Aurora Borealis Slows War News

New York, July 5 (INS).—Unseen this far south, the aurora borealis staged a belated Independence celebration today and played hob with international communications.

As a result, news messages from Moscow, Berlin and Rome were delayed for four to five hours during the day. Tokyo and San Francisco were out of touch all day, and news had to be routed via cable instead of wireless. Conditions improved tonight, but aurora was still acting up somewhat.

Americans in Italy May Draw $200 Monthly

Rome, July 5 (INS).—The American Express Co. tonight announced that, beginning Monday, American citizens in Italy will be permitted to draw a minimum of 5,000 lire (about $200) monthly from impounded funds for living expenses. Business firms may draw 10,000 lire per month from the Bank of Italy, but larger sums must carry official approval. The express company in New York, it was announced, may now transfer lire to Italy via Argentina.