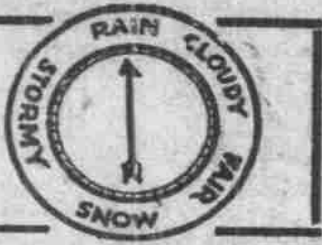


PENSACOLA WEATHER:  
Generally fair Tuesday and  
Wednesday, except showers  
extreme north portion.  
Yesterday's temperature—  
highest, 56 degrees; lowest,  
44 degrees.



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## GERMAN ARMY TURNS AN APPARENT DEFEAT INTO A GREAT VICTORY

**CAPTURE OF LODZ CONSIDERED GREAT MILITARY ACHIEVEMENT BECAUSE OF WHAT PRECEDED IT.**

**ALLIES TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BATTLE AND START OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT**

**HEAVY CANNONADE IS BEGUN ALONG THE WHOLE FRONT IN NORTHERN FRANCE BY ALLIED ARMY, WHICH IS VIRTUALLY IN POSSESSION OF THE LEFT BANK OF THE YSER CANAL AND ADVANCING ALONG THE WHOLE LINE.**

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
London, Dec. 7.—The occupation of Lodz, Poland, by the Germans, first reported last night and officially announced by Berlin today, resulted in a severe loss of the Russians, according to German sources. The Russians are also said to be retreating. Lodz is an unfortified city. Military experts consider the German success here as a remarkable achievement, largely because of what preceded it. Less than a fortnight ago the German army, to which victory was fallen, was surrounded by the Russians. It cut its way out only at the last moment, losing many guns and men. It was able to reorganize, however, within a few days, take the offensive and defeat the Russians defending Lodz.  
This was made possible by the network of strategic railways on the German side of the frontier. Reinforcements were quickly sent where most needed. The Russians, on the other hand, were unable to send men to stiffen their center because of the vigorous German attack on the wings. Undoubtedly there will be much more fighting in the district before the campaign is concluded. Lodz was won only after hand to hand fighting in the city's suburbs.  
The whole Russian line, from north to south, is now straightened out, and will contest every foot of ground.  
**ALLIES TAKE THE DEFENSIVE.**  
Taking advantage of the activity in the east, the allies have begun an offensive movement in the west and now are virtually in possession of the left bank of the Yser canal. They have begun a heavy cannonade in northern France, particularly in the neighborhood of Abbeville, in an effort to feel their way eastward. The same process is being followed along the whole front.  
Although the advance is slight many believe it has ended for the present, at least the German menace of coast ports. It is thought that as long as the Germans are busily occupied in the east they will be unable to resume the offensive in the west. It is reported, however, that the Germans have kept the pick of the western army in the Aisne valley, and at the opportune moment again will hurl it at the allies towards Paris.  
King Peter, of Serbia, who has been ill for many months, has assumed command of the Serbian army, says a Nish telegram. It also asserted that the Serbians have checked the Austrian advance with a heavy loss. The Austrian reply is that the occupation of Belgrade necessitates the regrouping of troops.  
Reports from Sofia say it is not believed anything will intervene to make it necessary for Bulgaria to change her policy of strict neutrality until spring.

## German Soldiers Share Midday Meal With Hungry Belgian War Orphans



Two of the thousands of little Belgian war waifs orphaned and made homeless by the war are seen being fed by sympathetic soldiers of the Kaiser's army. The warriors are savoring their midday luncheon with the youngsters at an outpost near Antwerp.

## MILITARY AND NAVAL EXPENSES \$256,421,357

## PREPAREDNESS UNITED STATES FOR WAR TO BE INVESTIGATED

**President Opposes the Gardner Plan, But Says He Is Willing for Inquiry to Be Conducted by Regular Committees.**

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, Dec. 7.—The preparedness of the United States for war seems destined for an investigation in congress. Several bills and resolutions on the subject were introduced today. At the capital an inquiry by congressional committees is regarded as certain although President Wilson told Representative Gardner during the day that he opposed the latter's plan for an investigation by a national security commission. The president expressed the opinion that it would be an unwise way of handling a "question which might create a very unfavorable international impression."  
After the Gardner conference the president let it be known that he was entirely in favor of the fullest inquiry of military conditions by a regular congressional committee, however. Senator Lodge introduced a resolution similar to the Gardner measure in the house.  
During his call Mr. Gardner read the following two questions to the president:  
"There are two ways of defeating my resolution. It can be defeated on a square yea and nay vote or it can be pigeon holed in the committee on rules. Which course do you advise?"  
"Will you authorize army and navy officers to testify before the rules committee on my invitation either with or without restrictive instructions?"  
When Mr. Gardner left the president he refused to say what answer had been given to his questions. White House officials said the formal statement given out would be the only comment on the call.  
Mr. Gardner said he was not surprised at the president's position and

Estimates Are Submitted to Congress By Secretaries of War and Navy—More Submarines are Wanted.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, Dec. 7.—American military and naval expenses for the next fiscal year, not including certain fixed expenses, would amount to \$256,421,357 compared with \$251,284,167 during the current year under plans of the administration embodied in estimates submitted to congress today. The amount provides for the regular army, military academy, the militia so far as its cost to the federal government is concerned, fortifications, arsenals, military posts and the naval establishments, including the proposed naval building program and the increase in the navy heretofore authorized.  
The tentative naval building program for the next fiscal year, as indicated in the estimates, is for two battleships, six torpedo boat destroyers, "eight or more submarines," one oiler and one gunboat, one of the submarine to be of the sea-going type and seven or more to be of the coast defense type. The hulls and outfit of these vessels alone would cost during the coming year almost \$10,000,000 and their arms and armament \$3,425,000.  
**FAVOR SUBMARINES.**  
Democratic Leader Underwood, some of the members of the naval committee and others in congress having in mind the European war lessons, favor an increase in submarines rather than in the larger type of naval craft.  
Tentative estimates for the naval program are all "on the assumption that this new vessel to be authorized at this session would be built by contract."  
"For purchase of submarines and necessary appliances to operate them, for closing the channels leading to our principal seaports and for continuing torpedo experiments," an appropriation of \$191,350 is asked. There is also proposed \$65,000 for maintenance of submarine mine material and for torpedo depot administration, in continental United States.  
Confessional approval of the transfer of four 12-inch mortars and their carriages, valued at \$110,000 from fortifications in the United States to the Insular possessions is asked, together with an estimate of \$50,000 for purchase of channels to insular sea ports and \$10,000 for maintenance of submarine material there; \$17,000 for mining case-mates and torpedo store houses for Philippines defense and several small appropriations for defense of Hawaii.  
In the general scheme of fortifications, aggregating almost \$6,000,000 numerous increases are asked. For construction of gun and mortar car-

## CONVENTIONS TODAY

### SUFFRAGISTS OF FLORIDA GATHER THIS MORNING

Will Be the First Annual Gathering of the State Association.  
**CONVENTION WILL CONTINUE 3 DAYS**  
Entertaining Programs Have Been Prepared for Each of the Sessions—Prominent Suffrage Workers Will Be Present—Mrs. Jacobs Speaks Tonight.

**THE PROGRAM.**  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH.  
10:00 a. m.—Meeting of Executive Board.  
2:30 p. m.  
Song—America.  
Invocation—Dr. A. S. Moffett.  
Welcome For City—Mayor A. J. Greenhut.  
Welcome For Chamber of Commerce—Pres. C. E. Dobson.  
Welcome For Civic League—Mrs. A. Moog.  
Welcome For Press—Col. Frank L. Mayes.  
Welcome For Bar Association—Hon. W. A. Blount.  
Welcome For Medical Association—Dr. L. de M. Blocker.  
Welcome For Pensacola Equal Suffrage Association.  
Violin Solo—Miss Ada Rosasco.  
Response.  
Presentation of flowers.  
Greetings from the Orlando Men's Equal Suffrage League—Hon. W. R. O'Neal.  
Piano Solo—Miss Viola Roch.  
Thanksgiving for November Victory.  
8:00 p. m.  
Orchestra.  
Address by Mrs. Patti R. Jacobs, President of the Alabama Equal Suffrage Association.  
Vocal Solo—Lillian Bannon Pavey.  
Reception.

### MILTON SUING EXECUTORS OF BRENT ESTATE FOR \$175,000

Receiver of First National Claims in Suit that F. C. Brent Entered Agreement to Pay Bank \$350,000, and that He Paid \$214,000 of the Amount.  
Suit for \$175,000 was entered in the circuit court yesterday afternoon by W. H. Milton, as receiver of the First National bank, against Thomas W. Brent, et al, as executors of the estate of F. C. Brent, deceased. Watson & Pasco represent the receiver in the big damage claim against the largest estate in Pensacola or Escambia county.  
The receiver bases the suit on an alleged contract entered into between the late F. C. Brent and the directors of the First National bank, whereby the latter turned over to Mr. Brent securities which then had a valuation of \$452,489.38, for which Mr. Brent agreed to pay into the bank by a stipulated date \$350,000. A copy of the agreement is attached to the document filed in the clerk's office. The minutes of the meeting of directors of the bank when the proposition was made and accepted also appears in evidence.  
Mr. Milton, as receiver of the bank, claims that Mr. Brent did not live up to the agreement. He paid, it is claimed, the sum of \$214,000 to the bank, leaving a balance due the bank of \$136,000.  
The receiver contends that the estate is liable for this amount and brings suit to recover from the executors.

### ANNUAL SESSION OF THE BAPTISTS CONVENES TODAY

Ministers Conference Meets at 10:30 a. m. at First Baptist Church.  
**WOMEN HOLD MASS MEETING TONIGHT**  
This Will Be at the First Baptist Church and Addresses Will Be Delivered By Dr. S. B. Rogers of Jacksonville and Rev. L. B. Warren of Atlanta and Several Returned Missionaries.  
**THE PROGRAM.**  
"The Pastor's Attitude Toward Law Enforcement," opened by Dr. W. A. Holston of Jacksonville.  
"What is Alien Immigration, and How Shall We Meet It?" led by Rev. S. B. Cole, of Madison.  
"How Shall We Meet the Tendency to Disregard The Lord's Day?" led by Rev. S. J. Catta, of De Funiak.  
"Our Attitude Toward Ecclesiastical Union," led by Rev. W. D. Nowlin, now of Atlanta.

At 10:30 this morning Dr. A. J. Holt, of Klamath, will call to order at the First Baptist church the Ministers' Conference of Florida. These ministers represent 50,000 white Baptists of the state, and, after devotional exercises, led by Rev. C. L. Collins of Jacksonville, also secretary of the convention proper, the meeting will be organized by the election of president and other officers, then proceed to the discussion of the subjects.

**LADIES WILL MEET**  
The big day of the feast will come tonight (Tuesday) when the women hold a mass meeting at the First Baptist church at 7:30, with speeches by Dr. S. B. Rogers of Jacksonville, Rev. L. B. Warren of Atlanta, and returned missionaries who will be here. Miss Alice Huey, one of the missionaries, has come in from Birmingham, and will be present.  
The meeting of the women is significant as this is the home of the late Mrs. W. D. Chipley in whose honor a Chipley Memorial fund has been raised by the women of the state. Mrs. H. C. Peelman of Jacksonville, is the most efficient president of the State Union.

The society of the First Baptist church has fully met its appointment to outside missions and benevolences, led by the energetic efforts of the local president, Mrs. N. C. McMillan, who is herself a liberal giver.  
The largest delegation will arrive Tuesday night and Wednesday morning for the convention proper.  
**THE DELEGATES.**  
The following is the list of the delegates, their home addresses and with whom they are stopping in Pensacola:  
Adcock, Rev. J. D. Tallahassee, J. G. Pace, 817 N. Palafox.  
Arnold, Mrs. Jacksonville, Mrs. L. E. Noble.  
Blitch, N. A. Tallahassee, Mrs. G. W. Marble, 730 N. Twelfth avenue.  
Burns, W. A. Mrs. Quincy, Mrs. Mattie Adams, 16th avenue.  
Byrd, Mrs. D. E. Live Oak, Mrs. J. W. Lorton, 818 N. Baylen street.  
Bashlin, Mrs. W. M. De Land, Mrs. J. B. McNeil, 806 N. Spring.  
Brooks, Rev. Mr. Atmore, Ala. Miss

## Congress Returns to Work and Gives Speaker Clark an Oration

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Congress returned to work today after a six weeks' rest to what promises to be a billion dollar session.  
With crowded calendars confronting both houses, senators and representatives settled down to passing the big appropriation bills and the administration program which President Wilson will outline in his address tomorrow in the hope that a special session may not be necessary after March 4.  
In the house, crowded galleries and congressmen of all three parties united in a remarkable ovation to Speaker Clark as he dropped his gavel at sharp noon.  
A few bills were dropped into the hopper, some new members were sworn in to fill vacancies and a large number of members departed to attend the funeral of the late E. A. Merritt, of New York.  
The house chaplain, Rev. Harry N. Couden in his invocation prayed that "we may be at peace among ourselves and with all other nations."

## The Mysterious Ship Was U. S. Steamer Kansas

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, Dec. 7.—The United States battleship Kansas was identified tonight as the mysterious vessel which the Ocean City, Maryland, coast guard officials reported stranded off here last night. The vessel later disappeared without leaving a clue as to its identity.  
Captain Bryan, of the Kansas, wired the navy department that the vessel took refuge from the storm off Ocean City. No said there was no other vessel in that vicinity. He asserted the Kansas was not injured and anchored merely as a precautionary measure.  
**NEW YORK HARBOR SWEEP OF SHIPPING**  
New York, Dec. 7.—The Atlantic today swept New York harbor and by with great violence. Several vessels, at sea, were pounded about the pier. A fire boat, lying at a slip in St. George, Staten Island, was sunk in that way.

## Villa and Zapata In Conference; Will Work Together, Then Retire

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Mexico City, Dec. 7.—(Via El Paso, Dec. 7.)—Generals Villa and Zapata after a conference today at Chilchilco announced publicly that they would work together and that they would retire to private life when their work was accomplished.  
George C. Carother, American consul agent at attached to General Carranza's headquarters and several of Carranza's officers previously had conferred with Zapata in an effort to persuade him to come to the capital. Zapata was organizing his forces at Cuernavaca, where the Villa faction met him.  
After the conference today General Carranza said that his forces would begin immediately a vigorous campaign against Carranza. The forces of Villa and Zapata will enter Mexico City tomorrow. An active campaign will be within a week by both the Villa

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