

## RUSSIA TALKED OF SEPARATE PEACE

BUT ROUMANIAN ENTRY INTO WAR CAUSED ABRUPT BREAKING-OFF OF ALL NEGOTIATIONS

By CARL S. ACKERMAN (United Press Staff Correspondent)  
The Hague, Oct. 5—Despite denials of the report, I have learned from reliable sources at Copenhagen, the Hague and Warsaw, that conferences for the discussion of separate peace between Russia and Germany did occur at Kovno in August. The Kaiser is said to have been present.

The sudden intervention of Roumania is believed to have caused the abrupt breaking off of negotiations and to have changed the situation from the Czar's standpoint. There is at present little or no prospect that Russia will desert the allies.

## Four Dead In College Fire

(By United Press)  
St. Louis, Oct. 5—Four dead and many injured is the result of the fire in Christian Brothers College here today.

## Two Dead In R. R. Wreck

(By United Press)  
Altoona, Pa. Oct. 5—Two killed and twelve injured is the result of a wreck today when the Pennsylvania railroad today when a fast passenger chashed into a stock train.

### EXAMINATIONS AT CURRITUCK

Currituck, N. C. Oct. 3—On Thursday and Friday, October 12th and 13th, examinations for the State High School, five-year State and County Certificates will be held at Currituck Court House, N. C., beginning at 8 o'clock A. M.

For the High School Certificates on Thursday, theory and practice of teaching, School Law, History and English and on Friday Foreign Languages, Mathematics and the Sciences will be given.

For the Five-Year State Certificates on Thursday, Theory Practice of Teaching, School Law, Spelling, Drawing, Reading, Arithmetic Language and on Friday, Grammar Geography and Hygiene, History, Civil Government and Agriculture will be given.

The State has fixed these dates and the county has no authority at all to make any change.

The County examination will be held on the above dates.

All teachers of Currituck county are requested to send their certificates to the county superintendent soon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jessup of Belvidere were in the city today.

Dr. W. T. Griggs of Poplar Branch was in the city today.

Rev. I. N. Loftin is out again after a brief illness at his home on Pennsylvania Avenue.

J. W. Fisher of Jarvisburg was in the city on business Thursday.

Ed. S. Scott of Mt. Hermon was in the city on business yesterday.

P. G. Pritchard of Providence was in the city this morning.

## GRAND DUKE TO RUMANIAN FRONT

CALLED FROM CAUCASUS TO ASSUME COMMAND TO DRIVE AGAINST BULGARIAN ARMIES

(By United Press)  
London, Oct. 5—Grand Duke Nicholas, former commander in chief of the Russian armies has been recalled from the Caucasus to command the Russo-Roumanian drive against Bulgaria, according to a dispatch from Stockholm received here this morning. The Grand Duke will have supreme command on the Dobrudja front.

### ROUMANIANS SUFFER DEFEAT

Latest dispatches from Sofia claim that as a result of the envelopment movement before which the Roumanians retreated across the Danube yesterday the invaders lost fifteen battalions of troops. The defeat is regarded as the greatest since the Roumanian slaughter at the fall of Futraikan, when 23,000 Roumanian troops were trapped and captured.

### BRITONS GAIN IN BALKANS

The battle around the village of Jenkol on the Struma front resulted in a complete victory for the British, according to official advices from Saloniki. The whole village was occupied and the British are now consolidating their positions. The Bulgars suffered heavily.

### NEW CAUCASUS OFFENSIVE

Suddenly resuming their offensive in the Caucasus, say dispatches from Petrograd, the Russians are advancing on a wide front, supported by the Russian Black Sea fleet. Strong Turkish positions are reported taken with heavy loss to the defenders. Stubborn fighting continues on the Austro-German front, where Petrograd claims minor successes. Petrograd claims minor successes.

### ADVANCE TOWARD MONASTIR

Paris claims allied progress in the Balkans in the direction of Monastir with the occupation of points of minor importance.

### QUIET ON THE SOMME

Intermittent shelling is the only activity reported today on the Somme front where unfavorable weather is impeding operations.

## Speaks at Court House

Captain Edmund Jones of Lenoir will address the voters of Pasquotank county at the court house tonight at eight o'clock. Captain Jones has the reputation of being a splendid speaker and he will be heard tonight with much interest.

### BACK IN HIS OFFICE AGAIN

Dr. J. H. White who has been ill at his home on West Main street for a number of days is again able to be in his office.

### ELECTED SECRETARY OF HER CLASS

Miss Elizabeth Hinton of the Sopomore Class at the State Normal College at Greensboro, has been elected secretary of her class, which numbers 109 members.

W. M. Brunsey of Currituck was in the city on business today.

WANTED—Boy under 17 years of age not in school as cub reporter and advertising solicitor for The Advance. Must apply by letter. No time to waste on applicants coming to office without appointment. State age and educational qualifications.

## MILLERS PREDICT HIGHER FLOUR

AND GRAIN MEN SAY THAT WHEAT WILL REACH TWO DOLLAR LEVEL BEFORE NEXT JANUARY

(By United Press)  
Minneapolis, Oct. 5—Millers predict that flour will be ten dollars a barrel and wheat two dollars a bushel to the farmers before many weeks.

Grain men at Chicago say that these prices will prevail by or before January.

### TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Elmer Walker's recent imitation of a malicious and spiteful spinster at a sewing circle does me a grave injustice.

There is just enough truth in part of what he says to make it dangerous. He approached me on the 12th inst and stated that he had put my name on a ticket, the week before at the court house, to run for county surveyor. I told him that I did not want the place and could not run, he insisted, even after I told him that the chances were that I would be unable to qualify if elected. He stated that if I did not qualify they would take care of that. He stated that the ticket had already been sent to the two papers in Elizabeth City. I made myself as plain as is usually necessary when talking to those having human intelligence. I do not know what he thought was "implied," he knows that I said I did not want the place; to the average man that would have been sufficient. If Mr. Walker stated the truth, to me when he said that my name was put on the week before, it was done without my knowledge, if he did not state the truth, then he slipped one over on me, by making me believe that I was being notified and not that I was being asked if I would run on a ticket that was being "slated" by him personally. I was led to believe that I was put on, at his suggestion, by a party of citizens during court week, if I was not then the only way that I can construe his insinuation was that he bears malice toward Mr. John Walker, the present county surveyor, and wished to use me to work an injury to him, even if it left the county without an official surveyor.

I stated that if ever I seek an office it will be by nomination, under the plans of organization, of the Democratic Party, that is my style of a Democrat, if the majority of the members of my party want me then, that way, I will be proud to serve. If they do not want me I will not whine, whimper nor "sling mud." Politics is not my way of making my living right now, I was trying to follow my profession and quietly attend to my own business, and not meddle with others, when Mr. Walker, as it appears now, appointed himself "dictator" of our county and decreed that I run for county surveyor. When I refuse and refuse through the press, he is touchy about the matter and thanks my holding that I was not nominated by the Democratic Party, leads people to think that his ticket is not Democratic. Why should they be so easily led to believe this? Mr. Walker states that I said that my name appeared on a Democratic ticket in this county; I did not say this, I said it was an independent ticket, I did not then and do not now know what kind of a ticket it is.

Mr. Walker presumes to know whether or not the others on that ticket care to have their name affiliated with mine; let them speak for themselves, they are acquainted with me, I count them friends of mine with the exception of Elmer

## SCHEME TO PUT MEXICO TO WORK

BUT BANDITS WHO HAD RATHER FIGHT THAN WORK WILL NOT WELCOME THE ANNOUNCEMENT

Headquarters Mexican-American Commission, Atlantic City, New Jersey, October 5th.

There will be no withdrawal of American troops from Mexico as a result of Carranza's insistence on this point in the discussion of the American-Mexican Peace Commission. General Pershing's column will not be withdrawn until foreign life and property are assured of safety South of the Rio Grande.

It may be unwelcome news to certain bandits and other Mexicans who have been living off the fight instead of the fat of the land, but there is a scheme on foot to put Mexico to work.

American mining interests are planning to put the industrial machinery back into working order substituting the use of the pick-shovel instead of the rifle and sabre as a national pastime.

The American members of the Commission have served notice, however, that they can not encourage the return of Americans to the mining districts until the safety of life and property is assured, and this may be interpreted to mean that it is up to Carranza to get control of the interior districts if he wishes his complaints about the withdrawal of American troops to have any weight.

Walker, who was only a short time ago very anxious to "affiliate" his name with mine, so anxious that he put his name with mine without my consent. There is one truth he utters, my name has been taken off his ticket; I took it off.

I voted for Mr. Elmer Walker two years ago and for that reason alone feel that maybe I am "mentally inefficient." This suspicion began to dawn on me about a year ago, when I found that Mr. Walker was "swallowing whole" everything the manufacturer said about the desirability of tractors for road building. I was mentally efficient enough a while ago to keep Mr. Walker from influencing the road commissioners to buy a tractor they did not need and could not use. Even when he was so "morally strong" for one that he objected to my being considered for road superintendent, because I was opposed to the tractor deal, before I could state that I did not want the job, I do not mean to say that Mr. Walker was to get anything out of this deal, I do not presume to judge.

Mr. Walker's insinuation that I was "side-tracked" by some vicious influence" is false. I was not influenced by anyone whatsoever. The only one who has attempted to persuade me to allow my name to be used for the "vicious" purpose of unscrupulously deceiving my friends by running for an office that I did not feel sure that I could fill and vic "lously" deprive a man of his usual vocation. The most charitable construction I can give to Mr. Walker's "action in this matter is that two years of public office and desire for office has so prejudiced him that he does not seem to know right from wrong in this matter, I would feel badly about his spiteful attack on me if I thought that anyone would believe him, or pay any attention to his misstatement of facts in this matter.

Whether or not he tells the truth I will refer you to his statement, "he states that his name appears on a Democratic ticket in this county." What I said was this: "I note in one of the Elizabeth City papers

## MRS WILSON SAYS SHE LIKES IT

IS HAVING FINE TIME ACCOMPANYING PRESIDENT ON HIS SPEAKING TOUR

By ROBERT J. BENDER (United Press Staff Correspondent)  
On Board President's Train En Route Omaha, October, 5th.

Campaign life agrees with Mrs. Wilson. She likes it and frankly admits that she's having a fine time. Incidentally she is getting a lot of attention from the crowds who gather about the President's private car and she shares equally with the President the plaudits of the throng.

Wearing a simple gown of black voile over white her every appearance has brought a demonstration. On one occasion she was greeted by some one in the crowd with "You look mighty good to us, Mrs. Wilson, and it took her some time to recover from the tribute. She generally stands by the side of the President and lets him do the talking and bear the brunt of the noise.

Demonstrations accorded the President along the way yesterday were so enthusiastic that his aides on the train feel that Ohio and Indiana will swing into the Democratic column with a bang.

Tonight's speech will be the President's first big effort in the heart of the country since last summer when he urged preparedness for peace on the same route. He desired then and secured later action from Congress strengthening the army and navy. He now wants the vote of the people on whether they will place the Republicans in power changing his policy, and thereby most certainly drawing this nation into the embroilments of the European war.

## Ghosts Will Walk Soon

(By United Press)

Washington, Oct. 5—A parade of political ghosts unrivaled in the history of the country may result if the supreme court upholds the decision of the district court ordering Milton H. Smith of the Louisville-Nashville Railroad to answer questions of the Interstate Commerce Commission relative to the Road's political activities.

Railroad and Federal officials of high repute admitted that railroad family skeletons which have lain undisturbed for years may be resurrected as a result of the order. There are charges of political string pulling by railroads throughout the country, particularly in connection with the eight hour day legislation and it is also charged that the railroads have been large contributors to campaign funds.

The famous Goebel case, which disrupted Kentucky politics for many years may again now be brought into the lime light, along with many others.

Miss Katherine Hinton has resumed her duties as teacher in the graded school at Four Oaks.

that I have been put on an independent ticket in Currituck county." I have the carbon copy of my letter, the papers in Elizabeth City no doubt have the originals. Was he telling the truth? or is he trying to imitate the former leader of "the Bull-Moose" and hold that all men who do not agree with him are liars? I am willing to let the public judge who has lied in this case.

RUSSELL E. SNOWDEN, Snowden, N. C. September 30th, 1916.

## OFFICIALS DENY BOTH REPORTS

CHARACTERIZE AS MALICIOUSLY FALSE STATEMENTS BEING DISSEMINATED IN AMERICA

(By United Press)  
Mexico City, October 5th.—Reports circulated in the United States to the effect that Caranza has demanded the immediate withdrawal of American troops from Mexico is characterized as absolutely false by high government officials here. It is also denied that Caranza threatened the recall of the Mexican members of peace Commission unless the American troops were withdrawn.

## Doctors Meet At Hospital

The Pasquotank, Camden, Dare Medical Society held a very enthusiastic and well-attended meeting at the Elizabeth City Hospital Wednesday evening, Dr. John Salibia as host.

After the routine business, Dr. O. McMullan read a very able paper on "Dysentery."

"Malaria" is the subject for the next meeting and Dr. Peters will lead the discussion.

After the business of Wednesday evening's meeting was over, a very enjoyable smoker was held.

## List Of Jurors Next Court

The following is the jury list for Pasquotank County, North Carolina, Term of Superior Court, beginning Monday November, 13th:

- H. L. Bailey, G. T. Comer, J. W. Beecham, Noah Godfrey, J. W. Griffin, J. E. Adkins, F. B. Whitehurst, W. H. Owens, W. P. Knowles, Miles R. Pritchard, J. W. Hobbs, A. S. Daniels, A. B. Holloway, J. W. Parker, G. W. Wilroy, Sr., Geo. W. Stevenson, T. M. Hollowell, Lemuel Cartwright, Adolph Pendleton, Andrew Bright, E. F. Spencer, Jesse M. Onley, Gilbert Godfrey, C. E. White.

## Old Relic Is Found

What is believed to be one of the oldest relics of its kind in the county has recently found its way to the junk-pile of Mr. Miles Jennings of this city and has been viewed with much interest by numbers of passers-by this week.

The object of interest is an old stove, said to have been installed in Hall's Creek church in 1835. The stove shows a patch which it is claimed was made necessary when the Yankees, encamping at Hall's Creek during the War between the States, broke the heater.

Hall's Creek church today marks the site of North Carolina's first legislative assembly.

### MISSION STUDY CLASS MEETS

The Mission Study Class of the First Methodist church will meet Friday afternoon at four o'clock in the Barnea rooms of the church annex. All ladies who are interested are cordially invited to meet with the class which will be taught by Mrs. J. L. Cunningham.

Mrs. William Boettcher is attending the State W. C. T. U. Convention at Wilmington this week.