

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair Saturday, Sunday increasing cloudiness and warmer, probably rain. Yesterday's Temperature: Highest, 51 degrees; Low, 42 degrees.

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PRESIDENT IS A HERO IN EYES OF COAST PEOPLE

Directs Work of Extinguishing Blaze At A Gulf-Port Residence

WAS RETURNING FROM GOLF LINKS

Discovered the Home of Judge Neville On Fire and Instructed Two Chauffeurs and Two Secret Service Men How to Quench it—Receives Telegrams Congratulating Him on Passage of Currency Bill

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. President Wilson, Miss, Dec. 26.—President Wilson's work as a volunteer fire chief has made him the hero of the coast. The word has spread that the watchful eye of the nation's chief executive had spied smoke curling from the roof of the Gulfport home of Judge J. H. Neville and that the president stepped his automobile, called Mrs. Neville and directed the work of two chauffeurs and two secret service men in quenching the flames. The president was returning from a game of golf late this morning when he discovered the blaze and directed the work.

He took no motor ride this afternoon, but rested, dictated a few letters and read scores of telegrams that had been pouring in congratulating him on his success in enacting the currency reform law.

He was enthusiastic about the climate today, which had been warm and sunny, compared with the chill and gloom of Christmas day. He spent the evening indoors with his family.

READS OF DISASTER.

President Wilson today read, for the first time, meagre press reports received here regarding the recent disaster at Columbus, Miss. He offered no comment. The president had received (Continued on page four.)

EXPERIENCING FIRST BLIZZARD OF THE WINTER

Blanket of Snow Covers Many Sections and Storm Along Atlantic Coast Is Known To Have Taken Toll of Life and Property

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Syracuse and the outlying districts are blanketed today with a heavy snow. The first real blizzard of the winter is raging, interfering with telegraph wires and trolley service.

RAGED ALL NIGHT. Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 26.—A blizzard which raged all night and continued with less violence this morning paralyzed street traffic in this city today. Thousands of workers were forced to walk to their shops. Railroad trains entering Rochester were very late. Reports from the country said roads were impassable on account of the drifted snow.

FREEZING IN TEXAS. Dallas, Texas, Dec. 26.—The last of the summer roses which were still blooming in North Texas on Christmas morning were killed by a general freeze over the southwest last night. Roses in this section generally disappear before Thanksgiving. The temperature at Dallas dropped to 28 above and frost extended to the coast. Galveston reporting a light frost at a temperature of 33. The coldest point in Texas was Abilene, with 16 above zero.

ONE LIFE LOST. New York, Dec. 26.—The Forked River (N. J.) life saving station reported today that two barges sank about three-quarters of a mile off that station this morning. For a time a mast of one of the barges was standing and a man appeared on the top of it. Later the mast was carried away and the man not seen again.

CUTTERS ARE BUSY. Washington, Dec. 26.—The revenue cutter Itasca was ordered to proceed at once from New York to Forked River to rescue the barges.

SCHOONER IN TROUBLE. Washington, Dec. 26.—Wireless advice to the revenue cutter Itasca early today from the U. S. S. Seminole reported the schooner Augusta W. Snow, Jacksonville to New York safe and proceeding north. The Seminole left (Continued on page four.)

HOLD HEARINGS TO DETERMINE DESERVE CITIES

Cabinet Officers Decide This the Best Means of Getting Information

WILL CONSIDER FOURTEEN CITIES

Hearings Will Be Conducted In Each of Them and At the Conclusion the Committee Will Determine Which Are the Best From Every Standpoint and Select From Eight to Twelve

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Washington, Dec. 26.—Public hearings will be held in fourteen large cities of the United States under the organization committee's plans for locating regional banks provided for in the new federal reserve banking system. The committee will fix the limits for from eight to twelve districts into which the country will be divided. The list of cities where hearings will be held, was announced tonight and includes New York, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, Denver, Seattle, Portland, Oregon, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Houston, Texas, New Orleans, Atlanta, Cincinnati and Cleveland. The advantages of many others will be considered and their advocates given a chance to present their claims.

The two cabinet officers, composing the board, expect to conclude the hearings about the time that the period given the national banks to announce their intention of becoming members, expires. This date is February twelfth. The dates of the hearings are not definitely fixed, but those in Atlanta and New Orleans will be between January 13 and January 15.

The committee wants information on the following points considered vital in determining the boundaries, and selecting the reserve cities. Geographical conveniences, involving transportation, communication and facilities within the district; industrial and commercial development; the needs of each section, involving the movement of commodities, business transactions, transfer of funds, exchange credits, established customs, and the trend of business developed by the present system of bank reserves and checking accounts.

It is declared that political considerations will not be permitted to influence the committee. Applications for membership are pouring in and it is estimated that nearly one thousand have been received, or one-seventh of the total national banks and trust companies eligible. Every section is represented, and nearly every big city. The New York, Chicago and Boston banks slow, but it is believed they will come later.

WOMAN KILLED AND MAN HURT BY FAST AUTOS

Mrs. Gertrude Lee and Husband Victims of Speed Maniacs on Streets of New York, as They Were Crossing Street in Driving Rain Shower

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. New York, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Gertrude Lee, daughter of Col. Philip F. Harvey, a retired United States army officer was killed and her husband, Richard B. Lee, Jr., was seriously injured by two automobiles which ran down her early today as they were returning home from Christmas dinner at the house of a friend. The Lees were crossing the street, struggling under an umbrella against a driving rain when the first car, a limousine, knocked them down and the second, a taxicab, ran over them before the driver could stop. Mrs. Lee died on the operating table at a hospital. Her husband was recovered.

The chauffeur of the taxicab was arrested but released. The police started a hunt for the driver of the limousine which after the accident disappeared. Col. Harvey, here on a visit from Washington, had accompanied his daughter and son-in-law to the dinner at the house of a friend. The Lees did not learn of the accident until he returned home. Lee is superintendent of transportation of the American Sugar Refining Company. Mrs. Lee, before her second marriage, was Mrs. Coville.

MINERS SPURN MONEY OFFERED TO BURY 72 DEAD

Bereaved Families Refuse to Accept any of the \$25,000 Proffered

MINERS UNIONS ARE AIDING THEM

Citizens of the Section Raise Public Fund and Offer it To the Families With the Best of Motives, But the Miners Believe Panic Was Started By Members of Citizens Alliance and Decline.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Calumet, Mich., Dec. 26.—Not a single penny of the \$25,000 collected by the citizens' committee for the relief of the families stricken by the Christmas Eve tragedy in which 72 persons, mostly children, were killed, has been accepted by the bereaved households. The miners' union is firmly resolved not to accept non-union aid. Most of the 54 families accepted aid from the unions.

The relief committee attributed this condition to the belief that a member of the Citizens Alliance shouted a word that started the fatal panic in the hall, but are confident the investigation will show this is untrue, and that the man reported to have pushed his way into the door did not wear that organization's badge.

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JAPS REQUEST UNITED STATES TO EXTEND AID

Mikado's Ambassador Asks That American Government Look Out For His Subjects in Mexico Who Have Incurred Ill Will of Rebels

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Washington, Dec. 26.—Japan is becoming alarmed over the safety of citizens in Mexico who have incurred the ill will of the rebels. The Mikado's ambassador today called on Acting Secretary of State Moore, requesting the United States to do everything possible to protect Japanese in the border points. The acting secretary promised to instruct the American consuls in Mexico to extend the same care to the Nipponese as to Americans.

Apprehension is felt that the Japanese would feel the weight of the rebellion, because the Japanese are receiving shipments of arms and ammunition from Japan, though the Oriental manufacturers are only fulfilling contracts made last April. Warships of the international fleet have visited most of the Mexico seaport and report nothing alarming, except a growing scarcity of food.

How to Get A Good Room

Those who have good rooms to rent in the best and most accessible locations naturally seek the aid of The Pensacola Journal's "Want Ad Way." They're pretty sure to get a quick response from the sort of people they desire. If you want a room with plenty of air in a room that is comfortably furnished and well cared for—start in now reading the "Rooms for Rent" columns of The Journal. Mistakes are often made by being in too much of a hurry. The news of rooms to rent changes constantly. So if you don't find that which pleases you today, look for it tomorrow. That's much better than moving your things into a place and then moving them out again. But maybe you are ultra particular. There's a remedy for that, too. Carefully write an ad for the "Rooms Wanted" department, describing your special desires. When they are expressed to your satisfaction you can leave with.

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STATE AUDITOR WILL MAKE AN INVESTIGATION

Will Make A Thorough Examination and Audit Books of Sheriff

EXPECTS TO HEAR MANY WITNESSES

Judge Jno. C. Avery, County Attorney, Receives A Letter From the Governor Stating He Has Instructed the State Auditor to Proceed Here for An Investigation

A thorough audit of all books of Sheriff A. Cary Ellis, including his mileage accounts against the county for summoning jurors and witnesses and making arrests, will be made by the state auditor by direction of Gov. Park Trammell. In the performance of this duty the state auditor has been instructed to summon before him what witnesses he might deem necessary to testify regarding mileage charges or any other account the sheriff has submitted to the county for payment since January 1, when he assumed office.

This information is contained in a letter to Judge Jno. C. Avery, the county attorney, from Gov. Trammell, and is in reply to the letter sent the governor by instruction of the board of county commissioners when the latter concluded an investigation of one day into the matter.

All of the evidence taken by the commissioners and forwarded the governor has been turned over to the state auditor for his consideration in continuing the inquiry into the allegations of "padding" mileage.

It is stated the examination will be a very thorough one and will go into all matters relating to the sheriff's office.

Silver Coin Bearing Date of 1804, Highly Prized By Numismatists, Was Dug Up By Laborer While Making Excavations For New Ice Rink

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. New Haven, Conn., Dec. 26.—A silver dollar bearing the date 1804, highly prized by numismatists, and understood to be quoted at \$2,500 for collection purposes, was found here today.

William Sullivan, a laborer, excavating on the site of the new ice rink for the Yale hockey team, turned up with his shovel an old jar which rested on a boulder seven feet below the surface of the street nearby. Under the bowl was a silver snuff box, made in Nuremberg and green with oxidation.

In it was a United States silver dollar dated 1804, in good condition, a number of Connecticut copper coins, 1787; Connecticut state coins, a continental note for \$2, several state notes and some rings. The metal articles were slightly corroded, but they rubbed up well, and dates were plain. The notes had to be carefully handled to prevent disintegration.

The Northampton canal was close by in the old days and excavation showed a ledge of rocks on which the boulder rested, giving the impression that water formerly covered the spot. The snuff-box was taken to jewelers for examination. In it were: Silver dollar, dated 1804, with letters around the edge in place of milling; silver dollar, 1783; three Connecticut copper coins, 1787; Connecticut state bank note for 40 shillings, 1773; continental note of 1775 for three dollars; a watch made in Strassburg in 1721; a deed of property written in English, not yet deciphered, of date of 1697; a document dated 1728, with six imprints on it which appear to be imprints of the British government. The hall mark on the snuff box is of 1740. When it was cleaned, the 1804 dollar showed on one side a woman's head with "LIBERTY" and 13 stars above it and "1804" below it. On the other side is an eagle with "E Pluribus Unum" as the motto. A shield and arrows and United States of America complete the design. The words on the edge are 100 cents.

LIKELY A FOREIGN COIN. New Dec. 26.—Numismatists said today that it was extremely unlikely that an American dollar of the date of 1804 had been found in New Haven, as reported, as the only known (Continued on page four.)

Carnival of 1914 is Assured; Select Queen by Popular Vote

Everybody Wants to Help In Making the Christmas Tree An Annual Event In Pensacola

THREE NEGROES KILLED IN A DAY IN THIS COUNTY

All Shootings Occurred at Different Times and Places—Deputy Sheriff Killed Negro at Molino and Two Negroes are Shot in the City

Two negroes, a man and a woman, were killed in Pensacola yesterday, while a third negro was killed at Molino, twenty-three miles north of here, by Deputy Sheriff Bryant Harris. The woman was murdered it is alleged by her husband but no request has yet been held over the man killed here. Deputy Sheriff Harris was arrested, but was shortly afterwards discharged from custody by a coroner's jury, which declared the killing of the negro at Molino a justifiable homicide. The negro who murdered his wife has not been captured, but the man who killed the other was arrested by policemen immediately after the killing. Alphonse (alias Son) Robinson is the negro who murdered his wife. While John Adams killed Gurney Johnson. The woman was killed at her home in the northwestern portion of the city and Johnson in a saloon at the corner of Zaragoza and Baylen streets.

SHOT FOUR TIMES. The negro woman, Lizzie Robinson, was killed at her home, corner of G and Wagner streets, about 6 o'clock by her husband, Alphonse Robinson, who threatened to shoot her out of Pensacola. He fired five times at her, but one of the bullets missed, the other four striking her in body and right side, causing her to die almost instantly.

According to what her mother told Motorcycle Officer Harper, the woman tried to escape from her husband after shooting her. She was killed in her efforts to dodge him as he hid behind the kitchen door, but he found her. From behind the door, he shot her three times, but she could get out of the way he fired four bullets into her body.

Robinson left the place immediately after shooting his wife and has not yet been captured.

SHOT THROUGH AND THROUGH. Gurney Johnson, a young negro man, was killed in the saloon at the northeast corner of Baylen and Zaragoza streets, about 7:30 o'clock last night by John Adams, a bartender in the place. He fired once at Johnson, a 25-calibre bullet striking him in the right side, going through and through and passing through a 7-8 inch board in partition which divides the saloon from a restaurant. The bullet was picked up in the restaurant by Officer Simmons, who, together with Officer Saccaro, arrested Adams, who was taken to the city jail, but later turned over to the sheriff and locked up in the county jail to await the action of the coroner's jury today. Johnson died while being carried from the saloon to the police station, from which place his body was removed to Pou's undertaking establishment.

Adams claims that he was endeavoring to stop Johnson from having a fight with another negro in the saloon, when Johnson turned and fired a soda water bottle at him as he (Adams) stood behind the bar, but the bottle missed him and struck an ice box. He says that Johnson was in the act of throwing the second bottle at him when he secured a pistol from a shelf behind the bar and fired one shot.

Officer Simmons and Saccaro, who were near the saloon when the shooting occurred, say that Adams made no effort to escape, but handed over the pistol and submitted to arrest without any trouble.

KILLED AT MOLINO. Charles Mack was the name of the negro killed at Molino by Deputy Sheriff Bryant Harris yesterday afternoon. According to reports received in Pensacola, Harris was assisting the town marshal of Molino to arrest Mack at the home of the latter for a violation of one of the ordinances of that place. When the two officers reached the home of the negro he fired once at them with a double-barreled shotgun, but neither of them was hit. Before the negro could fire again, Deputy Harris fired one shot at him, the bullet lodging in his right side and causing his death within a short time. The negro lived at Molino.

AMBASSADOR PAGE'S DAUGHTER IN DANGER

London, Dec. 26.—Miss Katharine A. Page, daughter of Ambassador Walter Hines Page, escaped without injury when an automobile in which she was driving yesterday smashed into a wall and was wrecked at Barnes, a southwestern suburb of London.

Merchants, Business Men And Citizens Generally Express Gratification To Miss Ella Ward, the St. Nicholas Girl, for the Success of the Undertaking

The big Christmas tree for the children is a thing of the past, but the Christmas blossoms can never fade, and the fruits that were hung on the branches will bring forth other fruit, that will be sweet and fragrant through many years to come. The children were not the only ones who enjoyed Christmas day. The grown people enjoyed it, too. They enjoyed the happiness of the children, but most of all, they enjoyed the thought that it was through them that this happiness had come to the children.

The St. Nicholas Girl has brought happiness into many little lives, and through her efforts she has aroused the interest of the men and women of Pensacola in her work. That next year the Christmas tree will be not only a bigger tree, but broader in its work of love and the spirit of goodwill, for which it stands.

When Miss Ella Ward, as The Journal's St. Nicholas Girl, began her work for the children of Pensacola, the response was ready and generous. But at the end of her six weeks' work she finds the ready spirit of generosity intensified, and the interest so great that next year there will be no necessity for any solicitation for the Doll and Toy fund.

Everybody loves children. Everybody wants to see them happy. And it is natural to open the heart and the purse strings at Christmastime. Most of the contributions to the St. Nicholas Girl Doll and Toy fund were voluntary. For it was especially impressive to everyone that they were asked to contribute for love of the children, and no other donations were wanted.

How much everybody wanted to help has been demonstrated, and when the St. Nicholas Girl went about yesterday, settling up her accounts with the merchants, there was nothing but goodwill and offers of help, from every group next year. Everybody wants to help next year. Everybody thought it was a good thing and a beautiful thing, and many merchants and others have expressed the wish to contribute largely to the cause next year.

After settling all bills there will remain in the St. Nicholas Girl fund at the American National Bank about fifty dollars in cash, which will be used to alleviate suffering among the poor, several very needy cases having been reported by Mr. H. Paulsen, probably the most generous of the St. Nicholas Girl's helpers.

Miss Ella Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Ward, who has given her time and attention to this work for the past six weeks, has earned the title of "St. Nicholas Girl" for her love of every child in Pensacola, and the gratitude of every man and woman. It is no small thing for one young woman to undertake such work as she has done for the little children of the poor at Christmastime—the season when so many, forgetting the real spirit of Christmas, give themselves to merry-making, with no thought of others, who are less fortunate.

That her work was appreciated was shown in the ready response of the merchants, and others who contributed. Even at the very last, men who had been too busy to realize what this work meant, asked for the privilege of contributing to the cause, among these being Mr. H. H. Boyer, ten dollars, Mr. B. M. Cary, two dollars, and a purse made up by several gentlemen, among whom were Mr. N. J. Lillard, Mr. M. E. Clark, and others whose names could not be ascertained.

The St. Nicholas Girl's Christmas tree has not ended the work for the children this winter. The Journal has other plans which will be announced in a few days, and those who have little children will be invited to help in this, too.

ONE QUESTION 30,000 WORDS LONG

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. New York, Dec. 26.—Hans Schmidt's attorneys brought into court today hypothetical questions 30,000 words long. They expected to spend more than two hours reading these questions this afternoon or tomorrow to the alienists.

Schmidt was sane when he killed Anna Amuller. Dr. Carlos F. MacDonald, one of the state's medical experts, continued his testimony at the murder trial today. He said that when Schmidt told him "God commanded me to slay Anna Amuller," he was sane. "Now," he said, "you know you are lying. You know that that is just a scheme of yours to pretend that you are insane and escape the consequences of your crime."

At this Schmidt became greatly excited, said Dr. MacDonald, insisted that he was not insane and that he wanted to die.

DEWEY CELEBRATED 75TH BIRTHDAY

Washington, Dec. 26.—George Dewey, admiral of the navy, began celebration of his 75th birthday by appearing early at his office to discharge the duties entailed upon him as president of the navy general board. He received many birthday gifts and congratulatory telegrams from all parts of the country.

Meeting is Held and Officers Are Elected for the En-suing Year

GEORGE A. BERRY MADE PRESIDENT

General Manager of Deep Water Route Will Direct the Work of Giving a Successful Carnival and it Is Proposed to Give One Of the Cleanest Ever Witnessed

Determined that Pensacola's name as one of the southern cities where Mardi Gras celebrations are staged each year on an elaborate scale shall not wane, and that there shall be no interruption of these annual events which have done so much toward advertising the city to the outside world, stockholders of the Pensacola Carnival Association and public spirited citizens have launched plans for the fifteenth Mardi Gras celebration in 1914, and made a most auspicious start by electing George A. Berry, manager of the Gulf, Mobile and Panama railroad, as president. A feature of the celebration will be the selection of a carnival queen, to be elected by the people of the city. It is expected by the time that the fifteenth anniversary of the first Mardi Gras celebration in Pensacola is celebrated, the city will have a record for the number of people who have witnessed the celebration.

The plan for the celebration is to have a series of events, including a parade, a carnival, and a fireworks display. The events will be held in the city of Pensacola, and the celebration is expected to be one of the most successful in the history of the city.

Scene of riot placed under martial law. Place Where Unemployed Men in Los Angeles Were So Disorderly, Resulting In Death of Several Rioters, Now Patrolled By Militiamen

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Los Angeles, Dec. 26.—The historic Plaza district in the older section of Los Angeles, where a riot among unemployed men resulted in the death of one man and the injury of more than a dozen others late yesterday afternoon was practically placed under martial law today. City detectives hunted the Mexican quarter nearby for information concerning the reported death of two more rioters.

During the night the police raided every restaurant, saloon, pool hall and lodging house in the vicinity of the Plaza, taking into custody all who were armed or who showed signs of having taken part in the riot. During their operations the police visited the rendezvous of Industrial Workers of the World, where they claim to have found clubs and other weapons.

The riot occurred late yesterday afternoon when the police attempted to break up a street parade staged by nearly 1,000 unemployed men, mostly foreigners, at which speeches inciting to violence were made.

In the fight which ensued Rafael Adames, a Mexican, was shot and killed by Harry Koenigheim, a patrolman. The officer admits firing several shots but who shot when he saw a Mexican point a revolver at another patrolman.