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## ATTACK ON WIFE CAUSES KILLING

WIFE SHOTS HER HUSBAND THROUGH HEART

### SELF DEFENSE TO BE PLEA

Mrs. Peterson Declares Husband Attempted to Stab Her When She Fired Fatal Shots

Pascal Peterson, a watchman for the St. Charles Hotel, was shot by his wife last night at her home in Iberville street, near Bourbon, and died without making a statement. Peterson, according to his wife's story, attacked her with a knife, and followed her into the street. After she shot him through the heart at the gate of her residence he ran across the street and fell dead on the opposite side.

While the shooting was occurring the two little Peterson girls, Alma aged 7, and Nola aged 4, were peacefully sleeping in a room nearby. Peterson was killed with a revolver which had given his wife four wounds.

There were no eye-witnesses of the tragedy, and Mrs. Peterson's version of the killing is the only statement available. The police last night were looking for a stranger who accompanied Peterson to his home, and served as a messenger for the latter to effect an entrance.

Last night was the second time this week that Peterson had visited his home, according to a statement by the police. The night before he had slept on the gallery of the residence, and had left early in the morning when a woman in an adjoining residence came out for a bucket of water.

Immediately after the killing, Captain Capo, Sergeant Stuype, and Patrolman Edward Chilotte, of the third precinct station, went to the scene, and placed Mrs. Peterson under arrest. Later the body of her husband was sent to the morgue, where it was found that three shots had taken effect. The fatal bullet entered the left breast near the top of the heart. Another bullet barely scratched the right arm, while a third passed through the left arm above the elbow.

**Wife Tells Story**  
Mrs. Peterson, who is of medium height, well-built, and a comely brunette, told a dramatic story of the affair to reporters at the Third precinct station a couple of hours after the shooting. She was calm and self-possessed and described the affair to the minutest detail. As she sat talking to reporters her wedding ring still encircled her finger.

"My husband came to my home with another man about half past eight o'clock," she stated. "I do not know who the other man was. My father was visiting me at the time, and the stranger came up and asked my father to go downstairs with him."

"Pascal saw my father at the foot of the stairs, leading off the alley, and asked that he be permitted to come up if he would behave himself. Pascal came upstairs and pretended to be very affectionate, taking me in his lap and hugging me. I remembered the times he had beat me, and putting my arms around him I took his billy away from him."

**Becomes Thirsty**  
"Pretty soon my husband pretended to be very thirsty, and kept telling my father to go for beer. Papa finally consented, and went off with a bucket. As soon as he was gone my husband changed his tone. He pulled out of his pocket a small

## JURY SEEKS LINK IN FIASCO PLOT

NEW YORK ANARCHIST SUSPECTED AS CONSPIRATOR

### MOONEY TRIAL CONTINUES

Prosecution Introduces Suitcase Containing 46 Sticks of Dynamite and Clock, as Evidence

San Francisco, June 27.—The grand jury is considering evidence tending to link Alexander Berkman, New York anarchist, as a conspirator in the preparedness parade explosion.

David Miller and other Pacific coast anarchists have been summoned to testify. In the trial today of Mrs. Rena Mooney, a suitcase containing forty-six sticks of dynamite with an alarm clock, which was found, according to M. J. McIntosh, an itinerant horse trader, at Tanforan, a month before the explosion, was introduced as evidence. L. E. Melendy, chauffeur, testified he had driven Billings, a co-defendant of Mrs. Mooney, close to the spot where the dynamite was found.

A special program will be rendered.

## JULY 9 IS DATE FOR LEGISLATURE

Twenty subjects will be included in the call for the special session of the legislature to be held July 9, according to the tentative draft of the call made by the governor. The call will be made June 29 and the legislative session will be extended to twenty days instead of fifteen in order to make sure that the lawmakers have plenty of time to attend to their business.

"Many vital matters have arisen which were not at first contemplated," said Governor Pleasant. "Yet, I do not believe there will be anything in the call to bring on contention and I hope the work may be finished in fifteen days as first planned." The legislature can adjourn at any time within the twenty days.

## HARRISON LAW CHARGE: TWO UNDER ARREST

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Harris, of 534 North Rampart street, were arrested yesterday afternoon by city detectives, in company with L. A. Douglas, internal reveue agent charged with violating the Harrison law by having drugs in their possession. James McGurdy, of 1733 St. Ann street, who was found on the premises, is being held pending investigation. The detectives say that Mrs. Harris received from an express company a shipment of eight bottles of morphine. They also report finding a number of hypodermic syringes in her house.

## HAIG IS SILENT ON PROGRESS OF BATTLE

London, June 27.—Sir Douglas Haig made no reference in his report today about the progress toward Lens by the Canadians within the last seventy-two hours. The belief prevails that the commander is silent regarding the battle for the great coal city until the final blow is struck. Dispatches emphasize the importance of the new progress toward Lens. The Germans again yielded to pressure of the Canadians. They have withdrawn behind Avion-Mericourt switch line to the south of the city. There they are awaiting onslaughts behind a typically Hindenburg machine gun front. The British do not expect easy sailing west of the city.

## Wide Difference Over Liquor Law

Washington, June 27.—A wide difference of opinion exists in the senate. Even Prohibitionists doubt the wisdom of forcing bone dry laws at this time. Senator Sheppard, of Texas, the father of the Nation-wide bill, said he sincerely hoped the bill would pass in its present form. His only complaint was it didn't go far enough. He said the law should prevent the use of grapes for wine.

## TO ORGANIZE A STATE BRANCH

Women of New Orleans will gather in the ball room of the Gunewald Hotel tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and organize the Louisiana branch of the National Woman's party. Mrs. Florence Bayard Hilles, of Delaware, will be the principal speaker. The object of the organization is to gain a federal amendment to the constitution which would enfranchise women.

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## BROYARD SHOULD HAVE STAYED DEAD

SUPPOSED DEAD MAN PICKED UP FOR OLD BURGLARY

### DAY'S BUDGET OF LARCENIES

Charge of Theft of Goods in Transit Puts Two Longshoremen in Uncle Sam's Hands

Sometimes when a ghost comes to life it is very inconvenient for whoever happens to be around at the time. Then again it may be very convenient for the "ghost." This latter was what Albert Broyard, colored, found out to his sorrow yesterday.

On the night of May 4, 1916, Broyard entered the residence at Broad and Carondelet Walk of Tony Caci, a saloonist, according to the police, and stole from under Caci's pillow a revolver and \$20 in currency. When the saloonist awoke, the negro held a handkerchief soaked with chloroform to Caci's nose, and then made his escape.

The police conducted a vigorous search for Broyard. Some time after

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Two longshoremen, Theodore Richter, of 2129 Frenchmen street, and William Cashen, of 619 Thalia street, were arrested yesterday afternoon by the Third precinct police on a charge of stealing half a tub of butter, valued at \$5, from the hold of the steamship Villafra, moored at the head of Gaianne street. The two men, it is alleged by the police, had the butter in their possession. They were charged with violating a Federal law prohibiting the theft of goods while in transit.

Three white men forced an entrance to a grocery at Poydras and Bolivar streets, owned by John Albano, early yesterday morning. They were heard by a man sleeping over the grocery, who called for help and frightened them off. One of the would-be burglars fired a revolver as he ran away.

## Woman is Arrested

Alva B. Howell, 711 Camp street, had a woman of the underworld arrested yesterday for the alleged theft of \$2 from his person. He stated that the money was taken from him in a Bienville street house. The police found a couple of dollar bills in the woman's shoe.

Further complications have followed the theft of a horse belonging to Thomas Chinn, of 8327 Maple street, which was found in possession of Joseph Ferrara, an Italian peddler, of 3204 Dumaine street. Ferrara told the police that he purchased the animal from Joseph Varron, of 1915 Valence street and the latter says he bought it from Philip Guarnison, of 2701 St. Thomas street. All three Italians are being held by the police.

## MAY BUILD CARS

It is rumored here that the United States government may shortly undertake the construction of 100,000 freight cars to relieve the present car congestion and enable the nation to more promptly obtain shipment of material for its war needs.

## SIX SHIPS DESTROYED

New York, June 27.—An American schooner, four neutral vessels and one British liner were reported from various sources destroyed by mines or submarines. The loss was thirty lives. No Americans were killed.

# FRANCE GOES WILD WITH JOY AS PERSHING'S TROOPS LAND

### Thousands of First Expeditionary Force Disembark at French Port, Without the Loss of a Single Man ---Made Great Impression.

By C. F. BERTELLI, International News Service Staff Correspondent.

A French Seaport, June 27, 5:30 P. M. (Passed by Censor).—Gen. Pershing's boys are here. Thousands of them came within the last twenty-four hours out of the misty vastness of the sea, a U-boat sea, with not a torpedo scratch, and not a man lost. Spick and span, every one of them every inch a man, they tramped down the gangways to the strains of the "Star-Spangled Banner" into a pandemonium of unending cheers.

Tonight they are already in camp and itching to get to the front. The camp is not far from here and is in charge of General William L. Sibert, who came in command of the troops. Gen. Pershing is coming over from Paris tomorrow to greet them.

As these thousands poured off the transports, scores of German prisoners on the pier, looked half sideways at the strapping newcomers. Those who watched could discern a grudging admiration in their looks.

The remarkable thing was the spontaneity of their welcome. Not an inkling of their coming was given out and not until their safe arrival ready to disembark was the momentous news known. Then the people went wild. Old men, boys and women swarmed upon the piers, all the young men being at the front. The women were frantic with joy and gratitude. The Americans answered by throwing silver coins ashore, which were gathered for sacred

The disembarkation was conducted in an orderly manner. Confusion was an unknown quantity to the khaki-clad youths and their officers.

The troops swung off through the streets where the populace gave them a tremendous ovation, and showered flowers, fruits, cigarettes and dainties upon them. "Vive l'Amérique" was the unending cry. This shout was repeated over and over again.

"You'll chase the Germans out of the country," shouted the people. "We will," came the thunderous chorus from the Yankee boys.

The reception of the Americans and their progress through the city was a great triumphal march. The onlookers remarked time and again upon the youth and splendid physique of the Americans. For France it was the proudest day since the battle of the Marne.

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## \$2,500 LOSS DUE TO CARELESSNESS

Two houses were partly destroyed, and a loss of \$2,500 caused yesterday afternoon by children playing with matches in a front room of the home of Louis Werner, 2123 Soniat street. The fire spread to adjacent houses before it was placed under control.

Werner's house was damaged \$1,000 and its contents entirely destroyed. The double frame cottage on the uptown side, owned by Nathan Cohen, was damaged \$500. The two places were occupied by colored families. The loss is covered by insurance.

## GILMORE WAS IMPATIENT

Mrs. M. Sabathier, 1231 Dumaine street, yesterday afternoon preferred a charge of malicious mischief against her brother, Manuel Gilmore, of 1133 Royal street. She told the police that Gilmore called at her house to see if she had any of his shirts, and that when she closed the door before going to lock for them Gilmore kicked the glass in, and then ran off.

## WISCONSIN TO HAVE BIG PRISON FARM

Madison, Wis., June 26.—Wisconsin is to have a prison farm. By terms of a bill passed by the State legislature and signed by Governor Philipp the state board of control will convert about 3,000 acres of the cut-over land in Northern Wisconsin into a vegetable garden to support other state institutions.

Paris, June 27.—France is enjoying with amazed pleasure the manner in which Major-General Pershing's staff officers are making ready for American troops.

The American headquarters in the Rue Constantin having already proved too small to accommodate all the staff workers, rough pine tables were set out today in the small garden to the rear.

There visitors found American officers—coats off, some smoking pipes— feverishly attacking their work. Some of them, faced with a shortage of stenographers and typists, were even laboriously pounding out their own letters and orders. For an officer to do such a thing is absolutely unheard of in France. The populace accepts it as another evidence of how hard America is working to aid in the fight for democracy.

## Has Had Inspiring Effect

The longer the American military leaders are here the more they appreciate the importance which the French attach to America's decision to send troops. The soldiers are desirable not merely for themselves, but because American participation in the war in a military way has had a wonderfully inspiring effect on all the other allied troops.

A little example was cited by a general staff officer who participated yesterday evening in the bi-weekly reception given by American women to French soldiers returning on furlough. The men formerly sang a great deal, always the "Marseillaise" by preference, but latterly this had stopped. The appearance of Americans in uniform, however, had an instant effect and the soldiers were roused to all their old-time enthusiasms.

Another task which the Americans are facing is the elimination here and at home of as much red tape as possible. Every day makes them feel more and more the necessity of as free a hand as possible, as they are actually on the spot and cognizant of the needs of the situation.

It was learned today that the