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MEMORIAL DAY.

Memorial Day brings memories of devotion to the ideals of the Nation, reverence to the dead, revival of inspiration. It is a day for reflection, for memory, and introspection.

It hardly seems possible that fifty-six years have rolled by since the great Civil War. It seems harder still to realize that the nation is now involved in a still greater war. It is well that our thoughts should turn with loving remembrance to the men who saved the union in '61. It is well that we should ponder upon their heroism, it is proper that we should remember that the women of '61 were not lagging in their services to the nation. Memorial Day this year should be carried out so that as future years roll by it will be cherished as a day when the dead were honored by the living pledging themselves anew to a loyal and devoted service of their country. What higher, nobler vow could any one take on this or any other day?

THE NEW SENATOR.

It seems that Charles McNary, of Salem, is to be the next United States Senator. Judge McNary has had a remarkable career. He has been a hard worker. He worked his way through college, then studied law. He was appointed to the Supreme Justiceship of the state by Governor West. He was defeated by one vote for election by the people. He was elected chairman of the Republican state central committee when it was desired to infuse new and progressive blood into that organization. Charles McNary is a man of ability. He is young and active, he is progressive. The appointment may be criticized by politicians and party organs, but, if Governor Withycombe makes it, he will have the satisfaction of knowing that he has acted to please the younger and more progressive members of his party. Mr. McNary's future lies before him; it is not shrouded in the dim and distant past of political feuds and political duels. Mr. McNary, if appointed, will be able to serve the people of the state, without fear, without control, without the domination or dictation of party bosses. That is what a Senator should do. And he should worry more about doing his duty, than about re-election.

FACTS ABOUT THE LIBERTY BOND ISSUE.

Patriotism.

There are in National Banks alone, in the United States, FIFTEEN MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND depositors. In ALL THE BANKS, there must be over THIRTY-

Support The Government!

At this critical period in our history our manufacturers are offering their mills, and our young men are offering their services to the United States Government.

Do your bit by subscribing to the Liberty Loan. This bank can furnish Bonds in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500 or \$1000. You can pay for bonds in installments.

Come In and Talk It Over

La Grande National Bank

FIVE MILLION depositors.

Over one-third, then, of all the people in the United States are depositors of some kind.

This would constitute a vast army—larger than all the fighting forces now in the great war.

It is upon this army that the United States now depends to render the first great service which this country can offer in the Fight for Civilization.

That service is the raising at once of the funds for the first Liberty Loan.

Every one of these thirty-five million depositors is probably able, out of future savings, to take one or more of the \$50 bonds.

They must not be paid for, in any considerable amount, out of present deposits, as that would weaken the banks.

If each of the smaller depositors took one of the bonds, this, with what the larger depositors have already subscribed, would give the government many times the amount called for.

If one-third of the number of depositors in the United States, each subscribed for the loan, there would be about twelve million subscribers—the largest number ever subscribing to any loan in the history of the world.

The number of subscribers to the last loan of Germany (with 65,000,000 inhabitants) was six million.

In England (with 47,000,000 inhabitants), the great British loan of \$5,000,000,000 had eight million subscribers.

The United States, with over 100,000,000 inhabitants, should have at least twelve million subscribers to the first Liberty Loan.

Every true American should take the greatest pride in being one of the subscribers, as an act of patriotism.

It is the same spirit in which every man with a musket crowded on to Lexington in the birth-hours of the Republic.

It is an essential and substantial way of helping the revival of the Soul of America.

Security.

If the bond were only fairly good, if even there were some doubt about its ever being paid, and if the interest rate were much lower, it would BE THE DUTY of every citizen to subscribe.

But it is today THE BEST BOND IN THE WORLD. The INTEREST rate is HIGH for such a bond and it is FREE FROM TAXES OF EVERY KIND.

No such opportunity has ever been offered in any country in the history of the world to combine PATRIOTISM, SAFETY AND GOOD INCOME.

Benefits.

The bonds will appreciate in value.

From forty years' experience, we would certainly look to see these bonds go to a premium after the war, as the one bond that will be the most desirable of all the world's issues.

And in the meantime, as commanding the highest credit and lowest terms for borrowing at the banks, they will be in demand as collateral by borrowers, who will be willing to pay a premium for them in exchange temporarily for other collateral, in order to make loans at the banks at the lowest rate.

In addition to this, the bonds are convertible into the bonds to be issued in the future, if the government then has to pay a higher rate than 3 1-2 per cent.

This will probably be necessary. The bonds bought now will thus, by exchange, become even more valuable.

Danger.

There is another reason why every citizen should do his part in quickly furnishing the funds for the war.

It is because the country is in danger.

Not immediate impending danger, but possible and very real danger.

Russia is weighing in the balance.

Germany is surrounded by a ring of iron.

The hope of defeating her has been dependent upon keeping this Ring unbroken.

If Russia should make a separate peace, her food stores would be opened to Germany. A million and a half German prisoners there, would be released, and these and German armies now employed against Russia, would be hurled against France and England, who might not be able to withstand them.

The submarine might win out and starve England.

In such cases as these, we might be left to fight Germany alone.

The frightfulness with which Belgium and France have been outraged would then be hurled against the shores and cities of America.

These things are not probable, but they are possible, and every person in the United States must do everything in his power as it comes along, to help in winning the war.

The thing to do now is to subscribe at once to the Liberty Loan.

Then get as many more people as you can to do the same.

J. S. BACHE & CO., New York.

How to Act.

We suggest the following partial payment plan which we ourselves have adopted for those who do not wish to pay in full for their subscriptions.

If you have not already subscribed, send us your subscription, either on this or the full payment plan, and then get as many more applications as you can.

Partial Payment Plan.

This plan is based on a weekly payment basis. This requires each person:

- 1. To subscribe for at least one \$50 coupon bond of the Liberty Loan.
2. To pay at the time of subscription an amount equal

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- to 2 per cent of the face value of the bond.
3. To borrow from us an amount equal to the face value of the bond thus subscribed for.
4. To agree that we shall retain the bond or bonds when received, as security for the loan.
5. To pay to us at the time the loan is made a discount equal to 3 1-2 per cent of the face value of the bond. If the loan is made on the date of the subscription, the first weekly payment of 2 per cent of the face value of the loan need not be paid until one week from that date.
6. To pay to us in accordance with this plan 2 per cent of the face value of the bonds on the same day of each subsequent week until payments for the bonds have been completed.

Example.

In subscribing for a \$100 bond on the weekly payment plan on or before June 14, 1917:

Table showing subscriber payments: On the date of subscription 2 per cent of the face value of bond \$ 2.00; On the date when loan is made 3 1-2 per cent of the face value of bond 3.50; Each week for 49 weeks 2 per cent of face value of loan 98.00; Total \$103.50

SUBSCRIBER RECEIVES

Table showing subscriber receives: At the end of the year one bond face value \$100.00; On June 15, 1918, 3 1-2 per cent interest on bond 3.50; Total \$103.50

What Will Old Man Oregon Do?

We wonder if Old Man Oregon intends to play a joke on the motorists by charging them with the cost of good roads and making them drive on bad ones?—Weston Leader.