

# CONFIRMATION OF PALMER IS DEMANDED BY HIS BACKERS

Administration Senators today predicted early confirmation of A. Mitchell Palmer as Attorney General. They declared the charges against him have fallen flat, and urged the special investigating committee to report favorably on confirmation.

The committee met today to decide whether to go more deeply into charges that Palmer, as Boston magistrate, allowed the Bosch Magneto Company to be sold too cheaply and allowed excessive fees. The committee also to decide whether it will ask Palmer to produce the books of the concern.

# 5,000 A. E. F. WIVES WED FRENCH GIRLS

PARIS, June 21.—Le Journal says more than 5,000 American soldiers have married French girls, but adds that in certain cases the young women who supposed themselves wives found that they had been tricked when ready to sail. Happily, most of the cases were regular throughout. At Bordeaux no girls were left behind.

The naval authorities have usually placed cabins at the service of the newly wedded and the soldier brigades were exempted from all duties on the way home. Many army commanders on the other hand, the paper says, have pitiful letters from girls who married Americans and then learned of previous marriages.

# WILKINS TO TAKE STAND NEXT WEEK

MINEOLA, N. Y., June 21.—Dr. W. K. Wilkins will go on the witness stand early next week and deny the charge that he murdered his wife and then blamed the crime on imaginary burglars.

# NEW OFFICERS ELECTED BY THE SONS OF JONADAB

The Sons of Jonadab, Pioneer Council No. 1, elected officers at their weekly meeting last night, at 623 Louisiana avenue northwest. Those who will serve during the ensuing year are as follows: Joseph F. Madden, Robert Bilsborough, Charles F. Browne, Charles F. Sudworth, T. L. Farley, Charles T. Smith, Charles L. Hayne, B. F. Larcombe and I. W. Kinsburg.

# Y. M. C. A. QUILTS WORK WITH OMSK FORCES

TOKYO, June 21.—Information has been received here that the Young Men's Christian Association has withdrawn its agents from the fighting zone of the forces of the Omsk government of Admiral Kolchak.

At the headquarters of the Y. M. C. A. here, which has general charge of the work in Siberia, it was stated that the organization could have continued its work in the Omsk region if it had complied with certain conditions which the Y. M. C. A. leaders believed would have tied it up to one political party. Rather than do this, it was stated, the association preferred to withdraw from the fighting zone.

E. T. Colton, of New York, administrative secretary of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A. for Russia, said there was plenty of work left to do among civilians in behalf of all the allied military units in Siberia—American, French, British, Czech-Slovak, Polish, Japanese, and Chinese. Among them the service was welcomed and continued unabated, he said.

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# GONZAGA PAROCHIAL PUPILS GRADUATED

There are wonderful opportunities for the educated man in this generation," said the Rev. Paul R. Consett, rector of Gonzaga Parochial School, in advising the boys to continue their education farther, at the presentation of diplomas to the graduating class of twenty-seven.

That it is a mistake to quit school at an early age was the lesson in Father Consett's talk, and he advised the boys not only to continue education as far as possible, but in daily life to make it a point of learning one new thing every day, even though they didn't continue school.

The following were those who received diplomas: Edward Boucher, George Burgess, John Callaghan, Charles F. Beecher, John Farrington, Aloysius Gleason, Daniel Gallagher, Thomas Hurney, Francis Heard, Raymond Kirchner, Joseph Lynch, James Mitchell, Arthur Meegan, William Marrow, Aloysius McGowan, Joseph McGowan, Daniel Mulcahey, Robert McDonald, Albert McDonald, Richard Connor, Cornelius O'Brien, Daniel Quigley, Joseph Quigley, Emmet Rhodes, John Simpson, Rudolph Saur, and David Sullivan.

Scholarships and prizes awarded were: Scholarships to Gonzaga College, James Mitchell, John Callaghan, Raymond Kirchner, Daniel Gallagher, and Albert McDonald.

# BASE DRIVE APPEAL ON SERVICE STARS

"If you have a blue service star in your home, contribute a dollar toward the National Victory Memorial Building, and have the name of your soldier, sailor or marine represented in the beautiful building to be erected in Washington in honor of the American men who fell in the war.

If you have a gold star to honor, make the contribution five dollars and have his name commemorated in this imperishable monument."

This is the letter which in a few days will be sent to every home in Washington, over the signature of Mrs. Wesley Martin Stoner, chairman of the Home Service Star committee of the District campaign, which will open Monday, for contributions to the Victory Memorial Building.

# Alleged Deserter Who Says He Was Captured By Submarine Is Freed

AYER, Mass., June 21.—Private Paul Lester Nace, whose answer to a charge of desertion was that he had been kidnaped and held prisoner on board a German submarine was given his full freedom yesterday after the finding of the court-martial acquitting him was approved by Maj. Gen. H. P. McCain, commander of Camp Devens. Nace has announced that he will ask for early discharge from the army and go to the home of a sister at Carlisle, Pa.

He disappeared from Camp Devens in May, 1918, and on October 16 reported to the military authorities at Fort Story, Va. In the interim, he said, he was held by the Germans, who, sought to obtain airplane secrets from him. He was finally freed about two miles off Cape Henry, Va., and swam ashore from the submarine, according to his testimony.

# HANDBAG SNATCHED NEAR GATE TO ZOO

The police today are searching for a colored boy about sixteen years old who yesterday snatched a handbag containing \$10 in bills and some change from Mrs. S. S. Wright, of the Cairo apartments, while she was walking on Harvard street near the entrance to the Zoo.

The second victim of the pocket-book game within three days was reported yesterday. Mrs. Julia Bannister, of 1609 Thirteenth street, was swindled out of \$60 by two colored men while she was in the Monument grounds.

# SOCIETY WOMAN, 48, WOULD WED NEGRO

BOSTON, Mass., June 21.—The reported elopement of Miss Mabel Puffer, wealthy society woman of the fashionable Sandy Pond section of Ayer, and "Honey" Hazard, a negro choreman, has stirred residents of the town into demanding that the marriage be stopped.

Miss Puffer and the negro have made formal application for a marriage license in Concord, N. H., the chief of police announced. They are now stopping there at the Phoenix Hotel.

# LEAGUE WILL BE THEME AT VESPERS

"The League of Nations" will be the theme of an address by Senator Hitchcock on board the Ellipse at 6 o'clock tomorrow evening. There will be band music and singing. Tomorrow's services mark the beginning of the third season of the vesper services on the Ellipse.

Open air services will also be held in Lincoln park every Sunday afternoon, commencing tomorrow, at 4 o'clock. The services will be held under joint auspices of the Y. M. C. A. and the churches of the city.

Another important religious feature tomorrow will be the formal opening of the Representative Methodist Church, South of the Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church, with appropriate ceremonies. Bishop Warren A. Candler, of Atlanta, Ga., will preach the morning sermon, and Bishop John C. Kilgo, of Durham, N. C., will deliver a sermon to an overflow meeting in the Sunday school room at the same time. There will be fraternal greetings from sisters during 2:30 p. m., with short addresses. Bishop Kilgo will preach in the evening.

"Plate's Washbowl" will be the theme of the morning and evening sermons of the Rev. Dr. J. Stanley Durkee, president of Howard University, who will preach at First Congregational Church "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" will form the sermon topic at the services of the following churches: First Christian Scientist Church, Columbia Road and Euclid street; Second Church, Northeast; Masonic Temple; Fourth Church, the Arcade.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Allen Tupper, of First Baptist Church, will preach in the morning on "The Wonders of the World," and in the evening on "The Awakening Giant of the East, China."

At the Centennial Baptist Church, the Rev. E. Rex Swann will preach on "If I Do What I Think is Right, Am I All Right?" at the evening service. He will preach on "No Resurrection" in the morning.

"Self-Inflicted Suffering" will be the topic of the evening sermon by the Rev. Dr. Charles Wood, of the Church of the Covenant. He will also preach at 11 o'clock.

"The Touch That Lifts" will be the topic of the morning and evening sermons of the Rev. Dr. Frank Blair Hanson, of St. Louis, who will occupy the pulpit at the morning service at Calvary M. E. Church. He will also preach in the evening.

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# 85-YEAR-OLD MAN INJURED BY AUTO

Albert H. Emery, eighty-five years old, of Stamford, Conn., stopping at the Powhatan Hotel, was knocked down by an automobile, said by the police to have been operated by Walter H. Comstock, of 113 Maryland avenue northeast, at Eighteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest last night. Mr. Emery was taken to Emergency Hospital suffering from a broken right ankle.

While responding to an alarm of fire last night the engine of No. 3 Engine Company, operated by Curry Thrift, collided at Twenty-second and S streets northwest with an automobile driven by Mrs. Reginald Fendall, of 2923 Bancroft place. Mrs. Fendall was taken to her home suffering from shock. Her automobile was badly damaged.

Florence Vermillion, three years old of 1121 Penn street northeast, was severely injured yesterday when she ran into an automobile operated by Dr. P. W. Price, of 1123 G street northeast, at Montello avenue and Penn street northeast. The child was taken to Casualty Hospital.

Dorothy Holden, colored, four years old, of 2925 Vermont avenue northwest, ran in front of an automobile operated by R. J. Conrad, 1509 North Capitol street, and received bruises on the left leg.

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# Settle Up Your Affairs; This Parson Says World Will Go Dead Dec. 31

LONDON, June 21.—Prebendary Webb Peepoe, a parson eighty-two years old, caused consternation at a church gathering in Brighton by predicting the end of the world on December 31 this year.

Mr. Peepoe proves his prediction by the Scriptures.

# AUTO SUPPLY STORE DAMAGED BY FIRE

Fire of unknown origin yesterday was discovered in the store of the Eureka Auto supply house, 1022 Fourteenth street northwest, bringing several companies of the downtown fire apparatus. Before the arrival of the fire engines the flames spread to an adjoining house occupied by J. Rotha, causing a damage there of \$300.

Hundreds of Government clerks on their way home from the various offices in the vicinity watched the firemen fight the fire. Damage to the auto supply house has not yet been estimated by the fire marshal.

A frame building at the American University was partially destroyed by fire of unknown origin yesterday. Damage is estimated at \$400.

The explosion of an oil stove in the home of Mrs. W. H. Hamilton, 2311 K street northwest, caused a small fire yesterday which was extinguished before any damage resulted.

# CLEMENCEAU WILL TELL OF FRANCE'S PEACE PACT

PARIS, June 21.—Whether the Germans sign or not, Premier Clemenceau, the Echo de Paris says, will make known to the Chamber of Deputies Tuesday the part taken by France in framing the peace terms.

The newspaper says that in case of a negative reply from the Germans the allied troops will occupy Frankfurt on the first day of the advance, and the Ruhr industrial region the second day.

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BLEAK HOUSE FOR SALE  
LONDON, June 21.—Bleak House, near King's Gate, for fourteen years the home of Charles Dickens, is for sale.

# SIMON WOLF LAIDS JEWS' PART IN WAR

A speech by Simon Wolf, of this city, made in Boston during the biennial convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations on May 21, has been published in pamphlet form for use in Hebrew religious circles in this country.

Mr. Wolf, who was introduced as the "grand old man of American Israel," told of the change wrought in the population of citizens of Jewish faith in New England during the past fifty years. He stated that migration of a wholesome character had given new life and color to the Jewish citizens and that the cosmopolitan character of Boston and New York had made a deep impression on the American Jew.

"There is much talk about Americanizing aliens," said Mr. Wolf. "Why not the natives? When civil war menaced the Union, natives threatened to desert, and it was the alien who helped to save. And the civil war actually made the world war victory a possibility, for had the South triumphed, we would have been a Mexicanized country, and there would have been no United States to aid in the great world struggle for democracy."

"Scan the casualty lists caused by the world war and you will find more than half foreign names, and all of them patriotic Americans. The immigration laws restrict illiterates, and yet it is the brain and brain that have enriched the republic.

"Disbar the mouthing, ranting anarchists, those who can speak seven languages and are patriotic in none."

Bravery of Jews  
He cited the bravery and loyalty of the Jews as proved by the New York Jews on the East Side, who took a glorious part in the "Lost Battalion" of the Argonne and in the "Fighting Seventy-seventh" New York regiment.

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