

Pope Seeks To Unify War Aims

Unofficially Reported That Holy See Hopes to Influence Kaiser Through Karl of Austria.

Rome, January 12.—Intimations are made in influential Vatican circles that Pope Benedict diplomatically called the attention of Emperor Karl of Austria to President Wilson's war aims message and suggested that he seek to influence the Kaiser to consider these peace terms.

The Vatican refused to comment officially on the matter. The report declared that the Pope has called the attention of the Catholic monarch of Austria to correspondence exchanged relative to the Pope's own peace efforts as bearing on the consideration now of the President's terms.

There are persistent unofficial rumors that the Holy Father would gather up the threads of the Allied terms and those stated by the Central Powers and endeavor to weave a fabric that would serve as a groundwork for peace.

Never Surrender Wireless'd Capt.

And Plucky Appeal Brought Destroyer Two Hours Distant to the Rescue of the Luckenbach

Washington, January 12.—A thrilling story of the four-hour battle which took place when a German U-boat winged the American steamer, Luckenbach on October 19th is related in a detailed report of the fight issued by George Creel's bureau here today.

The steamer was not entirely crippled by the U-boat's missile and while fighting off the enemy the captain of the Luckenbach wireless'd an American destroyer, two hours distant, that he would never surrender.

As a result he brought his vessel safe into port.

DELIVERS FIRST ECONOMY STROKE

McAdoo to Eliminate Competitive Agencies in Freight and Passenger Departments

(By United Press)
Washington, Jan. 12.—McAdoo delivered his first economy stroke at railroad operations when he ordered immediate investigation looking to the elimination of railroad competitive agencies.

Railroad presidents are requested to report what part of their respective organizations can be eliminated purely competitive.

Virtually the entire fabric of freight and passenger soliciting agencies will go.

A conservative estimate places the saving made by this move at thirty million dollars.

It is planned to retain only that part of the manifold ticket agent and information bureaus necessary to serve the public.

Other radical economies are expected to follow.

H.M.S. RACCOON SINKS OFF IRISH COAST IN STORM

(By United Press)
London, Jan. 12.—His Majesty's Steamship Raccoon foundered and was lost with all on board in a storm off the Irish coast says a statement issued by the British Admiralty this afternoon.

There will be a union program service for men at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow.

FRANCE FIRMLY WITH AMERICA

(By United Press)
Paris, Jan. 12.—France is firmly with America and Great Britain in support of the war aims outlined by President Wilson.

Leaders in every party express emphatic approval of the speech of Minister of Foreign Affairs Pichon in the Chamber of Deputies.

The only dissenting voice in the whole chorus of the eulogy comes from certain radical Socialist groups who, while approving on the whole the general principles of the Allies, nevertheless attack the French government for refusing to grant the passage of a resolution granting the Socialists permission to attend the Socialists peace meeting at Stockholm.

GOVERNMENT FIXES DRAFT BOARD'S WAGES

(By United Press)
Washington, Jan. 12.—The Government today fixed compensation to be received by draft boards at thirty cents for each questionnaire. This amount will be paid to each member of the board for every questionnaire sent in properly filled out.

NATIONAL ARMY IS REAL MELTING POT

(By United Press)
New York, Jan. 12.—The National army is the real American melting pot of nations, Charles Evans Hughes said today in an address before the New York Bar Association. Ex-Judge Hughes told the New York lawyers that through the organization of this new fighting force for war the nation might rid itself of radical

CONFERENCE RESUMED AT BREST-LITOVSK

Trotsky Says Honor Breaking Off Negotiations Must Be German's

Amsterdam, Jan. 12.—The Russian foreign minister Trotsky is determined that the honor of breaking off peace negotiations shall rest with Germany.

Trotsky resumed today that the Russian leader, in order to remove the Central Powers' pretext that they would be forced to discontinue negotiations if the Russians demanded neutral ground as a meeting place, had announced formally the Russian acceptance of German demands to proceed with deliberations at Brest-Litovsk.

ARMISTICE EXTENDED

Acceptance by the Central Powers of Trotsky's proposal to continue the Russo-German armistice on all the fronts for an additional month was formally announced today.

The armistice heretofore agreed upon expired today.

"TEXAS" RITCHIE DOES BIG STUNT

"Texas" Ritchie did his big stunt in front of The Advance office Saturday afternoon on schedule time.

After distributing free tickets to those who had solved his puzzle that appeared in The Advance, he "Boosted Elizabeth City" in a five minutes breezy speech and then, placing the big rope around his neck he lay down across the seats of the Willy-overland car, with hands extended and his body perfectly rigid and

held himself the compelling plea for the big stunt. Ritchie's feat was drawn in a few minutes without hesitation the procession moved off, the big farm wagon from Spence and Hollowell's filled with laughing small boys and girls bound for the Alkrama where the matinee performance of Texas was given.

Tonight "Texas" is again on the program with his big stunts and a rough or two later he expects to return to Elizabeth City in a new role and stay for a longer time.

STEAMER ALMA FAILS TO ARRIVE

Many Reports Come in Regarding Disasters, Some Are Denied

The steamer Alma left Fairfield, N. C. and has not yet arrived at Elizabeth City. It is reported to be in New York.

Friday night's strong winds from the south and southwest succeeded in melting away and breaking up the ice in the waters about here so that it is expected that the boat lines from Elizabeth City may resume regular schedules Monday. Most of the boats were strombound at the other end of the line instead of at Elizabeth City. Otherwise they might have made their trip today.

There are reports that the North River lighthouse has been swept away.

The wharves at Shiloh and at Old Trap were partly carried away last night. There were rumors this morning that the Albemarle bridge has been carried away, but these have been officially denied.

A severe cold wave is predicted to follow in the wake of last night's southern storm and a repetition of frozen water pipes and other inconveniences is expected by Sunday morning, along with a near-zero temperature.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express to our friends at Moyock, Snowden, and Elizabeth City our appreciation and thanks for their many kind expressions of sympathy and services offered and rendered during the recent sickness and death of our mother.

Dr. S. M. MANN,
A. S. MANN.

WEATHER

Fair tonight with severe cold wave in east portion with temperature below zero in west portion, close to zero in east portion. Sunday fair continued cold, strong northwest winds.

FOUND—BIRD DOG APPARENTLY YEAR AND HAL FOLD, LIVER AND WHITE SETTER. OWNER CAN GET DOG BY PAYING FOR ADV AND FOR KEOPS. GEORGE CHAPPELL, R. F. D. 2, CITY.

MRS. CHILTON TO BE HERE MONDAY

Proceeds of Entertainment For Associated Charities In Elizabeth City

Mrs. Wm. Calvin Chilton will give a melodramatic recital in the High School auditorium Monday night.

The following interesting press comment on Mrs. Chilton's ability and charm suggests that the recital will be well worth while for the Elizabeth City public to patronize.

Among my pleasant recollections of the visitors to England are those of the recitals of Mrs. Chilton on the stage of the Memorial lecture room.

Her delivery of one of Shakespeare's most dramatic scenes was full of power and pathos, a piece of very able work. But I am not sure that even this was not surpassed by her handling of more modern and domestic themes—little things in themselves, but invested with a beauty and interest that told of loving sympathy and earnest study.—H. Snowden Ward, London, England, Editor, Lecturer and Author of "Shakespeare's Towl and Times," Fellow of the Imperial Institution and Active Member of the Society of Arts, the Institute of Journalists and the London Chamber of Commerce.

The display adv in this issue of The Advance will also give the public excellent food for thought in connection with this excellent entertainment Monday evening.

FULTON BETTER THAN CORBETT DECLARES OLD TIMER

(By H. C. BAMLTON, United Press Staff Correspondent.)
New York, Jan. 12.—George Alton, formerly a star of the featherweight ranks, and now a white-haired little man, always to be seen around fight clubs in New York, declares Fred Fulton can defeat Jess Willard.

"I won't take him twenty rounds to do it either," the former scrapper said. "I believe Fulton would cut the champion to shreds in a few rounds. Fulton is a great deal better than most fans are willing to admit."

"I've seen Fulton fight and I'm an admirer of the way he does things. Jim Corbett is generally regarded as the cleverest of the big fellows, but this man Fulton is just as clever and he can handle with either hand just as well. He is remarkably fast and clever for a big man."

Options are plentiful around the country in regular schools since Jess had the bad taste to announce that he would fight Interest is more pronounced than in any big scrap since the Jeffries-Johnson affair. The demand is strong for a champions' battle. If Willard really means business he will match himself with Fulton and can pack any building he cares to select for the battle.

There is no use commenting on anyone else as a probable opponent for the champion, for there is no other who stands out as does the lanky Minnesotan. Any prestige he might have lost through his meeting with Bill Tate in Little Rock seems to have been brushed aside since reports of the bout really have become scattered about. It now appears that Fulton was far from being a beaten man when the referee announced he had awarded the fight to Tate on a foul. Anyway the next few days will tell the real tale, for the men have been matched to do battle again.

Fulton has met every big man of any consequence with the sole exception of Frank Moran, and now a match has been made for him with that big one. This bout will be staged at New Orleans. Willard said some time ago that if Fulton would defeat Moran he could have a whack at the title. So, if he manages to topple the big Pittsburgher, Jess, it appears, will have to do something.

Mass Meeting Well Attended

Thirteen Thousand Dollars in War Savings Stamps Subscribed to after Two Splendid Addresses

TICKETS SELLING VERY RAPIDLY

And Director Clark Declares Best Singers in Elizabeth City He Has Found

The sale of tickets for the Elks Old Time Minstrel which will be given at the Alkrama Theatre next Thursday and Friday nights, bids fair to scotch any amateur performance ever held in this city.

Every night and afternoon Director Clark is putting the boys through some strenuous training and although he has picked forty of the best singers in the city, he is determined to get the songs down to the very best.

Beautiful costumes and pretty scenery will add to the show wonderfully because the firm of Miller and Draper has the reputation of putting on the best in the country.

In addition to the catchy songs there will be a plantation act which will no doubt bring down the house. The songs will have the oldest of traditions back to the days "before the war."

The parade which will start from the Alkrama Theatre Thursday at the noon hour, headed by the J. H. Zeigler's band, will be another feature. Regular parade costumes will also be furnished by the director. This year's show has been pronounced by older folks as being the best ever put on here. There will be a packed house both Thursday and Friday nights. Tickets are on sale at Selig's or any member of Red Cross or Elks. Aside from the show being right up to the standard with the average minstrel on the road, the benefit is enough to make any patriotic American purchase a ticket, as the proceeds will go to the Red Cross and War Relief fund.

The show starts at 8:15 and will be a grand success. It is probable that every ticket will be sold before Monday and it would be advisable for those who expect to purchase tickets to do so before Monday.

Director Clark stated last night that in all of his travels and of all the shows that he has set up for the Elks, the singers here were superior to any town or city he has visited. He said further that the boys here took more interest in their work than any other place. Director Clark is an expert in his line and the Elks of the city are fortunate in that Miller and Draper sent a man of Mr. Clark's ability here to direct the Elks.

ATTACHE RECALLED FROM PETROGRAD

Washington, Jan. 12.—Cool Wm. Judson, United States military attaché at Petrograd, whose recent remarks to the Bolsheviks have been the subject of controversy and investigation, has been promoted to the rank of Brigadier General and recalled to this country.

Major W. P. Kerth, military observer, who ventured into the diplomatic realm, has been made colonel and will look after the attaché's office though he has not been definitely appointed attaché.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. B. C. Henning will preach Sunday morning from the subject "Regulated Strength" and Sunday evening from the subject "Obstacles to Success."

THE CHILDREN LOVE SWEETS

Let's give them some of Koch's fancy cakes. They are better than candy.

A crowd that filled the county courthouse almost to its full capacity attended the mass meeting Friday marking the launching of the War Savings Stamp Campaign for Pasquotank county.

The stamps have been on sale here for some time and both the banks and the postoffice have made sales of stamps, but more were subscribed to Friday than have been disposed of altogether up to that time. Had the time of the state organizers in Elizabeth City not been so short, there is little doubt that something like twenty-five thousand dollars worth would have been subscribed to on the first day of the active campaign.

The large subscriptions for purchases of War Savings Stamps at the close of the mass meeting Friday are not the only evidence of interest aroused by the meeting in war savings stamps. The banks reported that the stamps were going at an unusually lively rate. Saturday morning, one bank alone having sold \$250,000 worth of stamps before noon.

The two splendid addresses by the speakers were well received and were of great interest in the War Savings Stamp Campaign. With the organization that has already been here and will now be completed and perfected it is believed that the town and county, before the end of the year, will have over the top for the full allotment of \$167,000 in War Savings Stamps.

ADVERTISING RATES

The following rates for advertising in The Daily Advance are now in effect:

For 100 words per week: \$1.00
For 200 words per week: \$1.50
For 300 words per week: \$2.00
For 400 words per week: \$2.50
For 500 words per week: \$3.00
For 600 words per week: \$3.50
For 700 words per week: \$4.00
For 800 words per week: \$4.50
For 900 words per week: \$5.00
For 1000 words per week: \$5.50

The rates in the semi-weekly are as follows:

Whole Page: \$15.00
Half Page: \$8.00
Quarter Page: \$4.25
Advertising agencies are allowed a discount of 15 per cent on advertisements accepted for publication in the Daily Advance.

The semi-weekly rates are net. Elizabeth City, N. C., November 15, 1917.

ELIZABETH CITY NEEDS

Elizabeth City needs a better system of street cleaning and the streets to be cleaned more often.

Elizabeth City needs a public library.

Elizabeth City needs a reorganized Chamber of Commerce with a full time business manager or secretary.

Elizabeth City needs an extension of the concrete paving and an extension of the shed at the Norfolk Southern depot.

Elizabeth City needs a better organized, better equipped and a well-rounded school system.

Elizabeth City needs a well ordered "Market House," including meat inspection, and better market sanitation.