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#### WHAT IS A LOAF OF BREAD?

In-appealing for public aid and sympathy in a campaign against the ten cent loaf of brend, President Bloemer of the New Orleans Bakers' Union seems to have initiated something. He said that the abolition of the five cent loaf would throw many bakers out of work, with no resultant advantage to the public; that instead of receiving two five cent loaves, weighing sixteen ounces each, the housewife would get one thirty-two ounce loaf.

\_A chorus of housewives are demanding to know where Mr. Bloemer can get a 16-ounce loar of bread for five cents. One lady says she weighed her bread, and found that a five cent loaf weighed twelve ounces and a ten cent loaf twenty ounces. Another stated that something must be wrong with her scales, as several loaves of the nickel size, ranged from eight to nine ounces in weight, including the wrapper.

From these statements, it would appear not only that the people who pay five cents for a loaf of bread do not know what they are getting, and that there is no standard weight for a loaf of bread, but that the move to change from the five cent to the ten cent size on the part of the bakeries, is for the most part a price boosting enterprise in another form. The people of New Orleans need, as they never have needed

il before, official activity against excessive prices for food and as strong supervision of the price of necessities as the law will justify. If a loaf of bread weighs twelve ounces in one part of the city and eight in another, part of the city's population is not only being compelled to pay unprecedented prices for a necessity, but is being robbed in addition.

# FLAGS ON THE COURT HOUSES

The Houma Times makes the following complaint:

We cannot for the world understand the reason the Court House in Houma ja svithout a flag at top mast. Visitors. here last Sunday, who came on the excursions were very much surprised not to find "Old Glory" floating to the breeze around the flag pole on the tower of our Court House.

Why not provide means through the Police Jury whereby immediate action be laken to secure a U.S. flag for the Court House to eliminate future criticism of our lack of patriotism by strangers? Practically all business places in Houma are floating Old Glory in respect to our nation that is now involved in war with the German Em-

This paragraph, together with sundry refer

police juries during the past month would lead | le enlisted at Alexandria, representing himself one to believe that the American flag is a rare as single. sight about a Louisiana court house. If it is, it should not be, for The Bee's information is that way. Light and Water Company, is dead. a Louisiana law makes it mandatory to fly the state whenever any court is in session. So Grove and Wadsworth. thoroughly was this law enforced for some years after its enactment that a case was once reversed by the supreme court, according to toches last week. legal tradition, because it was proved that the flag was not flying over the court house at the over \$600 for the work.

time the case was tried\_\_\_ Many Louisiana parishes virtually ignore carload of new potatoes last week which netted this law, but in some of them it is carefully them \$1.026. observed. If somebody could furnish The Rev with the text of the law and the supreme five sweet girl graduates. court decision, their publication might have the effect of directing general aftention to them:

The announcement by the naval advisory fifty applicants were disappointed. bourd that a plan had been perfected that will neutralize the German submarine campaign of forging express orders, was arrested in was the best news the people of the United Grange, Texas, last week. States have heard this year. In fact, the news seems almost too good to be true, but the source an address in behalf of Red Cross work at Mrs. George Alexis, secretary. it comes from gives it weight. Peace will not Monroe Friday. look quite so hopeless or so far away if the (kerman submarine campaign is nullified:

Judge Charles Schulze of Monroe's city mencement at L. S. U. this year. court has raised a hundred dollars worth of cabbage on one-sewenth of an acre of land ad joining his home. Here is a shining example O.E.S. Grand Chapter, in session at Hammond. to the rest of Louisiana's public officials. Judge Schulze, so far as we know, didn't make light plants have merged. a speech or deliver a word of advice. All he did was to dig in.

Little nations desiring loans must step lively or the money will all be gone,

fused, it may be stated that there are three of these Gohelle towns in the section over which he British and Germans are fighting. The battle has already raged around Givenchy-en-Gobelle and Arleux-en-Gobelle and the British are now approaching Mortigny-en-Gohelle. We do not know why the name was selected for these three villages but it sounds appropriate somehow.

A Massachusetts fishing company has sold quarters gives the following inter-14 million pounds of fish to the British government. A representative of the company said that the British supply had been curtailed by the extended use of traveling vessels for mine of prisoners who had fallen into branded by traditional projudice sweeping and other war purposes and by losses British hands in the course of the with an ill mane. If has been proof the vessels in various ways: Pretty soon we will see fish going up in price on the plea that the ocean has been fished out.

For the first time since the Revolution the Brilish flag waved over Independence Hall in Philadelphia last Thursday. The gentlemen whe made Independence Hall immortal would have been thrilled quite a bit could they have

Baton Rouge has had several bakers arrested for selling bread under the legal weight. And Baton Rouge is comparatively a small city. ioo-hardly more than a wide spot in the road. judged by New Orleans standards.

Sir Edward Carson needn Heave the British my department because he is under fire. He should be accustomed to it by this time.

War topics have been so absorbing that Georgia hasn't-yet pulled off a lynching this year:

#### LOUISIANA CONDENSED.

Eighty six L. S. U. students have been accepted for the officers training camp at Little

The St. Tammany parish school board has directed all country high school principals to take the L. S. U. correspondence course in agri-

The levees are being strictly guarded in St. John parish.

has been located at Pioneer.

Washington parish is about to impose a \$2 ax on dogs.

Houma had a public meeting in the interest of food production and conservation. A. A. Sanders is chairman of the committee in

Mandeville is to have a new \$10,000 school

Miss Chapin, parish demonstration agent, is tiving the women of Tangipohoa a course of lessons in home canning.

Six hundred bags of rice were sold at Lake Charles for an average of \$9.27 a sack.

Mrs. William McCausland and children left Baton Rouge for Chicago presumably to join the long-missing banker.

Shreveport is again entertaining hopes of creating a great iron and steel plant.

The Grand Lodge K. of P. will meet in Crowley May 21.

The T. & P. is threatening to fight the St. Landry good roads bond issue in court. A new steel bridge is being built over bayou

des Cannes near the Jennings oil field. Joseph M. Murray of Oakdale, faces charges ences to flag raisings over court houses by of fraudulent enlistment and wife desertion.

T. J. Bird. president of Lake Charles Rail-

Tangipahea school board has arranged to national flag over every court house in the rect modern school buildings at Tickfaw, Oak in the winter time. "For this reas-

rict held a three days conference at Natchi- teenth Ward Civic League was the Court for the Western district of The Thibodaux Red Cross ladies have raised vegetables for the winter."

Miller Bros. of near Plaquemine shipped a

Roseland's high school closed Friday with

Lake Charles lost out on the officers camp complete with works on such subat Little Rock. The camp was full before the jects as gardening, preparing of 30'll examining officer reached Lake Charles and other subjects of interest to U. and of Oxford University, being

Tom Clark, wanted in Monroe on charge

Mrs. I. W. Sylvester of Alexandria delivered Mrs. W. A. Bfandao, treasurer and

The Lockport Maccabees will give an enterainment to raise money for the Red Cross.

No class reunions will be held at the com-

Mrs. Penelope A. Mills, of Shreveport was elected worthy grand matron by the Louisiana The Hammond and Ponchatoula ice and

The Vernon grand jury found 36 true bills and 43 not true bills at its session last week.

White Castle has perfected a Red Cross organization and will hold a membership drive this week:

# In order that our readers may not be con-used, it may be stated that there are three of BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO CLOSE HISTORIC PRISON OF DARTON

The decision of the British gov- which lie wholly within ernment to close the great convict (parish of Lydford. Eighty years agprison of Dartmoor brings to notice William Howith writing of Bural its notable history. A bulletin is Life in England, advised one to pass uned by the National Geographic Society Dartmoor, if you want sternesting account of this institution views into far-off districts, and the

and its environs: "The prison was built in the first Napoleonie wars. Its corner-stone last word in penologie architecture; the classically inclined have known Dartmoor, was widely praised he-corresponding to the Nimborun Pacause it permitted the prisoners to tria of Virgil. work, both within and without the for their labors.

"Following the close of the war with France, the Dartmoor prison ay unused for some years, though upon them from the perennial foun many plans were proposed for utilsort, the place was transformed, by which pierce the rough peat soil convict labor, into a general prison and earry blessing from the rugged such as it has since remained. The because the healthful and bracing ficacious in the first stages of pulmonary disease.

"The prison was located at Prince Town, so named for the Prince Regent, who was Lord of the land at the time the convict station was erected, and is situated in the socalled 'west quarter' of the 'ancient royal forest or chase of

Duchy of Cornwall, which consti- Roman none at all. tates the major property of the beir subject, rather than to the crown; forminate them. though Dartmoor has always retained them.

"The forest, now wooded no longwhich the moor is studded. It embraces more than 280,000 acres, highway has seen."

ciety from its Washington head-ness and longliness. There are wastes and wiles, crays and granito. sound of waters hurrying away ever their rocky beds.'. From generation instance to gare for the thousands to generation. Dartmoor has been verbial as the spot where bleak skies was laid in 1806, and its walls rose and brooding storms have remained speedily. It was pronounced the undisputed and undisturbed; and and in 1811 the administration of it as a modern fatherland of rains,

the rivers of Darlmoor make walls, and to receive a small stipend the meads of Devon, that Canaan of the west of England whose fertility and loveliness are due almost wholly to the refreshment poured down tains of the misty moor where every izing its buildings; and in 1850, at hollow is a granite cup from which the suggestion of the Prince Con- are fed perpetually the streams steeps of the central wilderness of criminals sent to Dartmoor were al. Devon to the low ands in either side. from the long-term class; and many These rivers, a dozen in number, transfers were made to Dartmoor bear historic names, especially the Dart, whence the moor itself is dimate, due to its elevation-about known, which takes its origin from 1,400 feet-was found especially of the Celtic dwr. or water, and which lempties into the channel at Dart. mouth. Similarly the Teign discharges at Teigmouth and the Plyna at Plymonth. Among them, too, is the Avon--but not that of Shakespeare-bne of the half-dozen of the name that England elgions.

"Dartme r is sometimes claimed as the last stronghold of prehistoric man in England, but his remains a "Dartmoor Forest lies in the Coun- back no farther than the days of ty of Devon, in the northwest of the the New Stone Age. His marks are western peninsula of the United plentiful, however, and betoken a Kingdom, and since 1937 it has once thick population. Cell and been permanently joined to the Saxon have left little trace, and the

"Though here the Celt conquered to the throne. It thus belongs to a the Iberian tribes, they did not ex-A new hardwood plant for making spokes and, in consequence, is not legally contented themselves with the entitled to the privileges of a forest, (ringes of the widerness; and as one penetrates into the midst of the moor, following in the wake of that advancing civilization which halts er, is exceedingly rough in contour, not for any of the frowns of nature, is underlain with pranific founda- he finds numerous traces of the ago tion which obtrudes upon the that was. The passing of Dartmoor heights in the craggy 'tors' with prison is only a minor phase in the neons of changes which this central

# CIVIC LEAGUE HAS

and a great deal of interest is being taken by the members of the Thirteenth Ward Civie League, according to Mrs. George Merkel, president of the league. -

During the last few weeks W. D. Clayton addressed ble league on New York this week, Mrs. Stuart's 'Gardening" and an address also was made by representative of a camping while she was a resident of New Orcompany on how to can vegetables leans, whence she removed to New and fruits.

Mrs. Merkel called attention to the fact that it was her belief that the Marksville, born in 1860, and was would have a tendency to cheapen of the State's prominent vegetables to a considerable extent, merchants before the war. but called attention to the scarcity of vegetables which would result on," she exclaimed giving avidences The M. E. ministers of the Alexandria dis- of pride. "It was that the Thir-

Mr. and Mrs. Merkel's residence has been selected as the central meeting place for the league and all meetings will be held there in the future. The league has been given the use of the library of Mr. and Jackson was appointed assistant U. civic workers.

Mrs. George Morkel, president; Mrs. Duncan Gillis, vice president;

### DALY'S THEORY AT VARIANCE

while the muzzle of the gun was dressing which milady can eat and only a few inches away, according eat- and grow thin on! to Assistant District Attorney Ben. The Ennis concection, which clothes yesterday morning. Mr. Daly, rare French delicacy, is made of story that Genna drew a gun and substitute for butter which wi was shot during a scuffle.

#### UNDER GRAVE CHARGES.

Joseph Catalanatto. Jr., and his brother, Frank both living at Spanish Fort, are under \$500 bond each facing charges of carnal knowledge preferred against them by 17-year-H TUNE UNITED THE old Mainie Pensalvania, also of Spanish Fort. The brothers were acrested Monday by Captain Wheatley Much success, is being met with and Corporal Marshal. Their father signed the bonds.

RUTH MCENERY STUART DEAD Friends and admirers of Ruth Me-Enery Stuart in New Orleans wêre grieved at news of her death in talent as a writer was recognized York something over (wenty-five years ago. She was a native of rasing of so many war gardens the daughter of James McEnery one

#### NEW OFFICERS OF THE U.S. ... COURT, WESTERN DISTRICT

New officials have been inducted into office in the U.S. District first organization of its kind to ar- Louisiana. Burch Lee, of Minden. range for a cannery in order to can formerly surveyor of the port, hecame clerk of the court by appointment of Judge Whitfield Jack, Mr. Lee is well known throughout the

On the recommendation of Joseph Moore, U. S. district attorney, J. H. Mrs. Merkel which is unusually S. district attorney and will enter upon his duties today at Alexandria Mr. Jackson is a graduate of L. S. The officers of the organization this. He practised law at De Ridder and later became assistant district attorney in the Kifteenth judicial district. Mr. Jacksons appointment is looked upon as excellent.

#### SOCIETY MAN OFFERS SALAD ANTI-FAT CURE

Los Angeles, Cal., May 8.-Fair WITH GENNA'S STORY society is stirred-especially those Joseph Dalio, the youth who was members who lean to undue plumpshot to death in a quarrel with ness. George Ennis, president emer-Frank Genna early Sunday morning itus of the bachelors and popular was shot from a distance and not society man, has invented a salad

Daly who examined the dead man's might rival the most exquisite and hases his theory on the fact that no white mineral parattin oil in place powder burns are visible on the ap- of olive oil. And it works! Ennis pared. Genna still adhers to his says he is now experimenting on a have the same thinning effect.

# MORE RIGID EYE

Washington, May 8 .- The censorship will be more regidly enforced. An official Gazette similar to the British court paper, will be issued views and consored information.

#### AUTOMOBILE STOLEN

An automobile belonging to Philip. Baugh, 1314 State street, which he left in front of his residence Sunday night, was stolen by unidentified thieves. The machine is valued

#### GULF COAST EMPLOYES TO

CULTIVATE VACANT LAND. The Gulf Coast lines have gone into the war ganden game. President J. S. Pycatt vesterday issued a letter in which all employes were encouraged to cultivate the vacant lots owned by the company as well as warrant lots in the Evicinity in which they reside.

#### DESPERATE FIGHTING ON WEST FRONT CONTINUES

London, 'May 8. - Desperate fighting continues along the West front. The Germans hurled forward re-inforcements without any appreciable results. The Canadians lost Fresnoy to the Germans.

#### DIAMOND THEATER

A new co-star combination is seen in the anisouncement that William Constancy and Marguerite Snow will be featured in "The Hunting of the Hawk," a Pathe Gold Rooster play, to be shown at the Diamond Theatre today.

The story deals with gentlemen crooks and Secret Service men and with thrills, romance and adventure roles to these two stars. William Courtenay is remembered for his recent splendid work on the stage in "Under Cover" and "Under Fire" and on the screen in "The Romantic Journey" and "Kick In", two very successful Pathe pictures.

Marguerite Snow has been chosen as George M. Cohan's: first screen heading woman and her work in "The Hunting of the Hawk" is said to be largely responsible for this honor. The picture is too good to

In addition to this great picture the Pathe Weekly is showing the arrival in the United States of General Joffre and M. Viviani, the pictures are worth the price of admis-

# **487 WERE ON HAND** FOR INSPECTION

Four hundred eighty-seven members of Batteries D. Fand F. Washington Artillery, were present at the preliminary inspection conduct-, selling forth the administrations ed at Washington Artiflery Hall Tuesday night by Captain R. S. Burkley, U. S. A., preparatory to mustering in these three batteries and hring Washington Artillery up

from a battalion to a regiment. From all indications Captain Burkley was pleased with the inspection. He will make his report to Washington immediately and it is probable that the war department shortly will detail an officer to make final inspection of the batteries and muster the guard into federal service?

#### OVATION GREETS MISSION.

French War Train Proceeds to New York.

Columbus, Ohio, May 8,-The French war mission train stopped ăn hour each at Indianapolis and Colymbus, this afternoon. It will reach Philadelphia tomorrow and proceed to New York and Boston. Immense ovation everywhere greeted fig

#### HEAVY SNOW AT DENVER

Denver, May 8 .- Four and oneme-half inches of snow fell Saturday at Denver in a snowstorm which is general over the Rocky Mountain regions, according to the local weather bureau. This is said to establish a record for May, the nearest approach to this being four tuches on the 18th, 19th and 20th of May two years ago.

#### GARDENS INSTEAD OF SERMONS

Lexington, Mass., May 8.-The Follen Unitarian Church of East Lexington, taking advantage of the new law permitting farm and garden work on Sunday in This state, has decided to omit its morning services Sundays during May and June so ifs members may devote more time to their gardens. The pastor, Rev. John N. Mack, has enlisted in the naval reserve."

#### FUNERAL OF MISS MALLARD Funeral services for Miss Mary

Mallard, daughter of the late Dr. R. O. Mallard, one time pastor of the Napoleon Avenue Presbyterian Church, who died Monday, was held from the residence of her sister, Mrs. W. K. Seago, 11917 Berlin street. Tuesday afterdook, "Interment was made in Lafayette Cemetery.



#### D. MERCIER'S SONS Les marchands renommés par la modicité des prix de leurs

articles et la loyauté dans leurs transactions commerciales Vêtements confectionnés, Chapeaux et Articles de Toilette pour messieurs et enfants

Le magasin est ouvert le samedi soir jusqu'à neuf heures du ter octobre au ler Juillet, coin des rues Damphine et Rienville, à deux ilets de la rue du Canal. 2este Bistriet

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