

PRESIDENT WILSON'S REPLY TO POPE

Appeal Turned Down Because Kaiser Cannot Be Trusted—Imperialism, Unchecked by Rule of People, Can Produce No Lasting Peace.

Washington, Aug. 28.—President Wilson has rejected the pope's peace proposals.

In a note dispatched last night and made public here tonight, the president says that, while every heart not blinded and hardened by the terrible war must be touched by the moving appeal of his holiness, it would be folly to take the path of peace he points out if it does not in fact lead to the goal he proposes.

To deal with such a power as the present rulers of Germany upon Pope Benedict's plan, declares the president, would involve a recuperation of the strength and renewal of the world domination policy of that power, now balked, but not defeated after sweeping a continent with the blood of innocent women and children, and the helpless poor, as well as of soldiers.

Permanent peace must be based upon the faith of all the peoples and upon justice and fairness, and the common rights of mankind, he adds, and "we can not take the word of the present rulers of Germany as guarantee of anything to endure, unless explicitly supported by such conclusive evidence of the will and purpose of the German people themselves as the other peoples of the world would be justified in accepting."

The note of President Wilson in reply to Pope Benedict's appeal is as follows:

"To His Holiness: "Benedictus XV, Pope:

"In acknowledgement of the communication of your holiness to the belligerent peoples, dated August 1, 1917, the president of the United States requests me to transmit the following reply:

"Every heart that has not been blinded and hardened by this terrible war must be touched by this moving appeal of his holiness, the pope, must feel the dignity and force of the humane and generous motives which prompted it, and must fervently wish that we might take the path of peace he so persuasively points out. But it would be folly to take it if it does not in fact lead to the goal he proposes. Our response must be based upon the stern facts and upon nothing else. It is not a mere cessation of arms he desires; it is a stable and enduring peace. This agony must not be gone through with again, and it must be a matter of very sober judgment what will insure us against it.

"His holiness in substance proposes that we return to the status quo ante-bellum, and that then there be a general condonation, disarmament and a concert of nations based upon an acceptance of the principle of arbitration; that by a similar concert freedom of the seas be established; and that the territorial claims of France and Italy, the perplexing problems of the Balkan States and the restitution of Poland be left to such conciliatory adjustments as may be possible of the people whose political fortunes and affiliations will be involved.

"Would Restore Status Quo. "It is manifest that no part of this program can be successfully carried out unless the restitution of the status quo ante furnishes a firm and satisfactory basis for it. The object of this war is to deliver the free peoples of the world from the menace and the actual power of a vast military establishment controlled by an irresponsible government, which, having secretly planned to dominate the world, proceeded to carry the plan out without regard either to the sacred obligations of treaty or the long established practices and long cherished principles of international law and honor; which chose its own time for the war; delivered its blow fiercely and suddenly; stopped at no barrier either of law or of mercy; swept a whole continent within the tide of blood—not the blood of soldiers only but the blood of innocent women and children also and of the helpless people, and now stands balked but not defeated, the enemy of four-fifths of the world. This power is not the German people. It is the ruthless master of the German people. It is no business of ours how that great people came under its control or submitted with temporary zest to the domination of its purposes, but it is our business to see to it that history of the rest of the world is no longer left to its handling.

"To deal with such a power by way of peace upon the plan proposed by his holiness, the pope, would, so far as we can see, involve a recuperation of its strength and a renewal of its policy; would make it necessary to create a permanent hostile combination of nations against the German people, who are its instruments, and

ACCIDENTAL DEATH FROM GUNSHOT WOUND

Colored Boy Instantly Killed When He Falls into Trap Set by Himself.

Odell Gore, a colored boy, living with Mr. W. M. Jones in Bogansville township, had the top of his head blown off and died instantly Sunday morning by the accidental discharge of a shotgun.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones were not at home, in fact, had been in Spartanburg for a week or more, where Mrs. Jones is in the hospital. George Gore and his son, Odell Gore, were left in charge of the premises in the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Jones. Suspecting that the house was being entered by thieves, Gore and his son set a trap by placing a shotgun and tying a string to the trigger and to the door knob. The trap was set early in the week. On Sunday morning the boy went to house to turn out the turkeys and, forgetting the placing of the gun, opened the door. The whole load of shot, No. 6, penetrated the forehead of the boy, killing him instantly.

An inquest was held with the verdict that the deceased "came to his death from an accidental discharge of a shotgun by his own hand."

SPECIAL SERVICES SUNDAY.

Rev. George P. White, pastor of the First Baptist church, will hold special services Sunday morning and have special prayer for the soldier boys. This is done in accordance with the proclamation issued by Gov. Manning on last Sunday. You are cordially invited to come.

MILL MAN RESIGNS.

Mr. O. A. Sullivan, boss of the spinning room, Union mills, has resigned his position. Mr. Sullivan is one of the best mill men in the county, and has been most fortunate in his control of those working under him. He has not only managed to get service, but has held the good will of those working under him. He is a strong moral force in the community as well, and has for a number of years been prominently identified with the religious life of the community. His decision to leave Union is regretted by many.

DEATH OF E. E. WILLIAMSON.

Mr. Ellis E. Williamson died in a hospital in Greenville, Miss., Friday night of malarial fever, after a short illness. The body reached Newberry Monday over the Southern and was buried in Rosemont cemetery Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. E. D. Kerr. Mr. Williamson had numerous friends in Newberry, where he was in the jewelry business a number of years. Failing in business here he went West to look for an opening, leaving his family here until he could find a permanent location.

Mr. Williamson was about 50 years of age. He is survived by his wife and the following children: Mrs. E. H. Jahnz, Jr., of Charleston; Miss Sara Williamson, of Newberry; Frank Williamson, who is in the Charleston navy yard, and Ellis, Jr., a member of the 1st regiment of National Guards.—The Observer.

Mr. Williamson's friends here will regret to learn of his death. He was a resident of this city for a number of years, and at that time was in the jewelry business.

MOTHER AND CHILD BURNED.

Mrs. Sallie Brock, wife of Mr. Thos. Brock, died at Whitmire Saturday night and was buried Sunday afternoon in the Lee burying ground near Whitmire, together with her infant, the mother and child being buried in the same casket.

Mrs. Brock was not quite 17 years of age. She was held in very high esteem by all who knew her and her death has saddened many hearts.

The burial was conducted by Rev. D. W. Garvin, her pastor.

FAIRFOREST CHAPTER, D. A. R.

The Fairforest chapter, D. A. R., will meet Tuesday, September 4th, at the home of Mrs. W. J. Haile, the hostesses assisting are Mrs. J. W. Mixson and Mrs. J. D. Arthur. This is the first meeting since the summer vacation and every member is urged to be present.

Mrs. F. H. Garner, Secretary.

MUSICAL AT EDISONIA.

There will be a musical given at the Edisona theatre Thursday evening, August 30, by local talent. Popular songs and old time melodies and a little "rag" will be the features. Come out and spend a delightful evening and help along the Red Cross. The small admission of 5c and 10c will be charged.

COURT CONVENED HERE LAST MONDAY

Bills Returned by Grand Jury and Cases Tried—List of Jurors For Third and Fourth Weeks—Grand Jury Presentment.

Court convened this week with Judge S. W. G. Shipp presiding and the following bills have been returned by the grand jury:

The State vs. W. J. Estes, violation prohibition law, nol prossed. The State vs. Hugh West, bastardy, nol prossed. The State vs. Kelly Jeter, larceny, true bill.

The State vs. Ernestine Adams, nuisance, true bill. The State vs. Ned Chalk, violation prohibition law, true bill.

The State vs. Hettie Renwick, violation prohibition law, true bill. The State vs. C. L. Hyder, violation prohibition law, no bill.

The State vs. J. B. Miller, charged with forgery, true bill. The State vs. Andrew Thomson and Will Gibbs, charged with disposing of property under lien, no bill.

The State vs. Starks Hill, charged with murder, true bill. The State vs. George Wiley, charged with murder, found not guilty as to murder on first count; guilty on second count as to carrying concealed weapon and fined \$30.00 or 60 days.

Third Week Jury. J. C. Gregory, Union; J. N. Fowler, Pinckney; W. W. Wood, Jonesville; T. S. Johns, U. S. D.; Charley Stevens, Cross Keys; C. H. Harmon, U. S. D.; D. Fant Gilliam, U. S. D.; W. A. Dye, Santuc; J. F. Sanders, Pinckney; Claude Wilburn, Cross Keys; W. N. Brock, Goshen Hill; Wallace Keisler, Union; J. B. Foster, Jonesville; Jesse F. Lawson, Union, D. A. Willard, Santuc; R. L. Nance, Pinckney; I. D. Seely, Lockhart; W. W. Bishop, Cross Keys; Eugene Gregory, U. S. D.; W. Timmons, U. S. D.; Giles Smith, Bogansville; J. F. Bishop, Bogansville; Starks Porter, Pinckney; R. D. Farn, Pinckney; S. H. Wilburn, Bogansville; D. F. Stewart, Cross Keys; J. M. Bailey, Cross Keys; S. S. Lankford, Union; Geo. Brock, U. S. D.; D. B. Free, Jr., Jonesville; C. M. Bailey, Union; J. F. S. Adams, Santuc; J. Boyd Lancaster, Bogansville; J. N. Bobo, Jr., Cross Keys; J. W. Vinson, U. S. D.

Fourth Week Jury. J. N. Nix, Goshen Hill; W. D. Cudd, Pinckney; W. M. Bentley, Pinckney; W. B. O'Shields, U. S. D.; C. D. Broom, Lockhart; J. G. D. Long, Jonesville; T. H. Hawkins, Union; T. C. Jeter, Fish Dam; H. L. Sprouse, Jonesville; J. J. Welch, Fish Dam; J. L. Hawkins, U. S. D.; Sims McDaniel, Union.

TO FORT OGLETHORPE. The Columbia Record in writing of the men from various sections of the State going to the training camp at Ft. Oglethorpe has this to say about our boys:

"Union county, not satisfied with the fine record that she had already set up of having furnished more than its quota for the army, gave several of her best men to the second training camp. These joined the contingent at Union. There was also a large crowd of citizens at this station to bid their representatives adieu. "Union sent A. G. Kennedy and Dan H. Wallace.

ARMY OF WOMEN FOR UNION Mobilized on Friday, August 31st, for Volunteer Service. The officers of this organization have accepted their posts from a sense of duty and are as follows: Colonel—Mrs. L. M. Rice. Co. A.—Captain, Mrs. Guy H. Wilburn; lieutenants, Mrs. John A. Fant, Miss Mary Emma Foster. Co. B.—Captain, Mrs. C. H. Peake; lieutenants, Mrs. J. D. Arthur, Mrs. S. S. Linder. Co. C.—Captain, Mrs. H. B. Jennings; lieutenants, Mrs. D. C. Flynn, Miss Vera Murrah. Co. D.—Captain, Mrs. J. Cohen; lieutenants, Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mrs. T. C. Duncan. Corporals will be appointed to enroll the women of Union and complete the rosters of the companies. The recruiting station is at The Union Times office; if the officers fail to see you call them and sign your registration card or report your willingness to serve your country to Mrs. J. W. Mixson, Chairman Woman's Committee, Union County Council of Defense.

RED CROSS EXECUTIVE BOARD. The executive board of the Union county Red Cross chapter will meet Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce rooms and every member of the board is urged to be present. B. F. Alston, Jr., Chairman. Mrs. J. W. Mixson, Secretary.

PROBABLY NO NEGROES FOR SOUTHERN CAMPS

Almost Certain That War Department Will Issue Order at Once Sending Them Elsewhere For Training—Tennesseans May Come to Columbia

Washington, Aug. 29.—It has become practically certain that no negroes will be sent to Southern camps, which, of course, includes the camps in South Carolina. Official announcement to this effect is expected to be made immediately.

Careful investigation made for the past two days concerning rumors to the effect that the Florida draft army, which was scheduled to go to Camp Jackson, would have its place taken by Tennessee troops failed today of confirmation when Provost Marshal General Crowder said that "officially" he had no information concerning the matter and that so far as he knew the original plan would stand. It is apparent, however, that General Crowder is expecting orders from the Department of the Southeast, which may very materially change the plans at Camp Jackson, the negro question being at the bottom of the matter.

While General Crowder today said that he did not wish to go into this phase of the situation, plans might be changed, although nothing of the kind has yet come to his office "officially."

Army officers at Camp Jackson, Camp Wadsworth and Camp Sevier are understood to be watching this matter closely, in as much as a change in the plans at the former camp may cause some of them to be detailed to other points than their present locations.

It is known that since it was decided not to send the Puerto Ricans to Camp Jackson, the war department authorities have been at work rearranging plans to make up the requisite number for Camp Jackson without too seriously interfering with the plans of the other camps. Since no Puerto Ricans are to be sent to South Carolina a vacancy of about 12,000 exists which department officials are now endeavoring to fill, apparently by the substitution of the Tennessee men. As stated, however, there is nothing official here yet concerning the matter.

TO MEET FRIDAY. The patrons of the Adamsburg, Mt. Tabor and Wesley's chapel schools will meet Friday, 4 p. m., at the home of Mr. Clough Palmer to discuss the advisability of building a four-teacher graded school to serve the patrons of these schools.

McDONALD TO LEAVE UNION. Mr. J. W. McDonald, who has been manager of the McClure 10c Store at this place, has resigned and will accept a similar position with Kress and live in Chattanooga, Tenn. Since coming to Union in January Mr. McDonald has built up a good trade and made a host of friends who regret to see him leave.

APPEAL FOR HELP. Envoy M. C. Pettit makes an appeal through the columns of The Times to the good people of Union to help provide for the poor and needy of the community. He says the city authorities have assisted him to care for these unfortunates but many things are needed, such as clothes, provisions, etc., and if you feel kindly disposed, he can be found at his home on N. Mountain street.

ALL-DAY SINGING. There will be an all-day singing at Bogansville on next Sunday, September 3rd, and the book used will be William Walker's "Christian Harmony," which contains all the old-time songs. Dinner will be served on the grounds and you are invited to be present.

RED CROSS ORGANIZED AT KELLY'S SCHOOL. A Red Cross auxiliary was organized Tuesday afternoon at Kelly's school. Mrs. Macbeth Young, accompanied by Miss Mamie Oetzel, B. F. Alston, Jr., and Lewis M. Rice, attended the meeting and brought out the facts about organizing. The meeting elected Rev. J. D. Croft, chairman; Mrs. John M. Little, vice chairman; Mrs. S. J. H. Howell, secretary and Mrs. Garner treasurer. Quite a number of names had been secured for the organization and many more will join. This auxiliary will do good work in this now very important movement.

Mr. Eugene Davis of Pendleton was in the city this week on business.

SPEEDERS FINED

Must Slow Down in Corporate Limits of Union.

The police docket last Friday morning consisted of 11 cases brought up for automobile speeding within the city limits. None of those against whom the charge was made appeared for trial and each, therefore, forfeited the bond:

Table listing names and fines for speeding: Clarence Edwards \$1.00, Roy Brannon 1.00, Clarence McKee 1.00, H. L. Gaffney 1.00, Ned Arthur 2.00, Russell Sims 2.00, Will McIntire 1.00, Perry White 1.00, O. S. Brock 2.00, Miles Storm 1.00, Hoyo Gault 1.00, Wallace Clayton 1.00, Henry Goodwin 1.00, J. H. Miller 1.00, Dr. O. L. P. Jackson 1.00, Henri Going 1.00, Miles Storm 1.00, Boyd Gist, riding bicycle on sidewalk 1.00, Will Bradburn 1.00, Thomas Glenn 1.00, W. W. Colton 1.00, E. Petty case dismissed.

Where the fine was \$2.00 that was in the second offense case. Chief of Police Milo H. Evans has ordered arrests in every case where the speed limit is exceeded, and, without respect of persons, this will be adhered to. If you do not wish the inconvenience and loss that will be incurred by fast driving, slow down.

The following clippings from recent press dispatches shows the need for tightening up on the enforcement of the speed law:

Autos Killed 44 in Single Month. New York, Aug. 21.—Forty-four persons were killed and 1,656 injured in Greater New York by automobiles during the month of July, according to a report on traffic violations made public today. There were 1,227 speed violations in the greater city during July as against 1,096 in June.

Seven Killed When Train Hit Auto. Saybrook Junction, Conn., Aug. 21.—A freight engine running light over the Shore division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad last night struck and crushed at a crossing an automobile owned and driven by Robert Rohloff of New Haven, who had with him a party of four adults and four children. All the members of the party were killed except Louis W. Weyl, aged 9.

The dead are: Robert H. Rohloff, Gustave Weyel and wife, Mrs. Louis Astorino, daughter of Mr. Weyel, and her three children, and Miss Mabel Wagner.

All were residents of New Haven, to which city the party was returning after a trip to New London.

Fatal Auto Accident. Orangeburg, Aug. 23.—Last night about 8 o'clock Walter Syphrett, a white carpenter of this city, was struck by an automobile driven by A. C. Watson, from which he received wounds that caused his death an hour or two later. Mr. Syphrett is a married man and has resided in Orangeburg county all of his life. He has been living in this city a short time. The coroner's inquest was held this morning and the jury found that the accident was unavoidable. The accident occurred on East Russell street near the intersection of Center street.

KNITTERS' CLUB. The Knitters' club is still growing and new names are being added every day. Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mrs. Ed. Pruitt, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Sallie Pruitt, Mrs. Fred McGinn, Mrs. E. C. Ramsey, Mrs. J. Y. Keasler, Mrs. C. F. Hart, Mrs. L. Jolly, Union, Mrs. R. C. Bishop, Mrs. L. G. Bishop, Mrs. Chas. Bishop, Miss Emma Sparks, Miss L. Barnette, Route 2, Mrs. Jas. W. Mixson.

VARIETY OF PETS. Company E, First South Carolina Infantry, has a pet coon that the men prize highly. This company also possesses a pedigreed poodle dog, a bull dog and two beautiful cats. This is Union's brag company and embraces a capital lot of men.—Sunday's State.

AUDITOR BETENBAUGH ILL. Mr. James S. Betenbaugh, auditor of the county, is critically ill at his home. Mr. Betenbaugh was operated on for appendicitis Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Dr. Steedley of Spartanburg and the latest news before going to press is that his condition is exceedingly grave.

The experience of America in exterminating rattlesnakes ought to urge on the destruction of submarines.

Santuc; A. J. Bailey, Cross Keys; C. R. Clark, Union; J. G. Snyder, Lockhart; Jos. L. West, Bogansville; L. J. Sprouse, Pinckney; C. R. Prince, Cross Keys; Ben F. Fowler, U. S. D.; J. L. Calvert, Pinckney; J. H. Abrams, Goshen Hill; C. H. Ricker, Lockhart; J. J. Spears, Jonesville; W. H. Wilburn, Cross Keys; J. M. Bates, U. S. D.; R. S. McDaniel, Santuc; T. L. Cooper, Cross Keys; R. V. Mabry, Jonesville; J. S. G. Long, Jonesville; Sam R. Garner, Pinckney; E. M. Hightower, Bogansville; N. R. Bailey, Lockhart; Jesse Comeer, Fish Dam; T. P. Cabiness, Bogansville; J. H. Gault, U. S. D.; J. V. Vaughan, Pinckney.

Grand Jury Presentment. State of South Carolina, County of Union, Court of General Sessions, Fall Term of 1917.

To His Honor, S. W. G. Shipp, Presiding Judge:

We, the grand jury, have passed on all bills of indictment handed to us by the solicitor and have made our report on same.

Our committee appointed to visit the chain gang reports that they found it in good shape. The stock is in good condition. Sanitary conditions are good. We wish to compliment the chain gang on the good road work being done by them.

Our committee on the court house and grounds report condition good, but insist that the door in the boiler room be repaired as has been recommended in a former report.

Our committee on the poor house report that they find the conditions there greatly improved. Crops are in fine shape and all inmates as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

Our committee on the jail reports jail in good sanitary condition and only three prisoners.

We have examined the report of the auditing fund commission and note that several investments have been made since last report. We recommend that this be stopped and the money be applied to the bonds.

We thank the solicitor for his aid to this body.

We wish to thank his Honor for the courtesies shown us and ask that we be discharged from further attendance at this term of court.

Respectfully submitted, G. C. Perrin, Foreman. Aug. 29, 1917.

GOES TO SPARTANBURG. Dr. Felix Goudebeck, who has been with Hudgins Drug Co. in Columbia for several years, has resigned and accepted a position with Ligon in Spartanburg. Dr. Goudebeck is a Union county boy and has made good in his chosen profession, being a pharmacist of unusual ability and a young man of splendid character.

BAPTIST PASTOR RESIGNS. Rev. A. T. Stoudenmire, pastor of the Baptist church at Buffalo, has resigned and accepted a pastorate at Campobello.

Mr. Stoudenmire has been pastor at Buffalo for two years and had done a fine work there. He is a strong preacher and a faithful pastor and there are many people throughout Union county who deeply regret that he has decided to locate in another field.

CHANGE TAKES PLACE IN SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE. Dr. J. T. Jeter Has Resigned to Enter Medical Reserve Corps—Jas. P. Jeter Appointed to Fill Vacancy.

Jas. P. Jeter has been named by Governor Manning to succeed Dr. J. T. Jeter as supervisor for Union county. Dr. Jeter having resigned to enter the Medical Reserve Corps, having received his commission as first lieutenant. This action has been contemplated by Dr. Jeter for sometime, as he felt it his duty to offer himself to his country. The need for physicians is very great and he could not turn a deaf ear to the need.

Dr. Jeter has made a very efficient officer of the county, and that he has felt it necessary to resign is very much regretted by the citizens generally. He has for a number of years been a prominent practitioner in this county and a man of large business affairs. He is one of the most progressive planters of the county. He has two sons already serving, Sergeant Ryan Jeter and Manning Jeter in Co. A, First S. C. Infantry. The father and two sons are anxious to go to France and see active service, and it is more than probable that they will have the desire gratified.