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NO HALF BAKED LEGISLATION

The famous espionage bill, shorn of many of its objectionable features, finally ran the gauntlet in the senate Monday evening.

Some disappointment is voiced in Washington because all these war preparation bills were not crowded through, and because it may be late summer before they are enacted into law.

As an example of the advantages of going about the war legislation slowly and deliberately, take the espionage bill, which has just passed.

It is apparent to anyone who follows the news closely that the United States faces a tremendous task in this war—a task of many months, and possibly of years.

It is breathlessly announced from Baton Rouge that W. T. Peterman has been appointed member of the St. Mary school board, despite the fact that he was John M. Parker's campaign manager.

Having temporarily dropped the exposition idea, Gulfport is now offering its exposition site and buildings for a naval training station.

Until further action, the only censorship our mails will undergo will be the reading of our post cards by the postmaster, as heretofore.

The editor of the Madison Journal is a sarcastic cuss, but what he says in the following paragraph will likely find its echo in many communities.

The city board of health complains that during the month of April twenty three dairymen were detected watering the milk they sold to the extent of over thirteen per cent.

Chicago has increased its Red Cross membership by 81,000 in a nine days' campaign.

The Chinese congress has finally decided that it does not want China to be a world power and take the European war degree.

Another silver lining: Chicago restaurants are about to set the good example of stopping the free distribution of toothpicks.

LOUISIANA OPINION.

Not a Kid Glove Job

Crowley Signal: This war is the old struggle renewed in its truest form with those forces of reaction, brutality and materialism that have periodically sought to drag man back into the pit whence he came.

Don't Sell Corn on Futures

Lafayette Advertiser: It is certain that because of the shortage in the winter wheat crop there will be an increased demand for corn and that it will command a good price.

Run Over the Obstructionists

Shreveport Journal: The fever tick cannot be confined to a particular area by statute. It must be destroyed. And compulsory eradication is worth nothing unless it compels.

Received Great Ovals

Farmerville Gazette: If the French and English governments had any doubts about the loyalty and enthusiasm of the American people in the war against the common enemy those doubts will certainly be dispelled when the representatives of those countries return home.

A Resplendent Event

Lafourche Comet: On page two of the Comet today will be found the detailed account of the resplendent wedding of Miss Gladys Ewing to Dr. Abbott Carson Combes, as it was published by the Houston Post.

Too Late for Post Mortems

Ruston Leader: Is there anybody who really knows who is responsible for the present war in Europe?

Reputates the Weather

St. Helena Echo: The Echo disclaims any responsibility for the weather during the past week.

POLICE PROBE MAY DAVIS' DEATH

One man is being held and another sought by the police in connection with the death of May Davis, 28, known as Grace Reese in the underworld, who was found dead with a towel tightly drawn about her throat in her room at 1529 Canal street early yesterday morning.

Charles Young, bartender in a cafe at Conti and Villere street, the woman's alleged sweetheart, is being detained by Police Superintendent Reynolds.

However, the police are inclined to believe Young knows more about the tragedy than he cares to tell.

The man who is being looked for is George Davis, supposed to be May Davis' husband. Police say he was formerly of Hattiesburg, Miss.

TO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY OF QUEEN VICTORIA

In the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association, 845 St. Charles street, on the evening of May 21, at 8 o'clock, will be celebrated the ninety-eighth anniversary of the birth of Queen Victoria.

POPULAR COUPLE TO WED

Miss Edna Kane and Mr. Robert E. L. Besnard will be married this evening. The ceremony will take place at St. Henry's Catholic church at 5:30 o'clock.

FEW NEW CASES TRIED

Filings in the civil district court were unusually quiet yesterday, there being only a few cases filed. The cases follow: Miss Alice Henning vs. Dr. Joseph M. Garcia, claim \$300; Victor Carondelet vs. Lucien Arcene, confession of judgment, \$1,223.45; Fidelity Land Co. vs. E. J. Benton et al., claim note, \$150; Philip Werlein, Ltd. vs. W. D. Priest, sequestration, 0213.07.

ISABELLA COURT PLANS SHOWER

A bedding shower will be planned at a meeting of the Court Blanche of Castle 451, Daughters of Isabella. The daughters will meet at the residence of Mrs. M. A. Oakes, 1200 Short street, corner of Oak.

CROSSES FOR THE VETERANS

Invitations have been extended to the members of the other three chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy to be the guests of the New Orleans chapter to take part in the ceremony of bestowing crosses on veterans on Jefferson Davis' birthday, June 3.

HERE ON SHOPPING TRIP

Paul Frederick, of Luling, La., and Marcellin Zerlingue, of Ama, prominent citizens of St. Charles parish, were in the city for a few days.

WISCONSIN WAR BODY WILL CONTROL FOODS

Madison, Wis., May 15. Not only is the Wisconsin Council of Defense to be empowered to seize foodstuffs and fuel, but by the provisions of an amendment to the state defense bill the council shall have power to take over and commandeer all production of foodstuffs in the state.

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MENTE WAS THE VICTOR

In "Cooked Hat" Contest at Y. M. G. C. Last Night J. C. Mente proved the winner at the opening tournament in the "Cooked Hat" contests last night at the Young Men's Gymnasium club.

NO MERIT TO CHARGES

Earl Newman, brother of Commissioner Harold Newman, was acquitted in second criminal court Monday morning, of violating the law relative to accepting bets on the races.

WOULD-BE SUICIDE DIES

Mrs. Bessie Owens, 1003 Bourbon street, who took a half-ounce of mercury tablet last week in an attempt to end her life while despondent over the death of her sister, died at the Charity Hospital late last night.

FIRE MARSHALS COMING HERE

New Orleans will have the next national convention of the fire marshals of North America, according to State Fire Marshal Campbell, who returned yesterday from the annual convention at Washington, D. C.

A MEMORIAL MEETING

Members of the Ruth McKerns Clan, an organization formed to the memory of the late Mrs. Stuart, will hold memorial services in her memory at Gibson Hall, Tulane University, next Monday.

LIBERTY BOND DONATED

A \$100 Liberty Bond was presented to the Catholic Women's Club as a birthday present at the meeting yesterday. The money was raised by the membership and will be devoted to the building fund.

JOY FOR WOODWARD-WIGHT MEN

Each of the 250 employees of the Woodward, Wight & Co., Ltd., Howard avenue, Constance and St. Joseph streets, will receive a 10 per cent increase in salary.

DOING HIS SHARE

Russell E. Gardner of St. Louis, brother of Governor Gardner of Missouri, was in New Orleans yesterday. Besides offering his two sons to the United States navy, he leased the fast yacht C. B. Fox for an indefinite period and has tendered its use to the government.

KILLS HERSELF WHEN WAR TAKES FAMILY

Stuttgart, May 15.—Grazed by the report that her fifth and last son has been killed at the front in France, Mrs. Martha Sauter, the widow of a wealthy miller in Ziegelbach, has committed suicide. The unfortunate woman, who also lost her husband less than three months ago, threw herself into a mill pond.

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BAPTISTS GATHER FOR CONVENTION

More than 1,000 Baptists have arrived to attend the annual Baptist Conference which convenes at the Athenaeum this morning at 10 o'clock.

Attention of all delegates has been called to the fact that they will have to obtain badges at Room E, Hotel Greenwood upon arrival as no delegate will be admitted to the convention hall unless he or she has a badge.

Political gossip of the convention was ripe yesterday. Under the rules of the conference, a president cannot hold office but three years.

The day's session will be occupied for the most part with the report of committees and new subjects will be introduced until later.

ASSAULTED AND ROBBED

Memphis Salesman Acquires \$200 Worth of Experience J. W. Sykes, 27, a salesman from Memphis, Tenn., was assaulted and robbed of \$200 in Iberdriest street, between Cleveland and Palmyra streets late Monday night.

INJURED IN BARGAIN RUSH

Knocked down while pushing in a crowd to attend a bargain sale in a Canal street department store yesterday, Mrs. Max O'Connor, 64, 1304 Constance street, was painfully injured.

WHY CALL IT GAY, ANYHOW?

Anthony Pillittere and his son, Joseph, proprietors of a saloon at 2310 South Claiborne street, were arrested yesterday for violating the Gay-Shattuck law.

HERE ON BUSINESS TRIP

Ray Craft, of Lake Charles, was in New Orleans yesterday in the interest of his firm, looking after the completion of several big contracts in Calcasieu parish.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Mrs. Andris Bobitez, 2516 Nicholas street, a boy. Mrs. John Flores, 919 N. Rampart street, a girl.

Marriages

Joseph Mayor and Mrs. Annie Ose born. Anthony Divarn and Miss Josephine Gondelfi. Albert Vallabay and Miss Mary Wright.

Deaths

William Reinhardt, 57 years, 6215 Tchoupitoulas. Julius Terchmann, 50 years, 3000 St. Charles. Wm. Weiss, 29 years, 2050 Felicite.

U. S. DAILY WEATHER REPORT

Wednesday, May 16, 1917. Forecast till 7 p. m. Wednesday. For New Orleans and vicinity: Generally fair; light north-easterly winds.

LOCAL METEOROLOGICAL RECORD

Temperature Record Yesterday's temperature record at New Orleans, as shown by the thermograph of the U. S. Weather Bureau, on the roof of the Postoffice building, was as follows:

Weather Record

The following is the weather data for May 15, 1917, at New Orleans: 7 a.m. 2 p.m. 7 p.m. Temperature 62 72 72

RIVER FORECAST

The Mississippi River, below Vicksburg, and the Atchafalaya will fall slowly. The Red River, below Shreveport, and the Ouachita will fall during the next 18 hours.

SUCCESSION NOTICE

SUCCESSION OF MISS MARGIE ORR MARSHALL A. TRISTAN, CIVIL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS, DISTRICT NO. 11, HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE MISS MARGIE ORR MARSHALL.

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