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# BLASTS AT MUNITIONS PLANTS KILL 13

Pays \$77,113---

New York, Nov. 12 (UP)—Sonja

jury ordered today. The sealed ver-

that he was to receive approximate-

ly 10 per cent of her slim earnings.

George Would

Hike Debt Limit

Georgia Senator Seeks

Washisgton, Nov. 12 (UP)-

Senator Walter F. George, demo-

crat, Georgia said today the new

congress should raise the national

debt limit to \$75,000,000,000 and

overhaul the federal tax structure

immediately after convening Jan-

New Tax Structure

cluded last Friday.

# - 12 Persons Dead In Northwest - AS Result of Devastating Storm

## Plows At Work Clearing Roads; Trains Run Late

Franklin Pair Are Frozen To Death When Auto Stalls

As clearing of highways and railroads in an attempt to restore traffic to normal progressed today, United Press reports indicated that at least 12 persons were dead as the result of the "worst November blizzard" in the history of Minnesota.

The storm blocked nearly every road in the state, crippled communications in southwestern Minnesota and eastern South Dakota and marooned hundreds of travelers and duck hunters. Snowplows Opening Roads.

Snowplows were plowing through huge drifts on trunk highways in an effort to open up roads on Upholds NLRB which hundreds of trucks and care pected fury of the storm. A 31-mile-an-hour wind, however, was hampering operatios.

Mrs. Clarence Tretbar and a 13year-old daughter, of Franklin, froze to death on a highway five miles from Mankato, when their automobile stalled on the highway. Her husband and two other children were overcome by the cold but doctors at a Mankato hospital said they would recover.

At least six persons died of heart attacks caused by over-exertion,

Trains Behing Schedule. Highway reports at noon today were that Highway 10 was open from Moorhead to Perham and that Highway 52 was open as far as the truck was stalled in a huge drift. Motorists, however, were advised to stay off the highways where numerous cars were stalled during the

blizzard. Many reports were remachines sliding into ditches. were running far behind schedule cie, Ind., a parts manufacturing it probably would be bad news for because of the fury of the storm plant. in the Twin Cities, one of the

-- hardest-hit regions. The Northern Pacific reported that No. 3, due in Moorhead at 5:30 (Continued on page 8)

### Rumanian 'Quake Victims Seek Aid

Thousands Homeless; Food, Shelter Sought

as officials sought to obtain accurate estimates of dead and injured and damage in Rumania's most devastating earthquake in more than

The government sent building material and army tents to the stricken areas and neighbobring Balkan nations contributed to relief funds.

Early, unofficial estimates had placed the death toll at nearly 1,000, but today officials said that the best estimate was 400 dead; 800 were injured.

Polesti, Buzau and Foscani, in the of the Mexican revolutionary party, attacked a convoy near the Firth of today. in the foothills of the Carpathian the government. mountains and were felt in sections

into the ruins of the 11-story Carlista leaders and foreign elements. ton apartment building for an esti- "particularly nazis," in a mated 200 bodies.

#### High Winds Hinder Rescue of Hunters

Dallas City, Ill., Nov. 12 (UP) five foot waves continued today said they would be turned over more of duck hunters who were tion. marconed on islands up and down the Mississippi river during yesterday's blizzard.

One man was known to have have been listed for assassination. perished, two others are believed One entry refered to the convendead and seven men were removed ing of congres in Piedras Negras pany, located near Lincoln, Neb., charges but there was not enough body was reported by a state troopfrom Polk island, near here.

Leonard Reynolds, 35, Musca- Camacho's inauguration. tine, was drowned after his small

#### Aviator Reports Hunters Frozen To Waist In Ice

Winona, Nov. 12 (UP)-Max Conrad, avistor directing the rescue of duck hunters marooned by the storm in the Winona "pool" along the Mississippi river, reported today that he saw three hunters who appeared to be "frozen up to their waists in ice."

"I couldn't tell whether they were alive or not," he said. Conrad reported he saw many overturned boats and hunters and their dogs stranded on islands apparently half frozen and almost overcome. Conrad's report increased fears for the safety of the many hunters missing since the raging snow storm struck yesterday.

# **Supreme Court**

Invalidates Closed Shop Agreement of AFL In Indiana Plant

supreme court today affirmed a casion in history that a soviet national labor relations board order premier has visited a foreign land. invalidating a closed shop contract two were killed in accident and one between an American Federation of were Ribbentrop, who paid two duck hunter drowned, the United Labor union and an Indiana cor- visits to Moscow. poration in which the CRO United negotiate the hazi-soviet under-Automobile Workers claimed a ma- standings, Field Marshal Wilhelm jority of all plant employes.

> that the case was of vital import- mier, head of the German gestapo ance to the existence of all craft whose chief task for some years unions, especially in those plants was ferreting out communist opwhere such organziations compete position elements in the reich, and with larger industrial unions.

The invalidated contract was be- bor front into which German tween the AFL international asso- trade unions were incorporated ceived of minor collisions and of ciation of machinists, which claim- when Hitler came to power. ed to represent tool room employes Railroad trains from the east of the Serrick Corporation, Mun-ence was that whatever its result

> court ruled that the NLRB has no the soviet away from Germany legal power to require Wagner act violators to reimburse public relief agencies for amounts paid to strik-

supreme court agreed to review a government purchases. Final decis-Bucharest, Rumania. Nov. 12 reaching effect on government buying under the multi-billion dollar representation of the dollar reaching effect on government buypropaganda unfriendly to Berlin.

The British attitude, however.

Party Leader Avers Almazan Conspiring

Mexico City, Nov. 12 (UP)-Reports indicated that Campina, General Heriberto Jara, president oil district, had been hit hardest said today he had uncovered a All the quakes, beginning early plot by followers of General Juan 9,000 ton ship and sinking a 6,000- tioned for the post ever since the Neb. Spirit Lake is directly on the Sunday and continuing yesterday Andreu Almanzan, defeated presmorning reoked towns and villages idential candidate, to overthrow

Jara exhibited maps, a note book and other coded documents In Bucharest, rescue workers dug which, he said, linked Almanzanagainst the government of Pres-

ident Lazaro Cardenas. Almanzanista leaders immediately charged that Jara's charges were for the purpose of creating alarm in Washington in order to hasten official recognition of the regime of President-Elect Avila of Thanksgiving turkeys were kill- the season and caught turkey raishasten official recognition of the

Camacho. Jara did not disclose where the A strong wind that whipped up documents had been obtained. He to hinder the rescue of a score or to the government for investiga-

The note book contained the names of several prominent Mexicans who, Jara suggested, might on December 1, the day of Avila reported a loss of between 15,000 to take care of all of them. Most er on duty at the Upshaw home,

### Molotov Holds Long Conference With Fuehrer

Conversations May Determine Axis Plans For European Order

By UNITED PRESS Soviet Premier V. M. Molotov today held a 21/2 hour conference with Adolf Hitler on which may hinge axis plans for continental organization of Europe and an offensive to strike at the British empire, root and branch, from the stormy English channel to

Molotov arrived in Berlin at 11 a. m. (3 a. m. CST) today accompanied by 32 aides. Within an er and moving picture star, must dition to the heavy toll of human hour he had gone into conference pay Dennis Scanlon, St. Paul, pro- lives. Reich Foreign Minister moter, \$77,113.44 for breach of con-Joschim von Ribbentrop, who met tract, a New York supreme court him at Anhalter station. There was vast speculation as

to the purpose and possible out- posed of five women and seven men mile-an-hour winds tore at propcome of the Molotov discussions but few concrete facts. It was noted in Berlin, how-

ever, that the welcome for Molotov was not as elaborate as some which the nazis have provided in the past for distinguished foreign statesmen despite the fact that this is Molotov's first visit beyond Washington, Nov. 12 (UP)—The the soil of Russia and the first oc-At the station to greet Molotov

year to Keitel, chief of the German su-AFL attorneys had told the court preme command, Heinrich Him-Robert Ley, leader of the nazi la-

The British view of the confer-England. One thing was generally In another labor case the supreme assumed—British efforts to wean now have little prospect of success.

However, it was revealed at Mosers or workers illegally discharged. cow that Sir Stafford Cripps, The decision came in a Republic British ambassador, conferred Steel case, one of the numerous liti- there yesterday with Vice-Comgations growing out of the "little missar for Foreign Affairs Andrei Vishinski as Molotov's train was In a third major action the rolling toward Berlin.

At London and the Balkans it lems. lower court decision denying the was believed generally that Turkey government the right to sue for and the far east were the most of the Treasury Henry Morgentriple damages under the anti-trust likely subjects of nazi-soviet dislaws for losses alleged to have re- cussion. Istanbul expressed some the debt limit must be raised to sulted from identical bids submitted doubt that an agreement affecting \$65,000,000,000 because of defense by 18 rubber tire manufacturers on her status would be reached and spending. The defense tax bill Sofia pointed out that Bulgarian enacted last summer permitted excommunists continued to circulate penditure of \$4,000,000,000 above

was summed up by the Daily Mail which asserted that it was now plain that Britain had but two assets in the international situation—herself and the United

#### Nazis Claim 18 British Planes Downed Monday

Berlin, Nov. 12 (UP)-Nazi informants said today that is Brit-Forth, scoring a direct hit on a British harbors continues." were missing after yesterday's en-

thau, Jr., who last week said that

to consider the debt and tax prob-

He allied himself with Secretary

the existing \$45,000.000.000 debt limit for defense purposes only. George asserted that the nation's economy is in danger of becoming dependent on defense spending which, he said, must end

#### Japs Expected To Name Nomura U. S. Ambassador

Tokyo, Nov. 12 (UP)-Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, former foreign minister and a leading exponent of Japanese-American friendish airplanes were shot down yes- ship, is to be appointed ambassador terday; that German bombers had to the United States, it was learned crash because of darkness.

Nomura's name had been menton ship, and that "the mining of recall of Kensuke Horinouchi. He has been considered a friend of the They said nine German planes United States and in Washington diplomatic circles is known as "a

## Blizzards Disasterous To Supply of Turkeys

the basis of reports, from 20 to 30 the reports. 800.000 turkeys were frozen to death. as many as 5,000 in one flock fran- er Lon Sullivan, head of the high- at them. and 20,000 turkeys. Dan M. Hilde- of the birds would have been killed center of a four-day search for the The death toll in the collision of brand, Seward, Neb., national pres- for the Thanksgiving trade within lost boy.

ed in Minnesota, Nebraska, Iowa ers unprepared. It started with and South Dakota during the se- rain. Then the wind whipped up per cent of Nebraska's estimated Turkey herdsmen, who care for

#### 52 Killed As Wintry Gales Rage Unabated

Most Severe Advent of Cold Weather In Years; Damages Great

By UNITED PRESS Snow and freezing temperatures clamped most of the nation in a wintry grip today as destructive gales which left at least 52 persons dead in the midwest battered furiously at the eastern seaboard.

Winter's early invasion was the most severe in decades, causing uncounted millions of dollars' property damage across a broad belt of the Henie (above) the Norwegian skat- central and southern sectors in ad-

High Winds Persist. And the force of the storm - a terrifying compound of wind, snow dict was returned by a jury com- and cold-was not spent. Fiftyafter a six-day trial which was conerty in New England and the middle Atlantic states as temperatures Scanlon charged that through his dropped to freezing levels. Icy efforts and contacts the ice star squalls and snow pounded at the rose to movie stardom. He said that Rocky mountain region for the the contract to which they had fourth day with a reckless regard agreed in February, 1936 stipulated for shelterless humanity, transportation and communication.

Only the southern Pacific coast-He charged that when she attained stardom in Hollywood, she ignored al area escaped the storm's wrath the contract and refused to meet its which swept in from the extreme northwest five days ago and hewed to a costly course southeasterly then northeasterly across the na-tion—sparing only isolated points.

Continued Cold Forecast.

The U.S. weather bureau at Chicago forecast continued cold, with snow flurries, and frosty winds in the north-central states. The outlook along the eastern seaboard north of the Mason-Dixon line was for severe cold and snow-laden clouds. Flurries had started today in the northern points of New

The cold was sudden as it was severe and caught agricultural areas off-guard, imperiling fruit growing regions of Texas and California and livestock through the plains' states. The accent of winter was in Mon-(Continued on page 8)

#### George is slated to succeed the Missing Plane late Senator Key Pittman, democrat, Nevada, as chairman of the senate foreign relations committee. He also is the ranking demo-Search Resumed cratic member of the senate finance committee which will have

Hunting Parties Were Halted By Blizzard

Spirit Lake, Ia., Nov. 12 (UP) A portion of the plane and the body of one of three U.S. army fliers who plunged into Spirit lake were discovered frozen in ice near the east shore today.

Spirit Lake, Ia., Nov. 12 (UP)-The search for a missing U.S. army plane believed to have fallen into Spirit Lake was resumed today despite rough water. A blizzard driven by a 40 mile an

hour wind prevented the launching of boats vesterday. The plane was believed to have crashed about 6:30 p. m. Sunday. Lake front residents heard a sputtering motor and a loud splash about that time but no one saw the

The plane left St. Paul at 4:15 p. m. Sunday bound for Omaha,

Lieutenant Robebrt M. Prange, 22, Predericktown, Mo.: Lieutenant G. were aboard the ship.

#### Georgia Police Find Body of Missing Infant

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 12 (UP)—The vere storms of Sunday and Mon- a velocity of as high as 50 miles an Georgia highway patrol reported today, according to reports reaching hour and temperatures dropped to day that Murray Upshaw, Jr., 2, ducted spiritualist seances for pay, commission houses here today. close to the zero point. With in- missing since last Priday, had been was not located immediately. Po-Clark Swanson of the Jerpe com- sufficient shelter, the rain-soaked found dead in the woods back of lice records showed he was given mission company estimated that on birds froze to death, according to his parents' farm home near Car- a dismissal in 1937 and last year tersville, Ga.

The Roscoe Hill Hatchery com- tically sought shelter for their way patrol, said the finding of the

joint north of Burlington. Two companions. Louis Tubbs. Muscompanions. Louis Tubbs. Muscompanions. Louis Tubbs. Muscompanions. Louis Tubbs. Muscompanions and Ralph Sells, Oquawka, and Ralph Sells, Oquawka, and Ralph Sells, Oquawka, and Ralph Sells, Oquawka, of commons today that British prisoners ident of the U. S. Livestock assolated in the loss probably death. The condition of the body of the body is charged with a statutory of lense, and other details were not immediately available.

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Italian Protection In Mediterranean---

Scene taken at Italian seaplane base, somewhere in Mediterranean area, shows anti-aircraft-battery protecting planes. Italians have been raiding Greek cities recently. Passed by Italian censor.

## Concealed Greek Mountain Guns Halt Italian Drive

Fascist Alpine Troops Forced To Retreat Toward Albania

Belgrade, Nov. 12 (UP)-Concealed Greek mountain artillery has halted a new Italian attack midway between the Koritza and Janina fronts, frontier reports said today, and has forced Italian Alpine troops to retreat toward Albania after penetrating a short distance into Greece along the Sardanoporos river.

The Italians were reported to have lost 12 officers, about 600 men and considerable war insteron Greek strongholds in the Pindus mountains.

Alpine Units Attack. The attacking elements comprised part of the third Alpine division—the same Italian unit which the Greeks previously had beaten back near Koritza. The Alpine division was supported by cavalry and some Berseglieri troopers, it was reported.

It appeared that the attack had been designed to drive a wedge between the Greek forces which have advanced to the northwest toward Koritza, a strong southern Albanian Italian base, and Greek troops resisting the Italian drive along the coast.

Greeks Take Cangon. At the same time the Greeks fighting toward Koritza on the road from the border town of Biklista. were reported to have captured Cangon, an important mountain pass town, forcing the Italians to retreat toward Plyage which is only about five miles from Koritza.

In the Biklista road fighting it was said that 26 Italians were killed, 70 wounded and seven officers and 140 soldiers taken pris-

The Italian set-back in the Pindus mountains was said to have and coffee. A few hours later they occurred after the Alpine troops penetrated the valley of Orestias were taken to hospitals. Two men and the Anaselica mountain rang- | died at the center before they es, the northern spurs of the could be moved; the others at hos-Pindus mountains.

### Slayer Attempts To Burn Bodies

Firemen Find Mother. Son In Burning Home

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 12 (UP)-Firemen who rushed into a home to put out a fire today discovered a spiritualist mother and her 8-Smith, 26, Clinton, Ill., and Private year-old son shot to death. The Bar Group To Hold Anthony J. Cerrato. 22. Canton, O., mother had been gagged. The victims were:

Mrs. Alma Katzenmiller, 36. The coroner said both appeared to have been killed by a shotgun. Mrs. Emma Conerton, a neighbor,

called firemen when she saw smoke

one-story frame Katzenmiller dwelling. Police believed the slayer the evidence of his crime by fire ty court convened. Peter Katzenmiller, the husband with whom Mrs. Katzenmiller conon charges by his wife and son Pe-State Public Safety Commission- ter, Jr., that he had pointed a gun

> Terry Boat Tell Mounts St. John's, NFD., Nov. 12 (UP)the terry boats Garland and Gold-

# BULLETINS

Burlington, Ia., Nov. 12 (UP) -John McKittrick, commander of the United States naval reserve cutter stranded in the middle of the Mississippi river, reported today that the bodies of two dead duck hunters were aboard. A third hunter was

Sofia, Nov. 12 (UP)-Radio Athens reported today that King George had appealed to the Greek populace to face bombing attacks with the "courage of Marathon" which Greece's armed forces have displayed against the Italian invaders.

New York, Nov. 12 (UP) -Alice Marble, the California blende who is the world's best woman tennis player, turned professional today

Washington, Nov. 12 (UP)-The agriculture department today predicted this year's corn production at 2,423,525,000 bushels. This yield is under last year's 2,619,137,900 bushels but above the ten-year 1929-38 average of 2,299,342,000 bushels.

## Chef Questioned In Poisonings

12 Die From Effects of Pittsburgh Dole

Pittsburgh, Nov. 12 (UP)-A former chef was questioned in Philadelphia today about the poison deaths of 12 men and violent illness of 43 others as result of eating pancakes tainted with so- the dynamite into wrappers when dium fluoride, a reach powder re- the blast shook the small building. sembling flour.

The poisoning took place at the Pittsburgh Salvation Army center during the Monday morning "handout." The men sat down to a breakfast of pancakes, bacon began dying, writhing in pain and

Police immediately began searchng for a discharged chef who Adjutant Roy Barber said had threatened to "get even." They believed he had fled to Philadel-

Early today Philadelphia police detained Larry Mertz, 43, for questioning in connection with the poisoning. He was described as a former chef in the Salvation Army home here. Mertz said he had worked is Pittsburgh until October and then went to Philadelphia where he had remained

## Meeting Wednesday district court will be that of Harry schwarck against Walter W.

Annual banquet and business meeting of the Clay County Bar pouring from the basement of the association will be held at the Comstock hotel Wednesday at 6:00 p. m., it was announced today as might have attempted to destroy the November term of Clay coun-

Election of officers will take place at the meeting to which a number of guests have been invited. Present officers are Ed- the calendar. One abandonment win Adams, Moorhead, president: Magnus Wefald, Hawley, vicepresident, and Ronald Danielson,

Rochester Man Hurt. Boston, Nov. 12 (UP)-Rudolph pointed his attorney.

## Three Eastern **Factories Hit** By Explosions

FBI Agents Called To Probe Incidents For Possible Espionage

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 12 (UP)— At least \$1,000,000 worth of army material was destroyed by fire that swept the Atlanta Municipal Auditorium today. Origin of the Maze was unknown. but the building manager, who said that \$250,000 damage was incurred in the structure itself, publicly called the fire the result of "sabotage."

Woodbridge, N. Y., Nov. 12 (UP)—State police estimated that 15 persons had died in the blast at the United Railway Signal corporation plant here and a rescue worker said he counted 13 mangled bodies in the wreck-

By UNITED PRESS Powerful explosions blew up three plants in the industrial east today, killing at least 13 persons and injuring scores more.

The blasts occurred at the United Railway Signal corporation, Woodbridge, N. J.; the Trojan Powder company at Siples Station. Pa., near Allentown, and the American Cyanamid and Chemical corporation, at Edinburg, Pa.

The three explosions, all of which shook the surrounding countrysides, took place at approximately the same time-between eight and nine a. m. No Sabotage Indications.

Federal bureau of investigation agents were called in but there were no immediate indications of sabotage. At least one of the plants -United Railway-was engaged in fulfilling government orders.

The known casualties: At Woodbridge — At least seven killed, 38 injured and in hospitals. At Siples Station Three billed: number reported injured. At Edinburg—Three killed: none

believed injured. Although the Woodbridge plant is a small one—made up of half a dozen scattered one-story structures—the detonation there was terrific and was felt sharply even at Jersey City, 20 miles away. Motorists driving in Staten Island, across Raritan Bay, felt their cars jerk out of control from the concussion.

100 In Miraculous Escape. The Edinburg blast took place in the Burton explosives division of the plant. The three workers were killed when dynamite they were packing in the gelatin tank house exploded. The 600 - square-foot building was shattered. Authorities believed it miraculous that none of the 100-odd men employed at the plant-apart from the three dead -had been victims.

The Edinburg plant makes commercial explosives only and it was believed the firm had no government orders on hand. The three victims were packing

FBI. State Police Investigate. The Allentown explosion occurred in the cap plant, a one-story building where detonators for blasting are made. Company officials said they "doubted" that espionage was involved. Both the FBI and state police began inquiries. The work had no connection with national defense orders and plant officials believed the blast might have been accidental.

The Woodbridge plant makes small torpedoes, used chiefly as signal devices on railroad lines. It was reported that some government orders were on hand there.

## Calendar Set

Schwarck-Lund Case To Be Heard Wednesday

First case set for trial in the November term of Clay county Lund. The court calendar was set this morning and jurors will report at 9:30 Wednesday.

Schwarck has brought a suit for \$5,000 against Lund for personal injury and damage to his car which he alleges were received in a collision with Land's machine in Moorhead August 10. James A. Garrity represents the plaintiff, Garfield H. Rustad the defendant, Following the Schwarck-Lund case will be the criminal cases on case, that of Norman Wiger, was dismissed this morning and other one added to the calend Moorhead, secretary-treasurer. The organization has met annually for over 30 years.

Other the annual to the calendary that of Harold Hanson. Han pleaded not guilty when arraigned before Judge Byron R. Wilson morning and his bond was set 2500. J. M. Witherow was