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**Human Freedom Attacked by the Force of Intolerance.**

National Model License League;  
Louisville, Ky., Feb. 2, 1917.

Editor L'Abéille,

New Orleans, La.

Dear sir—At last the time has arrived when the fight is no longer between the Anti-Saloon League and the "liquor interests."

It is now a fight between the forces of intolerance and the forces of human freedom — for control of body, soul and business.

The issue is squarely presented by the passage of the Bankhead bill in the Senate and the imminence of the passage of it or the Randolph bill in the House — both measures designed to deny the use of the mails to any newspaper, magazine or other publication going into either prohibition State or local option county and carrying any advertisement of intoxicating liquor or, it may be, of any medicine containing a substantial amount of alcohol.

For several years the Anti-Saloon League has been trying to persuade newspapers and magazines to decline liquor advertising. With some of the publications this persuasion was effective. With others it was not — and now comes the attempt at legislative coercion, with the penitentiary in the background.

The fight for censorship of the columns of the newspapers will not stop with attacks on liquor advertisements, or, indeed, with attempts to control advertisements.

Several States now prohibit the manufacture or sale of cigarettes, and it is inevitable that the Anti-Saloon League will be asked by the W. C. T. U. to urge legislation against newspapers carrying cigarette advertisements into such States.

In nearly every State it is unlawful to carry a pistol — what more logical than a law against newspapers carrying advertisements of these death-dealing weapons into such States?

After the advertising department of every newspaper and magazine has been subjected to censorship how can the news columns remain free? What of horse-racing reports; stock market quotations; Sunday baseball information — indeed why not suppression of Sunday papers and of Monday papers printed in whole or in part on the Sabbath — all bitterly opposed by the W. C. T. U. and the Anti-Saloon League?

But what of editorial liberty? If it be decreed that the use of liquor and of cigarettes is hurtful alike to the individual and to society is it not an act of hostility to the State and to the church for an editor to praise an old wine or to refer indulgently to the "makings" of a cigarette or to oppose in any way the cause of prohibition?

How long will it be, I wonder, before American people are jarred into the realization that soon they must look to the Anti-Saloon League for dictation as to what they may eat or drink, as to what lines of business they may engage in, as to how they may seek political preferment, as to how a news paper may be edited and what forms of advertising it may carry into the different States?

Very truly yours,

T. M. GILMORE,  
President National Model License  
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## TO THE PUBLIC

The New Orleans Bee, No. 520 Conti St., is prepared to publish in the English language in its daily paper all legal and judicial advertisements and notices at the rate of three and a half (3 1/2) cents per agate line, net, instead of seven (7) cents per agate line as heretofore.

## CREDIT DE \$500,000,000.

Projet déposé au Sénat au crédit du budget de la guerre.

Washington, D. C., 3 Février. — Le sénateur Thomas a présenté un bill cet après-midi, votant un crédit de \$500,000,000 au budget de la guerre, en cas de conflit avec l'Allemagne.

## LE PRESIDENT WILSON ANNONCE LA RUPTURE

Suite de la première page.

Permis de faire usage de méthodes de guerre en violation des conventions de la loi internationale.

Dépêche Spéciale à l'Abéille.

Washington, 5 février. — Immédiatement après l'ajournement du Congrès, le secrétaire d'Etat pour les affaires étrangères a célébré à l'ambassadeur des Etats-Unis à Berlin, M. Gérard de demander ses passeports. En même temps le conseiller von Bernstorff, ambassadeur l'Allemagne à Washington recevait ses passeports.

Le ministre d'Espagne à Berlin prenait charge des intérêts des Etats-Unis en Allemagne, tandis que le ministre de la Suisse à Washington supervisera des affaires allemandes aux Etats-Unis.

Il n'y a pas encore de déclaration de guerre. Les Etats-Unis attendent une hostilité de la part de l'Allemagne, c'est-à-dire le bombardement d'un navire entraînant la mort de citoyens américains.

Ordre officiel a été promptement transmis aux commandants des chantiers maritimes américains à New York, à la Nouvelle-Orléans, et autres ports interdisant l'entrée à qui que ce soit, excepté les officiers et les employés. Le gouvernement des Etats-Unis n'envisage pas la saisie des vapeurs et voiliers allemands et autrichiens au nombre de 95 qui se trouvent dans les ports américains, mais en cas d'urgence ces navires seraient réquisitionnés au service du gouvernement, et les armateurs allemands seraient ultérieurement compensés.

La décision du président Wilson rencontra l'approbation unanime de tous les chefs de parti tant démocrates que républicaines et de la nation entière.

Les navires allemands et autrichiens dans les ports des Etats-Unis sont sous la stricte surveillance d'agents du gouvernement afin d'éviter leur fuite et prévenir toute tentative de destruction.

Dès que la nouvelle se répandit, de la rupture entre les Etats-Unis et l'Allemagne, les officiers du cargo-boat autrichien "Himalaya," à l'ancre dans la baie de New York ont brisé à coups de bâches les parties importantes des machines.

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Washington, 3 février. — Le gouvernement des Etats-Unis a adressé une note à l'Allemagne demandant formellement la libération des citoyens américains capturés par les corsaires teutons dans l'océan Atlantique du Sud. Ils sont internés à Dueben en Westphalie.

Quelque qui ne gêne pas la tête.

Par suite de son effet tonique et laxatif la LAXATIVE BROBO QUININE peut être prise par qui que ce soit, sans provoquer soit nervosité soit des bourdonnements à la tête. Il n'existe qu'un "Bromo Quinine." La signature de E. W. GROVE sur la boîte. 25c.

## PETITES ANNONCES

### PROPRIETES FONCIERES A VENDRE

UNE BATISSE en brique à trois étages, No. 735 rue Conti, entre les rues Bourbon et Royal. Bon rapport. S'autre 320 rue Conti 13 av-12.

Chambres garnies. No. 725 rue Conti, entre les rues Bourbon et Royal.

REQUETURE DE LA CURE D'ILAC. La cure d'eau est de nouveau en opération et prête à recevoir des malades. Sa réputation du passé est une garantie pour l'aventure des rues Flood et Levée. Téléphone Hendrick 371.

LES PLUS GRANDES TIRES PAYES POUR AUTOMOBILES D'OCCASION, PNEUS, TIRES-HAUTEURS, CUIVRE, LAITON, ALUMINIUM, ALUM, ZINC, CHIFFONS, DECHETS DE PEBBULEUSES, ETC.

Bousc., coin Loydras et Sud Chalorne. Phone Main 1922. Boîte de poste 474. Commerce hors de la ville et couramment sollicité.

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### The Torrens System.

Those interested in the Torrens System, says Mr. W. O. Hart, a member of

the Torrens Commission of Louisiana, will be glad to know that on July 29, Senator Shepard of Texas, introduced in Congress a bill, No. 6887, "to provide for the settlement, registration, transfer, and assurance of titles to land, and to designate a court of land registration with jurisdiction for said purpose, in the District of Columbia."

In introducing the bill, Senator Shepard said that the purpose thereof was to establish "The Torrens System of Land Registration in the District of Columbia."

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