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WEATHER

Wednesday's maximum 49
High 42; Low 38
PRECIPITATION
24 hours to 8 a. m.0.00
Season to date6.30
Normal precipitation6.55
Last year to date4.58



FINLAND MAKES PEACE APPEAL

Finns Grab Booty as Ice Death Grips Russians



Finnish soldiers (top) are shown removing a Russian field gun left behind by fleeing soviet forces after the battles at Suomussalmi. This gun, and others, were soon turned on the Russians as the Finns turned the invaders back. The lower picture shows a Russian soldier, grimly frozen to death where he fell beside his stalled army truck on the Suomussalmi front. He is still clutching the telephone line he was erecting. He was but one of thousands killed as the Finns routed the invaders.

Farm Bloc Battles Budget Cut

DRIVE SLATED TO SAVE PART OF 1941 BILL

Last Ditch Stand Thought Doomed as House Ready to Finish Action

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (AP)—House members from farm states decided today to put up a battle for several major items dropped from next year's farm appropriation bill, but they agreed their efforts probably were doomed to defeat.

The last ditch stand for a full schedule of farm expenditures for next year is expected to be made in the senate after the house has passed the bill late today or tomorrow.

Rep. Ferguson (D-Okla.), sponsor of today's strategy meeting, said that the group would support an amendment by Rep. Pace (D-Ga.) for restoration of the single largest item cut out of the bill by the house appropriations committee—\$72,678,812 to supplement other appropriations for a surplus crop disposal.

There were numerous expressions, however, to the effect that this move was certain of defeat because of the parliamentary situation in the house.

The group, composed of more than 40 members from 22 states also agreed to attempt to reintroduce other items totalling about \$75,000,000, mostly for farm tenant loans and benefit payments to sugar growers.

Chairman Jones (D-Tex.) of the house agricultural committee said the "temper of that house" was such that an effort to add \$225,000,000 for farm partly payments would be futile.

The appropriations committee Tuesday approved a bill carrying a total of \$634,374,756, compared with the current appropriation of \$1,331,340,315 and with budget estimates of \$788,929,519.

When voting on amendments began in the house, farm members succeeded, however, by a slim margin of ten votes, in tentatively forcing a \$126,828 increase in a proposed \$100,000 fund for dry land experiment stations. The teller vote was 106 to 96.

Nazis Charged With Shooting 15,000 Poles

ROME, Feb. 1 (AP)—Poland's embassies to Italy and the Vatican tonight charged Nazi police with shooting 15,000 Polish leaders in that part of western Poland which has been annexed by Germany.

Officials of the Polish embassies declared that the Germans were seeking through mass executions and deportations to exterminate the Polish population of the western provinces.

The accusations were contained in a second pamphlet supplementing one issued over the weekend on mass religious persecutions in the same area.

The first pamphlet was distributed by the embassy to the holy see and was based on information which was said to have been collected by Catholic priests in the German-occupied areas of Poland.

This first pamphlet charged priests were shot to death and entire populations moved from the formally annexed part of Poland to the "governor-general's" territory.

LIBERAL CONCLAVE REVIVED BY DEMOS

Roosevelt's Discussion of Principles Stirs Previous Plans

BY D. HAROLD OLIVER
WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (AP)—Talk of a national conference of "liberals" in advance of the democratic convention was revived in responsible quarters today after President Roosevelt's disclosure that he had discussed liberal principles with three members of his "little cabinet."

Although the chief executive made no mention of a conference in talking with reporters yesterday, word came from friends of the "little cabinet" members that the idea of a meeting of "liberals" was still very much alive, despite opposition from some leaders.

The three who visited the president last Friday were Norman M. Littell, assistant attorney general; Marshall E. Dimock, second assistant secretary of labor; and Oscar L. Chapman, assistant secretary of the interior. All are westerners.

Immediately after Friday's (Continued on Page Seven)

JAPAN SEEKING FUNDS TO KEEP EYE ON SOVIET

Army, Navy Ask Diet for Big War Budget After Minister's Speech

TOKYO, Feb. 1 (AP)—Japan's army and navy today asked parliament to approve a new seven-year arms program costing about \$671,000,000, after the war minister had declared the army "is not relaxing its watch" along Soviet Russia's borders.

The appropriation asked today for the "replenishment and rehabilitation" of arms, would be in addition to a total of \$1,362,017,680 which already has been approved for this purpose.

The seven-year period would begin with the 1940-41 fiscal year. The appropriation also would be in addition to the China "war and domestic military budget" for 1940-41 which totals \$1,583,478,000.

The request for the seven year fund was made after War Minister General Hatahara had declared Russia had committed "scores of illegal acts" after conclusion of the truce on the Manchoukuo-outer Mongolia border.

Japan's army, said Gen. Hata, "therefore is not relaxing its watch."

Gen. Hata and the navy minister, Admiral Zengo Yoshida, said the new funds were necessary to push the "China incident" and because "of the change in the international situation."

Of the requested new funds of 2,864,254,000 yen (\$671,000,000), the army would receive a total of 2,555,335,000 yen (\$609,644,725), of which the largest item—1,120,000,000 yen (\$263,200,000)—would be earmarked for "national defense replenishment fund."

This fund is believed to include funds for the rapid mechanization of the army, which officers emphasized as being essential after the fighting with Russian forces on the outer Mongolian border from May to September of last year.

The navy's share of the seven-year fund would be in addition to its already approved sum of 3,458,753,000 yen (\$812,800,000) for warship construction.

General Hata made the statement in an address to the opening session of the diet (parliament), after the foreign policy report of (Continued on Page Seven)

Finnish Loan Supported By State Heads

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (AP)—State department authorities were quoted by members of the senate foreign relations committee today as holding that a non-military loan to Finland would not violate international law.

In view of this testimony, by Counselor R. Walton Moore and Solicitor General H. H. Clark, it appeared probable the committee would vote to increase the capital of the export-import bank by \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

Such an increase would pave the way for a new loan to Finland and possibly increase the credit China could obtain, to help them in their struggles with Russia and Japan, respectively.

Senator Barkley, of Kentucky, the democratic leader, said he hoped the committee could complete work on the bill to increase the bank's capital this week so that it could be taken up in the senate at once.

Senator LaFollette (Prog-Wis.) said he got the impression from testimony this morning that the state department was giving its tacit support to the pending loan bill.

BRITAIN WATCHES BALKAN OIL PLAN

Rumanian Trade Reviewed Pending Action Over Sales to Germany

LONDON, Feb. 1 (AP)—The entire question of trade between Britain and Rumania was said tonight in official circles here to be under review pending clarification of Rumania's policy regarding her sales of oil to belligerent nations.

Britain has been making vigorous efforts to determine exactly what Rumania intends to do about supplying Germany with oil and other needed supplies.

Officials indicated they expected such clarification within a few days.

Meanwhile trade between Britain and Rumania was said to have slackened but officials would not say whether the government had clamped down on licenses for export of British goods to Rumania.

LONDON, Feb. 1 (AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain in the (Continued on Page Seven)

LEADER SEEKS FURTHER HELP FROM NATIONS

"Honorable Peace" Offer Decries Need for Slaying Innocent Russians

HELSINKI, Feb. 1—President Kyyro Kallio in an impassioned speech in a solemn final session of the war diet repeated today Finland's offer to negotiate "an honorable peace" with Russia but said Finland would not bend before "imperialistic aims."

"We are forced to destroy people innocent of this war, people we have no reason to hate as a nation," the president said.

"For this reason we regard this barbarous attack as senseless and are ready to negotiate an honorable peace."

Russia ignored the previous offer of peaceful negotiations, broadcast by Foreign Minister Vaino Tanner on December 14 in an appeal addressed to Soviet Premier-Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov.

The day after the appeal, however, an authorized statement issued in Moscow and based on Russia's expulsion from the league of nations asserted the soviet union was not "wagging or interested in waging a war against Finland."

The statement contended the communist "people's government of the democratic republic of Finland" proclaimed in Moscow near the beginning of the conflict was the legitimate government of Finland and that Russia's relations with her neighbor were "peaceful and friendly."

The aged, white-haired president, speaking with a firm voice, expressed Finland's thanks for foreign aid and added:

"We sincerely hope the term humanitarian help may be made to cover civilian air defense and anti-aircraft equipment and that such help might be given us for protection of the population behind the front from an aggressor who uses the air force in a most inhuman manner against civilians."

Kallio mentioned particularly "our neighbor Sweden" who, he said, "has shown her identity of fate with us."

"... In addition to her bountiful material help, well-equipped volunteer forces have come from there to help us."

He reviewed the negotiations preceding the invasion of Finland by soviet Russia and said Finland was ready to make "even heavy sacrifices to preserve peace" but (Continued on Page Seven)

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

FLORIDA vegetable growers suffer a ten million dollar loss in last week's freeze. Commenting on the disaster, one grower tells the Associated Press:

"As soon as we realized how bad it was, we started replanting. We put automobile lights on the tractors and put double shifts of men at work. We've been going since without a stop."

THESE Florida vegetable growers could have sat down and called on the government to make good their losses. They were saps, possibly, for not doing so. But let's not forget that self-reliant saps who didn't have sense enough to sit down tamely and accept failure BUILT THE UNITED STATES.

A NATIONAL conference of "liberals" is again being talked.

There are two kinds of liberals: 1. Those who are merely liberal with other people's money. 2. Those who fight encroachment upon basic human rights—including the TREMENDOUSLY IMPORTANT right to work hard, save money, own property and get ahead in the world.

If you're wise, you'll be careful not to get these two kinds of liberals mixed up in your thinking.

FOREIGN Minister Hachita Arita, addressing the Japanese diet (parliament), reviews the whole range of Japanese international relations, including the Chinese adventure. He is greeted with DEAD SILENCE.

Last year a similar review of Japan's plans for the "new order" in East Asia was wildly applauded by the diet.

Moral: If you're a dictator and want applause, be sure to WIN when you start something.

(DON'T be misled by references to the Japanese diet as a "parliament." One of the first devices of dictators is to set up

puppet parliaments whose sole purpose is window dressing.)

ARITA, speaking to the diet, disavows any Japanese intention to "eliminate legitimate rights of the United States and other third powers in China." Japan, he says, has absolutely no desire to do such a thing.

(Unless, he means, it can be GOT AWAY WITH.)

Family of Seven Burns to Death in Home Fire

FREEPORT, Pa., Feb. 1 (AP)—A family of seven, trapped on the second floor, burned to death early today as fire swept their six-room frame home in this Allegheny river town, 20 miles northeast of Pittsburgh.

The victims were Omar Brown, 38, an electrician; his wife, Mrs. Marion Brown, 35; three sons, Omar Jr., 11, Joe Lee, age 8, and Charles Thomas, 10; and two daughters, Betty Lou, 15, and Helen Fay, 13.

All of the bodies, burned beyond recognition, were recovered. Two, believed to be the girls, were found in a bed. Two others, apparently the mother and one of the smaller children, had reached the head of the stairs before they collapsed.

The father and two other children were found near a window in the front bedroom, where their escape was cut off by the flaming porch roof.

A neighbor of the Browns sounded the alarm at 1:30 a. m., but Fire Chief William Shields said the house by that time was "a solid mass of flames."

INDICTED
CHICAGO, Feb. 1 (AP)—Twenty-five defendants—17 in the cutlery industry and eight in the plywood industry—were indicted today by a federal grand jury which accused them of violating the Sherman anti-trust act by allegedly restraining trade.

25 YEARS AGO TODAY

By The Associated Press

Feb. 1, 1915—Battle on the Rawka (Bollmov) starts.

DEBATE LAUDED BY SUPREME JUSTICE

150th Anniversary Finds Disputes Still Rising in High Tribunal

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (AP)—Disagreement over interpretation of the United States constitution was described by Chief Justice Hughes today as "a token of vitality."

He spoke on a program commemorating the first meeting of the supreme court 150 years ago, after Attorney General Robert H. Jackson asserted that "law must be reviewed and rewritten in terms of current conditions if it is not to be a dead science."

The ceremony in the supreme court chamber was attended by members of the senate and house judiciary committees and by a congressional committee appointed to arrange the celebration. Rep. Bloom (D-N. Y.) was chairman.

Chief Justice Hughes said that sometimes the court faces questions of intense public interest, "dividing the opinion of lawyers as well as laymen."

"However serious the division of opinion," he added, "these cases must be decided. It should occasion no surprise that there should be acute differences of opinion on difficult questions of constitutional law when in every other field of human achievement, in art, theology, and even on the highest levels of scientific research, there are expert disputants."

"The more weighty the questions (Continued on Page Seven)

Groundhog Ready For Annual Debut

Will old Massa Groun' Hog see his shadow tomorrow?

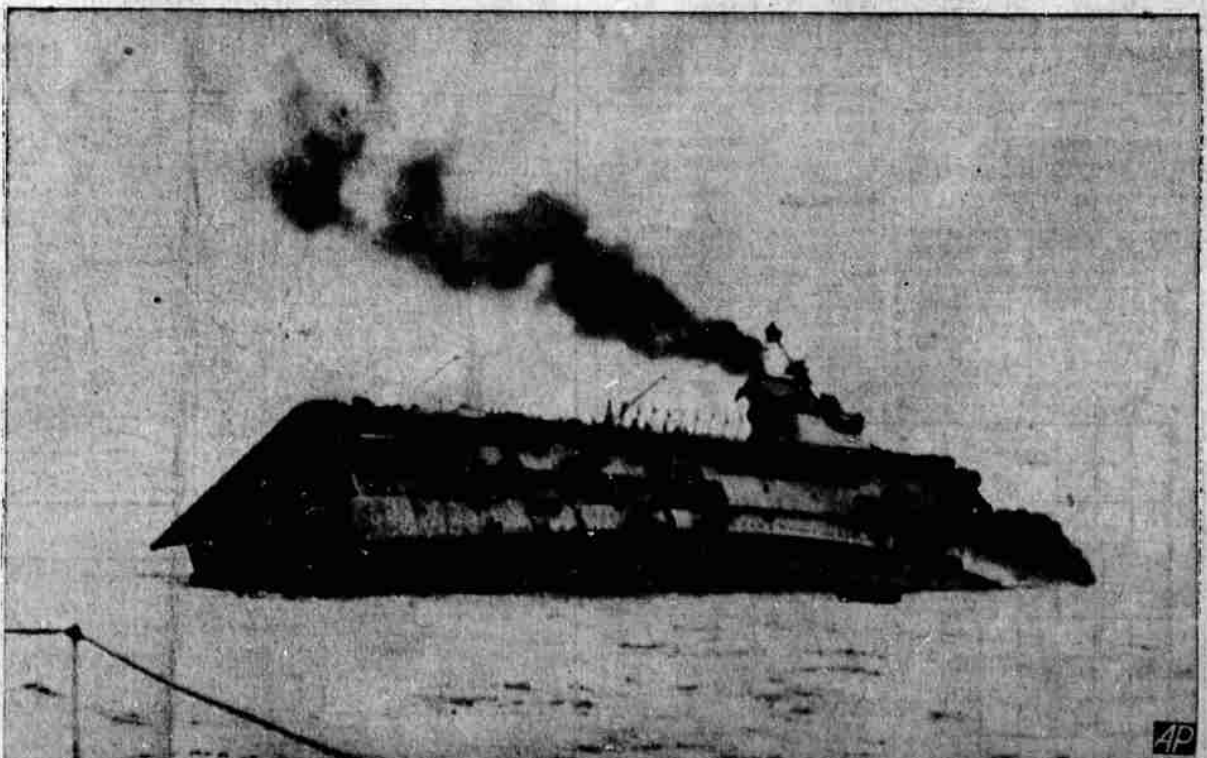
Friday, February the second, is the day of days for the groun' hog. He gets more free publicity than a candidate for the presidency.

All because if he sees his shadow, he gets scared, runs back in his hole and stays for another six weeks!

But if he doesn't see his shadow, he stays out and boys and girls, spring is here!

At any rate, destiny will be written Friday. At last report there was no chance Ground Hog day would be changed by presidential ukase.

First, and Exclusive Picture of the Sinking of Courageous



Long delayed by British censorship restrictions, this exclusive picture of the sinking last September of the British aircraft carrier Courageous shows the big ship heeling over for her final plunge somewhere in the north Atlantic after being torpedoed by a German submarine. This picture was taken by an officer on an unnamed rescuing warship as the Courageous, smoke still pouring from her funnel, went into a plunge that cost 515 lives in the first major British naval casualty of the war. Men can be seen sliding down the side of the ship, and the dark line of a lifeboat lies alongside. In foreground is a portion of the ship from which picture was made.

Legislature of California Hears Sump Aid Pleas

TULELAKE—With all interest of the chamber of commerce centered on the united drive for a congressional appropriation for relief of the sump situation in the basin, members were concerned chiefly at this week's session with the introduction by Senator Randolph Collier of a resolution to the California state legislature, now in special session, asking congress to appropriate funds for aid.

Assurance came from Senator Collier this week that he expected no opposition in the California assembly to the petition which seeks an immediate appropriation of \$900,000.

Walter Pierce, Oregon congressman, assured the chamber by a letter read at the luncheon session, of his continued activity in the interest of the project.

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