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Narrator: Riding with President Roosevelt, Crown Princess Martha of Norway is saluted by a marine guard of honor, as she comes to accept a brand new warship, transferred under the Lend-Lease Act to Norway’s valiant little navy. Manned by the princess’ own countrymen, the sleek gray craft, now christened King Haakon VII, will sail beneath Saint Olaf’s blue cross of Norway. Princess Martha goes aboard to greet King Haakon’s Viking crew, to wish them good hunting as they scour the seas for U-boats.

Text: U.S. Army tests newest tanks.

America’s newest land battleships prove their power on the testing ground. Called General Lees, in honor of the South’s famous Civil War leader, they’re rated by ordnance experts as more powerful than anything their size. Capable of plunging through streams up to the driver’s hatch, the all-welded monsters roll on like giant living amphibians. Production and performance figures are a military secret, but there are plenty more where these came from.

Text: Mexico hails day of liberty.