

## WILSON WILL ANSWER POPE

### PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT THE UNITED STATES IS FIGHTING AUTOCRACY AND NOT THE GERMAN PEOPLE

(By CARL D. GROAT)  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
Washington, Aug. 16.—Wilson is expected to answer the Pontiff's peace plea with a statement showing the world why the Allies must fight on as long as German autocracy exists. Unless present signs fail, he will restate more emphatically than ever that the United States is at war against Germany's autocratic system, its intrigues and horrors rather than with any aim of crushing the German people.

It is expected to be another bid to German Liberals to cast off the yoke of Kaiserism. It is now regarded as certain that the government will reject the proposal.

## CAMDEN MEN HERE LISTED

The following is the list of names who passed physical examination under the Selective Service Act of May, 18th, 1917, for the County of Camden:

- Jessie Lee Harper.
- Jessie L. McPherson.
- Henry W. Nossay.
- Joe Willie Walston.
- Paul Williams.
- Sam Brickhouse.
- Jessie McCoy Trotman.
- Joe Frank Old.
- James L. Turner.
- John Hill.
- Moses Jones.
- Joshua Burke.
- Granbury S. Walston.
- Jim Percer.
- Vandecar Baxter.
- Charlie H. Walston.
- Daniel Bacchus.
- Claud J. Needham.
- Jessie G. Bell.
- James Roach.
- Joe Gallop.
- Joseph Howell.
- Charlie B. Cox.
- Ray Jacobs.
- Willie H. Mason.
- Clarence T. Trotman.
- Edward J. Davis.
- Charlie Ferebee.
- Marshall W. Kight.
- Maurice C. Jones.
- John Spence.
- Bennie F. Pearce.
- Korney Harris.
- Louis Latham Berry.
- Willie Bright.
- Luke G. Wright.
- Larry Carlson.
- Mack Bright.
- Sam Gregory.
- William E. Godwin.
- Herbert P. Pearce.
- George W. Bray.
- Grandy Barnard.
- Greenville Bartlett.
- Samuel T. Boykins.

### MEETS TONIGHT

Elizabeth Rebekah Lodge No. 62 meets tonight at 8 o'clock in the Odd Fellows Hall, Corner of Road and Fearing Streets. All members are urged to be present as important business is to be transacted.

I. Caboon of Fairfield was in the city on business Wednesday.

H. C. Forbes of Camden was in the city Thursday.

Miss Mable Waldorf has returned from a visit to relatives in New York.

Albert Simmons of Point Harbor was in the city Thursday.

### WEATHER

Fair tonight and Friday; light to moderate winds.

## BIG WATERSPOUT SEEN AT NAGS HEAD

What is described as the biggest and most spectacular waterspout ever seen in this section was observed by visitors at Nags Head Tuesday. The phenomenon was seen about noon. It came in from the sea and moved off across the sand dunes carrying up a vast amount of sand that soon gave the surrounding heavens an orange-colored cast.

The waterspout was seen by practically all the summer colony at Nags Head and was the occasion of a great deal of interest. It did no damage of any consequence; but what might have happened if there has been any buildings in its path was indicated when it struck and completely demolished the shed of an outbuilding.

## DO YOU LIKE FOOD WITH YOUR MEALS?

George Ade has a great fable in slang in Sptember Cosmopolitan. If you like food with your meals, you will smile your way through this latest whimsy of Indiana's philosopher-humorist.

This is the bill of fare of the Stuffers, according to George Ade; Fourteen to sixteen Spare-ribs smothered with Kraut, four or five Helpings of Fresh Vegetables, a few light Biscuits inlaid with Gold Butter, and possibly a quarter of a mile of Noodles, spiced Peaches, frosty Doughnuts, a little quart bowl of preserved Cherries, to say nothing of Coffee curdled with Cream, etc.

If you haven't an appetite and you want to work up one, or if you have an appetite and cannot afford to satisfy it, read this fable which is as good as a square meal.

Look for "The Fable of the Waist-Band That Was Taut Up to the Moment It Gave Way." In September Cosmopolitan.

## RUSSIAN PLOTS ARE SCOTCHED

(By United Press)  
Petrograd, Aug. 16.—Counter revolutionary plots having as their object the restoration of the Czar to the throne have been discovered and scotched. They were discovered in connection with the deportation of the Czar, Czarina and family to Siberia.

## DR. BLADES GIVES PICNIC TO EMPLOYEES

Dr. L. S. Blades gave a picnic to his farm employees Thursday at Davis Bay. In spite of the rain in the early part of the day and enjoyed a delightful day.

## CARMICHAEL-KAY

Mr. Josephus F. Carmichael of Henderson and Miss Elsie L. Kay of Portsmouth, Va., were married by Justice of the Peace, J. W. Munden at his office Thursday morning.

## R. W. ISLEY GOES TO REIDSVILLE

R. W. Isley, under whose supervision Poplar Branch High School, and the schools of Currituck generally, made such rapid strides in educational work during the past few years, goes to the Reidsville High School next session. Reidsville is in the Piedmont section and its high school is one of the best in the state.

## TO FURNISH BLANKS FREE OF CHARGE

The United States government having announced that it will no longer furnish forms for individual use in filing claims for exemption from military service, The Advance will supply the omission. Realizing that it was impossible for many to prepare themselves the long and complicated form needed, this paper, will print married men's exemption blanks and furnish them free of charge to all applicants in Pasquotank County. These blanks, will be ready in a short time, can be obtained at The Advance office on Water Street. No fee apply, however, before Saturday.

## BETSEY'S BRAVES LEAVE NEXT MONTH

WILL LEAVE FOR THE TRAINING CAMP IN THREE CONTINGENTS FIRST OF WHICH IS TO ENTRAIN SEPTEMBER 5th AND LAST ABOUT SEPTEMBER 30th.

Betsey's Braves will begin to leave Elizabeth City for their training camps on September 5th.

The local exemption board have been notified to have thirty per cent of Pasquotank's quota ready to entrain by that date.

Another thirty per cent are expected to entrain about September 13th, and the final contingent about September 30th.

Following is the report of Wednesday's work of the Pasquotank County Exemption Board:

- Claiming no exemption and posted for service: 1264 George Bell. Discharged for physical disability: 1039 Ira B. Parker. Exempted on the ground of having dependents: 1117 Ellis Augustus Perry. 608 John E. Proctor. 1369 Edward Holley. 373 Edd Cole. 218 Winton Davenport. 452 Jeffrey Williams. 223 V. C. Alexander. 726 Chas. E. Richardson. Claiming exemption but claims denied by local board: 1314 James Whitbee. 1114 G. L. Riddick. 93 William Edward Sawyer. 933 Wilford Spellman.

## BEING TO EIGHTY FIRST

(By United Press)  
Washington, Aug. 16.—The War Department has assigned numbers to the divisions of the new National Army.

The Eighty First Division is made up of North Carolina, Tennessee and South Carolina men.

The Twenty Ninth Division is made up of Virginia, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia men.

## INTEREST IN CHECKERS AT Y. M. C. A.

There is a growing interest in checkers as the days pass, at the Y. M. C. A. Last night several games were going on at the same time. Anybody either men or boys interested in the game, whether members of the Association or not will be cordially welcome to the social rooms at the building, corner of Main and Martin Streets.

Five games were going on simultaneously last night and the interest will increase as the fall days approach. If there are any checker champions in town come around and meet the secretary and he may be able to suggest some one who will be able in the future to share the honors with you.

The names of those playing last night with the scores follow:

TABLE 1.	Won	Lost
Clyde Morris	1	2
Paul Morris	2	1
TABLE 2.		
Shelton Bright	4	0
Harry Long	6	4
TABLE 3.		
John Hooker	0	2
Percy Davenport	3	0
TABLE 4.		
Claude Bunch	5	1
Alvertie Divers	1	5
TABLE 5.		
Roger Hayman	4	4
Rufus Parsons	4	4

Horsey Lamb has returned home here after visiting his sister in Chester, Penn., and his brother in Gettysburg, Penn., who is in the Army.

Prof. S. Blandwood, Superintendent of the Pitt County Schools is in the city, the guest of B. H. Commander on West Main Street.

Baile Parsons of Portsmouth, Va., was in the city Thursday.

## TO THE PEOPLE OF ELIZABETH CITY

The Board of Aldermen have suggested that the Gas Company approach its individual consumers in the matter of a small increase in rate, viz., to \$1.75 net per thousand cubic feet. If we are allowed this increase as a consequence by the Board of Aldermen, there is reason to believe we can continue to operate the plant. If increased revenue is denied, we can not continue in business.

Therefore, we are faced with the proposition of dismantling the plant and abandoning our business at Elizabeth City or selling our product at a higher price. We are not concerned about profits at present. We will be satisfied with the cost of operation of the plant. However, we cannot and will not operate the plant longer at a loss of several thousand dollars a year. As a business proposition, it would be better for us to abandon the plant than to continue operating at a loss.

On account of the small volume of business for this Company at Elizabeth City our business has never been profitable, but instead large yearly losses and under present abnormal conditions produced by the war, which have added immensely to the price for everything we have to buy, our expense accounts have reached to the point where the burden is more than we can sustain, in view of any possible relief not to be seen or expected within the next few years.

The simple proposition before our consumers, the citizens of Elizabeth City, is this: Does the City value the Gas plant enough to be willing to permit us the bare expenses of doing business? Do the people of Elizabeth City, as individuals, value the convenience of having a gas plant enough, to be willing to pay this slight increase in the cost of the product?

With this small increase Elizabeth City can continue to have gas. We believe the consumers will meet us on common ground in handling this matter; that they are willing to pay us the cost of our production gas until conditions return to normal or until the volume of business increases to such an extent that we will be able to make a little profit out of the business.

We ask that people of Elizabeth City to approach this matter in a spirit of fairness, keeping the interests of Elizabeth City in view, and we have no fear of the result that they will honorably deal with a concern that is seeking the public and striving to advance and assist in building up the city.

The Management of the Southern Gas Improvement Co.

## GRANDY NEWS

Grandy, N. C., Aug. 15.—A few of the young people enjoyed very much a croquet party given by Misses Sudio and Fannie Simpson last Saturday afternoon.

Miss Rosa Simpson entertained a number of her friends last Wednesday evening in honor of her cousin Miss Annie Smith of Aydlett, N. C.

A number of the younger set enjoyed a very social evening at Miss Gladys Evans last Saturday evening when Master Charles Forbest of Newark, N. J., and Miss Lennie Aydlett of Poplar Branch very delightfully entertained the crowd by their violin and piano music. Many choice selections were played and sung. After which many games were played. Those present were: Misses Ida and Annie Smith, Pattie Bono, Fannie Simpson, Lennie Aydlett, Hattie Garlington, Rosa Simpson and A. Smith. Messrs Walter Poyner, Samuel McHafney, James Brown, Jerry Brown, Eddie Doudy, Logan Pugh, B. Woodhouse, W. Dowdy, Avery Simpson, Charlie Forbes, Orion Evans, Merrill Evans, F. Aydlett, W. Garrington and Cecil Owens.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Poyner of Charlestown, S. C., have been visiting their mother Mrs. Mary Poyner.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Forbest, son Charlie and little daughter Evelyn, of Newark, N. J., are visiting Mrs. Daniel Evans.

Miss Annie Smith of Aydlett, has returned home after visiting relatives in Grandy.

Mr. J. J. Evans, Mr. N. W. Poyner and Lancelot Poyner, motored to Norfolk Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dowdy have returned to their home at Coffee Inlet after spending a few days in Norfolk and Grandy.

## British Press Thunders "No"

### Official Text Of Pope's Peace Proposals Regarded As Even More Pro-German Than Unofficial Outline Indicated.

## AIRPLANES RAID VENICE

(By United Press)  
Rome, Aug. 16.—Four were killed and 27 wounded when Austrian airplanes raided Venice Tuesday.

A hospital was struck by the bombs and two patients were killed and 21 injured.

Several of the raiders are reported to have been downed in the routing by Italian planes.

## ATTACK ON FRONT OF SIX MILES

(By United Press)  
With the British Armies Afeld, London, Aug. 16.—The British troops swung another terrible blow against the Germans today, attacking on a front of six miles.

## TWO THOUSAND GO TO FRANCE

(By United Press)  
Washington, Aug. 16.—More than two thousand of the graduates of the first series of officers training camps have been assigned to go to France.

They will receive further intensive training there and will ultimately fill up gaps caused by promotions and casualties.

The assignments are from all the camps. Others are to be made later.

## BIG CROWDS AT MITCHELL'S TODAY

Mitchell's Big Clean Sweep Sale opened up today and the crowds were on hand to greet it.

Also Mitchell's was ready for the crowds. Bargains were displayed that would tempt any shopper in these days of high prices and the question soon came to be not whether there were bargains to be had but how much cash one had in hand with which to buy and save money at the Clean Sweep Sale.

The sale is now in progress. It will continue for ten days and reductions are featured on every article of merchandise mentionable. The bargains are not merely for the ladies and children, but men may find amazing reductions in standard wearables which will help them to save a great deal. Everybody is falling in line and the procession is headed for Mitchell's Clean Sweep Sale. Better catch step and see what is going on. It's well worth while. adv

## BASSETT-BOWLES

Mr. Frank Lloyd Bassett and Miss Wilda Mina Bowles, both of Newport News, Va., were married Thursday by Justice of the Peace, J. W. Munden in his office.

## WILL SPEAK AT SOUTH MILLS SUNDAY

Herbert Poole will speak at Ebenezer Baptist Church at South Mills, Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor Rev. N. H. Shepherd who is conducting a revival meeting in Virginia.

Poyner, and Mr. Willie Dowdy and Miss Ida Smith were out motoring Sunday afternoon.

## (By EDWARD L. KEEN)

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
London, Aug. 16.—With new emphasis following the publication of the official text of the Pope's Peace Proposals the British press said 'No' to his plan for ending the war.

The conditions outlined by His Holiness are regarded as indicating a stronger trend of German inspiration than the unofficial outline.

The message made public last night at the foreign office, suggests the following principal points as conditions upon which an understanding can be reached guaranteeing durable peace: The substitution of arbitration for armies;

The substitution of moral forces of right for material forces of arms; The reciprocal diminution of armaments, leaving only enough armament for the maintenance of public order;

Each state must accept international decision according to established rules and be subject to punishment in refusing to submit to arbitration or accept the decision; True liberty and the freedom of the seas;

Restitution of all occupied territories; Evacuation of Belgium with guarantee of her full political and economic independence.

As for Italian Irredenta, it is hoped that the disputing countries will be willing to examine each question in a conciliatory spirit;

The question of the Balkans, Poland and Armenia is to be examined in the same spirit of equality and justice.

England is frankly surprised that the Pope should place the armies of Germany and the Allies on an absolute plane of equality, and at there being no word of censure and no protest against Belgian horrors.

"The whole world," said the Pope, recognizes that the honor of the armies of both sides is safe."

The Pope's message was 2,000 words.

## REJECTED SAYS ITALIAN PRESS

(By United Press)  
Rome, Aug. 16.—The Pope's peace proposals will certainly be rejected by the Allies,—this is the view of the Italian press.

## HMG STRIKES AGAIN TODAY

(By United Press)  
London, Aug. 16.—Halg struck again today, this time in Belgium north of Ypres at 4:45 this morning.

The British and French attacked on a wide front. Heavy fighting is reported in progress but progress is being made at all points by Halg's forces in spite of stubborn resistance.

The Canadians still hold positions dominating Lens despite desperate German counterattacks throughout the night.

Paris, Aug. 16.—Attacking in concert, British and French attained all objectives in a strong assault on the German lines in Flanders. Four Ger-