

# Lend-Lease Is Given Okay of Senate Group

Extension of Program for Year Voted Unanimously; Called Factor in Invasion

WASHINGTON, April 26 (AP)—

The Senate foreign relations committee voted unanimously today to extend the \$22,500,000,000 lend-lease program another year, after a 60-minute session in which it was described as a vital factor in pre-invasion strategy.

Asserting he will seek to call up the House-approved lend-lease extension bill in the Senate next week, Chairman Connally (D., Tex.) said the committee accepted the program as an "established war policy."

Leo T. Crowley, foreign economic administrator, testified at the closed hearing that lend-lease and reverse lend-lease "have played vital roles" in the recent air offensives over Europe which are "wearing down the power of the Nazi air force to fight back when the great land offensives begin."

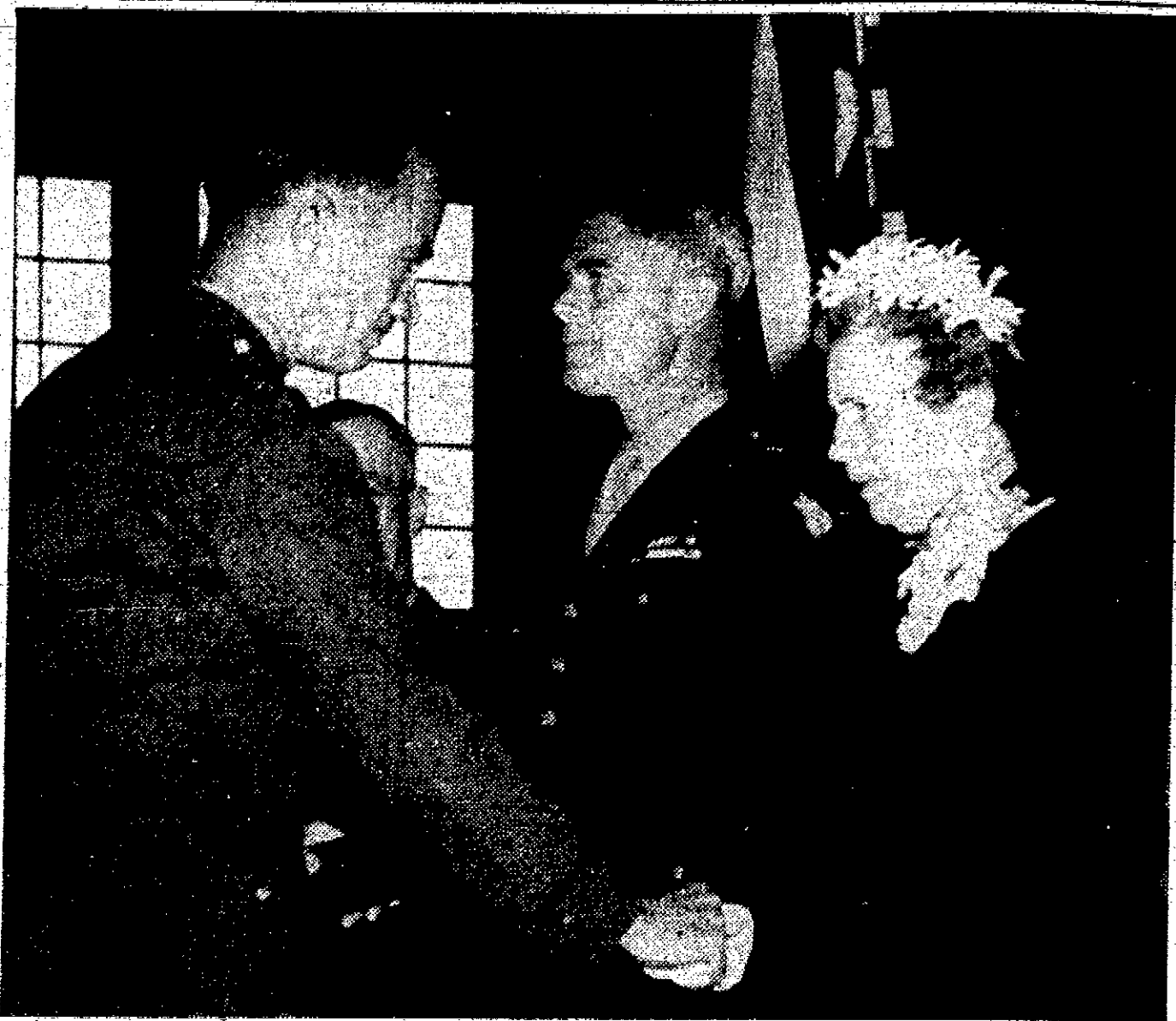
The mutual aid must be continued, Crowley declared, "until the United Nations' Armies finally march down the streets of Berlin and Tokyo."

## Must Supply Russia

Only if we supply the Soviet Union with more planes, tanks, guns and other supplies can she strike with fullest effect new and mighty blows from the east while we strike from the south and west," Crowley said.

"Only with an ever-increasing volume of aid can China become the great land base from which we can strike at the heart of Japan. Only if we continue to arm the allies

# Congressional Medal Awarded to Hero's Mother



Mrs. Anna Lindstrom, mother of Floyd K. Lindstrom of Colorado Springs, reported missing in action, but believed to be dead, receives handclasp from Maj. Gen. Terry Allen, commanding 104th Division, as she is presented with the Congressional Medal of Honor for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty." The presentation was at Camp Carson Tuesday afternoon. At Mrs. Lindstrom's right are Brig. Gen. William R. Woodward, artillery commander of the 104th Division, and Col. Wilfrid M. Blunt, commanding officer at Camp Carson.

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Here in Colorado Springs, Floyd

K. Lindstrom, winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, learned to meet life bravely. Here, too, he developed the trait to "help the other fellow," a trait which explained his act of heroism in Sicily, where he won the Silver Star award last year for saving a companion's life and preventing destruction of an ammunition truck at a crucial moment.

Floyd Lindstrom

The story goes back to Lindstrom's mother, Mrs. Anna Lindstrom of 1321 E. Williamette Ave. Lindstrom never saw his father. When he was 3½, his mother brought him and his sister, Pauline, then 7, from Holdrege, Nebr., to Colorado Springs. Shortly afterward, Mrs. Lindstrom took her children to the Myron Stratton Home, Mrs. Lindstrom became a matron at the home, where she had a cottage, and reared her children.

Miss Lucy Lloyd, who is now superintendent, recalls Floyd as a "good all-round boy." He was popular with the other children, ready to smile, and good looking. At the home the children learn to help one another, "to look out for the other fellow." It is a trait which stamps them when they attend schools in Colorado Springs and nearby.

Floyd starred in basketball at Cheyenne Mountain High school and played on several church teams. He worked on the Stratton farm, jerked sodas in a drugstore, did odd jobs during the summers and joined the Boy Scouts. He was graduated from high school in 1931.

The Lindstroms left the home and Floyd got a job delivering for H. M. Sommers of the Sommers Market, who corresponded with Floyd until he was declared missing in action. He told how Floyd used to drive big truck loads of vegetables and butter between Colorado Springs and California when he was only 19. "I would wire ahead of Floyd to a town on the route," Sommers said, "knowing he would arrive at a certain time. Floyd never failed. I wanted him to work in the store, but he liked the outdoors. When the trucking business between here and Denver was taken over by Associated Grocers in Denver, he went with them. In his 11 years of driving, not a fender of the trucks he drove was scratched. Floyd was absolutely dependable."

Dr. Fred H. Johnson, osteopath, a friend of the family for years, told how Floyd wanted someday to be a rancher. "He loved the outdoors," he said. "He was a wonderful boy. Not a weak link in his make up."

#### Grieved by Fiancee's Death.

Five months before he was inducted into the Army in July, 1942, Floyd's fiancee died unexpectedly after a heart attack.

"She was such a sweet girl," Floyd's mother said several days before dispatches said her son was killed in action. "I know he felt terribly about losing her, but he kept his chin up. He had flowers put on her grave at Easter and Decoration day and last year when he was in the Army, he sent us money to do it."

Gray haired, dressed in a checked print house dress, she fussed with the lap of her dress and said nervously: "Floyd is such a good boy. He never drinks or smokes. The three of us have been so close all these years. I can hardly stand it, not knowing what has happened to him. I dread to read all those things he does, tho. of course, I am very proud."

Now that dispatches from Anzio beach-head have stated her son is killed, she is pretty much resigned to the fact that he is dead, even tho the War department still lists Floyd as missing in action.