

TAX ON FILMS
PLENTY NOW,
BRADY THINKS

Producer Amuses Committee with Breezy Remarks on the Movies.

Any increase in the tax on the movies will result in loss to the government rather than increased revenues, the Ways and Means Committee was told yesterday afternoon.

William A. Brady, a New York producer, told the committee that the present tax had caused a loss of 25 per cent this year.

Brady told the members of the committee by his brusque and jocular manner of speaking. This was true when he pleaded against any action that would shut down the people's amusements.

"This is not the time to put crepe on the door," he said. "Let the people continue to have their amusements."

Further along in his statement, Brady was asked by a member of the committee if he favored a graduated tax on the price of admissions, and Brady replied that he did.

"If a man pays \$5 for a seat at a prize fight, he ought to pay a tax on it," he said.

"Then you would be willing to pay such a tax?" was asked.

"Oh, no," Brady replied. "I would go to deadhead."

Brady spoke of the educational work of the films and quoted from an utterance by President Wilson to the effect that the moving pictures are a greater source of public information than any other agency.

He also mentioned the tax of four per cent. "It took us four months in the larger cities to recover from the effects of it, and in the smaller cities we have never recovered."

"We don't want to do our bit, we want to do a great big chunk. But, we want to live and we want our rights fully protected."

Objects to Footage Tax. P. A. Powers of the University Film Company protested against the "footage tax" on films, and suggested it should be replaced by a rental fee of three per cent.

He explained that the reason that some films are more valuable than others.

Stephen Fawcett, general manager of the American News Company, argued against the postal zone rate in the present law.

He said the only way magazine publishers can reach subscribers is to ship the magazines by freight to central distributing points.

UNION 'VET' TO HONOR SOUTHERNERS' GRAVE

Silver Springs Is Resting Place of Unidentified Soldier.

Flowers for the grave of a unidentified Confederate soldier buried under a simple monument in the Maryland Woods near Silver Springs, are asked to the people of the District by Stephen Whitney.

Whitney, who has been fitting the Memorial Day in the Potomac, in memory of those that die at sea.

For years the aged veteran has tended the grave of his former enemy, dead from some stray shell fragment.

This year when the sons and grandsons of the enemies of more than half a century ago are fighting side by side in the cause of freedom, it seems especially fitting that the young soldier, who died for what he thought was right, be remembered on his country's birthday.

Summary of Casualties
In Pershing Army to Date

Table with columns for Army and Marines, listing casualties in action, deaths, and missing.

AUSTRIAN KAISER STAKES ALL ON ONE BATTLE TEST

Fate of Hapsburg Throne Hangs on Success or Failure of Italian Front Offensive Along 100 Miles which Has Had no Equal in This War.

London, June 18.—The fate of Austria depends on the offensive her troops are now conducting against the Italian armies.

The condition in the dual monarchy is similar to that in Germany. As Emperor William has staked everything on his drive for Paris and the Channel, so Emperor Carl has thrown the future of his empire and his dynasty into the balance in a drive through the plains of Northern Italy.

If he wins, the victory will do much to popularize the war in Austria-Hungary and solidify the fast disintegrating nation.

If he loses, the internal crisis in Austria will reach a climax which may bring about a revolution and cost Carl his throne.

Accordingly the Austrian general staff has thrown itself into the battle with all the power at its command.

720,000 Austrians Attack. On the 100-mile front from the Lagersina Valley to the Adriatic Sea the Austrian field marshal Conrad von Hotzendorf, threw sixty divisions, or 720,000 men, into the attack.

For three days the battle has waged with an intensity that has had no precedent on this front. At every part of the Italian line attacked, however, the Italian armies have held back the invaders with a splendid resistance and completely broken up the drive.

The bitterest fighting is going on at two points on the long front. The first is along the Piave from the sea to the mountains, where the Austrians have been driven back to the east of the Asiago Plateau, on the opposite end of the line.

Here again we see the familiar Teutonic strategy of the pincers, seeking to close their mammoth jaws and catch an allied army between them.

A glance at the map will show how the Austrians are attempting to carry out this strategy.

Aim at Italian Flank. By striking across the Piave and driving the Italians before them across the Venetian plains, the Teutons hope to force them back to the Brenita River at Bassano.

Then, hitting the Italian left flank from the north along the line of the Brenita, the Austrians could execute a great turning movement which would force the armies of King Victor Emmanuel to quit their bases at Bassano and Vicenza and their fortified positions along the River Adige and retreat along the whole line of the railroad between Milan and Verona.

If this road is lost to the Italians, it will mean a great disaster, for it feeds the entire front. Its loss would force the evacuation of the whole northern portion of Italy, and the allied armies would have to make their final stand on the River Po. The cities of Venice, Padua, Verona, Brescia, Treviso and Mantua, all famous for their history, would fall under the iron heel of the Teuton.

British and French in Battle. In pursuance of this strategy, Hotzendorf threw three great armies at the Italians. The first, that of Field Marshal Von Borevic, struck along the line of the Piave, and crossed the river at certain points. It was held, however, on the western bank.

TO ASK MRS. BUSCH ABOUT GERMAN TIES

Detained at Key West for Questioning by Government Agents.

The detention at Key West of Mrs. Lily Busch, widow of Adolphus Busch, millionaire brewer of St. Louis, whose property was seized by the alien property custodian, is for the purpose of questioning her concerning her affiliations with Germans since the war began.

Department of Justice officials last night made this admission, but refused to say whether Mrs. Busch was under suspicion of being a dangerous alien or with traffickers with dangerous aliens or enemies.

They were anxious to examine her, it is understood, on her return from Germany, to learn what means she had considered of communicating with Germany from the United States.

Y. M. C. A. KEEPS WORKERS NEAR GERMAN GUNS

Dr. Mott Says 650 of 2,500 Abroad Sustain Death Peril.

In a verbal report to the President yesterday, Dr. John R. Mott, international secretary of the Y. M. C. A., on its first visit to the White House since his recent return from the war zone, said one-fourth of the American "Y" workers abroad were now within range of the German guns.

There are more than 2,500 men and women Y. M. C. A. workers in the war zone, he said, and the number is constantly increasing in order to take care of the rapidly growing American forces.

After a talk with President Wilson, Dr. Mott said the "Y" men were constantly making their way closer and closer to the front lines, establishing dugouts, where the soldiers are supplied with many home comforts as possible, and where letters and messages are written to the folks back home.

French Want 2,000 More. The French government, Dr. Mott reported, has asked the American Y. M. C. A. to establish work at 2,000 places among the French troops as they are being sent to the front.

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KILLED IN FRANCE.

PRIVATE JAMES A. CLAYTON, who has died in France from wounds received in the victorious advance of American marines against the Hun.

JAMES A. CLAYTON, MARINE, LIVED HERE

Among Those Killed in Fight at Chateau Thierry.

Killed evidently in the fighting at Chateau Thierry, where the American "devil dogs" have given the Kaiser's picked troops a taste of what is to come, the name of James Arthur Clayton, U. S. Marine, appears in yesterday's casualty list.

Clayton, eager to fight, was one of the first young men to enlist with the soldiers of the sea in this city at the outbreak of the war. He was given three months' strenuous training at the Marine Barracks at Philadelphia Navy Yard, and went overseas with the first American troops to France.

The young man, who was 27 years old, came from Rushville, Va. For more than four years prior to his enlistment he lived at 1848 Ontario place northwest, with Mr. and Mrs. James Montgomery Beall and their little daughter, Florence. He was employed by Mr. Beall in his store at 1963 Calvert street, and was well known for his cheery smile.

Six of Mr. Beall's clerks have enlisted and every nerve of the city is listed and the store today will have its first gold star.

Love's Power in Life Is All Prevailing, Asserts Mrs. Militz

Love as a factor in the human life was the main theme of the lectures delivered by Mrs. Annie Rix Militz, teacher of truth, last night at the Epier's Truth, 509 Eleventh street northwest.

The statement that love is not a fallacy, Mrs. Militz stated, for every love thought is recorded in the brain and every nerve of the body. Love is all prevailing, the speaker continued, the body is governed by thinking and that thinking should be of love for the entire human race, especially for those to whom one is not attracted naturally.

Love and truth are the greatest elements in the race of life, according to Mrs. Militz, and thousands of papers and tracts teaching of truth by the light in the eyes of converts to her teachings.

Kept Wedding Secret, Now She Seeks Court

Lieut. Samuel R. Reckfus, of the army, was sued yesterday in the District Supreme Court for maintenance by Irma K. Reckfus, whom he married secretly in Baltimore in September, 1917.

Not only has her husband declined to provide a home for her, stated Mrs. Reckfus, but has refused to acknowledge her as his wife. At his request, she avers, she kept their wedding a secret.

In November last, she states, she came to Washington with her wedding still a secret with the understanding that he was to provide a home here for her.

He has since failed, she states, because he loved another woman, she is without means of support, Mrs. Reckfus tells the court, and she asks that her husband be compelled to support her. She is represented by Attorneys Richardson and Shreve.

YANKS ON GERMAN SOIL.

General March, chief of staff, last night authorized the publication of the fact that the Thirty-second Division of the United States army is holding a part of the sector in Alsace, which is on German soil. This division is composed of Michigan and Wisconsin soldiers, many of whom received their first taste of war when their transport, the Tuscania, was sunk off the coast of Ireland by a German submarine.

The new record in Baltimore cuts into the present coverage time for construction of the new ships. The average date is 135-5 days. In pre-war days a year was regarded as fast time for building a steel vessel of or above 6,000 tons.

ICE CREAM COMPANY HERE CHANGES HANDS

Final transactions were completed in the purchase of the Carry Manufacturing Company by Charles Warden, Leech, at the Central Y. M. C. A., 1736 G street. The sale will be taken tomorrow. Members of the club invite their friends to meet them at Thirty-sixth and M streets, Georgetown, at 5:30 o'clock, where they will take a car on the Great Falls Line, to Fairview Station, walk from there by way of Difficult Run to the Potomac and continue to Great Falls, a distance of five miles.

Moonlight Hikes for Y. M. C. A.

A series of moonlight hikes will take place this summer by the Sunday afternoon walks of the Red Triangle Club, Y. M. C. A. Particulars about the trips, routes, and dates may be had from L. Gordon Leach, at the Central Y. M. C. A., 1736 G street. The hike will be taken tomorrow. Members of the club invite their friends to meet them at Thirty-sixth and M streets, Georgetown, at 5:30 o'clock, where they will take a car on the Great Falls Line, to Fairview Station, walk from there by way of Difficult Run to the Potomac and continue to Great Falls, a distance of five miles.

HAS 45 IN ROLL OF "THOUSAND DOLLAR CLUB"

National Geographic Society Wins Honor—W. S. S. Sales Big in Theaters.

With a total of 45 members, the National Geographic Society of this city bears the distinction of having on its rolls the largest number of subscribers to "The Thousand Dollar Club" composed of individuals who have purchased war savings stamps to that amount. This remarkable showing is due to the activity of Gilbert H. Grosvenor of the society, who is also chairman of District No. 3.

The names of these subscribers, which include those of men and women prominent in political, scientific and social life, are as follows: Arthur H. Birdseye, John W. Blacklock, Postmaster General A. S. Burleson, Miss Mary E. Green, Edward H. Droup, John Joy Edson, Mrs. Carolyn Fahnstock, General George W. Goethals, Gilbert Grosvenor, Mrs. Gilbert Grosvenor, Mrs. John B. Henderson, Senator John W. Weeks, War Reliance Bureau, George H. Judd, Representative B. McKinley, George E. Martin, James Murphy, Mrs. John W. Middleton, National Geographic Society, and members of the society.

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Pre-Inventory Sale

Wednesday is Household Day and today's pre-inventory prices are for thousands of dollars worth of desirable, new, clean merchandise—everything for the home—at prices greatly reduced.

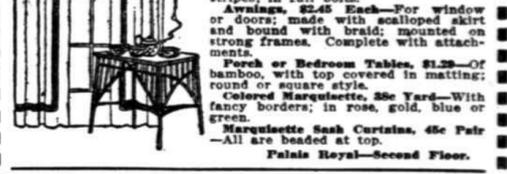
Curtain and Drapery Materials, 14c and 35c Yd.

Were 25c to \$1.00 Yard

Miscellaneous Assortment of Clean, Perfect Quality Cretonnes, Scrims, White or Colored Marquises, Nets, Voiles, Swisses, Scotch Madras, Denims, Poplins, Reps, Burlaps, Silpcover materials, Awning Stripes, Silks and many other kinds of desirable fabrics. Regular 25c to \$1 grade, at 14c and 35c yard.

Curtains—One-Half Off

About 150 pairs Sample Curtains in styles suitable for any room in the house. Worth regularly from \$1.50 to \$15 pair. Special today at half price.



82.00 and 82.50 Summer Curtains, 12.00 Pair—Many new and attractive patterns. See list through window display.

Curtains Nets, 12c Yard—1,200 yards of Fillet Weave Curtain Nets in white, cream or Arabian shades; 36 inches wide, 14c and in a good assortment of patterns.

12.00 Mosquito Netting, 12.00 Piece—8 yards; the piece: 12x22, 12x24, 12x26, 12x28, 12x30, 12x32, 12x34, 12x36, 12x38, 12x40, 12x42, 12x44, 12x46, 12x48, 12x50, 12x52, 12x54, 12x56, 12x58, 12x60, 12x62, 12x64, 12x66, 12x68, 12x70, 12x72, 12x74, 12x76, 12x78, 12x80, 12x82, 12x84, 12x86, 12x88, 12x90, 12x92, 12x94, 12x96, 12x98, 12x100.

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100 Colored Workers Seek Jobs in D. C.

Telescope Lens Grinder Is Wanted at Navy Yard

Overseas Men Go in Free

Camp Upton, L. I., June 17.—Less than one-third the usual number of Sunday visitors came to camp Sunday, because of the advance in railroad rates that became effective last Monday. Excursion tickets for sightseers that formerly were \$2.70 now are \$1.11.

OUR DEFENSE

At Money Savings in the Pre-Inventory Sale