be launched in the next few days. A number of troops are seen here in their camp after exhaustive pre-invasion maneuvers in the rugged English country.

Berlin Thinks Invasion On

Captured Airmen United as Saying They Are Starved

London, April 29.—(AP)—Berlin radio today declared that the invasion of western Europe, particularly England, began a week ago when the Americans and British threw great numbers of powerful air crews and aircraft into the continuing continental air assault.

Japs Being Liquidated in East India

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Cotton Lower At The Start

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Stocks Show Modest Gains

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Allied Planes Traverse New Guinea Unmolested

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Industrial And Military Points Hit

Other U. S. Bombers Strike Other Areas Of German Homeland

London, April 29.—(AP)—A force approaching 1,000 American bombers dealt Berlin its twenty-fifth daylight blow today to climax the fifteenth straight day of the Allied air streamers pouring up to the invasion of Europe. A powerful assortment of Mustangs, Thunderbolts and Lightnings brought the total strength of the American day fleet to around 2,000 planes.

The Berlin radio, whose own operations were disrupted into confusion by the blow, acknowledged "serious damage."

The Berlin radio said that other parts of American bombers were over northwest and southwest Germany today, and claimed they were met by "strong forces of German fighters."

MISSING PILOT MAN BELIEVED DROWNED

Greenwich, April 29.—(AP)—A missing pilot man was believed drowned today. A missing pilot man was believed drowned today.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair but not quite so good tonight, increasing cloudiness and mild Sunday, with showers.