## WALL STREET MEN **WAR ON POVERTY**

By International News Service.

By Gotham Knickerbocker

New York, May 21, - The men prominent in the world's greatest Tinancial district are doing great Things for that curious section of century-old houses crowded with no less than twenty-seven nationalities which lies just southwest of andd in the shadow of the Wall street skyscrapers.

These dilapidated buildings making up "Bowling Green Village" were, at the beginning of the last century, the heart of the city. That was when the city hall was then far north instead of far south. Edgar Allen Poe lived and wrote some of his masterpieces here.

Now it is a small-sized picture of Europe and Asia. The inhabitants are aliens and the children of aliens. A family to a room is common-and the families are big.

The men and women work as porters and cleaners in the great office buildings near by, while the says: "Well, we're getting started voungsters peddle papers and oper- on war, but when will the big acate as street gamins always do in such circumstances.

Sickness is prevalent, and fathers and mothers often spend diong periods in the hospitals. It is hard work raising good Americans here.

neighborhood. The Wall street men, have time to stop and tell people Association, which is taking the lead or rather the advisory end of it i nuplifting the villagers.

and has just bought a tenement the task of mobilizing the vast remodeled as a health center, with or- war action that is to come. ganization officers and club and rec- | Any person who studies the ation rooms.

is to feach the people to be clean. It national defense is right now the is getting after the litterd back- biggest and most userul war-making yards and the dirty common hall body the United States possesses, sinks, each used by several families. It is warring on filth in the dark

Sometimes it is the fault of the owner, semetimes of the agent and oftentimes of the tenants themselves. The association fixes the blame and then gets after the offender. It works with the city authorities, calling upon their power when necessary.

The sick are an especial care. the outloak.

classes and semi-weekly dances, as the simple statements. well as wholesome outdoor sports.

cared for in a special malnutrition ness, or science that the council elinic, while "hikes" nad fresh air of defense hasn't named a commit-

dren's summer program. faining its aims, which are better and activity, and they are not comhomes to live in, better jobs, fewer mittees as the average person conbaby deaths, fewer street accidents, more playing, more vacations, more books to readd, more interest in life and a sense that Bowling Green Village has friends in the world.

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## **MULTIFARIOUS ACTIVITIES OF COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE**

ington correspondent.

They are moving slowly compared mand of the government. to the start of hostilities in Europe, where Germany had her army rolling across the French and Belgian and Russian borders simultaneous with the declaration of war. But Germany was a nation prepared and on a war footing, and, of course, everyone knows the United States was about as far from being prepared on a scale commensurate with its resources as a country could be.

Most of the action on the part of the United States today is action that doesn't appear on the surface. The average person reads of the lending of millions to our allies; of the enlistments in the army and the navy; of the opening of the training camps for officers, and tion begin?"

The biggest action today is not what appears in the newspapers every day; and the body that is directing and managing the greatest mobilization of a nation's resources But a new light is shining for the that the world has ever seen doesn't many of whom can look right down about how much it is doing and into these sordid tenements from how well it is doing it. It is on their polatial offices, are contribut- the job all the time-for action. It ing liberally to the Bowling Green is the Council of National Defense. made up of private citizens who The association is running a big patriotically give all their time blayground, on most expensive land, and services to the government in house which will be completely re- sources of the United States for the

United States at war comes to the A principal aim of the association conclusion the advisory council of for all the other activities of the government, the army, the navy, the shipbuilding, the food production stimulation, all are buttressed upon the work of this council.

From day to day this council sends out little notices announcing it has named a committee on this, a committee on that, or it has made this order or that. They come so thick and fast now the public pays Doctors, nurses and social and rec- little attention to them. Because reational workers are constantly on they have become a rather everyday sort of affair, the public doesn't Then there are baby and dental grasp the picture of gigantic mobilclinics, community center clubs and ization and activity that lies behind

Ir there is a particular branch of The under-nourished child is production, or industry, or busiwork form a large part of the chil- tee for already, it won't be overlooked long. They cover practical-The association is gradually at- ly every phase of American life ceives committees of this kind to be-simply to investigate or report on something and then stop there. They investigate, report and do things under the direction of the advisory council.

For example, the steel committee. It is made up of the biggest men in the United States in the steel business-the head of the United States Steel corporation, for example. These men have put themselves at the command of the government and it must be said that the business men of the nation have responded in most patriotic manner in every branch of business. The navy needs much steel. In-

stead of the department having no luss and fume and lose days finding out where and how it can get it, it outs its needs up to the Council of National Defense. The council calls on the sleet committee They have the business at their finger tips, just what every plant in the country can do and when it can do it. Then the council takes up with the committee the price and attemots to work it out, and the proposition is checked back to the particular cabinet member for approval or rejection, all completed. All they have to do is to say what they want. The council gets it or gets the mills started

That is just one-illustration. Supose there is a strike in the coal mines of Pennsylvania. The labor committee, headed by Samuel Gompers, who is also a member of the council, and the coal committee. headed by Francis S. Peabody, one of the biggest coal operators in the and the employers are brought for 

an it goes. Thus the committees work through every industry that could loss, covered by insurance, is \$1.700. be catalogued, the raw inaterial committees, the manufacturing committees of every kind ,and finally the transportation committees. Each committee is headed by ex- sur coal supply for use in the hereasperts in that business; the indus- ar."-Life.

To the average person back home, | tries in every section of the counwhose idea of war is action and try are represented. When the govwho is getting mighty impatient, ernment needs something the counnow that the United States has been | cil of defense is fast getting its orin war more than a month, for some ganization in shape so it can press of that action, things may appear a button, figuratively speaking, and to be moving slowly, says a Wash- the most expert service of the nation is that branch at the com-

But don't imagine, even with this organization, that the United States will be on a war basis in a few days or a few weeks. It won't. It is one thing to have the nation's experts at the command of the government; it is another thing to get the work done, for even experts can't do it overnight. The long, hard pull is on, but the factories, the mines, the railroads, the employers, the emploves are started on they way to a war footing with the Council of National Defense bossing the job.

#### - JUSTIFIED BY THE LAW

Old Ordinance Forbids Sale of Liquor to Soldiers

rolds is not abusing his authority in of the store. It begins with a reauthorities, is proved by an ordi- or a refrigerator that needs a minor nance enacted here twenty four repair. years ago. It has been dug up by The call is made and soon after-Flynn's Digest. The ordinance repaired article at some suburban reads:

other persons are prohibited from avoids the cost of express. drinks to soldiers and sailors in the was one who wanted to send back they bear a written permission from of which was \$1.75. For sanitary an officer of the army, under pen- reasons her request was turned alty for each offense of a fine of not down. Many housewives would reless than \$15, one half of the fine turn floor coverings which have going to the city, and the other half been in use all the way from a day going to the informer."

#### WILL BE NOTABLE EVENT

Italian Festival in Furtherance of a Great Charity

Extensive preparations are being Red Cross work

Oone of the features of the day

#### TWO SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

Two Hysterical Women Saved from Self-Destruction

Two women attempted suicide STAR'S KNOCK-KNEES Sunday morning. One tried to jump into the river and was prevented from doing so by a soldier. The other took poison and is out of

No longer caring to live because of disappointment in love, accord-23, 4330 Banks street, decided to have painted her in a knock-kneed commit suicide, that panacea for all position. earthly worries. So she hastened to the head of Common street to carry out her intention by plunging into the Mississippi river. But fate was against the young woman. hogus Ronney. Her actions aroused the suspicions of Sergeant Danna, First Louisiana infantry, who caught her as she was about to take the fatal plunge.

Family troubles are said to nave aused Mrs. Ida Johnson, 26, 2642 Orleans street, to attempt suicide at her home by swallowing laudanum. Charity Hospital ambulance doctors relieved her with a stomach pump and left the despondent woman at home out of danger.

INCREASE ENGINEERS PAY

That marine engineers operating from Baton Rouge to the sea had reesived an increase of fifteen cents an hour beginning May 15, was the New York Banker Reports Remarks announcement yesterday of H. L. Macpherson, secretary of the Marine Legimeers Beneficial Association. Many of the companies not only consented to the increase asked but raised the pay of others in their

#### FAMILY'S NARROW ESCAPE

Occupants of the residence of Vito Locola, 3228 Bruxelles street, were compelled to flee into the street scantily clad when the explosion country are on the job. The men of an oil lamp caused a fire that destroyed the house Sunday morngether. The strike is settled. And ling. Firemen were unable to check the fiames because of headway gained before their arrival. The

> Providing for the Future. Startling statement made by one of rur famous scientists: "We must save

# MAY BE CUT OFF

By Gotham-Knickerbocker

New York, May 21 .- With the coming of war economy and the probable necessity of soon cutting down on the number of employes, the big stores here are looking around for ways in which they can save. The overworked "return privilege" will probably be the first to suffer.

Managers of stores today told many odd yarns of the lengths to which some women go in demanding delivery service. One woman dropped a postal card to a store asking to have sent a single button. costing three cents. Another woman demanded a rush delivery of a quarter-yard of narrow lace. In both cases the stores complied with these unreasonable requests.

There is a trick worked here often at this time of the year by means of which bulky merchandise is moved from city to country That Police Superintendent Rey- homes of customers at the expense prohibiting the sale of intexicants quest for the store to call for some to soldiers, as requested by military other article like a baby carriage

Mr. Reynolds and can be found in ward an order comes to deliver the point reached by the store's deliv-"All coffee housekeepers and all ery service. Thus the customer

selling spirituous or fermented. Among the return privilege fiends service of the United States, unless two pairs of earrings, the total cost wear. Many times the store, through policy, puts up with such exactions.

A wholesale fraud of this sort who want to give an elaborate dinmade for the celebration at the ner or ball. A would-be social Fair Grounds June 3 by members of leader orders tableware, silverware, the Italian Red Cross. Donations cut glass, hangings and lamp shades are being gathered at present and sent on approval, uses them the this money will be added to the night of the grand affair and refunds on hand and sent to Italy for turns the next morning everything in any way presentable.

All these tricks add to the cost Fair Grounds. Among the organi- The oustomer who only asks reazations to participate in the parade sonable accommodation must pay a will be the various hodies of the price which covers the service to AUDUBON OPENS WITH CONCERT militia encamped near the city, the the unreasonable and the fraudulent woman. It is war time, and the good store manager would like to save this added expense to his shoppers, besides making it possible for him to get along with less heip.

ARE UP IN COURT By International Nows Service.

London, May 21.-Justices of the king's bench division gravely heard the festimony of noted authorities on art as to whether George Romney ever painted a picture of Mrs. ing to the police, Miss Mary Smith, Siddons and if so whether he would

This testimony formed a portion of the case brought by a New York art collector against London arts dealts, who, he claims, sold him a

Sir Luke Fields, R. A., testified for the plaintiff that he believed the picture was not by Romney-because it did not have Romney's viril faithful style. The picture was a poor one, he said.

Sir Walter Armstrong, who formerly was director of the National Gallery in Ireland, and is author of a biography of Ronney, said he never heard of Mrs. Siddons sitting for the famous artist in 1776. He could not say whether she was knock-kneed or not.

#### WAR TO END IN SEPTEMBER

ble if True Prediction

New York, May 21. -At a meeting of the Metropolis George V. McNeir, stay in La Salle parish. the vice president, who holds a similar office in the W. & J. Sloane since birth, who spoke on her deathbed and predicted the war's end in

September of this year. Three weeks ago the girl fell eriously ill and was put to hed. Physicians and specialists were startled woman found the child sit-

"Mother," she said, "I am going hankful this dreadful war will end n September, 1917."

She adjusted her pillow ami smilhours later she was dead.



Maj. L. W. B. Rees of the Royal Flying corps was the hero of the British party in Washington. Single-handed he fought ten German planes, bringing down seven of them and driving the

Notable Event of Sunday Draws Large Attendance

The St. Roch Playgrounds opened 10 a month, despite obvious signs of was a street parade through the floats participated.

Nicholas Gallan, assistant district has often been worked by women attorney, was one of the principal speakers of the day. Miss Katie Boulet gave a demonstration of classic dances and she was followed might result to them had they been by other dancers.

A fifteen piece, orchestra played throughout the evening. Prizes for by the love missives in her posthe best decorated floats were session written to her dead husawarded to Thelma Karass, Arthur band by girls and women, together Segari, Clair Richard, E. Dustache, with sworn affidavits of women will be a parade to march through of doing business, it was pointed Mildred Heine, J. Classer, Joseph admitting their relations with the business district and then to the out by a leading merchant today. Strasser, Elsie Mathews, Mildred Ca- Kreiser, are expected to free her. ruso and Lee Hinkley.

holding an elaborate program was had because the lagoon has not been completed. It is planned when the people were in attendance.

#### ORGANIZE THE BLENK

MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION Another tribute will be paid to the memory of Archbishop Blenk by the organization of the James A. Blenk Memorial Association, the outgrowth of the St. Margaret Daughters. The annual St. Margarel mass was observed Sunday at 7:30 a. m. in the Holy Name of Jesus Church, Rev. Father A. E. Otis, S. L. Charles I. Denectriud and Rixford Lincoln were the speakers at the meeting following.

#### BUT NONE FOR LOUISIANA

banks have passed the 1 million dol- among them J. Z. Miller, president lar mark and are being made at the rate of \$150,000 a day. Joans thus far by states, include:

Kentucky, \$76,000, and Texas, \$33,400, her chief sponsor. The board estimates loans during the first year will exceed 450 milbon dollars. The first issue of farm ST. LOUIS COLISEUM loan bonds will be placed on the market within six weeks.

#### HOME FROM FORESTRY MEET

Citizens of New Orleans who al of the heard of directors of the Bank that they had had a most instructive

Among those attending from New

Orleans and South Louisiana were Company, related a remarkable M. C. Alexander, chief of the Louisi-signified their intention of buildstory of a 10-year-old girl, dumb and Department of Conservation; R. ing a new coliseum or civic audi-S. Cocks, Richardson professor of botany, Tulane University; Fred. J. fice; Wilhur R. Maltoon, forest service and state's relation service of structure into a public garage. the National Forestry Bureau; Stansent for. Two days later while lev C. Arthur, ornithologist of the doctors were present the girl called conservation department; Russell T. her mother into the sickroom. The Green, Southern Pine Association: grocery in several weeks took place moved from its frame and used as a James Boyd, Lumber Trade Journal; University; Dr. F. V. Emerson, deconservation.

By International News Service,

Kansas City, Mo., May 2t. Society, church and musical circles steeled themselves for the attack against their morality expected to of her husband, Edward Kreiser. nationally famed organist, which opened here to-day.

It is thought many hundred veniremen must be examined before the twelve men can be selected to try the wife who has named many women, high in musical and church life, as sharing her husband's love at times during the past ten years.

That the state will have help in the prosecution from Kreiser's relaives was forecast when Attorney John F. Cell took a place at the counsel table on the presecutor's side as special representative of the mother of the Mead organist.

At was stated that Kreiser's relatives, for the purpose of vindicating Kreiser against the charges of his widow, would push the prosecution. In retaliation John B. Pew, ormer Missouri congressman, deending Mrs. Kreiser, said he would go the limit for his client in exposing the life of Kreiser if such an attempt was mane. Otherwise, he declared, he would do att in his power to protect the names of the women whom Mrs. Kreiser blames ST. ROCH PLAYGROUND OPENED for stealing away her husband's love, breaking her heart and leading her in a frenzy of passion to Finck. send the fata' bullet.

Already some of the young wom-Sunday with thousands of men. en named by the widow nave diswomen and children participating in appeared from the state, Mr. Pew the exercises. One of the features said. One who is gone is a member of the Linwood Boulevard Christian neighborhood of the playgrounds in church, built by R. A. Long, milwhich fifteen highly decorated lionage lumberman. She was a member of the choir directed by Kreiser.

No attempt was made by the defense to hold the witnesses because of the publicity and harm which lasquez and G. Zamora. required to furnish bond.

Mrs. Kreiser's own story, backed

peka. Mrs. Keiser says she listened over an extension telephone lagoon is finished which will be fronted Keiser with the facts she in her home, and when she conabout next September to hold an declares he admitted the engageelaborate ceremony. About 1,200 ment. It was after an all-night quarrel, in which she attempted to dissuade him from keeping the appointment, she finally shot him, she

The courtroom was crowded early, and Judge Ralph Latshaw had trouble in making his way through to the bench from his chambers. Deputies forced a lane for Mrs. Kreiser when she appeared with her attorney and brothers and

The crowd surged forward to the rail to catch sight of the weman who figured so prominently in the love tragedy that cut short the ca-

reer of the noted musician. Since her preliminary heaving Washington, May 21.-Loans to her \$25,000 bond, signed by men who farmers by the federal land loan could have qualified for \$10,000,000. of the Kansas City regeral Reserve board, has been reduced to \$15,000. with John F. Downing, president of Nebraska, \$168,750; Kansas, \$163,700; the New England National bank, as

## MAY RE GARAGE

St. Louis, Mo., May 21. - The col-

iseum, where Wilson and Marsha'l were nominated last year, probably is do med to be converted info tended the meeting of the State a public garage. The members of Forestry association at Urania re- the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce turned Sunday. They all declared have decided to permit the structure to revert to the owners of the ground upon which the building stands if the city does not take it. The city officials, however, have torium. Therefore, if the building reverts to John and Frank M. Neary. Grace, registrar of the state land of owners of the ground upon which it is erected, they will convert the

NELSON STORE LOSES \$45

some time last Saturday night or barge to transport troops across C. C. Gaspard, secretary Federal early Sunday morning, the loot be-water. Already he has given this Land Bank, New Orleans; Prof. J. G. ing \$45. This time it is the store at invention to the war department. die within a few hours. I am Lee, department of forestry State 700 Dublin street, of which Thomas and renounced all rights and claims J. Fitzgerald is manager. The to the patent. While he has not parlment of geology. State Univer- money stolen was in a canvas bag yet gotten back in military service, sity; J. W. Smith, superintendent of concealed in an ice box. Nelson he expects that his past experience ingly laid her head upon it. Two mines and minerals, department of groceries throughout the city are will entitle him to get back in the Frobbed frequently.

#### NETTED A HANDSOME SUM

Two Fine Concerts for Benefit of St. Augustin's church.

Two enjoyable benefit concerts for St. Augustin's church, at St. Claude and Governor Nicholls streets, were given Saturday afternoon and Sunday night at the Mount Carmel convent, adjoining the shurch, The concerts were urranged by Eather Antoine Simon, and were for the purpose of raising develop in the trial of Mrs. Mary funds for the rehabilitation of the Henderson Kreiser for the murder church, which is the second oldest Catholic church building in the city. Sunday night's program was as follows:

Raff, La Fileuse, Miss Edwige Gondon. Pothaux. (a La mer se plaint

oujours, (b Rose de la bruyere, Mrs. G. Stanton.

Wieniawski, Polonaise, Miss Ella de los Reyes.

Schubert, Whither, Double Trio women's voices. First Sopranos: Mrs. F. Galvin, Miss Marie Tassin; Second Sopranos: Miss A. Bonnecaze, Miss M. Foucher; Altos: Miss Rose Monier, Miss Elsa Von Sohren. Woodforde-Finden, (a A Request, Squire, (b. Three for Jack, Mr. A. McArthur.

Gounod, Sapho, 'O ma lyre immortelle", Miss Elsa Von Gohren. Recitation, A Negro Story, Mr. Emmet Kennelly,

Massenet, Manon, Quatuor: Mrs. H. O. Bisset, Miss Germain Doussan, Miss Anita Doynoodt, Miss Rose Monier.

Curtis, Carmé, Mr. Joseph Delery, Verdi, La Travrata, Miss Olga Delery. Kummer, Concerto, Cello Duet,

Miss Mariette Sarrat, Mr. Otto Rouget de Lisle, Le Marseillaise Mrs. H. O. Bisset Smith, Star-Spangled Banner,

Miss Elsa Von Gohren.

Following was the program ren-

dered Saturday afternoon: Playmates, March and Two-Step, First Violin, A. Miss Mary Vandeffen; First Violin, B. Miss Claire Dumestre; Second Violin, Miss Placida Escalante: Piano, Misses Anita Ve-

Vocal Solo, Love's Old Sweet Song, Miss Lucille Theard; plane, Miss Fanny Chalmers; violin, Miss M. Van

Cantata-In Two Scenes

Bertha, Moss Rose, Miss L. Theard; Lucy, Daisy, Miss J. Bruno; Agnes, Forget-Me-Not, Miss M. Munch: Dora, Golden Rod, Miss E. Bahan; A young girl, who is said to have Amy, Heliotrope, Miss A. Theard; disappeared, is the one Mrs. Kreiser Tessie, Pansy, Miss Me Van Geffen; will declare she heard make an Fannie, Lily, Miss P. Escalante; Ger-Music opened Audubon park appointment with her husband over tie. Pink, Miss E. Lynn; Hattie, Violet, Mist G. Munch; Princess Goodwill, Queen of the Fairies, Miss. C. Lacomme: Charity, The May

Queen, Miss O. Adams. Garden of Dreams, First Violin, A, Miss M. Van Geffen: First Violin, B. Miss Claire Dumestre; Second Vio-.in, Miss Placida Escalante: Piano, Misses Clarisse Lacomme and P. Chalmers.

Piano Duet, Russian Dance, Misses F. Chalmers and M. Van Geffen,

#### VITAL STATISTICS Births

Mrs. Eugene Doers, 1210 Mandeville street, a boy, Mrs. Joseph Freedman, Touro In

irmary, a boy, Mrs. Jack Jones, 1307 South Prior street, a girl. Mrs. Ernest Gracia, 635 North

Broad street, a bay. Marriages Alvin Bohning and Miss Henrietta

Frank Rizzo and Mrs. Joseph Rich-

Deaths Mrs. Margaret Prados, 36 years 58 North Broad street. Bernard Dantagnan, 2 years.

Cears. Leonie Darrat, 11 months. Mrs. Widow C. Whelan, 511 South Dechigny street,

Mrs. Alexandrine hopper,

William Burns, 78 years, 3717 Prytania street, William Mason, 38 years, 2259

Washington avenue. Mary Bargeois, 25 years, 1800 St laude street. Jeseph Julino, 59 years, 509 Har-

rison street. James Riles, 17 days, 1917 Jack-

Laura Johnson, 33 years, Charity Hospital.

HAS A COMBINATION BOAT AND WAGON BED

F. C. Hundley, graduate of the University of Alabama, came to New Orleans yesterday and offered his services to the United States government. He is an inventor of The first robbery of a Nelson a wagon body which can be re-

ranks.