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ority to the legislation, offered by Senator George (D-Ga.), when both matters come up for action, possibly Tuesday. (unless Senate rules are suspended, bills and nominations must lay over a day after the committee formally reports).

In a two hour session behind closed doors, the committee members voted 14 to 5 against a motion to report Wallace's nomination favorably.

Wiley With Majority

Six Democrats joined with eight Republicans to rebuff the man who had presided over the Senate for the last four years. Five Democrats voted for the motion. The roll call:

For — Senators Overton (La.), Bilbo (Miss), Mead (NY), Pepper (Fla) and Magnuson (Wash), all
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The War At A Glance

The Western Front — Allies seized initiative all along front; British and Americans closed up to Roer; Americans in center swept to German border on broad front against vanishing resistance; Germans in Alsace driven back to starting point at latest attack; French threatened Colmar.

Russian Front — Red Army drove to Bay of Danzig, tightening noose on East Prussia; drove close to Königsberg, East Prussian capital advanced on both sides of Poznan in central Poland, 136 miles from Berlin at nearest officially announced point; advance columns beyond besieged Breslau were 143 miles from Berlin; Hindenburg, industrial city in upper Silesia, captured.

Italian Front — Heavy rains limit front to patrol activity.

Pacific Front — Americans driving down central Luzon plain met first appreciable resistance south of Bambang River Friday; Japanese artillery shelled; captured Clark Field.

Beethoven's Fifth Symphony begins with the "V" for victory symbol, three short notes and one long one. The composer called it "Fate knocking at the door."

way to Luzon Island.
Only small gains on the north-
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FRED GRASSMAN JR. REPORTED AS DEAD

Missing in Action Since Dec. 11 Aboard U.S.S. Reid In Pacific

Fireman Second Class Frederick Robert Grassman, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick William Grassman, 311 Falmetto street, previously listed by the Navy Department as missing in action on Dec. 11, is now presumed to be dead.

In a telegram to Mr. and Mrs. Grassman this week the Navy Department said, "Deeply regret to inform you that a careful review of all facts available relating to the disappearance of your son Frederick Robert Grassman, fireman, second class, USNR, previously reported missing, leads to the conclusion that there is no hope for his survival, and that he lost his life as a result of enemy action on Dec. 11, 1944, while in the service of his country."

The young Marshfield sailor was serving in the Pacific theater of war on the U.S.S. Reid when he was reported missing.

Frederick Robert Grassman was born in Ladysmith, May 7, 1927, and attended the Neillsville and Marshfield High Schools.

He enlisted in the Navy May 12, 1944, and received his boot training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center. After boot training he spent a nine-day leave with his parents, in July, after which he was sent to Shoemaker, Calif., and subsequently to Treasure Island, Calif.

In September, 1944, he began active duty on the U.S.S. Reid.

He is survived by his parents and five sisters and two brothers: Mrs. Steve Orsish, Kenosha; Mrs. Stewart Rainey, Birmingham, Mich.; Mrs. Ray Schuler, Marshfield; Mrs. Alfred Holt, Greenwood; Carol, Donna, Gordon, and Jim, at home.

the Roer River and the halt to German attacks in Alsace.

East-Bound Traffic

For the second straight day pilots reported a steady flow of heavy rail traffic east and north-east from the whole Ruhr region. This possibly was linked with the mounting menace to Germany in the east. The Ruhr train movements might reflect a last-minute shift of hoarded military materiel reserves eastward.

Allied planes battered again Friday at Nazi rail and road transport, and RAF Tactical Air Force planes alone in 150 sorties destroyed 13 locomotives and damaged 18, wrecked or damaged 150 railway cars, and 26 road vehicles.

Snowdrifts hampered all six Allied Armies in the west, and fog overhung the Alsace plain where the 79th Division of the U. S. Seventh Army had rubbed out the last German bridgehead over the Moser River west of Haguenau.

Men of the First and Third Armies floundered through snowdrifts as deep as seven to eight feet.

WILEY VOTES AGAINST WALLACE CONFIRMATION

Washington—(AP)—Sen. Wiley (R-Wis) was listed with the majority of the Senate Commerce Committee yesterday when it voted 14 to 5 against a motion to report favorably the nomination of ex-Vice-President Henry Wallace to the Commerce secretaryship.

The fastest speed at which a bomb can travel, no matter how far it falls, is about 630 miles per hour, but no plane ever has gone high enough to give its bombs such velocity.

THE WEATHER

Saturday, January 27, 1945

Wisconsin: Mostly cloudy through Sunday with occasional light snow-east portion today. Colder tonight and in south and east portion Sunday.

Marshfield temperatures—At 10 a. m. today, 15. Maximum yesterday, 20; a year ago, 51. Minimum during the night, 13; a year ago, 30.

Precipitation, snow flurries.

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