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## OFFERS OF MONEY FOR BONDS POUR IN UNCEASING STREAM

### Treasury Department Delighted at Success of Two Million Bond Issue--Joffre Sets Good Example to Congressmen

By International News Service. Washington, May 3.—An avalanche of subscriptions to the war loan of 1917 announced only last night; the lending of \$100,000,000 to Italy, and the lining up of every bank in the country to aid in making the war bond issue a success, were events today marking the swift progress of Federal financial affairs in Washington. It is impossible to estimate tonight the amount of the first day's offerings by the public. Letters and telegrams poured into the treasury department all day making applications for lots of bonds from \$100 to \$1,000,000. The treasury officials are jubilant over the start of the biggest financial enterprise ever undertaken by the government. The second big loan to the allies was made today when Secretary McAdoo transferred \$100,000,000 to the Italian government through the Italian ambassador. Joseph Joffre, field marshal of France, in the shortest speech on record in the House—"Vive L'Amerique—Thank you," called forth the greatest applause ever accorded any speaker today. Vice Premier Viviani made an address expressing France's deep gratification toward America. He kissed the little girls and Congresswoman Rankin's hand.

## CONFESION MAY SAVE HUSBAND

By International News Service. Christiansburg, Va., May 3.—Mrs. Wavter, on the witness stand in the trial of Charles Wavter, charged with the murder of Stockton Beth, today confessed that she had broken her marriage vow. The confession will abandon the attempt to prove Wavter insane, and will stand on the "unwritten law" as the result of Mrs. Wavter's confession.

## MUNITION WORKS DISASTER

By International News Service. Berne, May 3.—An explosion in a powder factory at Furgi-killed 521 persons. Another at Trondheim killed thirty.

## RACING CASE ON TRIAL TODAY

The charge of violating the Locke anti-racing law lodged against a half dozen officers and directors of the Business Men's Racing association will come up before Judge Chretien in the Criminal District court this morning. William R. Yeale is named in the complaint as the prosecuting witness, and Judge Joseph Murphy, on behalf of the defense, will explain the betting system in vogue here, which it is claimed is within the law. Many people believe that the matter of racing next winter will be in a measure dependant upon the outcome of this case.

## HUGHEY WAS POOR SHOT, BUT SCORED ONE HIT

Hughey Jackson, negro, 2503 Jona street, fired five shots at Regal McDonald, another negro, and missed him, but one of the bullets struck Eleanor Hamilton, 2501 Jona street, who was sitting on her front steps. The bullet pierced her leg, causing a slight wound. McDonald was recently arrested for stealing a pair of shoes on complaint of Jackson. Yesterday McDonald was discharged in court. This angered Jackson, who became involved in a quarrel with McDonald, which ended in the shooting. Jackson escaped before police arrived.

## UNCLE SAM AS PURCHASING AGENT

Washington, D. C., May 3.—The United States virtually become purchasing agent of allied powers if the plans under way are consummated, according to statement of a high official tonight.

## DEATH CAME SUDDENLY

To Mrs. Louis Duquerson, Sufferer From Heart Trouble. Seized with a sudden spell of illness while attending the funeral of a friend in Josephine street, near Rousseau, yesterday evening, Mrs. Louis Duquerson, 56, 2421 Rousseau street, was taken to her home where she died shortly after.

## ASSEMBLAGE OF STATE CATHOLICS

### FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION OF CATHOLIC FEDERATION

### MEETING OPENS HERE SUNDAY

Many Visitors Expected From Every Portion of the State—Open Meeting at K. of C. Hall Sunday. The Federation of Catholic Societies of Louisiana will hold its Fifteenth Annual convention in Mater Dolorosa church, beginning next Sunday, with a pontifical high mass at 10 a. m. The mass will be celebrated by Rt. Rev. Cornelius Van de Ven, bishop of Alexandria, and Rev. J. D. Foulkes, S. J., will preach the annual sermon. Sunday night a "mass meeting" will be held at 8 o'clock, in the Knights of Columbus hall, to which the public is invited. Addresses will be made by prominent laymen and members of the clergy. Arrangements are being made for an elaborate programme which will include

## TURNED TURTLE INTO THE SWAMP

George Toye, 833 Conti street, a clerk, and two friends, Carlisle and Charlie Watson, addresses unknown to the police, had a close call early yesterday morning when an automobile they were in turned turtle in the swamp at Adams avenue and Pittsburg street. Toye was slightly injured and will be charged with speeding. The others escaped unhurt.

## ANNIE WILLIAMS ADJUDGED INSANE

August, will not be tried for the crime. Yesterday a jury in Judge Baker's division of the Criminal District court judged her insane and she will be committed to the asylum at Jackson, La. The woman was to be tried yesterday, but on motion of counsel for the defense, which was agreed to by Assistant District Attorney Daly, Judge Baker directed that the jury pass on her mentality instead. The defense held that Annie Williams was in a deranged mental state and was irresponsible for the crime she committed. Foreman Joseph O'Hara testified that the woman was irresponsible. Mrs. O'Connor, matron of the parish prison, who had charge over Annie Williams since her arrest, and Mrs. T. Young, landlady of the house in which Annie Williams lived, both told the court that her actions were peculiar. The killing occurred in the notorious Blue Ribbon cafe, Carondelet and Girod streets, and resulted from a quarrel over a pair of shoes. Both women are said to have been drunk at the time.

## SAFEGUARDS FOR FRENCH GUEST

By International News Service. Chicago, May 3.—Precautions are being taken to guard General Joffre and his party on their visit here tomorrow. The line of march will not be announced in advance.

## GOING TO OFFICERS' CAMP

Representative James Orton Stewart, of Calcasieu, the youngest member of the legislature, was here yesterday on business. Mr. Stewart expects to enter the officers' training school at Fort Logan H. Roots, together with a number of other Lake Charles young men, whose applications are to be passed on Saturday. Mr. Stewart was only 21 when he was elected to the legislature.

## AMERICAN SOLDIERS WILL GO TO EUROPE

Washington, May 3.—England is ready to furnish arms and ammunition to any force of Americans sent to the West front. This information is considered one more step toward orders to the first contingent of American soldiers to prepare to leave for France within a few weeks.

## ARREST OF A NEGRO FIEND

Momph, Tenn., May 3.—A deaf and dumb negro tonight pointed out to the police Dan Armstrong, another negro, as the slayer of Antoinette Rappal, fifteen-year-old girl found with her head cut off last night.

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## CANADIANS SMASH THROUGH FAMOUS HINDENBURG LINE

### Menace Lens-Douai Railroad Loss of Which Would Spell Germans Disaster. Many Prisoners and Guns Taken

By International News Service. London, May 3.—The British forces today pierced the famous Hindenburg line, smashing through on a twelve-mile front between the southern part of Lens and Croiselles. It is the most crushing drive recorded this year. The Canadian troops led the advance, taking the village of Freznoy. The British are approaching the Lens-Douai railroad, the capture of which will mean disaster to the Germans. The entire new Hindenburg line is menaced by the drive today. Many prisoners were taken. Prisoners began pouring in soon after the British resumed the "big push." Many German guns were taken. Army headquarters attaches were still tabulating the booty tonight. The powerful German defense wall was crumpled. On the German side, life counted as nothing. Thirteen divisions, 260,000 men, had previously been used on the twelve-mile front to stem the British tide. They are cut to pieces and exhausted. But fresh divisions are being sent into the battle.

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