

# SENATOR SEES TREATY OF SERIOUS U. S. FOOD SHORTAGE

## Bridges Sees Danger In Truman's Relief Plan

### Anderson Backs Stop-Gap Aid

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Anderson backs the stop-gap aid for Europe.

## Opens Senate Debate

## Vandenberg Asks Speedy Emergency Aid Approval

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) asked the Senate today for speedy approval of \$597,000,000 emergency aid for Europe to defeat the "furious tyranny" of Communist aggression.

Vandenberg, who heads the Foreign Relations Committee, left his presiding officer's chair to open debate on legislation to authorize winter relief for France, Italy and Austria.

He told the Senate he regrets that President Truman could not request for anti-inflation measures with the request aid and regrets that Mr. Truman did not also ask stop-gap aid for China.

The aid proposal, he said, should not be taken as a declaration of war between Western and Eastern Europe, unless Vandenberg's Committee, in its apparent pathetically mistaken purpose to make it such — to its own everlasting detriment.

"There is a grave need for the restoration of East-West trade and friendship in a free and live world," he declared. "Nothing projected in our short or long range plans will interfere except on Soviet initiative."

This measure simply approves the principle of aid up to \$597,000,000, if Congress approves it, and allows the President to make appropriations as he sees fit.

The Michigan Senator told his colleagues that the international unity which won the war has "fallen apart."

"A new type of Communism is on the march," he said in his address. "In the United Nations, which is still the world's best bridge across the ominous gap, this new aggression boycotts what it cannot defeat or veto."

"It operates not only through subversion and sabotage in other lands where its trained and disciplined minorities faithfully contribute to the chaos and confusion which encourages Communist conquest."

In offering the bill, Vandenberg said he shares the "disappointments" of some other Senators that previous relief projects in some instances have "gone wrong."

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Testimony about the affairs of the Board of Education, which was conducted by the Caldwell County Board of Education, was given by Paul Reid, controller of the State Board of Education.

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