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Snow Flurries
IOWA—Mostly cloudy, snow flurries in east portion, continued cold today; tomorrow snow, slightly warmer.

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Special Session Ready to Act On Crop Bills

Nye Champions Neutral Policy in Chinese Hostilities

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19 (AP)—Farm legislation, with economy trimmings, was virtually ready tonight to provide the idle and restless congress with the special session's first real task.

While the senate listened to the soprano cadences of its first feminine filibuster, the agriculture committees of both houses reported progress and promised to have crop control bills ready for consideration on Monday.

The prevalent economy impulse bobbed up in both committees during the day, to write a \$500,000 limitation upon the cost of the program and veto proposals old processing taxes be revised to finance it in part.

Foreign Legislation
In addition, the foreign situation provided material for oratory. Senator Nye (R-ND) announced a meeting of interested senators for next week to consider drafting legislation to compel President Roosevelt to apply the neutrality act to the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

In the house, a move to consider a similar resolution was blocked, and Representative Lewin (D-Md) introduced a measure, saying the United States has been "unintentionally yet effectively" helping Japan. It called for an embargo on all commodities, food excepted, which Japan might use against China.

Vandenberg Investigation
And on the floor of the senate Vandenberg of Michigan demanded an investigation of reports that Ambassador Bullitt was sent to Poland to warn that country against joining in the German, Italian, Japanese anti-communism alliance. (The state department said Bullitt's visit was merely personal.)

The feminine filibuster was Mrs. Dixie Bibb Graves, appointed last summer by her husband, Governor Graves of Alabama, to succeed Senator Black, upon the latter's appointment to the supreme court. For a half hour she helped her southern colleagues oppose the pending motion to take up anti-lynching legislation.

Very much at ease, she stood exactly at her desk. She spoke slowly and distinctly, with the extemporaneous fluency, envied by many a senator. When she had finished, senate rules were forgotten in a burst of applause and senators crowded about her with their congratulations.

Secrecy Hides Result of Nazi, British Confab

BERCHTESGADEN, Germany, Nov. 19 (AP)—Viscount Halifax of Britain and Chancellor Adolf Hitler of Germany today exchanged views on Anglo-German relations in a five-hour meeting but kept to themselves any conclusions they may have reached.

Despite official secrecy, however, there were indications that few, if any, concrete results were achieved by the "unofficial" visit of Britain's lord president of the council to Hitler's picturesque mountain retreat here.

The meeting toward which European chancelleries had been looking for a week occupied two hours less than the seven originally scheduled, and Hitler was understood to have used half the time showing his guest the beauties of the Bavarian winter landscape and his art treasures.

After Lord Halifax left for Munich, en route to Berlin, a government spokesman issued this carefully-worded statement: "In accordance with the character of Lord Halifax' visit, the exchange of views between der Fuehrer and his lordship, to which only Baron Konstantin von Neurath (German foreign minister) and interpreter Paul Schmidt were witnesses, was exclusively of an unofficial nature."

The Wilhelmstrasse apparently still was smarting under what was considered the tactlessness of the British questionnaire of May, 1936, which put up to Chancellor Hitler the next move in negotiations for peace in Europe.

The Winnahs—Iowa's Eligible Bachelors!



They're all four highly eligible, but only three are bachelors. The height in masculine eligibility on campus — three heights, rather — and the height in rhythmic dance — ability offer mutual congratulations plus a bit of good-natured ragging. Presented at the Spinners Spree last night were Al Sorenson, A3 of Ames, this year's Iowa Romeo, and Robert Christians, A4 of Chicago, and George Dunn, L1 of Glenwood, the runners-up. From left to right are Mr. Christians, Joe Sanders, whose band played at the dance, Mr. Sorenson and Mr. Dunn.

Jury Gets Case In Gates Trial

CLARION, Nov. 19 (AP)—The fate of Harold Gates, 44, charged with the "melon patch slaying" of Guy Withers Jr., was placed in the hands of the jury here late today.

Judge O. J. Henderson withdrew first degree murder from the list of possible verdicts, leaving the alternatives of second degree murder, manslaughter or acquittal.

In a dramatic summation for the defense, Leslie Archerd pleaded for acquittal. He based his appeal on what he said was lack of malice in the shooting. He said Gates' error was one of the head and not of the heart.

State Senator Ray Hill, who assisted County Attorney Frank Riley in the prosecution, criticized Archerd's alleged statement that if more farmers used buckshot on chicken thieves there would be fewer offenses.

He said this would amount to the law of the gun and would thrust the courts into the background.

Requests Withdrawal

WASHINGTON (AP)—A request President Roosevelt withdraw the U. S. representatives from the Brussels conference came yesterday from Senator Lewis.

Stock Market Declines In Heavy Selling Wave

NEW YORK, Nov. 19 (AP)—Stock prices crumbled 1 to 10 points or so in today's market, many to new lows for more than 2 years, as Wall street suffered another sharp relapse in business confidence.

The decline was orderly in the morning but a selling wave hit the list shortly after noon and for a brief interval the ticker was behind. The pace slowed later and scattered recoveries appeared. The comeback was so feeble, however, another slide got under way in the final hour which again left the tape in arrears.

Geary and Pals Together Again In 'Escape Proof' Albany Jail

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 19 (AP)—Percy (Angel Face) Geary was locked up tonight in the "escape proof" Albany county jail, along with John Oley and Harold Crowley, his jail breaking, convicted kidnaper companions.

He was brought here from Syracuse after being hustled off a New York Central train at Schenectady, 15 miles away, carried by four men to a freight elevator, and down the elevator into a waiting automobile.

Immediately the automobile swung into a cavalcade of cars, which escorted the heavily-manacled Geary to the jail here.

Geary's foot was injured Wednesday afternoon when he leaped from a bathroom window of a Syracuse boarding house and fled the police who caught Oley and Crowley, cowering in another room.

"They'll not escape this jail," said Sheriff McNulty, into whose care the G-men transferred the three while they await outcome of an appeal from sentences to Alcatraz prison for the 1933 kidnaping of John J. O'Connell Jr.

Goodyear Officials Bar Relief Workers From Plants Closed by Sit-Down Strike

AKRON, O., Nov. 19 (AP)—Officials of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber company barred from plants tonight workers who planned to relieve other employes in a sit-down strike protesting scheduled layoffs which has shut down three plants and left nearly 12,000 idle.

"No more men will be admitted to the plant—not even at gun point," declared C. C. Slusser, vice president in charge of production, James P. Miller, regional director for the National Labor Relations board at Cleveland came to Akron tonight to confer on the strike.

Slusser's edict followed an announcement by strikers to the effect that the men on strike would report at plants on six-hour shifts, instead of the entire number remaining full time.

France Fears Revolution By Secret Rightists

Chautemps Discloses A Grave Situation To Deputies

PARIS, Nov. 19 (AP)—Premier Camille Chautemps told the chamber of deputies tonight a situation of "terrible gravity" had been disclosed by the government's investigation of secret revolutionary societies.

Armed mobile guards were stationed about government buildings as police struck at what authorities believed to be a rightist revolutionary committee organized to seize power and apparently capable of waging warfare on a nationwide scale.

The radical-socialist premier said the government would ask special legislation to reinforce its swift action against a secret society known as "les cagoullards"—"the hooded ones"—thought to be one section of the revolutionary group.

The chamber gave the people's front government a 399 to 160 vote of confidence after Chautemps pledged the cabinet to preserve "republican order" at home and defend peace abroad.

After a conference with Chautemps, Minister of the Interior Marx Dormay said "the affair is getting bigger and more serious every minute."

All ministries were cooperating in the effort to crush the organization before it could take action. Large stores of arms and ammunitions, including anti-aircraft, anti-tank and even field guns, were discovered by police in a series of raids throughout the country. The government was making every effort to uncover the financial and political backers of the organization.

The disclosure last September of "les cagoullards" put the government secret police on the trail of a parent organization. The raids of the last few days netted five "unit" caches of arms and the government believed one section of the revolutionary committee had been smashed.

Police found not only arms, many of which were of Italian and German make, but secret radio sets and parts of uniforms. The newspaper Ce Soir said the plot had developed to an extent that "a high military personality—one whispers the name of a marshal of France—has been approached by a group asking if he would preside over a new government which would be formed."

The Communist L'Humanite charged Gen. Edouard Duseigneur, retired chief of aviation, was the leader of "les cagoullards."

Ku Kluxers Get Through Poet Congressman Attacks Politicians With Rhythm Satire

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19 (AP)—Representative Luther Patrick, Alabama's poet congressman, has written some verse of a politician pair in his state who "joined the Ku Klux Klan."

Of Governor Bibb Graves and Supreme Court Justice Hugo L. Black, Patrick wrote: "A fellow never knows when he takes his hat in hand An' starts into politics exactly where he'll land. In the state of Alabama away down yan, Two politicians joined the Ku Klux Klan."

Each wanted an office, Patrick wrote, and Klan members knew they did, but the office-seekers were taken into the organization with a "kluck-a-doodle-doo."

"An' one is now governor and the other is a judge, Appointed by the president and he ain't a-go'ing to budge." The poem, which Patrick read to the Women's National Democratic club last night, concluded: "A lot o' folks think it's a mighty bad sign. If a man ever marched in the bed sheet line, I've never been a member, so I can't tell. But these two brethren have done pretty well. So fill 'er up boys, a sody pop'll do. And drink a little toast to the kluck-a-doodle-doo. We'll drink a little, grin and wink sort o' sly— It may have been tricky, but the boys got by."

Defenders Pondering Whether To Save Or Destroy Besieged City

Victim and Wife



Patrick J. Corcoran, boss of Minneapolis' powerful teamsters' joint council, who was slain ruthlessly from ambush near his home late Wednesday night, is pictured here with his wife. Corcoran was one of five Twin Cities labor chiefs slain marked for a similar fate, authorities disclosed. The "execution" of one of them was recently fantastically predicted by a Minneapolis newspaper columnist.

Police Question 2 Chicago Men About Minneapolis Murder

Pledges From Unions Throughout Country Received

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 19 (AP)—Labor unions throughout the country poured pledges of aid into union headquarters here today as police questioned two unnamed Chicago men in their hunt for two shadowy figures seen to flee after Patrick J. Corcoran, prominent union official, was shot down near his home Wednesday night.

Police Captain William Forby said the stories of the men are being checked and "they will be detained until we investigate every angle." One of them admitted striking Corcoran during a disturbance at union headquarters early Sunday. Their names were withheld.

Another promising clue apparently faded when authorities located the man Cedric Adams, newspaper columnist, said gave him the information on which he based his prediction ten days ago that a Minneapolis labor leader would be "taken for a ride" within two weeks. The tipster told police he overheard the forecast in a loop cafe, but could not identify the speaker.

Detective Captain James Mullen said police had given up a "professional killer" theory held by some earlier, explaining the professional would have used a shotgun or machine gun instead of a small calibre gun.

Still seeking clues in inter-union strife starting several years ago, Mullen said detectives had been ordered to bring in for questioning two labor leaders who first came here at that time. A number of others active in union affairs here have been questioned since the investigation began.

Electric Current Shut Off Today In 3 Buildings

No electric current will be available until this evening in the law commons, the fine arts building, and the dramatic arts building. Workers are installing a new switch connection in an underground high tension cable and it will be disconnected at 8 o'clock this morning. The current will be off until the work is completed.

Seven Dead, More Dying from Chili

TUCUMCARI, N. M., Nov. 19 (AP)—A roundup of all unsuspecting victims of a slow, fatal food poisoning was under way tonight as health authorities counted seven dead and seven more possibly dying from the deadly effect of home-preserved chili peppers eaten at a funeral luncheon Monday.

China Defense Is Weakening, Japs Believe

U. S. Naval Commander In Area Considers Evacuation

SHANGHAI, Nov. 19 (AP)—China's leaders at Nanking debated tonight whether to defend the capital at all costs or, by voluntary withdrawal as the Japanese approached, save it from destruction by Japanese warplanes and guns.

Japanese asserted their legions drew closer to Nanking as hammer blows in the center, right and left of China's "Hindenburg line" weakened that defense some 50 miles west of Shanghai but still from 125 to 150 miles from Nanking.

A Japanese army was reported within three miles of Soochow and preparing for an assault on that central stronghold. Kashing, 35 miles southeast, was already in Japanese hands and its defenders in flight. Changhu, 25 miles to the north, was being encircled by Japanese columns which drove past its walls to the west.

In Nanking, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and his military associates were understood to favor defense of the city at all costs, but a growing faction advocated withdrawal.

This discussion delayed official announcement of the removal of the government from Nanking. American and other foreign diplomats held up plans for evacuation pending such an announcement, which officials indicated might not come for some days.

Rear-Admiral John Marquart, commanding the United States navy's Yangtze river patrol, arrived at Nanking from up-river aboard the gunboat Luzon to confer with Ambassador Nelson T. Johnson concerning evacuation.

The ambassador made no announcement, but it was understood he would go to Hankow later on an American gunboat, accompanied by the embassy counsellor, Willys R. Peck. J. Hall Paxton and George Atcheson Jr., second secretaries, were expected to remain in Nanking.

60 Monarchists Arrested For Hapsburg Plot

VIENNA, Nov. 20 (Saturday) (AP)—Sixty monarchists who wanted "Kaiser Otto" to come back to Austria to re-establish the Hapsburg reign were arrested early today by a police riot squad.

The demonstrators, observing the 25th birthday of Archduke Otto, tried to parade at midnight through Vienna's shopping street, Kaerntnerstrasse, singing songs of loyalty to the house of Hapsburg. Police, who knew groups of nazis had gathered in side streets, surrounded the monarchists and took the leaders into custody "to prevent a nasty collision."

The police said they did not know how many of the demonstrators would be retained, but indicated the charge would be "making unseemly noise at night."

Several minor counter-demonstrations by nazis were broken up by the police.

Before the opening of a monarchist rally which preceded the parade, a store of tear gas was discovered in the basement of Vienna's great concert hall.

B-r-r-r, Down to 10 Yesterday—Previous Low of Season 17

The lowest temperature of the season—10 degrees—was recorded at 10 a.m. yesterday by hydraulics laboratory weathermen. It was seven degrees lower than the previous minimum temperature this fall.

The day's highest temperature—22 degrees at noon—was 10 degrees below freezing and four degrees below the season's lowest maximum reading.

Only a trace of snow was reported, and the temperature at 9 p.m. was 17 degrees.