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## Finns Surrender Koivisto Island

### Advocates Of Parity Payments Heartened By Committee's Act

\$80,000,000 Is Approved For Farm Benefit Payments, Representing Advance Provided For In Deficiency Bill.

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The House today approved a bill providing for \$80,000,000 in farm benefit payments, representing an advance provided for in the deficiency bill. The bill is part of a larger measure providing for a total of \$200,000,000 in farm benefit payments over the next five years. The House vote was 375 to 10. The bill is expected to be passed by the Senate in the next few days.

### Ruling Refused To Committee

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The House today refused to pass a bill which would have authorized the Federal Reserve Board to issue currency in the form of checks. The bill was introduced by Representative Jackson and was opposed by the House majority. The House vote was 277 to 147.

### Instances Of Attacks On Vessels Cited

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The government today charged 1127 instances of attacks on British merchant ships by German submarines in the North Sea area. The attacks were reported to have resulted in the sinking of 105 British merchant ships and the capture of 15,000 tons of cargo.

### R. M. Chatham Dies At Elkin

Elkin, Feb. 26.—Richard Martin Chatham, almost 74, died early Sunday evening in Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital, pneumonia developing after an extended serious illness. Mr. Chatham was the second son of the late Alexander Chatham, associate founder of the blanket mills of Chatham Manufacturing company, and Mrs. Elizabeth Gwyn Chatham, one of Elkin's pioneer, distinguished families. He was a brother of the late Hugh Gwyn Chatham and an uncle of Thurmond Chatham, president of Chatham Manufacturing company. Funeral will be conducted Tuesday morning, 11 o'clock at the Methodist church by Rev. Herman F. Duncanson, pastor, and Rev. L. B. Abernethy, former pastor. Interment will follow in Hollywood cemetery.

### Manton Fails In Court Try

Former Judge Refused Supreme Court Review of Conviction; Other Cases.

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Martin T. Manton, former state and federal circuit court judge, failed today to obtain a Supreme court review of his conviction on a charge of conspiracy to sell judicial favors. At the same time the tribunal agreed to renew a decision which held a labor union which engages in a sit-down strike was not liable for damages under the 1890 Sherman anti-trust act. In addition, the justices returned to a three-judge federal court in Florida litigation involving constitutionality of a 1935 Florida law authorizing the fixing of minimum prices based on the cost of production at which citrus fruit could be purchased from the growers. Manton's conviction in federal district court at New York was unanimously affirmed by a special circuit court. He was sentenced to two years in prison and fined \$10,000. He was alleged to have accepted "bribe" from litigants to influence his decision. He resigned after serving on the bench for 22 years.

### Appropriation Bill Drafted

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Three omnibus bills to authorize \$412,636,600 of federal expenditures for navigation, flood control and multiple-purpose water control projects were drafted today by a Senate commerce sub-committee. It divided the big river and harbor bill, which many said could not be passed, into three separate measures. Without recommendation the sub-committee will submit the three bills to the commerce committee. The sub-committee recommendations provided: For flood control, \$36,679,500; for navigation, \$161,066,100; and for multiple purpose projects, \$214,893,000. Senator Bailey, Democrat, North Carolina, chairman of the full committee, said the action of the sub-committee was a step toward solution of a "very difficult" problem which had been intensified by the economy drive in Congress.

### CIVILIANS BANNED FROM ALL NORTH SCOTLAND SECTION

London, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Non-resident civilians were banned today from all of northern Scotland, where many important British war industries are concentrated.

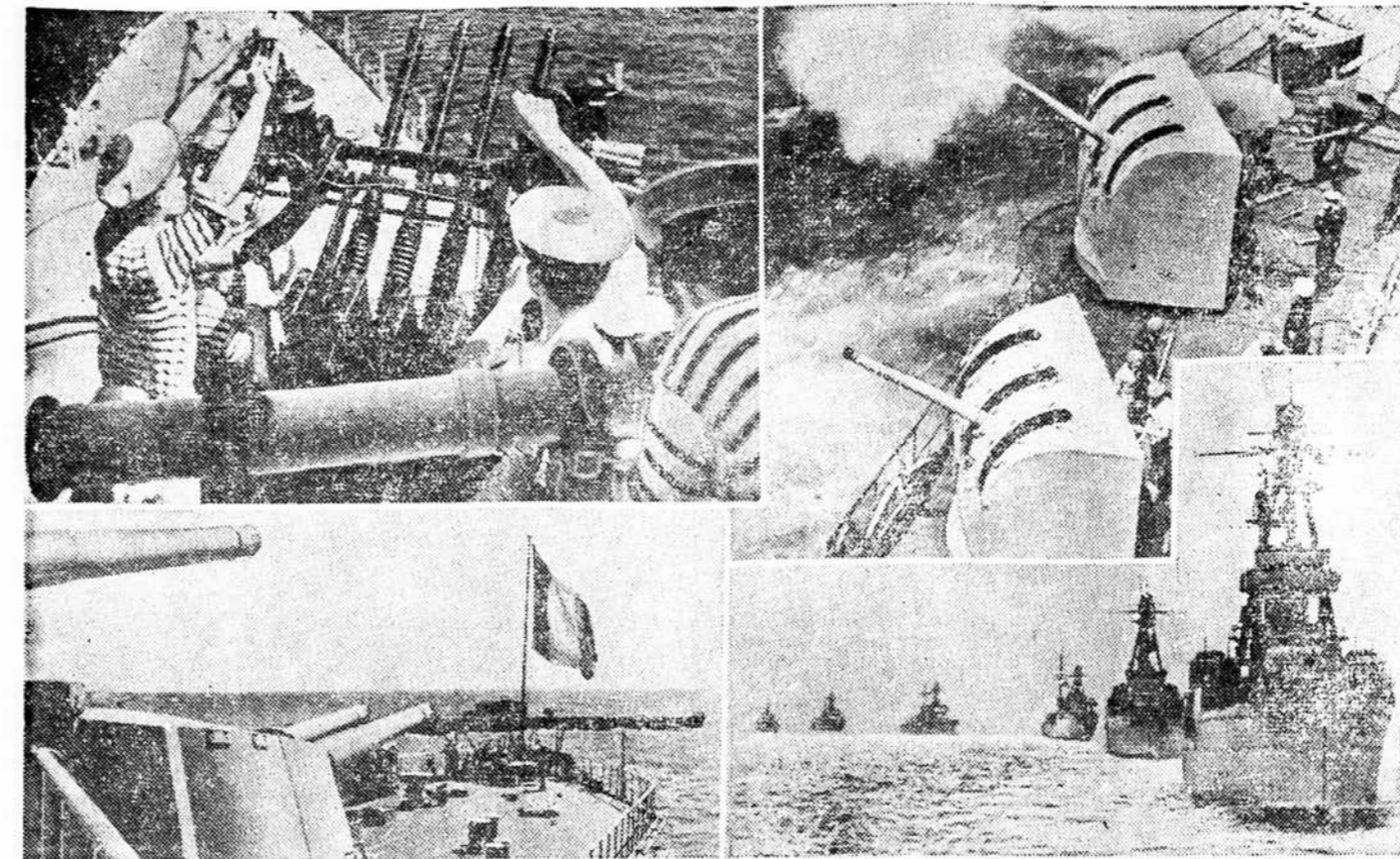
### Wright Bridge Is Damaged

Raleigh, Feb. 26.—(AP)—About 17 feet of the Wright Memorial Bridge, only highway connecting link between Roanoke Island and the State, was torn out early today by a drifting barge during a storm. Baise expressed hope the bridge could be reopened by tomorrow night if the winds subside quickly, but said this would be possible only if the highway department could use a pile driver now at the scene for work of the power company. Lumber also must be obtained from some place in the vicinity to replace the superstructure. C. B. Taylor, bridge engineer, was telephoned at 4 a. m. that the barge had broken loose and smashed the bridge. As late as 8:30 this morning the wind was still blowing so hard that no work could be done on the bridge. Recently the structure was closed for about eight days when ice sheared out part of the piling.

### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair and not quite so cold but freezing or lower in the interior tonight. Tuesday increasing cloudiness and warmer.

### Nazi's Unrestricted Sub Warfare Spurs French Fleet



Top left, multiple machine guns (or a "Chicago typewriter") aboard a French warship. Top right, naval anti-aircraft guns with movable turrets to protect crews. Lower left, the mighty "mouthpieces" of a French battleship. Lower right, the French fleet on parade.

### Oklahoma To Halt Project

Governor Will Call Out Guard Unless State Is Paid For Highway Damage.

Oklahoma City, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Governor Leon Phillips pledged today to use martial law "if necessary" to halt flooding of the Grand River dam reservoir until the state is reimbursed by federal agencies for highways and bridges which would be inundated. He said he had notified the Grand River Dam Authority board that he "positively will not permit them to finish the dam until we get the money." "I will use the national guard if necessary. It might require only one guardsmen to do the job but I'll call him out if necessary." Construction work on the \$29,000,000 dam in northeastern Oklahoma is nearing completion. On Grand board member said the question of the state's claim probably would be taken up tomorrow. Construction of the giant hydro-electric dam was started in 1935. Two years later the PWA loaned the state \$11,536,000 which it supplemented with an outright grant of \$8,457,000.

### Wallace Defends Parity Payments

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Secretary Wallace today defended the House-approved parity payments for farm products. He said the parity payments were necessary to protect the farm income which would otherwise be depressed by the war. He said the parity payments were not a subsidy but a return to the normal level of the market. He said the parity payments were necessary to protect the farm income which would otherwise be depressed by the war.

### Fifth Statewide Textile Contest Attracts Big List

Raleigh, Feb. 26.—The fifth Statewide Textile Safety Contest, sponsored by the North Carolina Industrial Commission, has attracted a record-breaking entry list, statistics made available by Chairman T. A. Wilson at the end of the contest's first period show. The chairman said that reports have been received from 215 of the 294 textile plants entered. Previous high for competing plants was reached in last year's contest when there were 284 entered plants, of which 228 completed the contest and made full reports. Commission records show that each year has seen a progressive increase in interest. There were 198 entries in the first, 230 in the second, 236 in the third and 282 in the fourth. Completing the contests were 173, 196, 207 and 228 plants in that order. As for the safety record set by the competing plants, first period reports in the fifth contest show a slight increase in last-time accident frequency, but the increase is so slight as to indicate no serious impairment of the safety program. Chairman Wilson is hopeful that reports from the remaining entries will reduce accident-frequency figures. The 215 plants reporting employ a total of 76,294 persons who worked (in the first period) a total of 11,343,346 hours with only 118 last-time accidents reported. This gave the plants a frequency for last-time accidents of 10.40, which means that in every million hours worked in all these plants there were less than eleven accidents which caused loss of time through injury. Even this low figure, however, is 17 above the fourth contest mark of 10.23 for the

### Welles Calls On Mussolini

Undersecretary Spends Hour With Il Duce After Conference With Ciano.

Rome, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles spent an hour with Premier Mussolini today going over European problems which Welles came to Europe to investigate for President Roosevelt. The length of their conversation as well as the hour and a quarter which the American envoy spent this morning with Count Ciano heightened diplomatic interest in his European trip, which is to include visits to Berlin, Paris and London. At 6 p. m. (12 noon, EST) just an hour and 10 minutes after the under-secretary had entered the Palazzo Venezia, Welles emerged and stepped into his waiting car for the return trip to his hotel. In view of the fact that Ciano had given his father-in-law a preliminary report on his talk with Welles, it was generally felt that the hour gave Mussolini and the American envoy time to probe deeply into each others' interests and views.

### TREASURY SPENDING SINCE LAST JULY 1 OVER SIX BILLIONS

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Treasury spending since July 1 has passed six billion dollars. As of February 23, fiscal year expenditures totaled \$6,026,165,152 and receipts were \$3,445,172,539, causing a deficit of \$2,580,992,653. The federal debt has reached a new high of \$12,345,443,913, about \$2,500,000,000 more than a year ago.

### Prisoner Beal To "A" Grade

Raleigh, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Fred Ervin Beal, former communist who has just completed two years of a 17 to 20 year prison term for conspiracy to murder, has been advanced to "A" grade at Caledonia prison farm. Beal entered prison February 16, 1938, to start serving the sentence imposed on him in 1929 at Charlotte. He was convicted in connection with the death of Police Chief O. F. Aderholt of Gastonia in a textile strike riot. In June, 1938, Beal was placed in solitary confinement for ten days for fighting, but otherwise has no misconduct against his record.

### Strategic Points Taken By Russians

Russian Land Forces Only Few Miles From Viipuri; Finns Say Batteries Taken At Great Cost to Russians.

Helsinki, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The Finnish high command acknowledged today that Finland had surrendered to invading Russians the strategic island of Koivisto, which is armed with great coastal batteries anchoring the western end of the Mannerheim line. These islands, situated off the town of Viipuri, are 20 miles south of Viipuri, lying in the Gulf of Finland near the entrance to Viipuri Bay. (Possession of the islands presumably would give the Russians a new advantage in their drive on Viipuri, normally Finland's third largest city, by aiding an attack from the sea as well as from land.) Russian land forces already have driven to the isthmus itself along a railway toward Viipuri as far as Kallabbi, only seven one-half miles due south of Viipuri, according to the Finns' own admission. The Russians apparently are clearing up the area between the railway and the coast. Today's daily army communiqué said "on February 25 the enemy continued his attacks on the western part of the isthmus. The attacks were checked by fire from our artillery and infantry and the enemy suffered heavy loss in men."

### Chinese Mass In Kwangsi

Hongkong, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Japanese military dispatches today reported Chinese were massing in Kwangsi province, South China, for another attempt to recapture Nanning, the provisional capital. Chinese reports said 1,000 Japanese were killed and eight armored cars and two field guns destroyed in sharp fighting at Wutung, 15 miles northeast of Nanning Saturday. Japanese dispatches confirmed reports of action in Kwangsi province, saying Japanese infantry had engaged three Chinese divisions 40 miles northeast of Nanning.

### More Ships Sent To Bottom of Sea

London, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The Glasgow steamer, Loch Madaly, 4,996 tons, was torpedoed in the North Atlantic Thursday with the loss of four lives and a British warship which rescued 35 survivors was believed to have sunk the submarine attacker. The Exchange Telegraph Company reported that the year-old Harburg-American liner Orizaba, 4,345 tons, had gone aground near Hammerfest, Norway, and apparently was sinking. It said the crew was rescued. The Swedish trader, Santos, 2,840 tons, was reported to have sunk in the North sea. There were 12 survivors and 30 of her crew were missing.

### Hull Says Trade Pacts Necessary

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Secretary Hull today described continuance of the reciprocal trade program as necessary to help establish sound world conditions after the European war. Jubilant over House approval of the administration bill to extend the trade agreement act for three years, Hull told the Senate finance committee. "The need for keeping alive the principles which underlie the trade agreements program is crucial now during the war emergency and will be of even more decisive importance after the war." "Even a temporary abandonment of the program would be construed elsewhere as its permanent abandonment," he said. The secretary of state was the first witness before the committee. Opponents want to require Senate ratification of each trade agreement, but Hull declared: "The only result (of such a re- (Continued on Page Three.)