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To remove any suspicion that she is exclusive at a time when she shouldn't be, Norway admits that she feels the food pinch.

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The Canadian cavalry, which did heroic work before Cambrai, is composed largely of cowboys from the Western ranges.

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The government asks housewives to bake their own beans in order to save the tin supply. But—er—how about the bean supply?

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The 10-cent socks that dealers say are going to cost 25 cents next spring will probably develop holes just as soon as the old ones.

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No previous war in which it has engaged found America so united in sentiment, so efficient and so determined as does the present war.

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These nipping mornings serve to remind us how much better furs look on the original owner than on the collar of a fat man's overcoat.

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There are men roaring and cussing about the price of bacon who never fetched any of it home when it was selling at 10 cents a pound.

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If you feel like sympathizing with enemy aliens for the treatment of them here, just think what would happen if you were caught in Germany.

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California experts say that it costs $1.95 a year to keep a hen. And just think—as soon as she has laid three or four eggs, you got your money back.

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Here is some newspaper saying that there is safety in silence. That declaration can't boost silence any and it is calculated to make safety very unpopular.

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The suggestion to recruit a red-headed regiment doesn't appeal to our military judgment, unless some way can be found to encrust their dome with dimmers.

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The government has a right to expect every one to make sacrifices during the war, but it ought not to expect anyone to go through the winter without coal.

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If you want to locate the leaks in your pockets, make a survey of your habits. Then you will find where you can buy from one to twenty Thrift stamps a day.

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The kaiser's palace has been looted of precious art objects. There seem to be at least some of the kaiser's subjects capable of living fully up to his lofty ethical international principles.

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If any noisy people come along pretending to be government inspectors, and want to take a look at your private stock of home-made canned goods, tell them to brush by, and then call the police.

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Now somebody advertises that he can increase one's vocabulary. Well, don't do it. What humanity needs is greater voltage in its thinking machinery and less honking on the part of its vociferator.

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There are two methods of procedure in sifting ashes. One is to pick out the lumps of coal and throw away the rest, and the other way is to pick out the clinkers and burn the rest. The second method is much more economical.

# CLARK, ALIAS CLARK

By DOROTHY DOUGLAS.

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She had had two manuscripts returned that morning from magazine editors, and just a moment before she had failed to get a seat for the farce she wanted to see.

"Not a seat in the house," the box office man informed her.

Nina was disappointed. She glanced through the casts of characters of several theaters as she passed them to see if she could find out whether there was anything else worth spending a dollar on.

"Oh!" she ejaculated softly, "I wonder if this is the Mr. Clark I crossed on the Lymric with?" She was glancing through the cast of characters for "A Night and a Day" pasted in front of the Triangle theater and noticed the name A. G. Clark. "I'm sure he must be Galvin Clark. Isn't that lucky? I shall write and ask him to tea in the studio."

Meanwhile Nina purchased a seat for the Saturday matinee and felt slightly less discouraged.

When she returned to her studio Nina wrote a short note to Mr. Clark asking him to tea for the following Sunday.

She waited impatiently for matinee time on Saturday.

When A. G. Clark made his appearance Nina gasped. It was not the Galvin Clark whom she knew, but one compellingly different.

"Oh! And I've invited him to tea. Isn't that perfectly awful?"

Now while Nina realized that she had plenty of time to send a message to this Mr. Clark before Sunday morning, she recognized no terrible sin in not doing so.

On Sunday afternoon Nina dressed a trifle more becomingly than she knew she would have to for Galvin Clark.

Her heart fluttered a trifle desperately when she knew A. G. Clark had dropped the copper knocker on her door. If Nina was embarrassed with her guilty conscience, she did not show it.

The good-looking young actor did, however, glance a bit nervously into Nina's brown eyes when she opened the door.

Her start of surprise was well assumed.

"Oh-h!" she bluffed naturally, "you are not MY Mr. Clark. I am so sorry," she said, and cast a wonderful glance into the actor's eyes.

"I'm sorry, too—very sory," laughed A. G. Clark. "I—I just came up to tell you that I'm not YOUR Mr. Clark," he added, by way of prolonging the interview. He remained standing near the door, hoping, however, that he would not have to go right away.

"I have the kettle boiling and English crumpets—all ready for tea," Nina said boldly while inwardly she quaked at her own temerity, "and no one to eat them." With that she sent another glance into Mr. Clark's eyes.

"If that's an invitation," laughed Clark, "I accept happily. I have been desperately lonesome for someone just like you." He colored as he realized how flattering his speech seemed. "I mean," he added quickly, "that we actors don't often meet homey girls." He had put down his hat and walking stick and Nina motioned him to a cozy seat beside her little tea wagon.

"You know," she said with brilliant color flaming into her cheeks, "that I found out in plenty of time to have let you know that you were not MY Mr. Clark. I—I saw the farce yesterday and could have sent a message."

"I say," he laughed, "you're a little bit of 'all right,' as the Britons say. Most girls would have bluffed this thing out." He held out a friendly hand, and Nina put her own in it.

"And most men would have bluffed it out, too. You could so easily have 'thought you had met me' and all that old game," she told him.

While consuming tea and toasted crumpets, the young actor and Nina found much in common to interest them. She even told him of her discouragement regarding some of her stories.

"Later they seemed to lack pep," she said, and a worried little line slanted between the brown eyes.

"If you let me look them over," he suggested, "perhaps I can dust the pepper pot over them. Many times two minds work better than one on certain types of stories."

When finally the moment of parting came and Clark had Nina's promise to join him Wednesday for lunch Nina said laughingly but with a tremor in her voice. "Though you are not MY Mr. Clark—I am very glad you came." And while he still held her hand and would have liked to make the retort that his heart suggested he refrained and said instead:

"You couldn't be as glad as I am if you tried. And we're going to work up those stories and get checks from all the editors and after that we'll write sketches—I have heaps of ideas and need just you to help me."

Nina blushed warmly. He was apparently going to be HER Mr. Clark sooner or later.

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### Amsterdam Largest City.

Amsterdam is still the largest city in Holland by over 100,000 inhabitants, its population being 628,403 at the beginning of January, 1917, an increase of about 12,000, or 2 per cent, during 1916. This was above the average annual increase of preceding years, on account of war conditions, it is presumed.

### The Forests of Porto Rico.

According to a publication of the United States forest service the once immense virgin forests of Porto Rico have been laid waste to a deplorable extent, says the Scientific American. The total wooded area now amounts to about 20 per cent of the area of the island, but not more than two-fifths of this is now under forest capable of yielding a wood product other than charcoal and fuel wood. The area of high forest is hardly 2 per cent of the total land area. Reforesting is a great need of the country, both for the sake of the water supply and to provide timber and fuel.

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### CHARTER OF

### THE NATIONAL SALES COMPANY OF LOUISIANA, INCORPORATED.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans.

Be it known that on this 17th day of the month of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, (1918), before me, Frank William Hart, a Notary Public duly commissioned and qualified in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, therein residing, in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned:

Personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who severally declared that, availing themselves of the benefits and provisions of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana and of the laws of said State relative to the organization of corporations, and particularly of the provisions of Act No. 267 of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana for the year 1914, they have organized themselves, as well as all such other persons who may hereafter join or become associated with them or their successors, into a stock corporation for the objects and purposes and under the covenants, stipulations and agreements following to-wit:

Article I.—The name and title of this corporation shall be "The National Sales Company of Louisiana, Incorporated," and under and by said name, unless sooner dissolved in accordance with law and this charter, it shall exist and continue, and shall have and enjoy corporate existence and succession for a period of ninety-nine (99) years from and after the date of this act. It may have, hold, receive, borrow, lend, exchange, acquire by grant, gift or purchase, devise or bequest, sell, alienate, dispose of, convey, lease, pledge, pawn, hypothecate, encumber or mortgage property of any kind, whether real, personal or mixed, corporeal or incorporeal, movable or immovable, all subject to such limitations as may be prescribed by law. It may make, issue and indorse bonds or notes and other evidences of debt. It may accept mortgages, pledges, or other forms of security for money loaned or other debts. It may contract, sue and be sued, plead or be impleaded by its corporate name in any court of competent jurisdiction. It may make, adopt and use a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure. It may hold stock in other corporations, and its capital stock may be issued for capital stock in other corporations. It may name, appoint and employ such managers, directors, officers, agents and other employees as its said business and convenience may require, and may fix their compensation, having due regard to the nature, character and value of their services. It may make and establish by-laws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with this charter or any existing law, fixing or altering the management of its property, the regulation and government of its affairs, and the manner of the certification and registration of its stock. It may wind up and dissolve itself, or be wound up and dissolved, in the manner prescribed by law. It may conduct business in this state, other states, the federal Districts, the Territories and possessions of the United States, and any foreign country. It generally shall possess all the powers, rights, privileges and immunities which corporations are and may hereafter be authorized to possess under the Constitution and laws of this State, and particularly under Act No. 267 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana for the year 1914; and it shall have the power to invest its Board of Directors with all of its corporate powers, subject to such restrictions as may be named in the charter.

Article II.—The domicile of this corporation shall be in the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, and all citations or other legal process shall be served upon the President, or, in the event of his absence, upon the Vice-President, or, in the event of the absence of both of said officers, upon the Secretary-Treasurer.

Article III.—The objects and purposes for which this corporation is organized and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be: to buy, sell, and generally deal in any line of merchandise, at wholesale or retail, as manufacturers' agents, district representatives, sales representatives, brokers, or otherwise; to engage in the general manufacturing business; to buy, sell, repair and generally deal in automobiles, automobile tires, and automobile supplies and accessories of all kinds; to buy, sell, and generally deal in stocks, bonds, and real estate, either as principal or as broker; and generally to do all and everything necessary, convenient or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes of any one or more of the objects herein enumerated or incidental to the powers herein named, or which shall at any time appear conducive or expedient to the benefit or protection or business of the corporation, with all the powers now or hereafter conferred by the laws of the State of Louisiana upon corporations organized under the act herein referred to.

Article IV.—The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of twenty thousand ($20,000.00) dollars, divided into two hundred (200) shares of the par value of one hundred ($100.00) dollars each, which capital stock may be increased to the sum of fifty thousand ($50,000.00) dollars.

All stock shall be full paid and non-assessable when issued; shall be represented by certificates, and shall be personal property. No transfer of said capital stock shall be binding upon the corporation, unless made upon the books of the company, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

Article V.—All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in, and the management and control of its affairs shall be exercised by a Board of Directors, consisting of not less than three (3) and not more than five (5) stockholders, the majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

The directors shall be elected annually by ballot, at the annual meeting of the corporation which shall be held on the third Monday in January of each year. At said annual meeting the stockholders shall first, by vote fix the number of Directors for the ensuing year, provided the said number is not less than the minimum, nor more than the maximum hereinabove fixed, and after such number has been fixed, then said stockholders shall duly elect said Directors.

The Directors thus elected shall continue in office for one year, or until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified. Each stockholder shall be entitled in person or by proxy to one vote for every share of stock owned by him. All elections shall be held under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.

The failure, for any cause whatsoever, to hold the annual meeting of stockholders, or the failure to elect Directors thereat, shall not dissolve this corporation, but the Directors and Officers then in office shall remain in office until their successors shall be duly elected, qualified, and installed.

The Board of Directors shall at its first meeting after being elected, nominate out of its number a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The offices of Vice-President and Secretary and Treasurer, or any two of them, may be combined by the Board and held by one and the same person. Neither the Secretary nor the Treasurer need necessarily be members of the Board of Directors.

Said Board of Directors shall have the right to appoint and dismiss such clerks, managers, and other employees for the corporation as said Board may deem proper, and to fix their salaries and compensation, with term of office and with the right to dismiss them at pleasure.

Until the first annual meeting of the corporation, to be held on the First Monday in January, 1919, the following shall constitute the Board of Directors and officers of this corporation:

Ludwig F. Loeffel, 1311 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, La.; John J. Blijdenstein, 1415 Bordette street, New Orleans, La.; Gustave P. Loeffel, 2201 Peters Avenue, New Orleans, La., with Ludwig F. Loeffel, President, and John J. Blijdenstein, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Article VI.—No stockholder of this corporation shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or faults of this corporation, in any further sum than the unpaid balance of stock for which he has subscribed, nor shall any mere informality in organization have the effect of rendering this charter null or of exposing stockholders to any liability other than as above provided.

Article VII.—This charter may be amended, and the capital stock of this corporation may be increased or decreased or this corporation may be dissolved, in the method and manner provided by law.

Article VIII.—The subscription of Ludwig F. Loeffel to fifty-two (52) shares of the capital stock of this corporation, and the subscription of John J. Blijdenstein to fifty-three (53) shares of the capital stock thereof, is covered by the transfer to this corporation, on this date, by the said Ludwig F. Loeffel and said John J. Blijdenstein of all of the assets, including the good will, of the National Sales Company of Louisiana, an unincorporated business owned jointly by said Loeffel and said Blijdenstein, with offices at 632 Baronne street, in the City of New Orleans, as per itemized statement annexed hereto, which said assets are appraised by the above named Board of Directors of this corporation, at the sum of ten thousand five hundred ($10,500.00) dollars.

And the officers of this corporation are authorized to issue to said Ludwig F. Loeffel, fifty-two (52) fully paid shares of the capital stock of this corporation, and to John J. Blijdenstein fifty-three (53) shares thereof, in payment for transfer of said assets and good will to this corporation.

Article IX.—The subscribers hereto have respectively written opposite their names their postoffice addresses and the number of the capital stock of this corporation for which they have subscribed, so that this Act of Incorporation may serve also as an original subscription list of the corporation, in accordance with provisions of Act No. 267 of 1914.

Thus done and passed in my office in the City of New Orleans, on the date, month, and year first above written, in the presence of W. L. Courrege and Margaret McGrath, competent witnesses, who have hereunto signed their names with the said appearers and me, Notary, after due reading of the whole.

(Signed): L. F. Loeffel, 1311 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans; J. J. Blijdenstein, 1415 Burdette St., New Orleans; Gus. P. Loeffel, 2201 Peters Ave., New Orleans.

Witnesses: (Signed): W. L. Courrege, Margaret McGrath.

(Signed) FRANK WM. HART, Not. Pub.

I, the undersigned Recorder of Mortgages, in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the Act of Incorporation of the National Sales Company of Louisiana, Incorporated, was this day duly recorded in my office in Book 1222, folio 55.

New Orleans, May 18th, 1918.

(Signed) EMILE J. LEONARD, Dep.

A true copy of the original charter of the National Sales Company of Louisiana, Incorporated.

(Seal).

(Signed) FRANK WM. HART, Not. Pub.

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