

Cut Chain of es in Two Oceans

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he convoys will remain a major Navy task until the last Japanese submarine is sunk."

4,000 PLANES—

Both Forrestal and King estimated for the committee the present air strength of the Japanese at 4,000 effective planes.

King also estimated that the Japanese have "something on the order" of twenty large destroyers left after their series of naval defeats.

Forrestal said that the Japanese were driven into suicide tactics because of their terrific aircraft losses, which he said have been as many as 1,800 a month.

The Secretary revealed the United States Navy had almost 1,200 ships in the Iwo Jima attack and a larger number in the Okinawa invasion.

Russ-Finn Trade Pact

HELSINKI (Finland), May 14. —(AP)—Finland and Russia have signed a trade agreement providing for the exchange of goods valued at \$17,000,000. It was officially stated tonight.

tion is developing larger helicopters for military and commercial use which can be adapted for as many as five passengers, president Lawrence D. Bell said today in his annual report.

Doctor Van Mook, who helped resist the Japs in 1941, is a strong advocate of international organization as opposed to a series of regional groups throughout the world.

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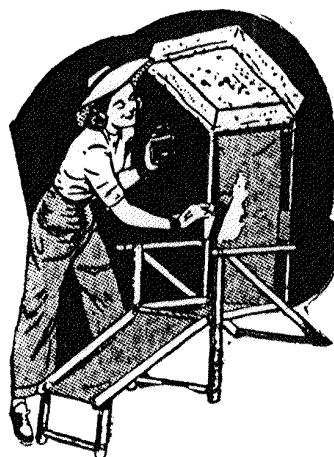
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alized that it will prevent wars," he said.

He termed the death of President Roosevelt "a great loss to the American people." He said President Truman, summing office, was backed people in a manner consistent with the support given by the people and the newspapers of President Roosevelt in 1933.

"The people have shown strength of character in electing President Truman," he said.

Regarding the many Government restrictions declared:

"I believe the Government should eliminate controls so that the people get back to a normal living. How long this should continue I can not say."

The west coast has been industrially more than made up during the war, he said, and should be able to handle high industrial activity in the postwar period, partly because of the many people who have come here to work.

After the war Pacific ports should be "brought up to date" with improvements they may continue handling amounts of shipping to and from these areas, he said.

Liberated Torture

LONDON, May 14

—German civilians told that some American prisoners were forced down in Germany. A large group of liberated American prisoners of war are returning by air from a German camp at Barth, Baltic.

Included among the prisoners freed from the Luft No. 1, north of Berlin, were several famed United States flying aces, including Francis S. Gabreski of Pennsylvania, and Col. Hubert H. H. Missoula, Mont.

BOTH ACES—

Gabreski, as a Thunderbolt pilot, set the present U. S. Force record of twenty enemy planes shot down and also destroyed the ground. Zemke, a Mustang commander, is credited with ten and one half in the eleven on the ground.

Evacuation of the prisoners from Barth was completed by heavy bombers of the Air Force. One of those was Lt. John C. "Red" M. Amarillo, Texas.

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