

CAPITOL HILL

Thurs., Nov. 19-'70.

On Capitol Hill - the Senate today gave President Nixon - his first legislative victory of the current special session; ~~of Congress~~, passing and sending along to the White House - a new three-year farm bill. ^{one} ~~This includes~~, for the first time - ~~a set of~~ ^{tiny} limits on the amount of Federal subsidies payable to farmers; up to Fifty Thousand each - on cotton, wheat and feed crops.

The bill's opponents ^{were} earlier contending it would bring "disaster to the cotton South." Adding that it would also mean lower incomes - for hard-pressed farmers ^{right} ~~other~~ across the land. However, the bill's advocates noting that a dozen large farms - received more than One Million in farm subsidies last year; one - actually getting some ^{that} Four Million. And they further argued ^{the} new system would give farmers more freedom - in deciding how to use their lands; which view - has now finally prevailed. ^{by a vote of} ~~final tally~~ forty-eight to thirty-five.

In the Middle East - Arab guerillas and Jordanian

Army troops were battling ^{one} again today at Amman. The clash - lasting about thirteen hours; reportedly marking the heaviest fighting in Amman - since that brief Jordanian civil war in September. Guerilla leaders later agreeing to a formal truce - after a two-hour, head-to-head meeting with Wasfi Tel, Jordan's tough new premier.

engaged. Seven claims that "partial reconciliation is not on our involving the use of force" - has taken place no
protection and security of our forces in South Vietnam,"
all of which - subsequently - steadily refuted by the
Government side.

PARIS

The chief bone of contention at peace talks today in Paris: The shooting down of that unarmed U.S. reconnaissance plane last week - over Communist North Vietnam. America's David Bruce - asserting the U.S. will continue to make reconnaissance flights over enemy territory; in the process, taking "whatever measures are necessary" - said he - to protect the planes and pilots so engaged. Bruce adding that "aerial reconnaissance is not an act involving the use of force" - but rather a prerequisite "to the safety and security of our forces in South Vietnam." All of which - was, ~~of course~~, stoutly refuted by the Communist side.

Meanwhile, the ground lull continues in Vietnam - but the threat of death remains an ever-present fact of life; as evidenced by the crash of a big U.S. helicopter today - southwest of Da Nang. (The craft, attempting to ferry a Marine patrol back to camp - when it suddenly went down. The resulting death toll - coming to fifteen.)

Hundreds more injured - and more than four thousand homeless. Causing the government to fear that an estimated 100,000 officials also fearing a rapid return to the back road - as the savage typhoon filters in from northern visiting areas.

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~~MANILA~~

For the city of Manila - a direct hit today from Typhoon Patsy - the most ~~powerful~~^{potent} typhoon in Philipine history; with the eye of the storm - passing directly over head. Its winds - up to a hundred and twenty miles an hour - tearing off rooftops, ripping up trees. The death toll in Manila-proper - coming to at least thirty-eight; with hundreds more injured - and more than twenty thousand left homeless. Causing the government - to declare "a state of calamity" ~~there~~. Officials also fearing a rapid rise in the death count - as ~~the~~ damage reports begin to filter in from ~~the~~ outlying areas.

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BOULDER

A fresh look at the Red Planet Mars ^{was} ~~had~~ presented today by a University of Colorado space expert. Dr. Charles Barth completing an analysis of data - gathered last year from the two U.S. Mariner-Mars flights. Coming to the conclusion that a big, bright spot on Mars - long thought to be a vast desert - is, in reality, a big hole in the ground. Indeed, ^{quite} ~~an enormous hole in the~~ ^{abyss} about twelve thousand feet deep and fifteen hundred miles across.

Correspondent by the Associated Press
Dr. Barth adding - it's "a sort of Martian Grand Canyon;" about which we'll probably learn a good deal more - said he - in the two Mars probes set for next year.

SYRACUSE

According to American educational authorities -
a happy school is generally a good school. Now comes a
report suggesting that a great number of American big
city high schools - are, in fact, most un-happy schools.
And the most unhappy of all - we hear - those which have
been newly-integrated. Unhappy for blacks - unhappy for
whites - unhappy for parents, teachers, administrators.

All this according to a government-sponsored
study - carried out by the Syracuse University Research
Corporation, which cites case after case - of fighting,
extortion, bullying, discrimination and just plain disruption;
most of which is blamed on local school officials - who are
either unwilling or unable to stand up to the new pressures.
End result - we are told: The modern big city high school
proving "an unhappy if not intolerable" place - "for
millions of American teen-agers."

STANFORD

Found, at last: A cure for the common cold.

At least, that's the claim today - from two-time Nobel Prize-winner Linus Pauling of Stanford University; who tells all about it - in a new book entitled, "Vitamin C. and the Common Cold."

Vitamin C - in case you hadn't guessed by now - the remedy put forward by Dr. Pauling; who contends that Vitamin C - "taken in the right amounts at the right time - would prevent most colds from developing; and would in most cases" - he goes on - "greatly decrease the intensity of the symptoms in those that do develop." Dr. Pauling adds that he himself started taking three thousand milligrams of Vitamin C a day some five years ago - and he hasn't had a cold since. I've had friends telling me this for years, Linus!

LONDON

Overseas again - a social note of sorts from London. Film star Rex Harrison - who was separated recently from actress Rachel Roberts - announcing plans to marry again as soon as he is legally free. The British movie hero saying he intends to take as his new bride - his fifth, by the way - the former wife of Irish actor Richard Harris, a thirty-four-year-old Elizabeth Harris. ~~Rex~~ — ^{is he - Warren -} Harrison - at age sixty-two — demonstrating once again the attitudes that earned him the nickname - "Sexy Rexy?" Or would you say Reckless Rex?

COPENHAGEN

This next - from Copenhagen, Denmark's
and Bugmagaalik, Greenland

state-owned Royal Greenland Trading Company - reporting
the first results of a new business venture. The company
loading up on glacial ice in Greenland - which it then
shipped back to Denmark. About twenty-five tons, in all -
which was promptly gobbled up by hotels, restaurants, bars
and so on. The glacial ice proving such a novelty - it was
selling at thirty-five cents a pound - a fantastic mark-up.
Except - the business has now been suddenly stopped cold.
Officials explaining they can't get anymore of the Greenland
ice till spring - because the shipping lanes up there have
all been frozen over.

For some reason, this calling to mind the watchmaker
who built himself a watch - that was shock-proof, water-
proof, dust-proof, shatter-proof, tamper-proof, theft-proof
- in short, practically foolproof. Only trouble - he lost it.

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DETROIT

Detroit - a settlement the sixty-seven-day-old

General Motors strike - finally accepted officially tonight.

The United Auto Workers announcing formal ratification -

of a new record three-year pact. Observers now predicting

a return to full production - sometime in December.

After five days virtually awaiting Peking's acceptance

the next few hours, Friday, President Ford finally offered

a resolution - submitting the same for consideration

on the Nineteen-Sixty-One agenda; at the same time,

urging U.N. Secretary General U Thant to seek a Chinese

solution~~that would permit the seating of both Red China~~

and Nationalist China.

Washington later indicated that it, too - should

now be willing to admit the Peking regime to the United

Nations; would be willing to do so - provided such a move

would not mean the ouster of the Taiwan regime. At the