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DON'T BUY HIGH PRICED FOOD

Continual complaint is heard about the high price of food in New Orleans; but this is due, in part at least, to the fact that the people of the city refuse to substitute the cheaper foods for those on which prices have been unreasonably advanced.

Friday, flour was quoted at \$16.25 to \$16.50 a barrel at retail in New Orleans. Don't buy flour. Try bread made in whole or in part of some substitute.

At this particular season of the year, there are not many cheap foods in the market, but they can be found now, and in a few weeks will be abundant. One of them is fish.

In buying meats, too, it is not necessary to pay for the choicest cuts. Buy the cheaper cuts. Proper cooking will reduce the toughest beef to a condition of tenderness.

This is a time when the ordinary family should make its resources reach as far as possible and eliminate worry as well as waste.

The United States Steel corporation is going to take \$25,000,000 worth of the liberty loan bonds.

Even if you are within the ten-year service period which congress seems to have settled upon, you do not need to worry about it.

The Republic of Liberia has joined in the world war against Germany, but the republic of Haiti has solemnly refused to do so.

Gen. Felix Diaz has been killed again in Mexico. The general has had a long lease of life this time; nearly six months.

The 250 millions the United States has loaned Great Britain fell some thing short of paying the latter's war expenses for a week.

Of the hundred members of the legislature who have replied on the question of using \$10,000 of the state's money for a food preparedness campaign, only one is off the reservation.

Gullport reports that a devil fish of twenty feet beam and eight feet in the hold ran off with a pilot boat off Ship Island the other day.

Not content with killing and injuring people who through their own foolhardiness try to dart across streets full of vehicles making express-train speed, the gasoline vehicles are now knocking down buildings.

LOUISIANA OPINION.

Especially When Sinners Hear of It Huston Leader: Sin is as sinful when one person commits it as another, but it does not the same harm when committed by a non-church member as when committed by a member.

Hot Aero Service Oberlin News: "So owner can join aero service, newspaper and job office for sale in a good small town," says an advertisement in the Publishers' Auxiliary.

Farm Preparedness in Beauregard DeRidder Enterprise: Reports of increased acreages on the farms and gardens and back yards being planted to foodstuffs come from every section of the parish.

Punishment to Fit the Crime St. Bernard Voice: The food speculators appreciate that they are in bad odor with the people of the country and are getting ready to rob them on a more extensive scale.

Teddy Is a Fighting Man Shreveport Journal: Somehow, we cannot envision Theodore in any other capacity in this war than that of a fighting unit.

Slow, But Will Get There St. Landry Clairon: This country, having just entered as a belligerent, may seem slow in limbering up and getting its latent energies in action.

Army Doesn't Want That Kind Monroe News Star: The conscription officers will not do their duty if they do not swoop down on the convention of the "Hoboes' Union" now in session at Newark, New Jersey.

JUDGE PROVOSTY SUES FOR DAMAGES

Judge Oliver O. Provosty, of the state supreme court, is plaintiff in a damage suit for \$324 filed in the civil district court yesterday.

New Amsterdam Casualty Company vs. Eureka Homestead Society, claim for \$556. Merchants Ice Co. vs. Well-Gut-van Supply Company, claim for \$1,450.

Three white men were given prison terms Friday in the criminal district court. Joseph Ravener, found guilty of selling liquor to a woman, was given two months.

YOUNG GIRL STARTS NAVY AND MILITARY LEAGUE

A thirteen-year-old girl, has organized a navy and military league in New Orleans. The young commander of the league is Miss Pearl Viola Cox, daughter of Captain and Mrs. E. Allison Cox, of the Salvation Army, stationed in New Orleans.

STRONGEST FROM MILITARY VIEW

Guatemala's decision to follow the example of the United States in breaking off diplomatic relations with Germany adds to the world alliance against Teutonic imperialism the most important of Central American republics.

"With an army which in peace times numbers 7,000 men, and with a reserve force estimated at from 78,000 to 87,000, Guatemala is by far the most important military force in Central America.

The total available unorganized military strength of Guatemala is 328,000 men, which is three-fourths as large as all the rest of Central America combined.

"Guatemala has 70 miles of coastline on the Atlantic seaboard and 200 miles on the Pacific, the harbor, Puerto Barrios, being on the Atlantic, with regular steamship service to New York and New Orleans.

"The fact that Guatemala was the first to align itself with the United States came as something of a surprise in view of the fact that the country's industrial and commercial life had been permeated by German influence before the war.

"While coffee is Guatemala's chief article of export, the country also produces hides, rubber, bananas, sugar and chicle, the leading customers now being the United States and Great Britain.

"The capital of the republic, Guatemala City, a well-lighted, modern town of 90,000 inhabitants, five-sixths of whom are of European origin, is situated 85 miles from the Pacific coast on a plateau nearly 5,000 feet above sea level.

"Estrada Cabrera, president of Guatemala, has been the chief executive of the country for nineteen years, and only a few weeks ago began another term of six years."

EVERY DAY SUNDAY NOW FOR SOLDIERS

Soldiers in the Federal service at New Orleans who usually quench their thirst with beer, alcoholic or other similar soothing drinks, henceforth will have to resort to other means.

Yesterday, although Congress has not passed the measure making it unlawful to sell soldiers liquor, Col. Stubbs explained to Superintendent Reynolds, on request of Col. Stubbs, of Camp Nichols, issued orders to his men to "hoose" to the boys in khaki.

From reports sent to police headquarters by officers commanding the various station houses, the saloonmen are anxious to cooperate with the police and military authorities by refusing to sell Uncle Sam's liquor.

CAN FLY OLD GLORY ON STATIONERY

Representative William F. Roy, editor of the St. Bernard Voice, has established his right to print the United States flag on his office stationery. When the country became involved in war with Germany, Mr. Roy conceived the idea that it would be a stimulus to patriotism on the part of his correspondents to put this reminder of their country before them every time he wrote to them.

Mr. Roy wrote first to the United States attorney, who advised him that no Federal law had been outraged. Through District Attorney Vanez the matter was then referred to Assistant Attorney General Coe, who made the following conclusive reply:

"Dear Sir—On behalf of the Attorney General, I acknowledge your offer of the 30th ultimo, enclosing a letter head and envelope on which appears an American flag in red with the request for an opinion as to whether this violates Act 31 of 1912.

"Section 2 of said act provides: 'When by any statute of this state, the use of the flag of the United States of America or of any picture or representation of such flag, is made penal or unlawful, this act shall not apply to any act permitted by the statutes of the United States army and navy regulations or shall it be construed to apply to a newspaper, periodical, book, pamphlet, circular, certificate, diploma, warrant or commission of appointment to office, ornamental picture, article of jewelry or stationery for use in correspondence, or any of which shall be printed, painted or placed said flag, disconnected from any advertisement.'

"A letter head cannot be deemed an advertisement, and, therefore, in this particular instance I do not think it would be in violation of the aforementioned act. Yours very truly, VERNON A. COCO, Assistant Attorney General.

"From a common sense viewpoint it is plain that printing the flag on a letter head is no more of an advertisement than for a merchant to hang out the Stars and Stripes in front of his business place.

"VICAR OF WAKEFIELD" AT THE DIAMOND THEATER A character study that will delight and move is Mr. Frederick Warde's appearance in the title part of "The Vicar of Wakefield" to be presented at the Diamond Theater, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. The production is by Pauline Plancheur, and is said to be the most elaborate and costly of any staged at the big New Rochelle studios.

Mr. Warde carries himself through the picture with a great appeal for sympathy. As the superlatively patient, generous, lovable vicar, Mr. Warde gives a masterly interpretation of Goldsmith's wonderful character. Mr. Warde was under the direction of his son, Mr. Ernest Warde, who has been responsible for many photoplay productions since his famous career as stage manager for Richard Mansfield, Frederick Warde and other leading actors.

TO LIST BOATS FOR COAST DEFENSE

Canvas of the Gulf Coast to gather up all available boats for coast defense and to arrange other defenses for the coast, has been begun in the Eighth Naval district.

The chiefs have been divided into two groups, personal and material, to make the canvass. They follow: C. B. Fox, Hiberna Bank building, Florida; Dr. G. A. Macdonald, Maison Blanche building, Alabama; Captain C. B. Rea, 225 Carondelet street, Mississippi; Emile C. Hoell, Chess Checkers and Whist Club, Louisiana; John R. Perez, Hiberna building, Texas.

The bureau of materials consists of the following: E. A. McKee, 915 Hiberna building, Florida; A. Duval, 130 Charles street, Alabama; A. H. Allen, Postoffice box 1537, Mississippi; Captain F. R. Blaisdell, 110 Maison Blanche building, Louisiana; and M. S. Hart, 115 Hiberna building, Louisiana.

Later, additional bureaus will be formed and the members will strive to reach the purpose of the association, which is to defend and prepare for defense the 1,200 miles of gulf coast in the southern states. Each town, village and hamlet on coast will aid in this defense work. The work involves the enrollment of 10,000 men who are not eligible for the first line of defense.

SPEAKER LEAVES FOR HOME

Howell Bonamichel, speaker of the house, left yesterday afternoon for his home in New Roads, La., after coming here to attend the organization meeting of the committee on legislative procedure.

VELAY, CENTER OF LACE INDUSTRY

A report from Paris announces that the women of the Velay district of France are engaged in making a lace flag with the colors of the United States, to be presented to the first American troops arriving in Europe, focuses interest on a section of Central France which is of special historic interest to the United States, because it was from this region that Lafayette came.

"It would be a difficult matter for all of the lace-makers of the Velay to contribute a bit in the making of a lace flag for the first American contingent to be presented to the Velay, for these are the women of this district who are engaged in the lace industry, and it is well known that the outbreak of the war, an entire army are still serving, employed, some have, of course, been diverted to the munition factories.

"The most considerable town in the Velay region is Le Puy on Velay, the former capital of the district, situated in a natural amphitheater on the side of Mount Anis. One of the most striking features of the city is Mount Corneille, a precipitous volcanic rock which rears its head to a height of 133 feet. Upon its pinnacle has been erected a fifty-foot statue of the Virgin, cast from Russian cannons captured at Sebastopol during the Crimean war.

"The Marquis de Lafayette, America's first friend in France, was a native of this region and in Le Puy a monument has been erected to his memory. It is an interesting coincidence, in connection with the making of the American lace flag in the Velay, that it was Lafayette who, according to one version of its origin, chose the national colors of modern France. On the 17th of July, 1789, the French patriot selected the red and blue (the colors of Paris) and the royal white for the French tricolor—the flag which is today the recipient of so many honors in this country.

"Just as she sent Lafayette to fight for American independence, this section of France sent the flower of its chivalry to the Holy Land to fight in the first Crusade in 1096, and one of Le Puy's sons, Raymond d'Aiguille or d'Agiles, was the historian of the expedition.

"The women of the Velay are experts in the manufacture of lace of all kinds, employing woolen, cotton, silk, linen, gold and silver threads. Other activities of the region are chocolate and cloth manufactures and a lively trade in wool, grain and cereals.

NEAR DEATH ON ACCOUNT OF FALLS

A four-year-old girl and a man are in the Charity hospital near death as a result of injury sustained in falls yesterday. They are little Anita Dougal, 1721 Euterpe street, and Charles Harrison, 34, 4726 Flood street, a rivet cutter employed by the Louisiana Railways and Navigation company.

The child was playing on the second story gallery of her home when she leaped too far over the balustrade and fell to the ground below, a distance of 20 feet. Her skull was fractured and she was generally injured.

Harrison fell 20 feet when he lost his balance while working on a tank which was being demolished at Flood and Equiway streets. His injuries consist of three fractured ribs and hurts of the head and face.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BERNIOL

Funeral of Mrs. Verma Lee Berniol, who committed suicide by jumping in the river May 1, an obituary body later was recovered, was held yesterday from the home, 3101 Annunciation street, yesterday afternoon. She is survived by her husband and three children.

LAST CONTINGENT TO FORT ROOTS

The last contingent of recruits for the officers' training school at Fort Logan H. Roots, Arkansas, numbering 100 men, left yesterday at noon over the Texas and Pacific to go to training for the officers' reserve corps.

They will arrive in camp this morning. Already 250 additional to those who left yesterday have reported to the camp. Among those going yesterday were: Rolf A. George, Tom Tompkins, Allen Golomb, C. Karst, Jr., Clifford L. Andrus, H. S. Jackson, G. T. Walker, B. L. Knost, A. B. Walker, C. L. Blach, C. J. Travis, Thomas John Gary, C. B. Williams, O. L. Seiler, W. L. Clark, P. F. Chopin, W. J. Henderson, J. K. Bagley, William Shible, J. C. Mearns, Warren C. Voelker, H. J. Sanders, L. J. Baldwin, A. F. Bayly, E. White, J. J. Surken, G. S. Blakely, M. Kollum, L. Henry-Baudouin, E. P. Trepagnier, P. D. King, Jr., D. R. Fleming, E. A. Sullivan, F. E. Frouclina, W. H. Stratton, D. Colligan, W. Mc-McDonough, M. M. Salann, Edward Clark, Herman L. Barnet, J. W. Veith, Raoul Prudhomme, G. E. Ferronfont, C. J. Wyler, J. W. Jonchum, J. G. Bush, R. F. Reynolds, E. A. McMillen, William Bizville, Paul Stuart, Sidney S. Lapeyrouse, J. Baldoy, W. J. Galbraith, H. F. Gellan, George S. McGee, E. A. McCloskey, W. H. Norman, R. A. Schroeder, C. Mulholland, E. D. Dupont, O. L. Sambola, C. J. Averill, J. W. Friend and A. Goldstein.

ENTERTAINED DR. RITTER

New Orleans Swiss colony yesterday entertained Dr. Paul Ritter, minister of Switzerland to the United States. Dr. Ritter suddenly appeared in the city yesterday morning without anyone knowing that he was coming. He extended his condolence to the widow of the late Emile Boehl, who for a long time was the Swiss representative in the southern section of the United States.

Dr. Ritter will be in the city for two days and is registered at the St. Charles Hotel. He is here to select a successor to the late Swiss consul at this port. He refused to make any comment on the international questions or to discuss any of the matters now pending before Congress because of the delicate position in which his government found itself.

The distinguished visitor was received at consul headquarters by J. I. Eloff and L. Ritter, who is acting Swiss consul. Many prominent members of the Swiss colony were on hand to pay their respects to the visitor. The minister was taken on a ride about the city and was given a supper at Spanish Fort last night.

RECRUIT IS MARRIED

AS HIS UNIT DRILLS By International News Service. Chicago, May 11.—Standing beneath an archway of crossed bayonets, Private Harold H. Clarke, of the Second Illinois Infantry, and Miss Jessie Aldrich were married while below the balcony on which they were standing 500 members of the bridegroom's regiment drilled. "And may God bless you both, who are doing your duty by your native land," said the clergyman. There was a seraping of bayonets from the couple's military escort and sobbing from the women guests. Mrs. Clarke had consented to be married when her fiancé soberly informed her that marriage or no marriage, he could not delay enlisting.