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HAVE NO CHOICE LEFT.

Four years ago today, September 25, 1914, the Berlin Tageblatt was quoted as saying: "Germany cannot agree to peace until her position has been made quite unassailable."

The position of Germany at the beginning of the war when everything was coming her own way was that of defiance of peace, rather than that of acceptance of any proffered olive branch.

The hollow promise of protection came supposedly assailed rights has ever been a part of Germany's plea and excuse for the war. That position is embodied in the declarations made four years ago and at no times since. Yet there has never been any specific act shown that was threatening to Germany; there has never been any valid excuse or reason for the war that has been proclaimed in any other form than that of a "glittering generality" that the Fatherland was under the necessity of protection and defense.

It is all sham and the whole outfit known to.

But the line of the Berlin press four years ago was of a much more defiant order than it is today, and it is destined to be much meeker still. Not that the impending blow is to come as a mere matter of retaliation, but because it is necessary for the peace of the world and the safety of mankind that this mockery forced upon the world must be beaten out. It must be hammered by the power of force until the German diplomats learn to tell the truth and until they know that they will have to abandon the camouflage about this being or having ever been a war of defense.

They may be able to fool the German people, who may be led to continue the sacrifices which the military power enforces upon them, but they can't fool the balance of the world any longer.

It will be no further any question as to the assailability of Germany's position or what the feeling is in regard to the acceptance of peace. That all lies now with those who have been assailed and assailed for the last time by the war lords of Germany.

A FIGHTING LOAN.

As the campaign for the Fourth Liberty Loan approaches the American Army in France moves on towards Berlin. Under our own leaders the great American Army has won a notable victory.

The Fourth Loan must be a great success. The Fourth Liberty Loan is a fighting loan.

When our soldiers on the battle front are braving death, each one offering to make the supreme sacrifice for his country and the great cause, we who remain safely

at home surely should give them every support, should make every sacrifice to strengthen them. If we can not fight ourselves we can make our dollars fight.

It is a great cause for which America is engaged in this war; it is a great struggle in which the very hope of the world is bound up that is being waged in Europe and on the high seas. It is an honor to have a part in it and all Americans, all of their lives, will be proud of the part they had in it or ashamed of their failure to do their part.

The Fourth Loan is a fighting loan. Every subscriber to the Loan strikes a blow for Liberty, for Victory.

"WORK OR FIGHT"

Large Supplies of Labor Directed To Essential Industries

"Work or fight regulations have been highly effective in directing labor from nonessential to essential occupations, according to reports that have reached the Department of Labor.

Draft-board members also believe that the regulations have had the full result expected of them. The "work or fight" rule went into effect July 1, and large numbers of men, clerks, clerical workers, gardeners and waiters were confined to the alternative of finding employment in war work or being inducted into the army.

By October, it is expected, the full effect of the measure can be perceived, for by that time double the number of men will have been employed in war work on being inducted into the army.

Many clerks and others who were thrust out of their former jobs were really much pleased over the situation, for they found larger pay awaiting them in their new work, and a consciousness that they were serving the Nation directly served as an inspiration to service.

One problem was presented in the case of clerks, men who were skilled in stenography and typewriting. They had worked in shops for many years and were not adapted to heavy work in the open.

"They have been sitting at desks, and are not over strong," a draft official explained. "It is hard to get them work where they will earn anywhere near the same amount of money."

Another difficulty developed in some States through laws forbidding the employment of women in restaurants at night. Yet waiters were ruled as holding non-productive jobs, and the restaurant keepers said they were unable to find men above draft age to do the work.

Men were given 30 days to find new jobs. Those who failed to find them were allowed extensions of time. If it was shown that they had actually made a serious effort to obey the provisions of the regulation.

Sometimes Judge Too Hastily.

It might be advisable for us to sound our own depths and backgrounds and cultivate a certain perspective and foreground for the people we ruthlessly condemn as hopelessly impossible, and so put so much greater an impediment in the way of their advancement to better things. Criticism is a cruel and too often an entirely unnecessary weapon to wield against those with whom we come in contact. There are very few people who are really "impossible" if only we would make the effort to find their good and worthwhile virtues.—Exchange.

Observer advertising will bring results.

NEWS OF THE CAMPAIGN.

Slogan: "Oregon First—Union Leading."

Voluntary Subscription Campaign Quota to be raised by September 28.

Banks to finance subscriptions at usual rate of interest after initial payment.

Banks notified that bonds will bear 4 1/2 per cent interest.

Initial payment: 10 per cent. Partial payments: 20 per cent on November 24, December 19, and January 16, 30 per cent January 26.

Interest matures April 15 and October 15.

Captains reporting district quotas filled.

Mrs. Anna Jacobson.

George Birnie.

J. R. McNew.

J. K. Fitzgerald.

W. B. Picken.

Oscar Thompson.

Mrs. Henry Lant.

Dr. E. P. Mossman.

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James Staley.

Mrs. John Tyson.

Mrs. Trill.

Mrs. Cora Kerr.

Mrs. Anna Honan.

Joe Snodgrass.

C. D. Goodnough.

Mrs. Lee Warnick.

Districts outside of La Grande reported filled:

Hot Lake, \$1350, Dr. W. T. Phy, chairman.

North Powder, \$27,000, reported filled this morning, C. B. May, chairman.

R. J. Kitchen.

Mrs. J. K. Wright.

Mrs. S. D. Crowe.

Dave Soddard.

F. A. Epling.

Will Sierant.

Mrs. C. M. Curtis.

Mrs. C. H. Nicholls.

L. C. Grady.

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L. L. McKenyon.

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O. E. Silverthorn.

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Mrs. James Clark.

Mrs. Frank Jackson.

Robert Eakin.

Mrs. W. A. Safford.

Dan Tanner.

Mrs. Miller.

H. R. Hanna.

C. A. Murray.

H. C. Grady.

Mrs. Jessie Masterton.

Mrs. J. E. Phy.

Mrs. A. L. Vooris.

Elmer Nielson.

J. R. Bingham.

Mrs. L. B. Moe.

J. L. Kline.

F. M. Jackson.

R. H. Smith.

Mrs. Chester Beddingfield.

E. M. Cross.

Wm. Holtho.

Mrs. J. T. Williamson.

Quotas assigned to county districts:

Clain, \$66,000.

Union, \$66,000.

Hammerville, \$27,500.

Perry, \$11,000.

Hilliard, \$2,750.

Kamela, \$500.

Starkey, \$2,750.

Cove, \$19,500.

Tubler, \$22,000.

Georgetown, \$4,000.

Alford, \$4,000.

Hot Lake, \$1,350.

Blue Mountain Grange, \$22,000.

Ladd Canyon, \$3,775.

Island City, \$25,875.

Mr. Glenn, \$3,848.

La Grande, \$185,000.

Quarter of Billions for Hats.

It has been estimated by the military chamber of commerce that the expenditure for women's headgear in the United States is more than \$250,000,000 a year. This would average something over \$5 per capita for women and girls of all ages.

Style, Quality and Economy Join Hands in Our Fall Coats, Suits & Dresses

Considering the scarcity of raw materials

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Friday, September 27, 1918

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ADULTS 50 CENTS

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It's the Oregon Way

To put over the Fourth Liberty Loan even as it is opened—is the way they do things in Oregon. To think, talk and figure in advance; anticipate our quotas and volunteer our applications for subscriptions—is the plan of OUR campaign in which for the fourth time, we send our DOLLARS to back our BOYS.

In the past, proof of patriotism has not been lacking. But there are still a few—a very few, thank God—who do not realize the immensity of this War or appreciate the principles involved. A very few others would "let George do it"—while still others fool themselves into thinking the war is almost over.

EVERYBODY'S HELP IS NEEDED. WILL WE HAVE YOURS?

UNION COUNTY FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN COMMITTEE,

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