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TRAFFIC THE IMPORTANT NEED

The introduction of a rivers and harbors bill in congress last week gave Congressman Frear, a bitter opponent of waterway improvement, a chance to air his old time objections. There is not a dollar of the money to be spent but it is needed, but that fact spells nothing to objectors of the Frear type and their influence may be strong enough to defeat the bill.

Frear has had for years one unanswerable argument against the improvement of the Mississippi and he uses it with effect. He spoke of the fact that although \$150,000,000 has been spent on the river, it is not used as a transportation highway, saying:

We have a half century's experience before us. There are no boats on that river. You have to guarantee to people that they will have a profit before they will undertake to build boats. Bernhard is the only one who has made the experiment and he has made a failure, so far as I know, through no fault of his. He could not get freight. The Mississippi river ought to have hundreds of boats, on it, both the upper and lower Mississippi, just as it had forty years ago but we are doing nothing to get those boats nor to secure actual river commerce.

I know this, that a thousand engineers have been sent to France and we are going to send several thousand more, and we need to send every man we can spare instead of having them survey creeks and mudholes here.

This is measurably true, and the fault lies with the merchants of New Orleans and other towns along the river who are not willing to put up with temporary delay and inconvenience in shipping and receiving freight in order to build up the traffic necessary to have present improvements maintained and expended. If this criticism is not met, in the only way it can be met, by creating river traffic, every proposition to spend money on the Mississippi will be clubbed to death in congress.

The New Orleans Board of Trade has taken the first step toward remedying the situation by promoting the organization of companies to operate barge lines for the whole navigable length of the river. Unless the Board of Trade presses this work to completion and allows nothing to interfere with it, unless the merchants of New Orleans stand behind the barge lines and give them the traffic needed to make them permanent, this city may as well stop asking for money to improve the Mississippi. When they go before congress asking for further improvements, they must be prepared to show that boats are being operated regularly on the Mississippi or they may as well stay away.

People who like to see a little item slip in occasionally which is entirely disconnected with the subject of war will be interested in knowing that Louisiana is making the most rapid improvement in rural schools of any state in the south.

The government sent 100 millions to France last week, making 300 millions in all and 845 millions to the various allies. To some extent this may console the entente nations for the loss of Col. Roosevelt and his division.

The new drive of the British against the East African Germans has started. Those fellows have been in fifteen decisive battles and on six occasions were wholly wiped out and exterminated. They must be indestructible.

The ten percent tax on all the cadaver frequents buy is another innovation of the senate committee which will cause no popular outbreak. Let New York pay its share of the bill that way if it so prefers.

The Navajo and Ute Indian tribes are getting ready to fight rather than enroll for foreign service, with only a dim possibility of a fight.

Heads of large families are prepared to sympathize with Uncle Sam, who was obliged to order 3,450,000 pairs of shoes last week.

A point of order should be raised against the expression, "war brides." What else does a wedding mean but war?

The editor of Leslie's Weekly is properly horrified at the situation in Texas. Where there are sixty two lawyers and seventeen merchants in the general assembly. That's so. What does Texas mean by leaving at home her sturdy yeomanry who comprise two thirds of the population, while she fills her legislative halls, with lawyers and merchants? Texas should be promptly and vigorously reprobated. By the way, has Louisiana any lawyers in her General Assembly?

Because they eat so much food, the animals in the Paris zoo are "being disposed of," only those species being kept that are very rare or almost extinct. The camels, however, will be kept because of their frugal and temperate habits. It has always been a theory of ours that a camel's odor is thick enough to answer the purposes of nourishment.

The June crop report for Louisiana gives no evidence of the activities of the State Food Preparedness commission. A decrease of over 200,000 bushels in the oats crop is indicated; pastures are poor, cotton condition is four points below the ten-years average. The only things that show a gain are the prices.

Salt water is creeping up the bayous and rivers in southwest Louisiana and the annual scare about the rice crop is on. Providence usually comes to the rescue at the critical time, but farmers are deficient in faith.

LOUISIANA OPINION

Jeff's Heart Is Right St. Helena Echo: Our colored friend, Jeff Morris, came over last Tuesday to see the members of his race register and qualify as soldiers for Uncle Sam. Jeff said all he hated was that he was too old to Reddish; that it would do his soul good to go over to Germany and back one of them subterfuges. He said he wouldn't be afraid to walk up to one and twist it's tail.

Volunteers Still Scarce Monroe News Star: During the time the selective conscription bill was being discussed in Congress, many were the wails that went up from those would-be patriots, who deplored the fact that "we were rapidly drifting from the moorings made sacred by our forefathers," and were about to abandon the system of raising an army by asking for volunteers. The sanctimonious hypocrits solemnly declared that if they were given the opportunity they would volunteer, but strenuously objected to being taken. Such disingenuous talk heard from Monroe, as well as elsewhere. Yet, despite the fact that these carping critics have had several months in which to volunteer, they are still hanging around the loafing place, unable, apparently, to screw their courage up to the point where it will stick.

National Carelessness

Huston Leader: The National Underwriters plan a more thoroughly organized system of inspection. It will pay all its costs. Insurance agents may be lax in the watch they maintain over fire risks. They may fear that if they are too fussy about fire hazards, policy holders may place their insurance somewhere else. The man who persistently maintains dangerous accumulations should be threatened with the loss of his policy. The national attitude is, "We are insured, therefore we should worry." Every man should be as careful with his property even if insured, as if he were taking all the risks. If that point of view could generally prevail, the loss by fire in this country could be cut in half in one week. And a lot of grain, potatoes, cotton and all kinds of high cost products would be saved for consumption instead of being turned into ashes.

The Extra Hazardous Work

Alexandria Town Talk: An investigation just reported by the United States department of labor indicates that the most perilous of all occupations is office work. The railroad engineer or trainman, the coal miner who descends into black caverns where death and disaster are supposed to lurk in many forms, iron molders and men engaged in many kinds of strenuous and apparently dangerous labors, have longer average lives than the bookkeeper or office worker.

Kept It to Himself

Lake Arthur Herald: If anyone in Lake Arthur objected to registering last Tuesday it was a mental reservation only.

Locate Right Geographically

New Iberia Iberian: In future, when a man aspires to public office to be a successful candidate, he'd better move on east side of Bayou Teche. In the recent election, all successful candidates are residents of "Brooklyn." If one might make a suggestion we'd say, live on Dupre Ave. or Pollard Ave., East Side. If the fashion does not change.

The Two Vital Things

West Carroll Gazette: Two important things in this life you should do—buy a government bond and pay your subscription.

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

Proceedings against Ben Monteleone, who fled from New Orleans four years ago, were revived in district court yesterday when attorneys for Caroline Koepfing, of Chicago, who is suing Monteleone for \$75,250 damages, asked that citation be made on Mrs. A. B. Jonairelli, John Kenny, E. Howard McCaleb, John Rottenmeier and Arthur H. Leopold. The new move means that the damage suit will be actively pushed.

The supplemental petition filed yesterday renews the charges brought against the wealthy young man in the first proceedings concerning his alleged misconduct in 1912 with Irene Davis, who, her mother claims, was 14 years old at the time. It is further asserted that on account of the action brought by Anthony Monteleone, Jr., against the rest of the heirs, Ben Monteleone gave the above named persons a power of attorney to represent him. It is alleged that his domicile is still the Monteleone hotel, and that service can be had on anyone in the hotel building.

Monteleone, according to the supplemental petition, is in Canada, where he has been following the races for some time. He left New Orleans suddenly in June 1912, at about the time he was indicted by the grand jury for alleged violation of the Mann act, and his whereabouts were not generally known for a long time.

MITTEN'S SLAYER IS INSANE

Coroner O'Hara Makes Report to That Effect to Judge Baker John Caron, who was recently convicted of killing Henry Mitten a year ago at Bonbon and Dumaine streets, is insane, according to a report made yesterday by Coroner O'Hara to Judge Joshua Baker. Caron probably will be sent to the insane asylum, instead of to the penitentiary. Caron was insane at the time he committed the murder, and is insane at the present time, according to Dr. O'Hara.

Shortly after Caron's arrest Dr. O'Hara is reported to have reached the conclusion that Mitten's slayer was mentally unbalanced. The case came to trial eleven months later, while the coroner was out of the city, and Caron was convicted of the killing. A few days later Judge Baker heard that Caron's sanity had been questioned, and asked Coroner O'Hara to examine the prisoner and make a report.

SUIT FOLLOWS AN ACCIDENT

Parents of Victor Scalisi Seek Damages of \$10,000 As the result of an accident at Calicque and Magnolia streets, on May 18, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Scalisi have filed suit against Bertrand Terre for \$10,000 damages. They allege that their seven-year-old son Victor was crossing the street on the afternoon of that day, and was run over by a milk wagon driven by the defendant's two minor daughters. The girls, it is alleged, were laughing and talking, and their negligence caused the accident. The little boy's leg was broken in two places, making him a cripple for life, according to the petition.

HAS'N'T SEEN HUBBY SINCE 1909

Mrs. Eschebria Advances Two Reasons for Divorce Decree Mrs. Johanna Eschebria has filed suit against her husband Dave See for a divorce. She alleges that her husband, an habitual drunkard, threatened her life with a pistol at their home in Winnemicka, Nevada eight years ago. She fled from the town and came to New Orleans, and has not seen or heard of her husband since.

Mrs. Irene Dunn is suing Edward J. Hubner for a separation, alleging that her husband abandoned her recently. Some time ago the two sued on the same day, their attorneys having a race to see which case should go on the docket first, but those proceedings were later abandoned.

SUIT STOPPED BECAUSE ONE LITIGANT IS ALIEN ENEMY

The trial of the suit of Albert Krauss vs. John Quercello for damages as the result of an automobile accident was suspended yesterday when Judge Theard discovered that Krauss has never been naturalized. Since the country is at war a German citizen has no standing in the courts. The proceedings can be resumed when Krauss obtains his final papers.

Following were the suits filed in civil court yesterday:

Succession of Mrs. Margaret Hoyl, possession; succession of Henry Bird and wife, possession; tutorship of the minor children of John D. Kelly, Peter Scalisi et al., vs. Bertrand Terre, damages, \$10,000; tutorship of the minor Shirley Hoasler; George B. Worekley vs. the N. O. Homesite Co., Ltd., claim, \$235; succession of

Christopher G. Sacola, administrator; succession of Freshneck H. Melchhoff, possession; Johanna Eschebria vs. Dave See, divorce; succession of Gustave E. Vivian et al., wife, possession; Goldie Stevens vs. City of New Orleans, injunction; Emanuel L. Weil vs. Martin Marks, executor process, \$3,500; Mrs. Irene Dunn vs. Edward J. Hubner, separation; Mrs. Ethel Whitehurst vs. Robert Edmond, separation; emancipation of Louis Henry Johnson; J. S. J. Otto vs. J. F. Becker, provisional seizure, \$225; W. Bair vs. Jonathan K. Lewis, claim, \$271.86.

NEGRO IS SENTENCED

John Williams, negro, was sentenced to three months in the parish prison by U. S. Judge Foster yesterday when he pleaded guilty to having opium in his possession. He had already served that much time while awaiting trial and Judge Foster let that go as the sentence. Williams was cured of the drug habit while in prison.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY TO ROUND UP SLACKERS

The Federal grand jury reconvenes today and it is expected that indictments will be returned against alleged slackers. If so, they will be the first indictments in New Orleans for violations of the registration law. U. S. District Attorney Montgomery declared that several hundred suspected slackers are being investigated by the jury. He was not in a position, however, to say how many he thought would be indicted. Since the law went into effect, hundreds of names of persons who have been or are suspected of avoiding registration, have been supplied the department of justice and United States grand jury.

Federal authorities ask all patriotic citizens to report any cases they know or hear of to facilitate them in the big task of rounding up the dolegrs.

Names of three men, against whom there is strong evidence, will be submitted to the grand jury today. Forrest Pendleton, special agent of the department of justice, said yesterday.

BEE SOCIAL CLUB MEETS

Goodfellow Get Together and Tell Many Experiences The Bee Social club, recently organized, had its second gathering last night at 135 Royal street, and boasted on Chief Albert's famous frog carrousel.

L. P. Bourque, of Gramercy, La., delivered an interesting account of how frogs are captured and shipped to New Orleans. In the absence of the president of the club, Oliver Montanier presided. R. Trico, the man that sells John Ruskin's famous cigars, told the club members the reason he could not beat the ponies. He said he accepted the tips of his friends.

C. J. Kamier, who recently came from New York, told the members how pleased he was with the way New Orleans entertained. He said New York would give you a cold dead unless you knew someone there. His address was followed by Billy Hull, who made the members a short talk.

Upon motion of Montanier, vice president of the club, a motion was adopted expressing regret at the absence of William E. Krebs, who is on a business trip in Cincinnati. Paul Soule again made a hit with his singing.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT

IN THE MATTER OF HERMAN GRIM, AN APPELATIVE CIVIL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS—DIVISION NO. 10, 9823. Notice is hereby given to the creditors of this estate and to all other persons having interests in the same, that within ten days from the present notification of any debt or claim which the final account presented by OTTO F. GIBEL, executor of the estate of HERMAN GRIM, of this estate, should not be approved and homologated, the funds distributed in accordance therewith. By order of the court: THOMAS CONNELL, GEO. J. CANTERBURY, Clerk. June 10, 1917.

ANGILO PRIMAVERA VS. C. C. LUZENBERG, DISTRICT ATTORNEY—CIVIL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS, STATE OF LOUISIANA, NO. 9829.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 9th day of May, 1917, the following was read in this court in the following order: that in this case, submitted to the court, on the 9th day of May, 1917, the evidence to be in favor of plaintiff, entitling him to the decree prayed for and for the reasons therefor, is hereby affirmed. It is ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that there be judgment herein, in favor of Angelo Primavera, plaintiff, and against C. C. Luzenberg, District Attorney for the Parish of Orleans, defendant, changing the name of plaintiff, from Angelo Primavera, to Angelo Luzenberg, plaintiff to pay for these proceedings.

JUDGMENT RENDERED IN OPEN COURT THIS 20th DAY OF MAY, A. D. 1917. I HEREBY SIGNED IN OPEN COURT THIS 20th DAY OF MAY, 1917. (Signed) T. W. ELLIS, Judge. TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, at the City of New Orleans, Louisiana, this 20th day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen. J. GRISHAMER, Deputy Clerk.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

FIRST DISTRICT. Lina P. Montgomery et al. to A. C. Davis et al., power of attorney to sell lot, Canal, Magazine, Camp and Common. Royal B. Richards to William A. England, interest, etc., lot, Carondelet, Canal, Common and St. Charles, \$500, cash. Edward Bennett to Miss Ellen E. Barlow, one-twelfth interest portion, Palmyra, Sulrebe, Lopez and Banks, \$150, cash.

SECOND DISTRICT. New Orleans Land Co. to Wm. A. Gable, two lots, Toulouse, St. Anthony, Walker and Madison, \$500, cash. Same to same, two lots, Vicksburg, Twigg, Lane and Conti, \$500, cash.

THIRD DISTRICT. Leonard H. Nelson to Bethel Mission A. M. Church, lot, St. Claude, Caffin, Marais and Flood, \$550, terms. Joseph Gleason to Oscar Schreiber, two lots, Rochelave, Dorgenois, Bourbon and Toure, \$200, cash. Daniel A. McGovern, Sr. to Puritan Co., Ltd., lot, Frenchmen, Toure, Tont and Miro, \$232 1/2, cash.

Francis A. Escudier to Acme Homestead association, portion, Tricou, Burgundy, Dauphin and Dubory, \$2,200, cash. Purchaser to vendor, same property, \$2,200, terms.

Ezra Wallace Holden to Security Building and Loan association, two lots, Clomet, Roman, Derbizay and Feliciana, \$1,500, cash. Purchaser to Mrs. Martha H. Tarpley, same property, \$1,500, terms.

Ezra Wallace Holden to Widow James A. Tarpley, lot, Derbizay, Roman, Clomet and Feliciana, \$500, cash.

Thomas W. Muller to Mrs. Katherine M. Darcy, two lots, Bourg, White, Aubrey and O'Reilly, \$5,100, cash.

FIFTH DISTRICT. Anthony J. Bourge to Octave E. Bourge, interest, etc., lot, Vallette, DeArmas, Lapeyrouse and Chestnut, \$80, cash.

SIXTH DISTRICT. Edward B. Ellis to Realty Assets Co., portion, Milan, Roman, Priou and General Taylor, \$3,000, terms. Inter-state Land Co. to Homesekers' Building and Loan association, portion, Richardson court, Hopkins, State and Burthe, \$9000, cash.

SEVENTH DISTRICT. Joseph E. Chapman to Mrs. Betha McGinnis, lot, Jeanette, Protection, General Ogden and Burthe, \$1,000, cash.

CREDIT SALES

American Homestead Co. to Mrs. Anthony Werner, lot, Gentilly road, three miles below Pontchartrain road, \$1,200, mortgage. Homesekers' Building and Loan association to Mrs. (Widow) Adolphe Bartholomew, lot, Frenchmen, Robertson, Elysian Fields and Villere, \$500, mortgage.

Conservative Homestead association to Hy. H. E. Zinner, two lots Fern, Forshey, Short and Olive, \$600, mortgage.

Emanuel L. Weil to Wm. Schwander, portion of ground, Johnson, Grant, Toure and Bourbon, \$500 cash, \$700 mortgage.

Dixie Homestead association to Mrs. Widow John Brown, lot, Cleveland, Canal, Dorgenois and Rochelave, \$500, mortgage.

Kossuth V. Richard to Clarence V. Richard, portion, Robert, Franklin, Saratoga and Sonat, \$200 cash, \$1,300 mortgage.

Eureka Homestead society to John Berucci, two lots, Calhoun, Minturn, York and Foucher estate, \$1,900, mortgage.

Same to Mrs. (Widow) Peter LeJollie, three lots, Broad, Dumaine, St. Phillip and White, \$2,000 mortgage.

THOUSANDS OF ORLEANIANS GREET ITALIAN MISSION

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been able to take a part in the great world war for justice, civilization and the liberty of mankind. Cavalier G. Gentile, Italian consul to New Orleans, speaking in Italian, declared that the members of his race in this state have contributed largely to the agricultural development of Louisiana. He praised their willingness to absorb the ideas and spirit of this nation, and declared that it was not incompatible with the feeling of reverence they maintain for their mother-country, because Italy and the United States share a common idea of civilization and the rights of democracy.

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U. S. DAILY WEATHER REPORT

Friday, June 15, 1917. Forecast till 7 p. m. Friday. For New Orleans and vicinity: Fair, light northerly winds. For Louisiana: Friday and Saturday, fair.

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: Time Temperature 7 a. m. 75 9 a. m. 80 11 a. m. 85 1 p. m. 85 3 p. m. 81 5 p. m. 81

Weather Record

The following is the weather data for June 14, 1917, at New Orleans: 7 a. m. 2 p. m. 7 p. m. Temperature 75 82 82 Rel. Humidity 75 62 54 Wind W. 5 NW 10 Rain .30 .00 Weather Clear Rain

RIVER FORECAST

The Mississippi River, below Vicksburg, and the Atchafalaya will rise. The Red river, below Shreveport, and the Ouachita will rise during the next 48 hours.

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