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5th Bond Drive One Of Most Successful Of War

At the close of Yamhill county's bond drive the figures showed that Yamhill county had subscribed some 125 per cent of its quota. In comparison with other and former drives, J. C. Compton, county chairman stated that it was the most successful and easy drive that has been made to date. The west and south part of the county he stated had made an especially good showing and without personal solicitation as in other drives. Where solicitors went out, the largest percentage of bonds ever to be sold, were taken by the people.

Suggestions that there was any disaffection on the part of the public, with the conduct of the war, militating against the sale of bonds, was absolutely nonexistent, he stated.

It was believed among officials that the average citizen might be careless in buying because many are prone to believe that the war has been won and there is no longer any need for effort. However, in every case as at the Willamina theatre Thursday night, where the attention of the people was called to the necessity of buying bonds, they rose instantly and magnificently to the occasion. It is practically unbelievable that

there is any considerable number of American citizens who would place the spending of a few dollars ahead of the lives of their boys at the front. In fact, it has been shown that this is one of the safest wars that our nation has ever been engaged in and largely because of the magnificent equipment our men at the front have had.

And proof of the virtue of the bonds themselves is found in the huge subscriptions of the largest industry in America. They regard the bonds as a safe investment and they have not held back because they do not believe the money is well spent.

Holman's Associates Indicate His Political Inclinations

The career of Senator Holman in the United States senate is hardly one that future Americans will point to with pride. The recent election shows that a number of citizens probably do not keep up on the intimate activities of their public men and this group were no doubt ignorant of the senator's real position in public affairs. But leading and thoughtful men have known for the past several years that Holman represented the group that was friendly with Hitler and Mussolini previous to the war and have been sickened by his close association with groups like those represent-

ed by Gerald Smith and others of that ilk, since America entered the war. This knowledge on the part of enough of the voters was no doubt responsible for the senator's defeat by Wayne Morse who was practically unknown politically.

There is much to be gleaned from a study of the support that Senator Holman received in the last election. That support which he got because of his years in Oregon politics, by people who knew very little about Holman's relationships with America Firsters and others friendly to that political philosophy can of course be forgiven, but those who voted for Holman with their eyes open, represent, at least in some measure, the group that is going to be out to get Germany off as easy as possible after this war.

Holman consistently voted against the president and efforts to arm America. Because of his strong antipathy for the president, Holman got much support in Oregon; indeed it was the chief reason given by ardent anti-Roosevelt newspapers for their support of Holman.

It can hardly be doubted that the majority of the people of Oregon are not for the Lundeen-Nye-Gerald Smith and Holman philosophy, and later developments as the close political leanings of Holman with Smith becomes public, more people will be glad that the senator has been eliminated from Oregon politics, at least for this election. The people of Oregon are without doubt for a peace that carries with it a large measure of just punishment for the war criminals and a plan to prevent the recurrence of the terrible tragedy that is and has been transpiring.

Victor Pearson Finishes Basic Training At Great Lakes Station

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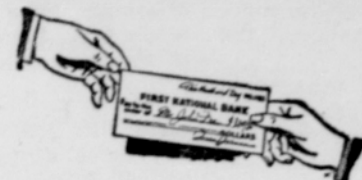
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