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CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1948

House Votes Funds For Expansion of U. S. Air Force

700 Groups Decided On Over Wishes Of Truman

President Sides With Forrestal

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House passed and sent to the Senate today a bill providing \$3,198,100,000 to start expanding the Air Force.

The increase was proposed by Chairman Barber (R-N.Y.) of the House Appropriations Committee.

President Truman said today he is supporting Forrestal's recommendation that the Air Force be expanded.

Forrestal previously had asked that the Air Force be expanded by 700 groups.

Navy Ships To Visit Europe

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Navy announced today that five nuclear ships will visit European waters.

Five Children Die In Michigan Fire

JACKSON, Mich. (AP)—Five children were burned to death today in a fire that destroyed a family apartment house at Vandewater.

Ohio River Floods Cincinnati Area



Flood water from the rising Ohio River surrounds both harbors and isolates homes in Cincinnati's East End Wednesday. The street at top is Kellogg Ave., one of the city's main arteries leading to U. S. Highway 50. It is completely under water in upper right corner. (AP Wirephoto.)

End To Rainy Weather Forecast

Hopes Of Averting Disaster In Ohio River Valley Bright

CINCINNATI (AP)—Hopes of averting a major flood disaster in the Ohio River Valley brightened today with forecasts of little rain for the next two days.

19 American Victims 3 Die As Plane Crashes In Eire

Shannon Airport, Eire — (AP) — A Constellation flying from Calcutta to New York crashed today about a half mile short of its landing runway here and all but one of the 31 aboard perished.

Pan American World Airways said the plane, "Empress of the Skies," was making a routine instrument approach. It crashed into flaming wreckage 2,600 feet from the runway, the air line added.

Ex-Secretary Makes Charge U. S. Newsmen, Accused As Spy, Told To Leave Soviet Russia

By EDDY GILMORE — MOSCOW (AP)—Ivaneta, the Government newspaper, published today a letter accusing correspondents who had been spying for an American espionage service.

Hot Senate Scrap Stalls Housing Bill

Truman's Plea Goes Unheeded

By MARVIN L. AROWSMITH WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman's plea for fast action on the Tafel-bender-Wagner long-range housing bill collided today with a hot Senate scrap over the measure.

The issue was this: A reporter remarked that none of the newsmen who regularly cover the White House had been seen at the White House today.

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WEATHER

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