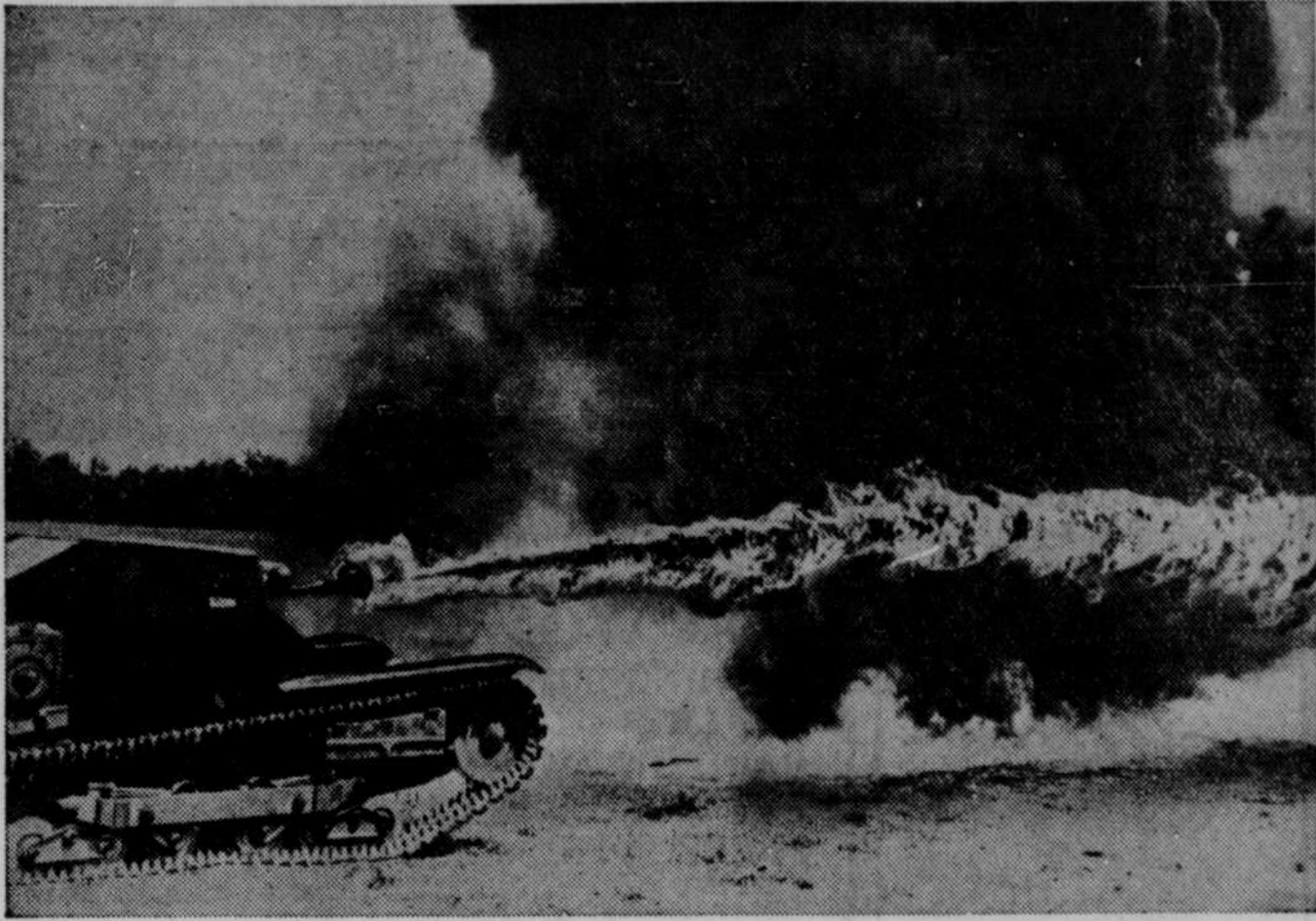


An Italian Flame-Throwing Tank in Action



This is an Italian flame-projecting tank, perhaps one of the most effective shots in the locker of the Italian war machine. In addition to the flame-thrower, the tanks carry heavy machine guns and a 37-mm. cannon. German forces used flame-throwing tanks during the blitzkrieg into the Lowlands and in northern France.

'Miss Liberty' Salutes Refugee Liner



The Statue of Liberty was a welcome sight to the refugees from war-torn Europe who jam one of the decks of the United States liner, Manhattan, as the liner passes the distinguished lady (background) on its way to its New York city pier. The Manhattan brought almost 2,000 passengers from Genoa, Italy.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

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It is believed in Washington that Roosevelt will allow Knudsen to choose his own defense program methods . . . Willkie, recently not considered seriously, now looms as a possibility. (Bell Syndicate—WNU Service.)

WASHINGTON.—William S. Knudsen will run his show or get out, in the judgment of friends who have watched his career for many years. Furthermore, they think President Roosevelt knew this when he appointed the president of General Motors, and that the appointment, therefore, means that Roosevelt intends to let nothing interfere with the defense—and, incidentally, the "aid the allies"—program.

New Deal lieutenants are apt to prove troublesome—if they are allowed by the President to inject their ideas. The theory of most observers at the moment is that despite the President's determination not to let the emergency interfere with "social gains" made in his administration, he is also determined that nothing must be allowed to interfere with the defense program.

The New Dealers, however, are saying that as the job of organizing industry for armament production has been put into the hands of business, under its own bosses, then industry also must assume the responsibility.

TO HAVE FULL POWER
Roosevelt is emphatic in asserting that his "extra-cabinet" commission will have every necessary power to get production. But if the machinery for carrying the double burden of supplying the present and potential needs of domestic defense and of the allies fails to click, industry must be prepared to see the New Deal take over and order industry what to do, according to its own notions, with all the implications which that carries for deliberate socialization of industry, as a political doctrine.

Even in the hands of Knudsen, Edward R. Stettinius Jr., Sidney Hillman, et al, some regimentation of certain industries is unavoidable if the job is to be done. The difference lies in attitude and ultimate objective. The advisory national defense commission will do as little of it as possible, but the New Dealers will be looking for the opportunity. Incidentally, it is interesting that the present proposed regime for the control of the armament industry came out inch by inch over a period of 10 days, during which the real function and authority of the defense commission was very difficult to ascertain.

WILLKIE IS POSSIBLE
It is little short of flabbergasting how much talk has grown up in just the last few weeks about Wendell L. Willkie, the hard-hitting big electric mogul, for the Republican presidential nomination. One of the last to take it seriously has been Willkie himself, but he certainly is a candidate now. And how!

The funny part of it all is that it is possible for Willkie to win the big prize. Not probable—yet—but distinctly possible. It could happen something like this. The convention would start balloting, after a number of nominating and second speeches, with their timeworn and threadbare—though never in ear-jarring volume—demonstrations intended to show all and sundry that this particular candidate is the one who arouses enthusiasm.

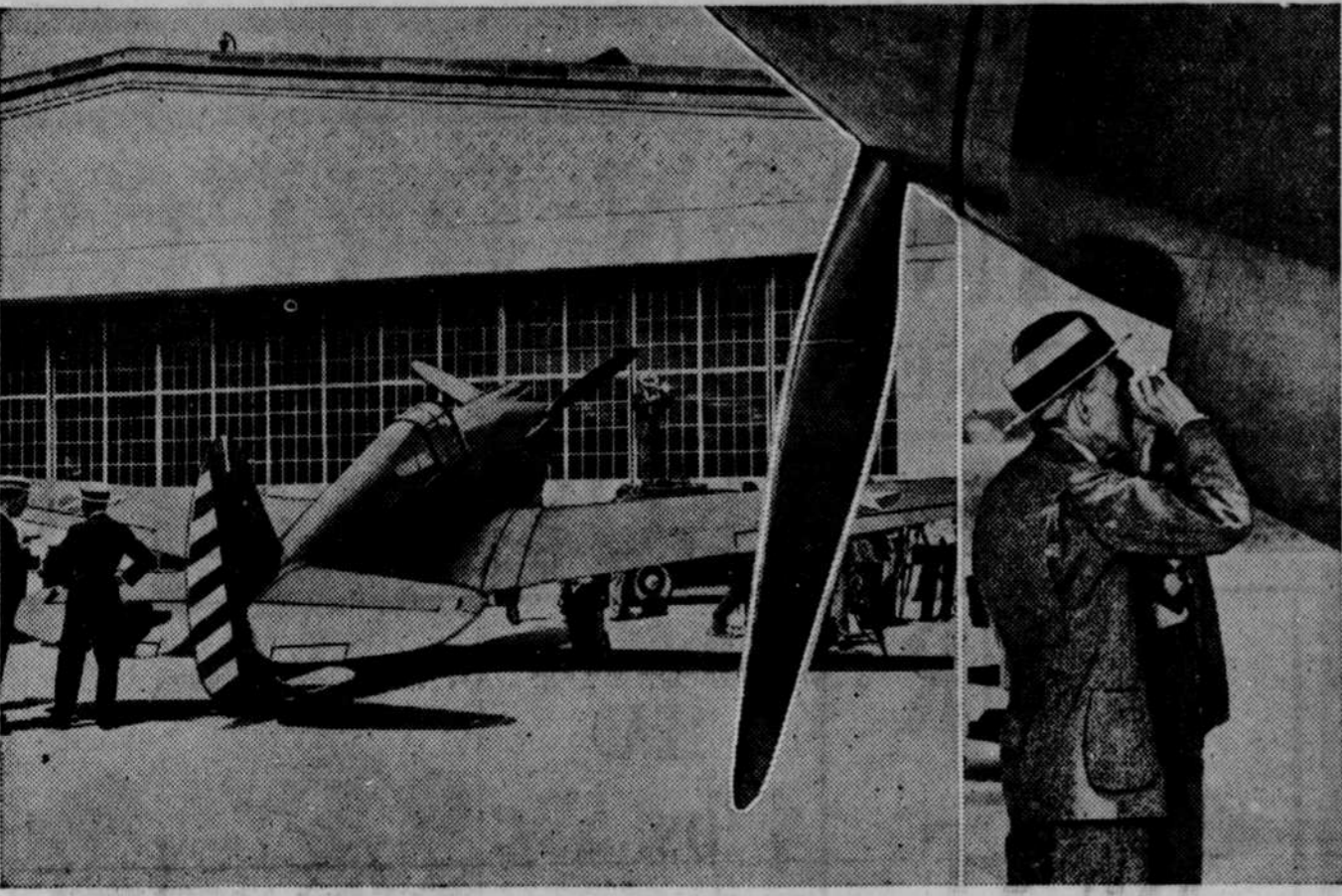
Beyond a doubt the two leaders on that first ballot will be Thomas E. Dewey and Senator Robert A. Taft, in that order. Trailing will be Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, Gov. Arthur H. James of Pennsylvania, Frank E. Gannett and the lesser candidates. Willkie will have a sprinkling, but only that.

HOW IT MIGHT WORK
Then will come the crucial testing, characteristic of all political conventions which are not an obvious pushover for some favorite. In that testing, Dewey will get the first run, and Taft the second. It is the considered opinion of most politicians that Dewey will not be able to win a majority in this first testing. It is a little doubtful about Taft. He may be nominated within the first few ballots, but he probably will not be.

After Dewey and Taft have had their first runs, and both proved unsuccessful, Senator Vandenberg will be given a short whirl. Best opinion is he will get nowhere, despite the fact that he will have more friends in the convention than any one else.

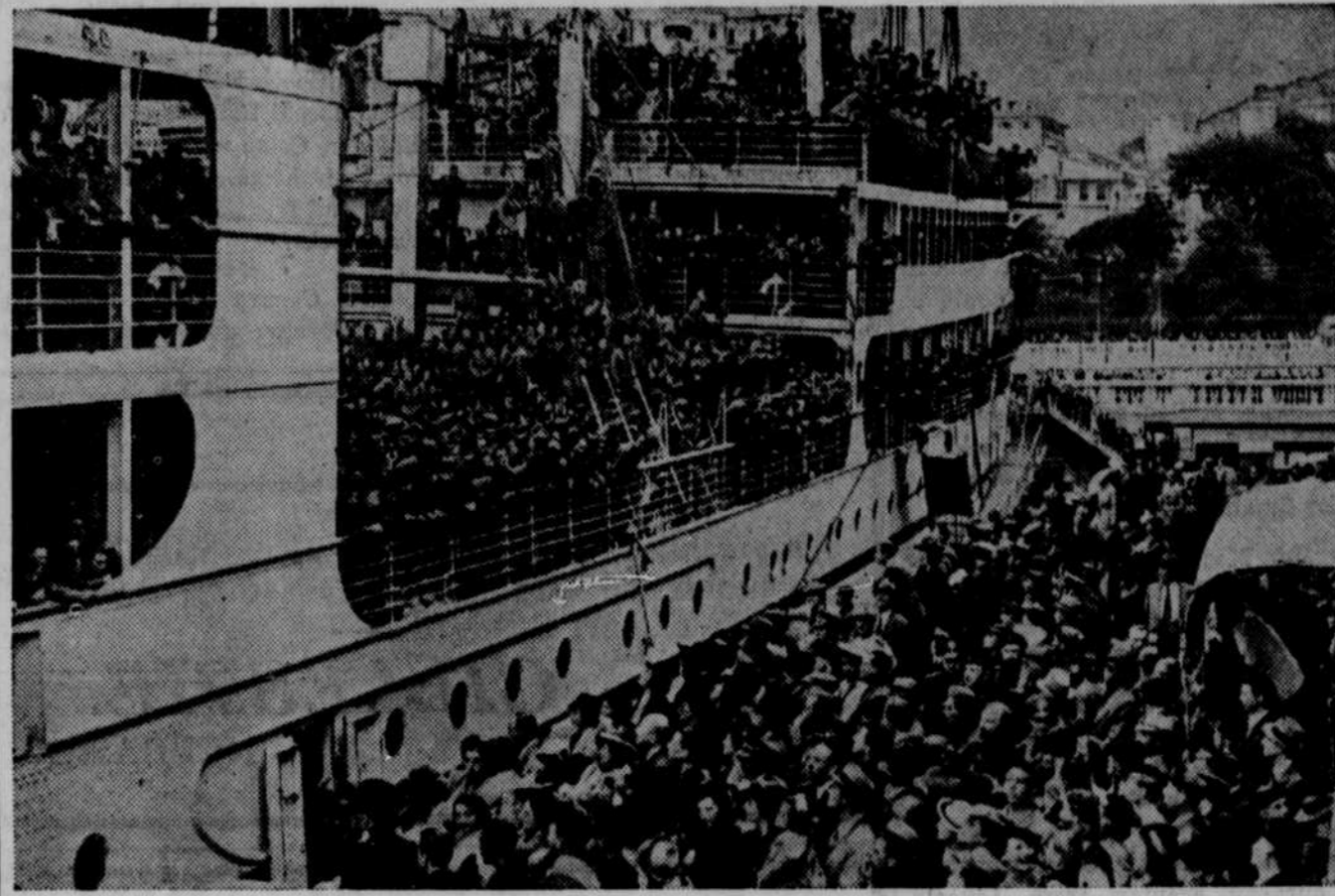
Up to a few days ago, it was assumed that the next man to be given a chance would be Gov. John W. Bricker of Ohio. In fact, Bricker was the man, up to a few days ago, that many of the elder statesmen of the party actually thought was going to be the nominee. Now it would surprise no one if Willkie were then given a "run."

U. S. Sends Newest Army Planes to Ford Plant



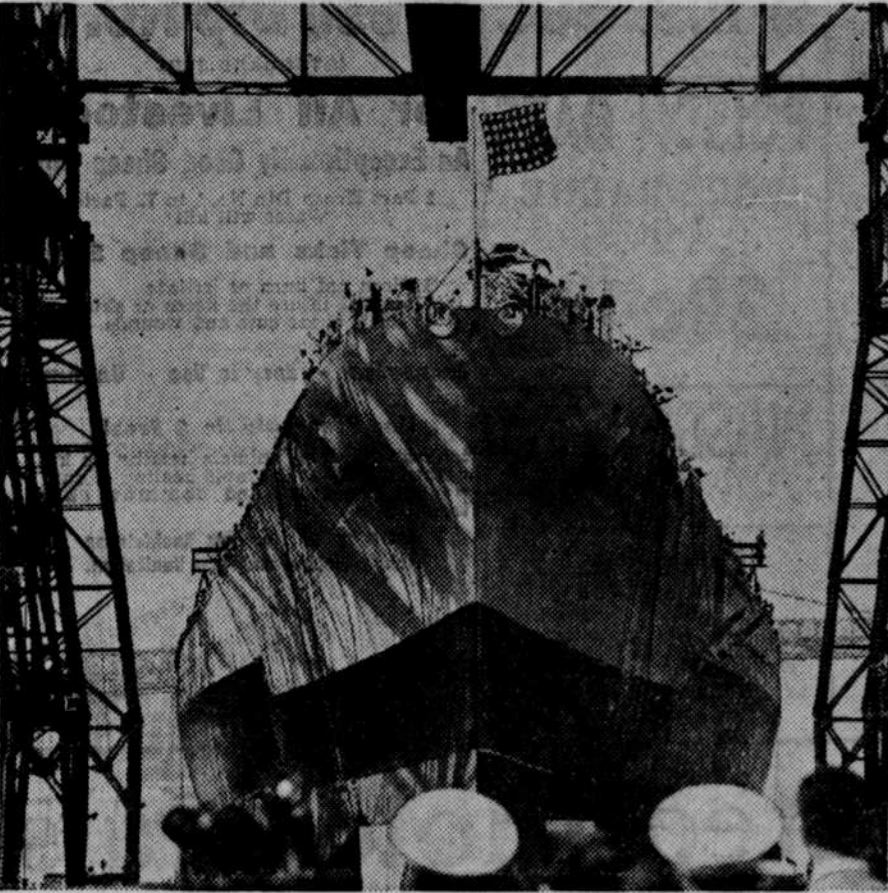
View of one of the two newest U. S. army planes sent to the Ford company plant at Dearborn, Mich., for inspection by Ford and the Ford company engineers, to determine if the plant can be changed to manufacture a thousand of these planes daily. (Inset) Henry Ford peering into the front of one of the planes.

Whither Bound, Soldier Boys of Italy?



Relatives and friends of those aboard stand silently on the pier as the Italian liner, jampacked with soldiers, leaves Genoa, Italy, for some undisclosed destination. The soldiers might have been shipped to Italian territory in Africa to be used in attacks on French and British territory on the same continent.

U. S. Navy's Latest Fighting Giant



While 40,000 spectators cheer themselves hoarse, the huge battleship North Carolina slides down the ways at Brooklyn navy yard. The 35,000-ton ship is the second dreadnaught to be launched this month, and one of the largest American war vessels that has ever slid down the ways.

'Congresswoman'



Margaret Chase Smith, wife of the late Rep. Clyde Smith (R.) of Maine, being sworn in to fill the vacancy left by him. Mrs. Smith is the eighth woman in congress.

'Miss Houston' of the Lone Star State



Dimple Causey, selected as "Miss Houston" in a contest of more than 14,000 Texas school children, is here shown at the engine room telegraph of the liner Algonquin, arriving in New York, to take part in a series of events at the World's fair. Miss Causey was scheduled for a mighty busy time.

'The Soul of Italy'



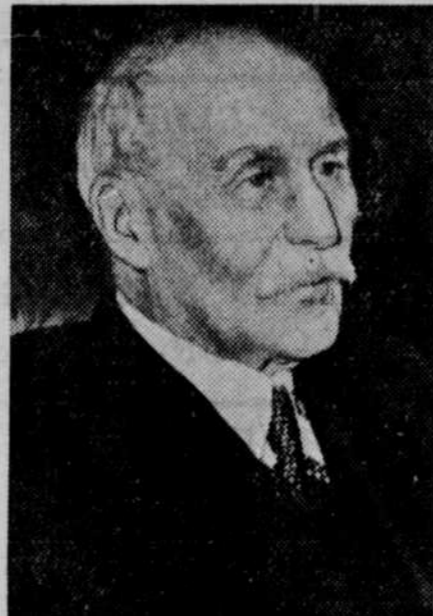
Recent photo of King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, who, according to an official announcement in Rome, has left for the front to lead his troops. In his declaration of war II Duce referred to him as "the soul of Italy."

Flight From Home in the Winter of Life



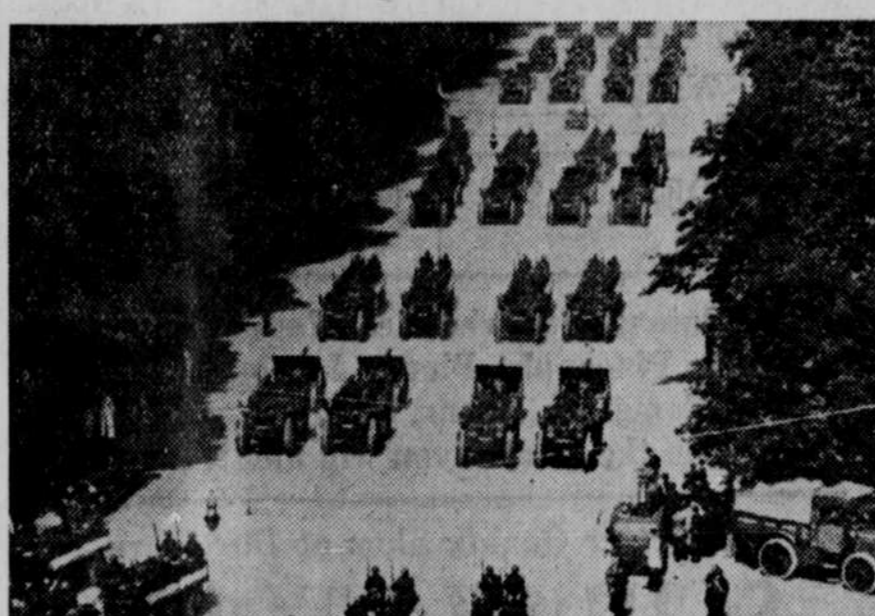
Somewhere in France . . . this aged, feeble old lady is experiencing the horrors of war for the third time in her life. She knew war when the Prussians marched on Paris in 1870; again she met it in 1914 when the Germans got as far as the Marne. Today she is again a fugitive before the relentless Nazi war machine.

New French Premier



After Paul Reynaud's cabinet resigned, France chose 84-year-old Marshal Henri Philippe Petain as premier. It was Petain's heartbreaking job of surrendering France.

The Italian 'Blitzkrieg' Machine Under Way



An Italian motorized division rolls along the streets of Rome in true "blitzkrieg" tempo. Their destination was not disclosed. Motorized troops and guns like these got into the grim business of destruction when II Duce entered the war.

Arrives in U. S.



Mrs. Kermit Roosevelt aboard the U. S. liner President Roosevelt, as it docked in New York, with more than 700 refugees from England aboard. Her husband is a major with the British army.