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SESSION SLOWS; PROGRAM BOGGED DOWN

Chinese Government Evacuating Nanking; Military Forces Plan Fight, Kai-Shek In Command

Japan Recognizes Spanish Fascists

Chinese Capitol Moved 300 Miles Inland; to Continue Defense.

Japs Bomb Cities

Thousands Fleeing Homes As Japs Advance Toward Nation's Old Capitol.

Madrid, Spain, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Surgeon general headquarters at Salamanca announced today that Japan would recognize General Franco's government November 25, the anniversary of the signing of the German-Japanese pact against communism.

Nanking, Nov. 16.—(AP)—The Chinese government decided tonight to move to Hankow, on the Yangtze, nearly 300 miles to the west because of threats to the capitol by Japanese armies advancing from Shanghai.

The ministry of commerce took the lead today by evacuating its staff and records to Hangchow—bound steamers and the League of Nations technical experts were to leave tomorrow.

For greater security and freedom from Japanese attacks, three or four cities will be used to harbor various civil departments.

Hankow, as the major haven probably will house the ministry of foreign affairs and the finance department.

Military establishments will remain at Nanking until the very last. The civil department will be moved but officials stated that this did not mean abandonment of the capitol and avowed that the army would defend Nanking until last.

Chiang Kai-Shek, premier general himself in charge. If the Japanese break through defense, our army will retreat.

For China, is determined not compromise or capitulate, said a high official.

These have viewed with increasing alarm the advance of the Japanese troops on the "Hindenburg Line" of China's defenses, 125 miles southeast of here.

Thousands Flee Nanking, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Thousands of panic-stricken Chinese civilians fled from three great cities tonight to escape advancing Japanese armies and widespread bombing by Japan's warplanes.

Others were fleeing from Tsinanfu, Shantung province, north of the Shanghai-Hankow line, and from Soochow, central in the Chinese defense line between Shanghai and Nanking.

Japanese military observers predicted the Japanese could reach Nanking within a month.

The Japanese northern China army approached the Yellow river, north of Tsinanfu, to stem the advance of the Chinese, reported today blowing up the Tientsin-Kobe bridge spanning the river opposite Tsinanfu.

Brussels, Belgium, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Japanese officials here today issued a sharp blast to the Brussels conference which criticized Japan for her action in China.

A statement from the Japanese embassy attacked Russia as a non-participant in the 9-power treaty but praised her participating in the conference.

Contest Closes

The picture contest which appeared in Sunday's issue of The Daily Courier, according to Roy Champion, manager of the Carolina theatre and sponsor of the contest, will close tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Already several hundred entries have been sent to The Daily Courier and Mr. Champion expresses delight at the interest that has been taken. Decision of the judges, selected by Mr. Champion, will be final. The winners will be announced in Wednesday's issue of The Daily Courier, first prize being a month's pass to the Carolina theatre, second prize, a two weeks' pass.

Are They Bitin', Mr. Speaker?



Speaker of the House William B. Bankhead apparently thinks some crafty angling will be necessary to obtain administration objectives in the special congressional session, for he arrived in Washington, as pictured above, with a fishing rod in his hand. Or maybe he thinks the session will be short and he'll soon be fishing again down Alabama way. With the speaker was Mrs. Bankhead.

Unemployment Census Opens Today With Questions In Mail

Washington, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Approximately 150,000 postmen will distribute questionnaires to every American home today in an effort to find out how many persons are jobless and what they can do. It will be the biggest one-day house-to-house canvass ever undertaken in this country. The questionnaires are to be filled out by all unemployed and

Federal Government Plans To Push Payne-Borden Hunt

The federal government, having taken a hand in the Bill Payne search sometime ago, appears to mean business by their placard in the local postoffice today. Bill Payne's face is photographed from three sides and the charge is unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for murder. Eight aliases are set forth along with ten finger print photographs. A full description of this man, who is rather well known in Randolph, was given including his unusually sallow complexion and deep circles under the eyes.

Many people are of the opinion that Payne is a Randolph man. But, not so. He is a native of Forsyth county. He "uses" about in several places in Randolph, but none of his immediate relatives reside in Randolph. His mother, a son, his wife and a sister live in High Point.

The placard also informs the public of several of his prison experiences and for what he was incarcerated. His sins are many, but he has out-smarted the federal authorities as long as they like and J. Edgar Hoover has issued this ultimatum. Possibly this is sent to postoffices all over the world, because of the report that Payne passed through Randolph enroute for "foreign parts" some couple of months ago. This may not be true, however, as it would be a bit hard for such a widely publicized person to get out of the country.

Bill does not hold the entire stage, for John Washington Turner, known to Asheboro and Randolph as Jack Borden shares honors with him in this publicity program of J. Edgar Hoover's. Borden is rather well known here also and has participated in a bit of

Yankee Gangsters Escape Upper New York Penitentiary

Three Men Convicted in 1933 Kidnapping Flee Jail In Prison Guard's Car.

"Outside" Plotting

One Sentenced to 77 Years; Connected With Noted O'Connell Snatch.

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Three of the eight men convicted of the 1933 kidnaping of John J. O'Connell, Jr., of Albany, escaped from the Oneida county jail here today after tying up the jail staff of six in a carefully timed, bold delivery plot.

The three were Prusey Gary, 34, John Oley, Albany, 35, who was sentenced to 77 years and Harold Crowley, 35 of New York city sentenced to 38 years.

The plot was led by Gary, H. H. Paddock, superintendent of the prison said, "with apparent outside help."

The three were Prusey Gary, 34, Hayes, a guard, and made their escape in Hayes' car which they drove 5 miles from the prison to Jamesville, south of this city to downtown Syracuse where they left it and sped away in another.

An 8-state alarm was immediately broadcast by the New York state police headquarters which ordered all road patrols to hunt for the trio.

Local Dentists At District Meet

Three Dentists From Asheboro Attend; Dr. Graham of Rameur, President.

Dr. O. L. Presnell, Dr. George Salisbury and Dr. John Swaim, all well known dentists of Asheboro are attending the meeting of the third district dental society in Greensboro today.

Dr. C. A. Graham of Rameur, who is a prominent dentist of the state, is president of the third district and is presiding over the sessions which opened last night with a banquet. Dr. Presnell is among the group who are committee chairman. Dr. Presnell heading the table clinic. Dr. C. D. Kistler of Randleman is on the constitution and by-laws committee; Dr. D. K. Lockhart of Durham, formerly a resident of Asheboro, is on the ethics committee; Dr. J. J. Hamlin of High Point is on the auditing committee. Dr. Hamlin was born and reared in Randolph.

Featuring the session are two noted speakers of the dental profession. Burt B. Ide, D.D.S.F.A.C.C., of Baltimore, Md., professor of operative dentistry at the Baltimore college of dental surgery and the dental school of the University of Maryland, will address the gathering Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock on "The Importance of Definite Patient Management," using lantern slides to illustrate the remarks. Prior to his instructive speech, at 9:30 o'clock, Thomas J. Cook, D.D.S., of Philadelphia, Pa., assistant professor of oral diagnosis at the University of Pennsylvania and chief of the dental staff of the University of Pennsylvania hospital, will lecture on "Oral Hygiene." He will demonstrate salient points of his talk by means of a colored film which has just been completed.

Wichita Launched At Philadelphia

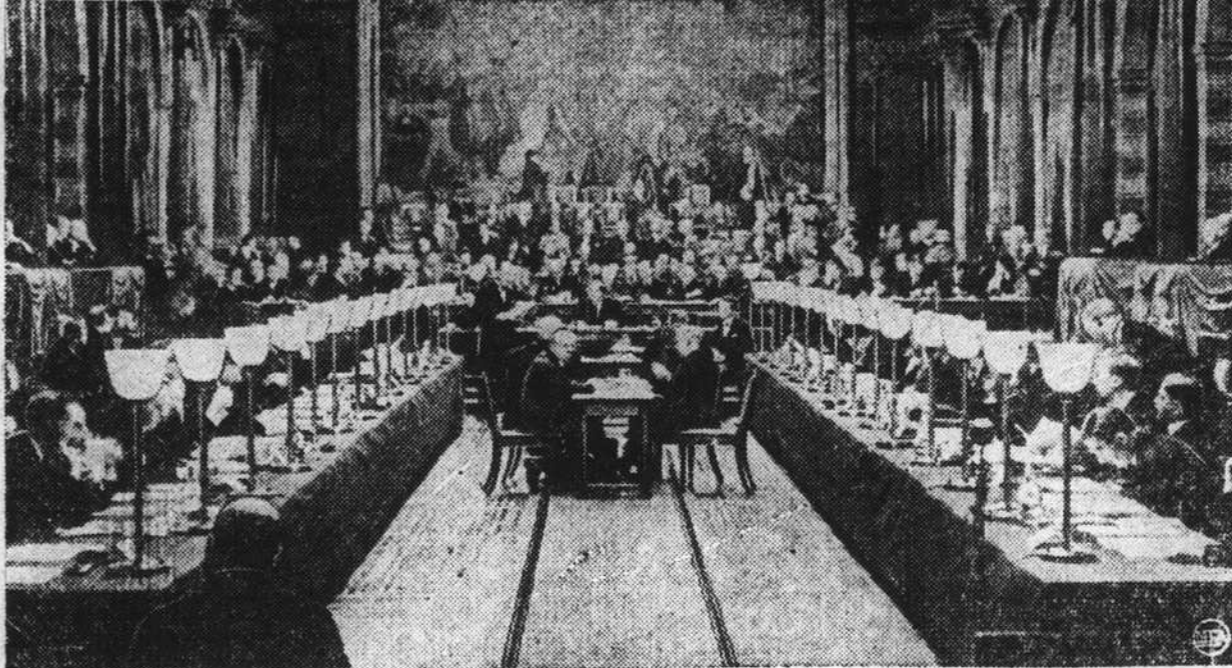
Last of United States Heavy Cruisers to Be Built Under London Pact.

Philadelphia, Nov. 16.—(AP)—The U. S. S. Wichita, last of the 18 heavy cruisers built under the London treaty limitations, was launched at ceremonies at the Philadelphia navy yard this morning. The vessel, first U. S. ship to bear the name of the Kansas city, was sponsored by Miss Margaret Ayres, a native of Wichita and daughter of William A. Ayres.

"Even As You And I—"

Washington, Nov. 16.—(AP)—President Roosevelt cancelled all his engagements today because of a painfully infected tooth while vice-president Garner was having one pulled. The vice-president went back to work immediately after visiting the dentist.

Seeking Way to End Japanese Conflict in China



With most of the world hopeful that it would ease the Sino-Japanese crisis, the Far Eastern Peace Conference met under terms of the nine-power treaty in the Palais des Academies in Brussels, Belgium, to find a mutually satisfactory formula for action to end hostilities. Pictured above is the opening session under the presidency of Paul Spaak, Belgian foreign minister. Seated at extreme right, bending over to read, is Anthony Eden, British foreign minister.

Cross Trial Scheduled; Judge Walter D. Siler, Defense Ace

Cross Statement, Denies He Fired Fatal Shot At Mott

Bill Cross, held in the Hoke county jail charged with slaying Sergeant J. T. Mott, of the Fort Bragg reservation, today through one of his attorneys, T. A. Burns of the defense legal staff issued the following statement:

"That on the day Sergeant Moss was killed, the defendant, Cross, saw him and talked with him: "That when Mr. Mott attempted to arrest Cross, the latter asked for his warrant or his authority to make the arrest and Mott threw his gun into Cross' face and exclaimed:

"Here is my authority"—and Mott started to count—"one, two"—at which time, Cross says, that he took hold of the muzzle of Mott's shotgun and pushed it to one side;

"Then Mott jerked the gun from Cross and struck him over the head, knocking him to his knees at which time, while Cross was on his knees, a gun fired and Mott fell to the ground critically wounded.

"Cross says that he does not know where the shot came from and does not know who fired the shot. That he was about two or three feet from Mott at the time he was shot. Cross says that he got up and started to leave and looked for his cap and then found that his head was bleeding from wounds.

"Cross says that he did not know Mott and did not know that he was an officer or a game warden and was not acquainted with any authority for the attempted arrest.

"Cross affirms his denial in this brief statement, which will be more detailed later, that he is innocent of the alleged murder and killing and is perfectly willing to allow any 12 men in Hoke county or any 12 men from Fort Bragg, fellow soldiers of Sergeant Mott, to try him on the true facts.

"Cross also wishes to extend his appreciation to his friends in Asheboro who have been gracious in assisting his family since he was arrested."

Senate Ignores House Group In Move For Farm Measure

Washington, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Chairman Smith, (D-S. C.), announced today the senate agriculture committee would press ahead with its own farm program, patterned along the lines of the "ever normal granary" without waiting for house action on new farm legislation.

Smith said the committee voted to start separate action with the Pope-McGill bill as a base. This measure follows the administration farm proposals.

A special committee of southern senators, Smith said would work out a special section for cotton. Senator Bankhead it was reported, is urging a rigid compulsory program.

"I am going to call this committee together every morning," Smith said, "until we get some bill ready for the senate. We asked Wallace and his group crowd to come up here tomorrow and explain what all these farm bills mean."

Senators Bankhead, Pope, McGill, Ellender and Bibbo began working on a cotton section at the close of the general conference session.

Belgium Ruler In England For Talks

London, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Britain today despatched Viscount Halifax on a "feelers" visit to Adolph Hitler and welcomed Leopold, King of the Belgians, to her shores for diplomatic talks of possibly far-reaching effect.

Leopold arrived at Dover aboard the Prince Albert at 12:55 A. M. (7:55 A. M. EST) and the King stood at attention while the guns of Dover Castle boomed their salute.

Halifax, Lord President of the Council, enroute to Germany by train and channel boat will arrive in Berlin tomorrow—and among other things—will discuss with the German leader Germany's aspiration for her lost colonies Thursday.

Fort Bragg Case Involves Others From This City

Hal Rush, Walt Routh and Jesse Crofts Will Be State's Witnesses.

G-Men Participate

T. A. Burns and L. T. Hammond Defense Attorneys; Cross in Jail.

Raeid, Nov. 16.—(Special to The Daily Courier)—When Justice G. V. Cowper, assigned to the November term of the Hoke county Superior court which opened here yesterday, remounts the bench Wednesday morning it is expected the first case he will call will be that of the State of North Carolina against Bill Cross of Asheboro.

Cross will face a jury of twelve men, a strong array of state's attorneys, led by T. A. McNeill, Lumberton, solicitor and a half dozen specialists from the federal bureau of investigation, all with but one idea—of proving the state's contention that he shot and killed Sergeant J. S. Mott, of Fort Bragg reservation near here on Saturday October 16.

With Cross, against this array of the prosecution's might, will be Judge Walter D. Siler, of Siler City, well known throughout the state as a keen defender and with him as council will sit T. A. Burns, a prominent attorney of the city of Asheboro, Cross' home and the source, according to report, of witnesses who will bear reputed evidence against him.

L. F. Hammond, Asheboro, will cooperate in the defense of Routh, Rush and Crofts.

Just what immediate action will be taken against Hal Rush, Walt Routh and Jesse Crofts, arrested with Cross in Randolph county and accused of being accessories after the fact, has not been announced by the prosecution. Beyond the fact that these three men—said to have been with or near Cross when he slaying occurred—will be used as witness for the state, nothing has been said by Solicitor McNeill.

They have enjoyed freedom since October 21 in \$10,000 bail each.

Cross was confined to the Hoke county jail here without privilege of bail.

This will be the first murder case in the local court house for several years. Already preparations have been completed for handling what is believed will be one of the largest throngs gathered in the building for several terms. Larger quarters for the attorneys have been mapped out and special quarters set up for the ever increasing array of the state's witnesses.

That Fort Bragg and its officials life will be present is evident here due to the fact that representatives of that post, where Mott served for time nearly sufficient to acquire a retirement, have been active in their cooperation with the state and federal departments.

The federal angle, it was reported, was developed due to the reports first given out that Mott was killed on the reservation, and, that he was an enlisted man in the United States Army.

It generally is conceded this litigation will find its way to the Supreme Court, where the government already has won a partial victory in the Ashwander case.

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Anti-Lynching To Cause Friction In Senate And House

Leader Barkley Plans For "Idle" Week; No Farm Measures Prepared.

Filibuster Threats

Friends of Old Measure Refuse to Give Way to Reorganization Plan.

Washington, Nov. 16.—(AP)—The senate sidetracked the administration program this afternoon as it prepared to take up the anti-lynching bill. Senator Byrnes (D-S. C.) announced on the floor that a motion would be made for consideration of the anti-lynching measure.

He said leaders had decided not to permit him to move for immediate consideration of the government reorganization bill, only one of President Roosevelt's measures ready for consideration.

There was immediate signs of a filibuster to block action on the anti-lynching measure.

There was a short, sharp explosion on the part of the senators who have been opposed to it.

Senator Wagner, (D-N. Y.), backing the bill, has said any filibuster would be short lived.

The house measure was in a tangle over adjournment until Friday. Representative Snell, (R-N. Y.), forced a roll call on the adjournment until tomorrow.

Washington, Nov. 16.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's legislative program bogged-down today in both the House and Senate before the special session was fully underway.

Failure of the agriculture committees to have farm bills ready for either may cost the administration a full week of the scheduled five weeks session.

In the senate the situation was even more serious from an administration standpoint. Leaders there were striving desperately to hold back consideration of the anti-lynching bill which involves the possibility of a filibuster.

Friends of the anti-lynching measure, which occupies a preferred spot on the senate calendar refused to give way to government reorganization bill, only measure on the President's program ready for senate action.

To prevent the anti-lynching bill from floor status Democratic Leader Barkley was considering a proposal to idle the week away in hope that a farm bill could be framed by next week.

Chairman Smith, (D-S. C.) called the divided agriculture committee together to bring about a possible drafting of a bill.

Tar Heel Escapees Caught By Police

Columbia Police Refuse To Identify Men Charged With Mass Thefts.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 16.—(AP)—City detectives arrested two men, they described as escaped North Carolina convicts, in a surprise raid upon a rooming house here last night. Two others made their get-away after a furious automobile chase through the streets of this city.

Chief W. H. Rawlinson and Lieutenant Leo Jenkins of the state patrol did not immediately announce the identity of the arrested men.

They said, "We have positively identified them as among participants in robberies at Newberry, Laurins, Clinton, Florence and McBee and four other places.

Greatest Hater Charlottesville, Va., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Secretary of agriculture Henry A. Wallace described Thomas Jefferson, in a speech today, as the greatest hater of the Supreme Court "than of any president before or since."

Auto Strike Pontiac, Mich., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Sit-down strikers who had occupied the Fisher Body Corporation's plant for 12 hours left at 8:25 A. M. today and the management took possession of the factory.

THE WEATHER North Carolina: Rain tonight, probably changing to sleet or snow in the mountains. Colder in the extreme west portion. Wednesday, cloudy and continued cold.