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### BE YOUR OWN CREDITOR

Every citizen of the United States who can spare or save the price should buy one of the nation's liberty loan bonds. These bonds have behind them all of the property and all of the money earning power of the country, including yours. If you buy a bond, you become a creditor of the nation, yourself included.

Never before were the bonds of the United States offered to the general public on terms that ordinary citizens could accept. Don't get this idea into your head, because a campaign is being made to place them in the hands of the people, that the government is obliged to appeal to the country generally for the money. It is the choice of Uncle Sam to make his citizens his creditors, not a matter of necessity. The liberty loan bonds are a gilt edge investment, paying gilt-edge returns, and financiers are loading up on them to the extent of their liquid financial resources.

The chief complaint about the civil war was that the bondholders got all the money. For an appreciable number of years after it closed, "bondholder" was a term of reproach, though unjustly so. Men who put up their good money during the critical stage of the civil war risked it on the result of the war. When the war ended in favor of the union, the bonds soared in price and the men who had the faith and courage to invest in them reaped huge benefits.

The man who buys liberty loan bonds takes no risk; the richest country in the world is behind the obligation; and he has an equal chance of participating in the benefits. If Panama bonds of the United States bearing two per cent interest could be disposed of at par, an United States bond bearing three and one half per cent interest is an attractive investment. It is non-taxable and the income it yields is net income. Nothing but the end of the world could affect the solidity of the security behind it, and if that happens, we will not worry about bonds and securities. If the United States ever issues bonds bearing a higher rate of interest, the liberty loan bonds will pay the higher rate. If the war should end before it is necessary for the United States to go beyond the seven billion dollars devoted to its prosecution, the bonds would immediately rise rapidly in value.

To a large portion of its patrons, The Bee does not need to preach on the advantage of buying bonds. They come of a nation which, through sensible economy, not penuriousness, has developed an amazing reserve of resources, just as it has demonstrated a wonderful reserve of courage and manhood. They do not need education on the wisdom of buying government securities. But to the rest we would say, buy a liberty bond and be your own creditor. Your property, even down to your daily earnings, is pledged to the payment of these bonds, and it is better for you to draw the interest yourself than to pay it to others. Save money from your daily expenses and buy a bond. Make it a sort of game to see where you can economize and devote the savings to the purchase of bonds. Make the old clothes do a little longer and walk distances of less than a mile instead of paying a nickel to ride. If you acquire the thrift habit, and wisely invest your savings, you will be better off in every way when the war ends despite its burdens and sacrifices.

A sentry at the Charleston waterworks had visions of a German invasion the other night when a man approaching him refused to halt at his command. At the inquest it developed that the man was deaf and dumb. This is no time for anybody to be wandering around late at night, particularly those who are deficient in any of the senses.

It is surprising that St. Petersburg, Florida, has not snatched off a little free advertising by changing its name to Petrograd.

Let us hope that the garden planting season has not yet come to an end at Oyster Bay.

The government of Great Britain is going to grant limited suffrage to women; that is, to women who are so desirous of the vote that they are willing to put themselves on record as being past thirty.

The government has been compelled to order the Enfield, the British type of rifle, for our new army, because the government arsenals are now turning out only 200,000 a year of the Springfield and can't be speeded up beyond a half million a year. For our fellow citizens to be conscripted and trained, and then compelled to stand around for two years, waiting for guns so they could go over and end the war would be annoying, to say the least.

Switzerland is about to send a commission to the United States to ascertain whether we intend to let the neutral nations starve in order to feed the allies. This thing of being everybody's uncle has its disadvantages.

### LOUISIANA OPINION.

#### Couldn't Drag Him Off

Ruston Leader: Those German officers who wished to discuss peace terms with General Dragomoff doubtless thought they had caught a Tartar.

#### Waterloo for Tax Dodgers

Assumption Pioneer: Between the State Board of Affairs and special war tax collectors, the only thing left for the much-talked-of gentleman, the tax-dodger, is to throw up his hands.

#### Urge Negroes to Register

Monroe News Star: Every possible effort should be made to have the negroes and foreigners register on the day selected. As a usual thing, negroes will neglect this matter until it is too late and then they may be arrested and punished. Foreigners may not think it necessary for them to register, and may not do so. Hence, it is of the utmost importance that all males between 21 and 31 register. Negro preachers and teachers are urged to take this matter up and do their utmost to save any and all of their race from possible punishment for failure to register. Leaders among our foreign-born population are asked to make a special effort to have their countrymen register.

#### Bond Buying Patriotism Test

Shreveport Journal: We believe—may, we know—that in a test of substantial patriotism, the south will take rank with any other section of the American union. And purchase of the Liberty bonds is a test of patriotism—an infinitely greater test where interest rates are high than where they are low. As the federal reserve committee urges, it is our profound duty to stand by the nation in the present crisis. Our country has protected us not only in the acquirement but in the possession of whatever material blessings have come to us. Subject only to the actual needs of the state, our possessions are our own. Quite independent of our love for the institutions our forefathers created, we owe a debt of gratitude to the country for the protection it has afforded us. We have enjoyed life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness without hitherto being required to pay for them. And we should not object to sustaining these principles with our blood and our riches now.

#### Making a Nice Distinction

Alexandria Town Talk: Let us have Red Cross workers by all means. But let us not have women turning themselves into cross red workers because they haven't done a little sane thinking or haven't the courage of their convictions.

#### Enforce Law or Repeal It

Monroe News Star: We do not pretend to know the loafers and idlers, but we are of the opinion that there has been no real earnest attempt made to enforce the order of the mayor, publicly given. It may be, however, that all those subject to arrest have left Monroe. It may be that all street corner patriots, loafers and idlers have suddenly acquired an occupation, and are no longer simply consumers, but are producers. There is no use in dodging the issue. Either enforce the law rigidly all down the line, arresting white and black alike or repeal the law. There is no use in making a farce of any law, for when the public realizes that a law is not enforced they quite naturally have a contempt for other laws.

#### Preachers of Sedition

Farmerville Gazette: There is a rumor afloat that two strange white men have recently been operating in the southern section of this parish among the negroes, preaching sedition and making them all kinds of vague promises in an effort to get them to rebel against the government. If this is true, it is a very serious matter—especially serious will it prove to be to those who are trying to incite the darkies to rebellion and to those negroes who are foolish enough to enter into such a foolhardy venture.

## ITEMS OUT OF THE ORDINARY FROM THE DAY'S COURT GRIND

A verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$15,000 was returned by a jury in the Federal court yesterday morning in the case of Mrs. Robert Thompson Husk vs. the New Orleans Railway and Light company, this being one of the largest money verdicts returned in many months. Mrs. Husk had sued for \$100,000 damages for the death of her husband, who was killed in St. Charles avenue, near Lee Circle, by a street car.

The first suit brought by Mrs. Husk resulted in a mistrial. The case was called for trial a second time last week, and at the conclusion of the testimony Judge Foster directed the jury to return a sealed verdict. The verdict was reached in less than half an hour and was opened yesterday morning and read by the clerk of court.

#### SLAYER OF MITTEN IS INSANE

Ernest Caron May Go to Asylum Instead of Asylum

A new trial will be secured for Ernest Caron of 3312 Dumaine street, who was convicted a couple of weeks ago in the Criminal District court of killing Henry Mitten, 939 North Hagan avenue, on the evening of June 20, 1916. A report has been prepared by Coroner Joseph O'Hara to the effect that Caron was undoubtedly insane when he committed the deed. Instead of going to the penitentiary Caron probably will be sent to the asylum.

O'Hara had satisfied himself of Caron's mental irresponsibility before the trial, it is said, but the latter was brought to trial and convicted while the coroner was out of the city. Caron has been subject to epileptic fits for twenty years, according to his wife. A week after his arrest for the Mitten killing he was seized with a fit in the parish jail and the efforts of several deputies were required to keep him from taking his own life.

## JUNK DEALER AND NEGROES PINCHED

Two more alleged members of the gang of copper and brass thieves who have been operating across the river were arrested in Algiers yesterday afternoon. They are Gilford Kirkfield and Henry Wingfield, negroes, living at 391 Larague street, Algiers, who are accused of stealing \$1,300 worth of copper wire from the Berthaut Iron works several months ago.

David Candy, junk dealer at 217 North Tonti street, was also arrested. He admitted to the police that he bought the wire from the negroes but has sold it since.

Patrolman Bell and Hoffman, of the Eighth precinct station, had Kirkfield and Wingfield under surveillance for some time. Yesterday they visited the negroes' house and under it found insulation that had been cut from wire. On this evidence they arrested them and the blacks are said to have confessed the theft, naming Candy as the junk dealer who bought the copper.

Several months ago six white men and negroes, one a junk dealer, were arrested in connection with the theft of brass and copper in Algiers.

#### GERMANS TO REWRITE

BIBLE AFTER WAR

The Hague, May 26. — According to a copy of the German newspaper Kreuzzeitung of Berlin, just received here, the Germans are going to rewrite the Bible. The article says:

"If any further proof were needed of the immeasurable superiority of the Germans, intellectually and morally, over the rest of mankind, it is to be found in the mental attitude of our people toward the Bible as compared with that of other nations.

"The English regard that book as their most valuable commercial asset, and use it mainly as a form of barter with savage tribes for their good will, their assistance, and the supply of their natural products, and in England itself it is exploited solely in the propaganda of that spirit of hypocrisy which has stood the British in such good stead for ages to hoodwink and spoil other races.

"It must be one of the first tasks on the conclusion of this war, when Germany shall arise out of it renewed in power and vitality like another phoenix, to set a board of qualified experts to work to produce, not only for our own benefit, but also for the moral uplifting of mankind, a new, more glorious, a purer Bible, instinct with the German spirit of Kultur and morality."

#### Wants to End a Gretna Marriage

Having lived away from her husband and supported herself for eight years, Mrs. Frederick Mussen has concluded that she might as well get a divorce, and separation proceedings were instituted in the civil district court yesterday. The couple separated in October, 1909, after Mussen had abused her, according to the plaintiff in the proceedings. It was a Gretna marriage.

#### Inventory in Davis Estate

The inventory of the minor, Vernon Davis, in the estate of the late William G. Davis, is valued at \$83,333 in an inventory filed in civil district court yesterday. The assets of the estate consist of a judgment against the New Orleans and Northeastern railroad for \$7,000, for the death of Davis, less \$2,000 which goes to the attorneys in the damage suit.

#### New Suits Filed Yesterday

The following new suits were filed in the civil district court: Mrs. Evelyn Batch Cousins vs. Richard Cousins, divorce; Catherine E. Markey vs. Frederick Mussen, divorce; The Texas Oil Co. vs. City of New Orleans, claim, \$1,221; The Texas Oil Co. vs. William F. Denny, claim, \$161.61.

#### SEEK REFUGE UNDER THE FLAG

Applications for United States citizenship continue in New Orleans. Ten more aliens applied at the Federal court yesterday, five being Italians. They were: Vitale Sierra, 1015 North Rampart street; John P. Testamale, 916 Royal street; Jake Craffagnini, 301 South Hagan avenue; Micheli Tusa, 1900 Louisiana avenue, and John Ferrara, 1206 Royal street, Italians; and John J. Webster, 1225 Octavia street, Canadian; Theodore Anderson, 328 Prieur street, Swede; Feibel Schainuk, 2017 Broadway street, Russian; Stephen Koneclum, 1532 Tulane avenue, Austrian, and Charles Guzman, 633 Dauphine street, Mexican.

## DOESN'T PAY TO RESIST OFFICER

Aaron Rosen, junk dealer, 741 Magnolia street, refused to surrender some stolen property found in his possession when Corporal Anderson, of the first precinct station, called at his place yesterday afternoon. So Corporal Anderson arrested him and his son, Morris, who is alleged to have interfered, went to jail with him.

According to Anderson, when he arrested Aaron Rosen his wife, son and daughter gathered around and hurled abuse at the corporal. With considerable difficulty, Anderson says, he arrested father and son.

Henry Bernard, 441 North Galvez street, complained to Anderson that some rope stolen from his schooner in the New Basin was seen by him in Rosen's junkshop and its proprietor refused to give him the rope on demand. So the corporal accompanied Mound to the junkshop and the trouble resulted.

#### NEW YORK MAY GO DRY

IN LESS THAN TWO YEARS

By International News Service.  
New York, May 26. — If the war continues New York city is likely to vote "dry" in April, 1919, William H. Anderson state superintendent of the anti-saloon league, predicted as a result of the new state liquor law.

"Early this fall," he said, "our organization will call a conference in each of the boroughs and later in city-wide conference to get up a petition for a vote by the necessary one-fourth of the voters, approximately 200,000."

He said the men's Bible classes in the churches would circulate the petitions in every block.

If the petition gets the requisite signers the city will vote next April on the question whether or not it will come under the provisions of the local option law. If the city so votes, the special election of April, 1919, will decide whether or not the town shall be "wet" or "dry."

Under the statute it is possible, Mr. Anderson said, for the people to close the saloons without stopping the sale of liquor in the hotels, thus giving them a period in which to adjust themselves to the inevitable.

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## IN SMOKY MOUNTAINS

By SUSAN F. CLAGETT.

Tom Marshall looked about with listless curiosity as he sat upon the platform of the South Carolina station. He was sick, therefore miserable in mind and body, and he had come South because it seemed the only thing to do. Now he was waiting for the train that would carry him into the pines on the slope of Old Smoky.

He raised his head. A mule stood near by, nipping his ears and lastly twitching a bushy tail. In front of him was a young girl, a very little girl, who said:

"Guess I came for you, but I thought you was to be a lady."

"Why?" Marshall asked.

"I don't know, 'cept that Julie guessed it from your letter, you wrote so ladylike. I don't believe she'd have taken you if she'd known you was a man."

"Any special reason why she shouldn't?" he asked.

"Maybe," was the noncommittal answer, "but now you're here we'd better start." She looked about with keen eyes. "I wonder where that station man's gone an' put your trunk?"

"I'm sitting on it. But how are we to get it into the wagon. The agent's gone and I haven't the strength of a kitten."

She looked at him reflectively. "You are kinder peaked, but you jes' leave things to me. I can manage, by pushing it toward the edge an' backin' bet to the platform. You jes' git in an' sit down an' you needn't feel skeered of the mule. 'et knows well to behave herself."

Two weeks later, with Mollie's help, he walked to a bench in the shade of a big oak and there faced a dilemma. He had sensed something wrong as he lay in bed during those first days, but had been too listless to ask questions.

Now Mollie told him that his granny had died in the spring and with her death the little pension she had received had ceased. Julie had seen his advertisement in an old newspaper and thought they might as well take a boarder, as they needed money. "But," Mollie ended, simply, "we thought you was a lady, and now all the folks is talkin'."

"What can I do, Mollie?" Tom asked, desperately. "I'm not well enough to go away."

"We an' Julie's been talkin' an' we thought you might go up the mountain to Jim Hawn's old cabin. He's gone, but there's a bed, an' me an' Julie can fill a bag with pine needles for a mattress, an' Julie can cook you something to eat 'an' I can tote it to you. You can be real comfy 'up there, an' we don't neither of us want you to go," she finished, wisely.

"And I don't want to go," Marshall answered. "If you and Julie can fix it that way I'm satisfied. But I will tell you what to do. Get someone to bring me a chair or two and some other things from the village, if I am to set up housekeeping. And there is something else."

He drew the child close to him. "I heard you say you felt 'real bad' because you couldn't go to the district school. Wouldn't you like me to teach you? It would be something for me to do, and you could come to me in your spare time. I'm pretty sure you will learn more with me than in that schoolhouse two miles away. What do you say to my plan?"

Breathless, but with shining eyes, Mollie looked at him, yet all she said was: "Won't Julie be glad? She cried because I couldn't go."

It was settled after Marshall had his talk with the older sister, and that same night, after a ride up the mountain upon the bare back of old Bet, he slept upon a bed of fragrant pine needles in the forsaken cabin.

Ten days later in the comforting knowledge of returning strength he found work ready at his hand.

Julie was the last to come. She was an entirely unknown quantity, although for a month or more she had cared for his material needs. Mollie had always been the go-between, but one evening Julie climbed the path to his cabin, an official-looking paper in her hand. This she handed him asking if he could tell her what was written upon the yellowing sheets. His first glance told him the writing was French.

"Have you any idea what is written here who your parents were?" he asked, touching the paper.

She shook her head. "Granny told me to keep it; that I might need it some day."

"I will write this out in English," he said. "After a moment's thought he asked: 'Do you know anything of French history?'"

"A little," she told him.

"Then you will understand when I tell you your people were among the Huguenots that were driven out of France years ago. Many of them settled in the Carolinas, but as time passed there was no one to teach them, the children grew up in ignorance of their ancestors, and of all else, for the matter of that. This paper tells me that your great-great-grandfather was Alphonse d'Armand and that his wife was Julie de Guesclin. It would seem that you are named after her."

"I would like to read that just as it is written. Do you think I could learn?" she asked eagerly. But Julie had taught Tom something more wonderful than anything he had known before he came to the little mountain cabin.

Fact.  
An exchange asks: "Can an actress make a good wife?" If she's a good actress she probably can.—Life.

## MARKED FOR LIFE BY ASSAILANTS

Physicians attending Emile Gassie, member of the Citizens' League, who was attacked by two men near his home late Friday night, said yesterday that he would recover, but have permanent scars. Gassie was cut five times on the head and face. He says he thinks he knows one of his assailants.

"The one I have in mind is a man I saw often around a certain saloon I am watching for law violations," Gassie declared. "There is no doubt that the attack was made on me because of my activities in the law enforcement campaign of the Citizens' League. I am of the opinion they did not want to kill me, that it was merely done to intimidate me. But whether they have succeeded will be seen when I am able to get about again."

Members of the Citizens' League were indignant when news of the attack of Gassie reached them. They are convinced that his work in the interest of reform was responsible.

#### CALIFORNIA SUNSHINE

CHANGES THE RACE

By International News Service.

Los Angeles, May 26.—California sunshine increases the circumference of the human skull.

"It develops the human cranial element to a marked degree.

"It increases human stature.

"See for age the children of California are more advanced than the children of the Eastern states."

These are some of the results announced by Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, county health officer, following a series of unusual experiments conducted during the past two years. Dr. Pomeroy has made observations and measurements of thousands of children of all races in the country.

His tests, it is claimed, show that California children laugh more, have greater conditions, are healthier and grow better than children from elsewhere. Particularly is this so with Oriental-born children who brought here, according to Pomeroy's experiments.

Dr. Pomeroy declares that American-born Japanese in not more than four generations will closely resemble the Caucasian children mentally and physically. Gone will be the innumerable expression of the Japanese. The slant eyes will gradually disappear, he says. The facial features will develop and the child will laugh and be merry, something which the Japanese child born in Japan does but little.

#### BREAD, NOT BULLETS,

MAY DECIDE THE CONFLICT

By International News Service.

London, May 26.—Bread instead of bullets may determine the course of the war, according to Captain Bathurst, assistant to the British food controller.

"It is probable that bread and its relative availability and economic use both here and in Germany will prove the determining factor in the war," said Captain Bathurst in a speech at the Royal Society of Arts. He continued:

"War bread is almost a complete human food and when combined with butter or margerine it is a complete human food. That cannot be said of the anaemic loaf with which we were all too familiar in the pre-war days. We have obtained a bread which passes muster with our chief scientific critics, but unfortunately the general public do not even now desire it."

Captain Bathurst said it would be in the public interest to employ all the materials used for beer making in the manufacture of food.

#### WIFE UNREASONABLE?

MAKE LOVE TO HER!

By International News Service.

Denver, Col., May 26. — "If your wife is jealous of you and accuses you of things you didn't do and starts a quarrel with you on that account, don't argue with her or sass her back. Just make love to her."

This is a quotation from the advice of Hamilton Armstrong, chief of Police of Denver, given to William Jacobson, of Denver, when Jacobson with his starchy wife appeared at the police station for personal repairs necessitated by a domestic passage at arms. The argumentative weapons used were a saucer and a potato masher.

#### TWO LEGISLATORS IN SERVICE

Dr. John J. Keller, of Monroe, and J. O. Stewart, Lake Charles, members of the legislature, have answered the call of the colors. Mr. Stewart is attending the officers training camp at Fort Logan N. Boals and Dr. Keller successfully passed the examination Friday to enter the medical corps of the army. He will enter with the rank of captain because of three years previous military service.