

"WE ARE SEVEN" no longer, but much wiser.

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WEATHER forecast for Kansas: Mild but unsettled with rains in eastern section of state.

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## CONGRESS MEETS IN MOST HISTORIC SESSION KNOWN IN A GENERATION

Both Houses Organized and Wilson Is Notified.

Champ Clark Is Re-Elected Speaker Amid Cheers.

BILLS ARE PILED INTO HOPPER

Glad Hand for Uncle Joe and Other Old Timers.

Measures Opposed to President's Defense Plan Appear.

### TODAY IN CONGRESS

Senate—Met at noon, and thirty-two new senators were sworn in. House—Met at 10:30. Speaker Clark was re-elected.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Congress reassembled at noon today for what promises to be the most important and historic session of a generation.

Proceedings in both house and senate were brief, being confined entirely to organization and formal introduction of some bills and resolutions.

In accordance with custom, both soon adjourned and sent a committee formally to notify President Wilson that congress was in session.

Tomorrow the real work of the session begins, when President Wilson delivers his annual address to a joint session assembled in the hall of the house.

Speaker Clark was re-elected and sworn in amid cheers from the floor and galleries.

In the senate the organization was perfected by the re-election of Senator Clarke of Arkansas, as president pro tem.

Vice President Marshall was not in the chair for the opening.

In his opening address to the house Speaker Clark paid tribute to Republican Leader Mann, and predicted a practically continuous session hereafter.

Clark Speaks His Gratitude. "I am profoundly grateful to you at the high honor of the speakership."

### RED HATS GO TO SEVEN

Pope Benedict Pleads for Peace in First Secret Consistory; Majority of Foreign Cardinals Is Reduced.

Rome, Dec. 6.—Pope Benedict today held in the consistory hall one of the most important conclaves in the history of the church. From the allocation delivered by his holiness to the cardinals it was hoped in vatican circles would develop the moves that would bring an early end to the world war.

It was the first secret consistory of the present pope. He created his first cardinals, seven in all. The names of six of these were made public. The name of the seventh was reserved "in pectore" to be revealed by the pontiff later at his pleasure.

The principal belligerent nations were well represented. The six new cardinals created today, whose names were made public today were:

Monsignor Guillelmo Ponti, nuncio at Lisbon. Monsignor Alfonso Maria Sadrucchio, archbishop of Florence. Monsignor Giovanni Cozzoli, nuncio to Central American states. Monsignor Andrew Furettich, Austrian by birth, nuncio at Munich. Monsignor Raffaele Scoppellini, nuncio at Vienna. Monsignor Giorgio Guarnini, archbishop of Cologne.

The majority in foreign cardinals is thus diminished, the number now being twenty-four Italians and thirty-one foreigners.

### PRESIDENT IS LECTURED BY QUAKER AS HANDSHAKERS ARE DELAYED

Washington, Dec. 6.—While many White House callers were kept waiting, James Henderson, a Quaker from Bernersville, Ohio, delivered a sermon today to President Wilson opposing military preparedness. He quoted extensively from the bible to convince the president that the policy of increasing the national defenses was wrong.

Henderson told the president he had been delighted by his associates to come to Washington to urge the president to give up the preparedness program, because the question of war and preparedness should be left to a higher power.

The president thanked Henderson for his advice and turned to shake hands with the next man in line. Henderson saw President Taft on a similar mission.

## France Will Fight Until Militarism Is Dead

Paris, Dec. 6.—France will not make peace until Alsace and Lorraine are won, Belgium and Serbia restored, and "German imperialism and Prussian militarism are put beyond the possibility of resurrection," Albert Thomas, under secretary of war, said yesterday.

The declaration of M. Thomas is attracting wide press attention, as it is one of the first statements from a responsible cabinet official concerning the attitude of the government in regard to peace.

### COST SOARS HIGH

Expenditures of Federal Government Show Big Increase.

Last Year's Appropriation Exceeded by 170 Million.

### FORCED UPWARD BY THE WAR

State Department Alone Grows Hundreds of Thousands.

Nearly All Branches Ask Congress for More Money.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Estimates for the most elaborate program of expenditures ever asked of an American congress in times of peace were submitted today proposing a total outlay of \$1,285,857,898 or \$170,854,614 more than appropriated last year. The great increase is almost wholly due to the administration plans for military preparedness. More than \$118,000,000 of the total is for direct expenditures on the army and navy, with millions more to be used in cost defense and other fortification work. By establishments the amounts asked were:

Legislative	\$3,307,342
Executive	39,307,342
Judicial	1,208,500
Agriculture	21,350,000
Foreign Intercourse	5,420,000
Military	122,574,250
Naval	12,428,074
Indian Affairs	10,175,000
Pensions	10,000,000
Public Works	27,535,400
Postal Service	104,044,000
Prisons	316,994,570
Miscellaneous	98,290,563
Permanent appropriations	150,074,073

The total cost of the program is \$1,285,857,898, or \$170,854,614 more than the actual total of appropriations Congress appropriated last year.

### GREEN GETS THE PLACE

Appointed Register of the U. S. Land Office to Succeed A. F. Tonne Wilson Resigned.

Harry C. Green today received the appointment as register of the United States land office in Topeka. He received a telegram from Senator William H. Thompson this morning announcing the appointment by President Wilson. Mr. Green succeeds A. F. Tonne Wilson, resigned.

Wilson's resignation effective November 15, 1915, was given recess appointment by president December 2. "Think you can qualify at once," said Senator Thompson in his telegram.

Green, who is a graduate of Leeland Stanford university and the Washburn law school, had the recommendation of prominent Kansas Democrats as well as the personal recommendation of Senator John Kern of Indiana. Although not closely identified with Democrats in Kansas, Green was a delegate to Democratic conventions in Indiana and California before coming to Topeka.

The new register will take up his headquarters in the federal building at once. John Barrett is receiver in the local office.

### ANCONA ASSAILED BY 2

Survivor Swears Pair of Plungers Attacked Ship, One Shelling Her.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The state department received today a message from Consul Mason at Tunis giving the substance of an affidavit made by Giuseppe Torrisani, an Ancona, giving the effect that the Ancona was attacked by two submarines, one on each side, the one on the port side shelling her.

### THANK YOU!

The State Journal is still receiving most flattering congratulations on its enlargement from seven to eight columns. Scores of newspapers over the state have printed appreciative comments on the generous, kindly and timely articles that have reproduced as soon as they are collected.

Mr. Frank P. MacLennan, editor and publisher of the State Journal, now in San Francisco, telegraphed today his appreciation as follows: "I am deeply gratified and sincerely appreciative of the generous, kindly comments on the new 8 column paper, which I have just read in Thursday's State Journal." Frank P. MacLennan.

## PLAN FOR BATTLE

Democrats Gather to Map Out Campaign of 1916.

Delegates Press Claims for Convention City Honor.

### O. K. FOR WILSON'S REGIME

No Formal Indorsement of President as Party Candidate.

His Renomination, However, Looked to With Confidence.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Chairman William F. McCombs and most of the members of the Democrat national committee are here today for the meeting of the committee which will prepare for the coming presidential election.

Chief interest in the committee's deliberations centers in the selection of the time and place for the next Democratic national convention. Seeking the honor of being the "convention city" are Chicago, St. Louis, Dallas and San Francisco. Delegates from each of these cities were said to be prepared to offer the committee large cash inducements, as well as every convenience.

President Wilson, it is announced, will occupy a neutral position in the contest. Disappointed that they will not have the president's support, the Dallas delegation professed to be confident of winning the race. The St. Louis delegation was equally confident.

Chicago and San Francisco made no claims. The committee also will endorse the work of the administration and of congress and elect a new treasurer to succeed Rolla Wells, of St. Louis, who will resign at the close of the year. Joseph E. Davies, of Wisconsin, who has resigned as chairman of the city, assistant to Secretary McCombs, as secretary, was forecast.

While it is said authoritatively that the committee will not formally indicate its preference for the Democratic candidate, new year's day Wilson's renomination is expected by all the members.

President Wilson will entertain the Democratic committee at lunch at the White House next Wednesday. All of the members of the committee probably will be over after their meeting tomorrow to attend the lunch.

## FOR MARTIAL USE

Estimate on Military and Naval Cost Set In.

### New Defense Program Considered in the Appropriation.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The administration's estimate of military and naval expenditures, including the first year's program, was sent to congress today, with a total of \$122,574,250 for the army and \$12,428,074 for the navy. The two branches of the increase asked over the appropriations last year is about \$124,000,000 exclusive of the cost of the new program for the army and \$150,000,000 in excess of the last appropriations.

The war department asks an increase of \$4,000,000 for the signal corps, of which about \$3,700,000 is for aviation, \$300,000 for supplies and about \$2,000,000 for an aviation motor. For the pay of the army \$43,706,207 is asked, an increase of more than \$1,000,000. The quartermaster department asks for an increase of more than \$4,000,000 for supplies and about \$2,000,000 for clothing, camp and garrison equipment. The number of horses needed is represented by an increase of \$25,000,000 in the estimates. In the engineer

### NO FROST LAST NIGHT

The Weather Continues Warm and Rain Is Promised for Tonight in Eastern Kansas.

Although the sun will be hidden behind a screen of clouds, mild weather is promised by the forecaster for today. The presence of the clouds presages rain, which according to the forecast is scheduled to fall in the eastern section of the state. Unsettled weather is the program for all Kansas today. Slightly cooler is promised for Tuesday.

The lowest temperature Sunday, 33 degrees, was reached at Topeka. This is fifteen degrees above normal for this time of year. The high mark for the day was recorded at 4 o'clock, 53 degrees—five above normal.

Shippers' forecast promises freezing temperatures for thirty-six hour shipments in all directions. The temperature is given as 22 degrees.

### WASHINGTON, DEC. 5

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### JOHN D., JR., IN SOUTH

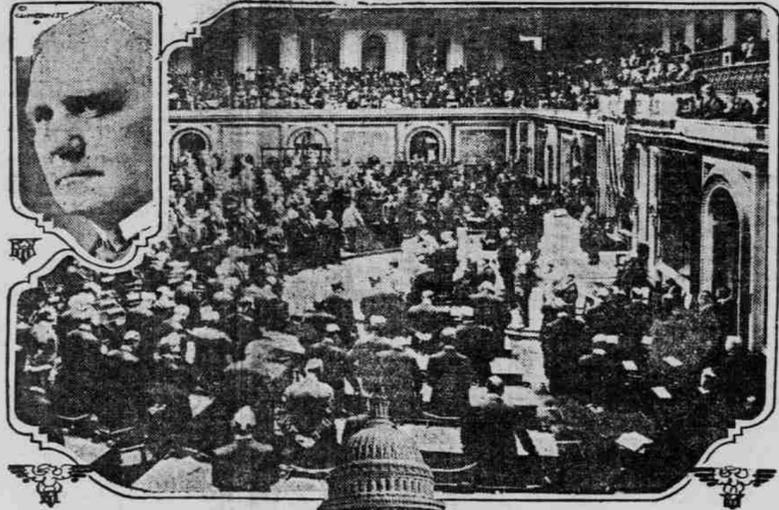
Magnate to Spend Two Days Inspecting His Properties in West Virginia.

Fairmont, W. Va., Dec. 5.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is expected here today from New York for a two days' inspection of the properties in which he is interested.

### GERMAN ENVOY DENIES PART IN MEXICAN PLOT

Washington, Dec. 6.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, today made emphatic denial of reports that Germany or German official agents had been concerned in recent attempts to set up a counter-revolution in Mexico.

## CONGRESS OPENS TODAY



## WON GRAND PRIZE IN BADDERS CASE

Kansas Scored Heavily in Frisco Fair Awards.

All Efforts to Save the State Building Failed.

Exposition Grounds, San Francisco, Dec. 6.—Kansas was awarded the grand prize for the finest agricultural collection and the largest number of prizes, where competing, of any state, it was announced at the close of the exposition. Kansas entries won 104 medals on agricultural products, and one entry of Kansas hard wheat was adjudged the finest specimen in the world.

The poultry exhibits from Kansas also swept the field. Of two hundred entries 136 won prizes, seventy-five of which were firsts and seconds.

It has been found impossible to save the Kansas building for the state. A combination of wreckers here makes it impossible to realize anything on the building, and the lowest estimate of the cost to rebuild it in Kansas is \$18,000. The furniture, however, was sold at good prices.

The Kansas commission will consider the presentation of the agricultural pavilion and exhibit to some city or civic or state organization in Kansas which will take to house and maintain it properly.

### PAGE IN SHIP PROTEST

United States Ambassador at London Lifts Voice Against Seizing Vessels Without Prize Court Formality.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Ambassador Page at London today advised the state department he had filed a vigorous protest with the British foreign office against requisitioning vessels of the American Trans-Atlantic company without the formality of prize court procedure.

The dispatch did not contain the text of the protest or information regarding the intention of the British government. It was assumed that the state department, however, that the Hocking, now at Halifax, and the Genesee at St. Lucia, West Indies, were among the vessels covered by the protest.

In a message of instructions from the state department the ambassador was told to inquire whether the British government intended to requisition the ships and, if so, to make a vigorous protest.

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### COAL OPERATORS IN PENNSYLVANIA TO MOVE COMMERCE BOARD IN PICA FOR TARIFF READJUSTMENT

Washington, Dec. 6.—The petition of coal operators in Pennsylvania for a re-hearing on the new rates to the Atlantic coast on small sizes of anthracite was denied today by the interstate commerce commission.

The commission also denied a petition filed by the so-called anthracite roads asking for a modification of its rates on prepared sizes and pea coal by five per cent. The commission is understood to have felt that the arguments presented in the petition did not warrant a re-opening of the case.

## MUST RAISE LIMIT WOMEN CARRY

One-Half Kansas Counties in Financial Mire.

Bond Issues, Economy or Legislative Relief, Only Hope.

### COUNTY BOARDS MAY ACT

Thresh Out Raise in Revenue Levy at Next Meeting.

Cannot Meet Expenses With Assessment of 1.23.

Fifty per cent of the counties of Kansas will be forced to adopt sweeping economy measures or issue bonds to cover deficits in their general revenue funds, unless the next legislature raises the limit of the general revenue levy, according to men in touch with the financial condition of the counties over the state. The limit of the general revenue is 1.23.

Shawnee county was forced to close the former remedy several months ago. Fred Nippis, chairman of the Shawnee county board, stated this morning that he was unable to verify reports that one-half of the counties would be forced to adopt the bond or economical remedy, but did state that he had heard reports that half of the counties would be forced to do so.

## MRS. WARE DEAD

Widow of Eugene F. Dies Suddenly in Kansas City.

For Many Years She Was a Resident of Topeka.

Mrs. Eugene F. Ware, widow of the former prominent Kansan, Eugene Fitch Ware, died in Kansas City early this morning of pneumonia. Her death was unexpected and came quickly. The word was first received in Topeka by a friend of long standing, Mrs. William Johnson, of Topeka, who had funeral services at the home at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning and interment will be at Forest Park cemetery. Mrs. Ware was the wife of Eugene F. Ware for many years.

Mrs. Ware was well known all over Kansas but was probably better known in Fort Scott and Topeka than elsewhere. During the years from 1883 to 1907, the family lived in Topeka. She was one of the prominent members of the Atlantic club and had been active in other organizations. Even since she has been living in Kansas City she has kept in close touch with club work in Topeka.

Several times this fall Mrs. Ware had been in Topeka attending to business for the annual meeting of the Women's Kansas Day club. She has been at the State packing material for the benefit of members of the club. She was in good health and her Topeka friends were surprised at the announcement of her death this morning.

Before her marriage to Eugene Ware she was married to Eugene F. Ware, who died in 1907. (Continued on Page Six.)

## HOGS IN TUMBLE

Crash in Swine Prices Before Unprecedented Drove.

Corn Shortage From Feeding States Depressing Factor.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—Arrivals of nearly 80,000 live hogs today at Chicago, said to be an unprecedented number for one day's shipment to one market, led to stirring scenes at the stock yards, and caused notable declines in prices for hogs, as well as hogs.

The fact that the hog houses here have of late been using immense numbers of hogs and have had several load averages of hogs for the manufacture of products did not tend to cause the flood of receipts.

Corn shortage in Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin also was said to have been a material influence.

## COLORADO SAHARA

Dry as Dust Because Supreme Court Says So.

Denver and Other Cities Have Power to Control Drink.

Denver, Dec. 6.—The authority of Colorado to enact and enforce state-wide prohibition was upheld by the supreme court today in a unanimous opinion written by Justice W. H. Gabbert.

The court held that cities governed under special charters were without authority to continue traffic in intoxicating liquors after January 1, 1916, when state-wide prohibition becomes effective in Colorado under constitutional and statutory enactments.

At the request of Governor George A. Carlson and Mayor W. H. Sharpley of Denver, the supreme court took original jurisdiction in the friendly suit to secure judicial interpretation of Colorado's new prohibition legislation.

The action sought to enjoin the Denver city commissioners from issuing a saloon license to August Koch extending beyond January 1, 1916. The commissioners, in issuing the license, based their action on the fact that Denver is governed under a special charter granted by the legislature and that the municipal election last May the electors adopted a charter amendment which sought to give the municipal officials authority to continue the sale of intoxicants.

The state contended that Denver and other cities under commission government, while they possessed certain rights in purely municipal matters, did not obtain from their charters authority to conduct their affairs in contravention of state law.

Ship Plotters Face New Grief. New York, Dec. 6.—Five additional indictments were returned today against Robert Fay, Walter Scholz, Max Breitling, Dr. Herbert Kienke, Engelbert Bronkhorst and Paul Darshe. All were charged with conspiracy to commit murder and to commit assault with deadly weapons and to destroy ships. The previous indictments against them charged them with attempting to destroy ships.

Utah Irrigation Law Sustained. Washington, Dec. 6.—The Utah irrigation law authorizing any person desiring water for irrigation purposes to enlarge existing canals after compensating the owners was upheld as constitutional today by the supreme court.

Petrograd, Dec. 6.—An imperial ukaz has been issued ordering the enrollment of the class of 1917 in 1916.

## VOICES BATTLE TO CAPITOL STEPS

Suffragists, Undismayed, Renew Conflict as Congress Opens.

Petition for Equality Lost, but Cause Goes On.

### GENTLE SEX IN STERN PARADE

Mondell, on Historic Steps, Pledges Battle to Last.

Wilson Receives Fair Leaders and Is Told to Speak Out.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Woman suffrage workers, undismayed by defeat in eastern states last month or by the failure of the last congress to grant equal suffrage, took their fight again today to the national capitol.

The Susan B. Anthony amendment, introduced and defeated for many years, was introduced again today in the house by Representative Mondell of Wyoming. A demonstration by suffragists of many states including a parade to the capitol, preceded the introduction.

The petition for equal suffrage brought by Mrs. Sara Bard Field of Oregon and Miss Frances Joliffe, by motor from California, was lost at the last moment.

It was about 18,000 feet long and bore approximately 500,000 names of voters in suffrage states. Another petition, however, containing several thousand names of voters in nonsuffrage states, was presented to Representative Mondell and Miss Joliffe.

The original will be presented if it is found. It disappeared somewhere between here and Washington, which city it was shipped by express.

Suffragists in Line. Hundreds of suffragists marched to the outskirts of the capitol early today to meet Mrs. Field and Miss Joliffe.

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## CHINESE THROW BOMBS

Band of Rebels in Brief Reign of Terrorism at Shanghai; Troops Disperse Outlaws.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.—Three outbreaks by small bands of rebels within the last twenty-four hours have been put down by the authorities, who now appear to have the situation well in hand. The cruiser Chao-Ho, seized yesterday afternoon by forty men, who boarded her from a launch, was abandoned by the rebels early today, after she had been shelled.

It was reported at first that the crew of the Chao-Ho had mutinied, but it developed that the mutiny was by the crew of other warships and the arsenal was carried on under compulsion and overpowered by the rebels, who surprised and killed five wounded.

An attack from land on the arsenal at midnight was repulsed quickly after some rifle firing.

The third outbreak occurred at four o'clock this morning. A party of thirty or forty rebels attacked the Chapel sub-police station, throwing bombs, which killed one policeman and injured three.

The outlaws were dispersed by troops. Although a number of shots fell in the foreign zone, no damage of importance was done there.

## LITTLE FIGHTING SINCE FORD'S PARTY SET SAIL

The departure from New York of the Ford peace expedition is coincident with a most unusual lull in the fighting fronts.

A Viennese official issued in Vienna today.

"Russian front—There has been only sporadic artillery firing."

"Calm prevailed on both the Russian and Caucasian fronts."

"The Italian official says: 'With the exception of small detachments firing there have been no events worthy of mention along the whole front.'"

The French afternoon official says: "There is nothing to add to our report of last night."

The Belgian official communication reads: "The night passed without incident."