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THAT TAX ON BUTTERINE

The price of Butterine or Oleomargarine is today 35 cents per pound, but this does not represent the true value, because our government placed a 10 cents per pound tax on this article many years ago. The tax was the result of efforts of the Elgin butter trust to protect, (as they stated then) the farmers' product against the meat packers, who were the manufacturers of this substitute for butter. The arrangement was a good compromise at that time as the tax did keep up the price of butter for the farmer, and it also was a big thing for the butter trust.

The necessity of keeping up prices on butter no longer exists, since it has risen to its high mark of 60 cents per pound.

The removal of this 10-cent tax on oleo would be of great good at present to the poor people, who are prohibited at present on account of the high price to purchase either oleo or butter, which is absolutely a necessary part of their diet. We say a necessary part of their diet because of the fact that bread forms a greater portion of the poor man's food, and this bread is indigestable except in the presence of some kind of fats.

If this tax of 10 cents per pound could be removed from oleo it would be such a great help and comfort to the poor, and by placing an extra 10-cent tax on each drink of whiskey it would further be of benefit to the poor man, by helping his stomach to avoid a poisonous drink of liquor and at the same time give him and his family one of the principal necessities of life at a much reduced price. We trust our Food Administration will soon investigate the 10-cent tax on oleo.

HIS RE-ELECTION?

At the expense of the Government for printing and distribution, Senator La Follette is flooding the land with 300,000 copies of his speeches attacking the Government, its conduct of the war and the Liberty Loan by which the war is to be financed. For such offenses expulsion from the Senate is the mildest punishment that should be inflicted. It might be well to censor the mail of all the members of the "little group of wilful men" who opposed the first protective measure against Germany. The unfortunate accident in which Senator Husting of Wisconsin lost his life has brought to the front in that Great State the issues of the war in which Senator La Follette has so grossly misrepresented his commonwealth. Organizations throughout the State have already repudiated La Follette, and we believe that, in the special election for Senator Husting's successor, the voters of Wisconsin will hasten to prove themselves loyal Americans, and supporters of the war, and that they will do this with an emphasis that will not be misunderstood by the Junkers of Germany.

WHY AND WHY NOT.

Porto Rico has gone "dry" by a large majority.

Minnesota Chippewa Indians have granted suffrage to their squaws.

The 400,000 members of the Elks are raising $1,000,000 for the Red Cross.

In a three days' battle in France 7,000,000 shells were used by the French.

A New Jersey bank teller sentenced to five years for embezzling blames it fall on "joy riding."

The Australian House of Representatives has passed a bill suppressing the activities of the I. W. W.

Maryland will impose a fine of $50 on all idlers who will not register as without work and who fail to enlist. Work or fight!

A sign in Edison's office reads, "Turn off the juice when not in use." A good thought for the conservation of electricity and gas.

The German batteries are still raining 1,000 shells a day on Rheims, though 5,000 of its former 120,000 inhabitants still cling to their homes.

Traffic on one of the principal streets in Muncie, Indiana, was held up while a bird, entangled in a cord wrapped around a trolley wire, was rescued.

Roosevelt recently received a telegram from Decatur, Ill., inviting him to hunt the big lioness which lately escaped from a circus in that city.

Cigar dealers are trying to amend the Revenue Law so as to permit the reuse of cigar boxes, which is now illegal, and thus save $5,000,000 a year.

A wrecked automobile in New York led to an investigation and it was found to be owned by a nineteen-year-old bell-boy in one of the principal hotels.

Church of the Holy Name of Mary

PERSONAL.

Very Rev. T. Stenmans of Edgar, La., was in town Monday and came over to see his old friend, Very Rev. Father Larkin, S. M.

Very Rev. F. Moran, D. D., pastor of St. Patrick's Church, and Very Rev. F. Howard, D. D., pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Cleveland, O., stopped over on their way North and stayed a couple of days during the week with Rev. Father Larkin, S. M. Fathers Moran and Howard were returning from California, where they have been in the interest of the Catholic Edudational Convention. Both Fathers are leaders in the Catholic educational movement in this country, and for this reason they were chosen to make the final arrangements for this great meeting of Catholic educators. The convention will take place in San Francisco during the summer months. Very Rev. Father Larkin, S. M., being on the financial committee, was interested in knowing the work of preparation that had been done. Wednesday the three went to Jefferson College to see that famous old institution of learning and also to see Very Rev. Father Smith, S. M., who is also deeply interested in Catholic educational matters.

Father Moran and Father Howard are both pastors of large and well-organized parishes in Cleveland, O., and both are held in high esteem by their fellow-citizens on account of their great influence in the welfare of their beautiful city.

MEETINGS.

St. Vincent de Paul Conference held its usual Monday night meeting, which was well attended. Some new life has been put in this socetiy, for it seems more prosperous than it has been in years. New members have been taken in who are both faithful and interested.

HOLY NAME OF MARY USHERS.

Immediately after the Conference meeting the Ushers held their meeting, at which means were discussed to meet the large overflow at some of the masses. These good men are willing to do their duty, but want of means repeatedly gives them trouble. However, some remedy has been found and all will run smoothly again.

HOLY NAME PREFECTS.

The regular meeting of the prefects will take place next Monday at 8 p. m. All are requested to be present, as matters of great importance for the welfare of the society will be taken up. Mr. George Belanger, the newly-appointed secretary, has been working hard mapping out the new routes and preparing the new books. A most interesting and useful meeting is promised.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS.

The regular First Friday Devotions will take place on Friday of this week. Confession will be heard Thursday at 3 and 7 p. m. The masses on Friday will be at 5, 6 and 7.

SERVICES.

Week Day—Masses at 6, 6:30 and 7 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 6, 6:45 and 8:15 Wednesday, 6 and 6:45 Saturday.

Sunday—Masses at 5, 7, 9 and 10:30, High Mass and sermon; baptisms, from 3 to 4, benediction at 4:30.

SICK.

Miss Nelly O'Brien and Victor Escousse. Mr. Escousse, who has been ailing for some time, has been lately confined to his bed painfully, if not seriously, ill.

BAPTISMS.

Merle Anne, daughter of Merrill Casserino and Annie Whelan of Sumner and Diana street. Sponsors, Joseph Whelan and Alita Scherer.

Eileen Margaret, daughter of Robert P. Brown and Juanita O'Donnell of 336 Belleville street. Sponsors, Howard O'Donnell and Hattie Brown.

Carlisle C. Francis, son of Frank Bach and Mary Ahysen. Sponsors, Hilliard Bach and Mrs. J. Sutherland.

Theodore Dubret, son of Frank James and Theodora Dubret. Sponsors, Theodore Dubret and Mrs. A. Schiele.

Peter George, son of Mark Wilson and Elizabeth Folse. Sponsors, John Curry and Lucy Wilson.

Carliss Francis, son of Frank Kucera and Lillian Hoke of 341 Delaronde street. Sponsors, Harry Tompson and Iona Hoke.

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Methodist Church Notes

Rev. C. C. Wier, Pastor; Residence 258 Vallette; Phone Algiers 130.

Last Sunday's services were well attended, both morning and evening. The morning congregation was larger than for many months. The Junior Choir was at its best.

The pastor's subject was "Christian Perfection," the text being Phillippians 3:12-14: "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect; but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling God in Christ Jesus."

At night the text was Matt. 5:41: "And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile with Him twain."

Mrs. Jessie Summers sang a beauful solo.

The first Quarterly Conference met last Friday night with Rev. W. W. Holmes presiding elder, in the chair. There was much routine work transacted. Brother Holmes brought rejoicing when he announced some of the material gains of the New Orleans district during the year. Felicity had paid off an old debt, Donaldsonville had paid a debt of ten years' standing, Slidell had paid an old debt and Brother Thomas had completed and paid for the chapel for St. Marks. The presiding elder further said that all agreed that the next on the program was the new church in Algiers. The District Conference convenes in Felicity Church in March and our church elected the following delegates: Capt. C. J. Zatarain, Dr. A. A. King, Messrs. E. H. Cayard, C. J. Green and H. H. Gibson. Alternates: Messrs. J. W. Daniels, Lester T. Dunn, E. E. Cayard and John B. Miller.

The Boy Scouts have been busy this week circulating the President's Flag Day address. Assistant Scout Master F. J. Owens was sick and missed the meetings. The boys have decided to meet only on Friday nights at 7 o'clock. Next Friday night, after the business session, Boatswain Bordelon will give them some military tactics.

It is earnestly desired that all of the Algiers people who have boarders or roomers will tell them that our church is on the corner of Delaronde and Lavergne street and that we have services every Sunday, both morning and evening, and that they will be welcome.

Prayer meeting Thursday night at 7:30.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The increase in attendance last Sunday over the preceeding one was rather large, it being not so cold. Next Sunday, the 3rd, will be Missionary Sunday. There will be an extra feature on the program, so come out and find out what it is. It is good and will be well worth your coming. It is to be a—well, "come out" and "find out."

In our Bible drill the Intermediates gained ten more points ahead of the Juniors, they being now twenty behind. The Juniors, however, consisting of a number of quick and alert pupils, will perhaps soon be again even, or ahead.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Last Sunday the Leaguers, instead of holding their service at the church, held it at the Y. M. C. A. Building at the Naval Station. There were a number of sailors present. The program was conducted by Miss Thelma Cayard, assisted by Misses Roberta Hafkesbring, Ada Malone and Inez Daniel, Mrs. J. Summers, Mr. Lester Dunn and Edgar E. Cayard.

The next Union League meeting will be at the Louisiana Avenue Church. So prepare, make the date now, February 12.

The Leaguers are going to the Bonner home Sunday if the weather is good.

Mount Olivet Church

The rector returned to the city on Wednesday of last week, having officiated at the burial service of Archibald McG. Smith, aged eighty-two years, formerly principal of the Shenandoah Military Academy, Winchester, Va. Service at Houma, La. The body was taken to Virginia for interment.

Various church activities in New Orleans have claimed the rector's attention during the past week, during which time he visited the following churches: St. Andrew's, Trinity, St. George's, Annunciation and St. John's. At St. John's on Sunday he celebrated the Holy Communion and baptized two children. In the afternoon he officiated at a burial in the place of the Rev. A. R. Edbrooke, who was suffering from an attack of la grippe.

At the annual meeting and dinner of the Church Club of Louisiana, held at Trinity Parish House, the Rev. S. L. Vail represented Mount Olivet. The dinner was served by the ladies of Trinity Church on Monday evening, with Bishop Thomas F. Gailor of Tennessee, the bishop of Louisiana and the Rev. Dr. R. W. Patton as the guests of honor.

On Friday, February 1, an entertainment will be given at The Avenue for the benefit of the Woman's Guild. N. B.—Place, The Avenue Theater, Opelousas avenue. Time, Friday, February 1, 6 to 8 p. m., children, admission 10 cents; 8 to 12 p. m., adults, admission 25 cents. Music and refreshments.

Churches are urged to save coal, and in order to comply with the request of the Commission, Mount Olivet has decided to discontinue choir practice on Friday evenings and to limit the Sunday night service to forty-five minutes.

In reply to the war call of the church through the Commission Mount Olivet paid up her apportionment promptly.

The Woman's Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday, February 5, at 7:30 p. m., at the residence of Mrs. H. L. Hoyt, 210 Delaronde street. Mrs. F. J. Foxley and Mrs. William Lamb will be present and address the Auxiliary. The president urges all members to be in attendance and promises the most interesting meeting of the year. At the Educational Conference held in St. Andrew's Church on last Saturday, Mount Olivet Auxiliary was represented by Mrs. A. L. Hoyt, Mrs. Cora Johnson and Mrs. S. L. Vail.

Services at Mount Olivet on next Sunday at 7 a. m., 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Missionary Day will be observed in the Sunday School.

The following committee has been appointed to arrange a suitable program for the Children's Festival Service on Easter Day: Misses Eugenia Herbert and Hazel Maegher and Mrs. S. L. Vail.

Sunday School teachers are hereby reminded of the Teachers' Training Lectures to be held at the Parish House of the Free Church of the Annunciation, New Orleans. Subject: "Prayer Book and Church Worship." Eight successive Friday nights, at 8 o'clock, beginning February 1. Lecturers: Rev. C. W. Bispham, S. T. M., and Rev. Matthew Brewster, D. D.

The rector has received a postcard from Paris, France, from Mr. Kent Christy.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

On last Thursday night, the voting members met and sent a call to Rev. Fred Wambsgans, our former pastor. As Rev. Wambsgans is now travelling through the different camps preaching to our Lutheran boys, it may be some time before an answer is received, but we expect one next week.

Rev. Francke preached last Thursday night, taking the place of Rev. E. W. Kuss.

We regret to learn that Rev. A. Wismar is ill. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope he will soon be able to attend to our church again.

We deeply regret the accident that befell one of our Sunday School scholars, Felix Borne III. He fell while playing and sustained two fractures of the left arm. May God grant him a speedy recovery so that he may soon be with us again in Sunday School.

Next Thursday Rev. A. O. Freiderich will preach, his text being "Putting Grace and Works in the Right Place." The last lecture will be on Feb. 7. The preacher will be Rev. G. M. Kramer and his subject will be "Our Relation to Christians in Other Denominations.

The catechism class will meet as usual on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday.

We would like very much to have all our voting members attend our regular meeting, as lots of repairs are to be made on the church and all are requested to be present and vote on the matter.

In case of sickness or death, phone A. Wismar of Gretna, phone Algiers 228 or Rev. H. Meibohm of the city.

CHARTER

OF JOHN H. BONCK COMPANY, INC.

United States of America, State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Be it known, That on this twenty-ninth day of the month of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, (1918), before me, Asahel Walker Cooper, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and subscribed, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed who declared that availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of this state relative to the formation and organization of corporations, they have covenanted and agreed, and do by these presents, covenant, agree and bind themselves as well as those who may hereafter become associated with them to form themselves into a corporation for the objects and purposes, with the name and under the stipulations, following to-wit:

Article I.—The name and style of this corporation shall be John H. Bonck Company, Inc., and by said corporate name it shall have and enjoy succession for a period of ninety-nine years from the date hereof, unless it is dissolved in the manner provided by law, and by the articles of this charter; and under such corporate name it shall have the power and authority to contract, sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal, the same to alter or break at pleasure, to make all necessary rules and regulations for its corporate management and control and shall have and enjoy all the rights, privileges, and immunities which are now conferred upon or may be hereafter granted to corporations of the same kind and character.

Article II.—The domicile of the corporation shall be in the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, and all citation and other legal process shall be served upon the president or in his absence, upon any other officer of the corporation.

Article III.—The objects and purposes for which this corporation are formed are declared to be as follows:

To manufacture, buy, sell and deal in either at wholesale, or retail, dry goods, clothing, wearing apparel and textile fabrics of every kind and all articles and merchandise of like general character and description; to conduct the business of general manufacturers and cutters of over-alls, pants, shirts and all other articles of wearing apparel; and generally to do and engage in any other business engagement or enterprise connected with growing out of, or which is germane or incidental, to any of the objects and purposes hereinabove set forth.

Article IV.—The Capital Stock of this corporation shall be Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars, divided into Two Hundred and Fifty shares of One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars each and the same may be issued for cash, or in payment of property or services actually received by or rendered to the corporation. Said Capital Stock may be increased to Fifty Thousand ($50,000.00) Dollars.

This corporation shall commence business and become a going concern as soon as fifty per centum of said capital stock shall have been subscribed for and fifty per cent of the amount so subscribed is actually paid for. All transfers of stock shall be made on the books of the corporation by the surrender of the original certificate properly endorsed for cancellation by the stockholder in whose favor said stock is issued, or by his duly authorized agent.

No stockholder shall have the right to offer for sale, sell, transfer or assign any of the shares held by him or her without first giving to the other stockholders through the Secretary thirty days prior notice in writing of such intention and the other stockholders shall have the right to purchase said shares within thirty days from the receipt of said notice at their book value; and in case of dissatisfaction as to the price, the matter shall be arbitrated, one arbitrator who shall be vested with the powers of amicable compounder to be appointed by each side, and an umpire who shall also be vested with the powers of amicable compounder, to be selected by these two, who shall take oath and whose award or decision shall be final and binding upon all parties. The expence of said arbitration shall be equally divided between the shareholder offering his stock and the other stockholder or stockholders; if none of said stockholders avail themselves of said right or privilege to purchase said stock within thirty days from the receipt of said notice, said stock may then be sold to whomsoever the stockholder may see fit.

If the other stockholders within thirty days offer to purchase more stock than is offered for sale, then the stock so offered for sale shall be divided among the stockholders offering to purchase pro rata on the basis of their then stockholdings in the corporation.

Article V.—All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors composed of three stockholders, the membership of which may be increased, to a number not exceeding five, by the Board of Directors at any of its regular meetings; each director shall be a bona fide stockholder. The first Board of Directors shall serve until the election to be held on the second Tuesday in February, 1919, and until their successors are elected and qualified; said Board of Directors with their post office addresses is as follows:

John Harry Bonck, 1624 N. Dupre St., New Orleans, Louisiana, who shall be President-Treasurer, Mrs. Letitia Bonck Miranne, whose address is Rayville, Louisiana, who shall be Vice-President, and Mrs Anita K. Bonck, whose address is 1624 N. Dupre St., New Orleans, Louisiana, who shall be Secretary.

On the second Tuesday in February, 1919, and annually thereafter, except when that day falls upon a legal holiday, then upon the next following lay day, the stockholders shall elect a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, the board already installed to continue to hold over until their successors are elected and qualified. Failure to hold said annual meeting on the day specified shall not dissolve the corporation but the directors then in office shall hold over until their successors are elected.

The Board of Directors so elected shall select from their own number the officers of the corporation, who shall be President-Treasurer, a Vice-President and a Secretary.

The election of directors shall be by ballot, and the persons receiving the largest number of votes cast shall be declared elected. For electing directors or for any other purpose, each share of stock, whether present or by written proxy shall be entitled to one vote.

The said Board of Directors shall have power and authority to make all necessary rules and regulations for the management, operation and control of the business of the corporation as well as to make all necessary rules and by-laws, with power to fill any vacancy occurring in their number, or any vacancy occurring among the officers of the corporation.

Article VI.—Notice of all meetings of stockholders for electing directors or for any other purpose, except as may be hereinafter directed, shall be given in writing by the Secretary to be deposited in the mail postage prepaid, at least fifteen days before such meeting, directed to each stockholder, at his or her last known address as the same may appear on the books of the corporation unless such notice is waived in writing by all stockholders appearing as such upon the books, unless a different notice is required by law.

Article VII.—This act of incorporation may be modified, added to, changed, or amended, or this corporation be dissolved by and with the assent of the holders of two-thirds in amount of its then entire outstanding stock given at a general meeting of the stockholders to be convene after fifteen days' prior notice to be given in one of the daily newspapers published in the City of New Orleans in addition to the personal notice to each of the stockholders as provided in Article VI of this charter; and such changes as may be made in reference to the increase or decrease of the capital stock shall be preceded by such notice, delays and formalities as are provided by law.

In the event of the dissolution of said corporation either by limitation of its charter of otherwise; its affairs shall be liquidated by three commissioners to be appointed and elected at a secipal meeting called for that purpose as above provided, and they shall remain in office until the affairs of said corporation shall be fully liquidated; and in case of the death, inability, or resignation of one or more of said liquidators the survivors or survivor shall continue to act.

Article VIII.—No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or faults of this corporation in any further sum then the unpaid balance due to the corporation on the shares owned by him; nor shall any mere informality in organization have the effect of rendering this charter null or of exposing a stockholder to liability beyond the amount of his unpaid stock if any.

The subscribers hereto have placed opposite their respective names the numberof shares subscribed for by each of them so that this act may serve as the orighnal subscription list of said corporation.

CHARTER.

And here the subscribers, Mrs. Anita K. Bonck, widow, said Mrs. Letitia Rosalie Bonck, wife of Cheri A. Miranne, Jr. said John Harry Bonck and said Lucien Sidney Bonck acting by and through his dative tutor, Whitney-Central Trust and Savings Bank, declared that whereas they are owners in indivision in the proportion of an undivided one fourth to each of them of the commercial business conducted prior to his death by their husband and father respectively, the late John Henry Bonck, and lately conducted by them under the name and style of John H. Bonck and Co. in indivision with the minors, John Porter Bonck, Harold Stanton Bonck and Anita Rosalie Bonck whose interest in the merchandise, stock in trade, accounts collectible, machinery, office furniture and fixtures belonging to and constituting said business said Mrs. Anita K. Bonck, Mrs. Letitia Bonck Miranne and John Harry Bonck and said minor Lucien Sidney Bonck, through his tutor Whitney-Central Trust and Savings Bank duly authorized so to do, acquired by purchase in partition proceedings under a judgment of the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans; said Mrs. Anita K. Bonck, widow, said Mrs. Letitia Bonck Miranne and said C. A. Miranne, Jr., to authorize his said wife, said John Harry Bonck, and said minor Lucien Sidney Bonck through his tutor Whitney-Central Trust and Savings Bank in payment for all their respective subscriptions for Thirty Seven and one-half shares of the capital stock of this corporation to each of them, hereby assigns, set over and deliver to said corporation all of their respective rights, title and interest in said business up to the sum of Four thousand seven hundred thirty-four and 585/100 Dollars to each of them, the net value of which business owned in indivision as aforesaid and herein amounting to the sum of Eighteen thousand nine hundred thirty-eight and 34/100 ($18,938.34 dollars as per the attached list and detailed account of the affairs of said partnership and business, hereto annexed and made part of this act of incorporation.

And here the said Mrs. Anita K. Bonck, widow, said John Harry Bonck and said Mrs. Letitia Rosalie Bonck, wife of said C. A. Miranne, Jr., and said C. A. Miranne, Jr. to authorize his said wife, herein represented by John Harry Bonck under a power of attorney dated December 13th, 1917, constituting the board of directors of this corporation hereby value and appraise the said business at more than fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.00) and said John Harry Bonck and said Mrs. Anita K. Bonck being first severally sworn by the undersigned Notary, each declare that over fifty per cent of the capital stock of this corporation has been actually subscribed and paid for.

Thus done and signed, at my office at the City of New Orleans on the day, month and year, herein above first written in the presence of Irving R. Saal and Edward L. Szabary competent witnesses who have signed these presents, together with said appearers and me, Notary, after due reading of the whole.

Original Signed: Names of Subscribers.
Witnesses: I. R. Saal, E. L. Szabary.
A. W. COOPER, Not. Pub.

I, the undersigned recorder of mortgages, in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of John H. Bonck Company Inc., was this day duly recorded in my office in Book 1219, folio ——.
New Orleans, January 30th, 1918.
(Signed) EMILE J. LEONARD, Dy. R.
A True Copy excepting the names of subscribers.
A. W. COOPER, Not. Pub.
Jan 31 Feb 7 14 21 28 March 7

CHARTER

OF "A. C. VREELAND, INC."

United States of America, State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Be it known, that on this the twenty-fourth day of January, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and eighteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-second, before me, Edouard F. Henriques, a notary public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the above city, parish and state, therein residing, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared:

The several persons, whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that they are of full age of majority, and, availing themselves of the laws of the State of Louisiana, relative to the organization of corporations, in such cases made and provided, they constitute themselves, their associates, successors and assigns, a corporation under the stipulations herein set forth, which they adopt as their charter, to-wit:

Article I.—The name and style of the corporation shall be "A. C. Vreeland, Inc." and it shall enjoy succession and corporate existence for a period of ninety-nine years from the date hereof, and it shall have for the purpose of the business to be carried on by it all powers conferred by law upon corporations, and shall generally exercise all the powers necessary to carry on the said business.

Article II.—The domicile of this corporation shall be in the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, and all citation and legal process shall be served on the President of the corporation, or, in the event of his disability, on the Vice-President of the corporation.

Article III.—The objects and purposes for which the corporation is organized, and the nature of the business to be conducted by it, are hereby declared to be:

To act as General Agent, Special Agent, and Local Agent, of Companies, firms, corporations and societies, which are duly qualified by law to engage in the business of insurance; to act as Insurance Broker; and in the capacity of agent or broker to solicit for, sell, and place with said companies, firms, corporations and societies, insurance in all of its branches;

And to act as agent or representative of owners, employers, or other persons, firms and corporations, having or claiming to have any interest in the injuries or death of employees or other persons, or having or claiming to have any interest in property, real or personal, or other objects or subjects of insurance;

And to do and perform any and all acts necessary to carry out the aforementioned objects and purposes.

Article IV.—The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) to be represented by Five Hundred (500) shares of stock, of the par value of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each.

Fifty per centum of the capital stock must be subscribed before the filing of the Articles of Incorporation; fifty per centum of all stock subscribed for must be actually paid in before the corporation engages in business, and the remainder within twelve months thereafter, as the law directs.

The amount to which the capital stock may be increased shall be Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00).

All stock subscribed for shall be paid for in cash, or its equivalent, or property received, or labor done, at such times and upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Directors shall prescribe. No transfer of stock shall be admitted or held to be valid, or binding, so fa as the corporation is concerned, unless made upon the books of the corporation. No sale or pledge of stock shall be valid unless made upon the books of the corporation. No sale or pledge of stock shall be valid unless said sale or pledge is accompanied by a written certificate, signed by the president and secretary-treasurer of the corporation, to the effect that said stock was offered to the remaining stockholders through the Board of Directors, at its book value, for a period of thirty days, and they have failed or declined to purchase the same. Stock hold or pledged in contravention of this provision shall become the property of the corporation upon tendering to the transferee or pledge its book value.

Article V.—All powers of this corporation shall be vested in, and the business shall be managed by, a board of directors, consisting of three directors, all of whom shall be stockholders, who shall be elected annually at a meeting of stockholders on the second Monday of January of each year. And any two of said directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business of the corporation, provided the said two directors represent the majority of all outstanding stock of the corporation.

Article VI.—The first board of directors shall consist of: Augustus C. Vreeland, James Rainey, and Emma W. Dinghaus.

The said Augustus C. Vreeland shall be president of this corporation; James Rainey, vice-president; and Emma W. Dinghaus, secretary-treasurer; all of whom shall hold office until the second Monday in January, 1919, or until their successors shall have been duly elected and inducted into office.

All elections shall be by ballot and held at the office of the corporation. Notice of such meeting shall be given by the secretary-treasurer in writing, delivered to each stockholder in person, or mailed to his last known address, at least ten days prior to such election; but this notice may be waived by all of the stockholders.

At all such elections, and in all meetings of the stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock standing in his name on the books of the corporation, at the date of said election or meeting, said votes to be cast in person or by written proxy, and a majority of votes shall elect.

The failure to elect directors at the annual meeting shall not dissolve or affect the corporation, nor impair its management in any respect, but the directors in office shall remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified.

Each board of directors shall elect, as soon as possible after their own election, a president, a vice-president, and a secretary-treasurer, and may grant to each officer such powers as they deem fit.

All vacancies in the board of directors from whatever cause shall be filled by the remaining directors. Any member of the board may appoint any other director his proxy to act in his place and stead at any meeting of the board.

Article VII.—This act of incorporation may be modified, changed, or altered, or the said corporation may be dissolved with the assent of two-thirds of the capital stock outstanding, at a meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose, and after ten days' notice has been given by registered letter, mailed to the last known address of each stockholder. The said notice may be waived by the unanimous consent of the stockholders.

In case of the dissolution of the corporation its affairs shall be liquidated by the directors in office at the date of its dissolution.

Article VIII.—No stockholder shall ever be held liable for the faults, or contracts, of the said corporation in any further amount than the unpaid balance due the corporation on the share, or shares, of stock owned by him; nor shall any mere informality in this charter have the effect of rendering this charter null, or exposing any stockholder to any liability beyond the unpaid balance, if any, due on his stock.

Article IX.—The subscription of stock of Augustus C. Vreeland, for the amount of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00), or Two Hundred, Fifty (250) shares, is covered by, and the purchase price or consideration therefor is, his transfer to this corporation on this date, of all of his rights, title, and interest in and to his business, namely, that of general insurance, and particularly that of general agent of the Ocean Accident & Guarantee Corporation, Limited, of London, England, for the States of Louisiana and Mississippi, now and for the past several years conducted and operated by the said Augustus C. Vreeland at Room 809 Maison Blanche Building, in the City of New Orleans; also the good will of his said business, together with the stock in trade, furniture and fixtures thereunto belonging and contained within Room 809 Maison Blanche Building, the said business being transferred in its entirety as a going concern to this corporation, as per duly authenticated Act of Sale, passed before Edouard F. Henriques, a Notary Public, which said business, good will ,et cetra, of the said Augustus C. Vreeland have been inventoried and appraised as of January the first, Nineteen Hundred, and Eighteen, by said board of directors and valued at the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00)

Article X.—The subscribers hereto have respectfully written opposite their naames the amount of stock subscribed by them to this corporation so that this Act of Incorporation may also serve as the original subscription list of the corporation, and they have stated their post office addresses, namely, New Orleans, so as to conform with Act 267 of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana of 1914.

Thus done and passed in my office, in the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, on the day, month and year first above written in the presence of Gordon Boswell and L. P. Bryant, Jr., competent legal witnesses, residents of this city, who hereunto signed their names, with the said appearers and me, notary, after due reading of the whole.

Original Signed: A. C. Vreeland (250); Emma W. Dinghaus (One); James Rainey (One)

Witness: L. P. Bryant, Jr., Gordon Boswell.
EDOUARD F. HENRIQUES, Notary Public.

New Orleans, Louisiana, January, 1918.
I, the undersigned, Recorder of Mortgages, in and for the Parish of Orleans State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the Act of Incorporation was this day duly recorded in my office, in Book 1219, Folio ——.
(Original signed) EMILE J. LEONARD, Dy. R.
I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original act on file in my notarial office.
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