

CONNECTICUT BUYS STAMPS

New London, Conn.—The State of Connecticut, through G. Harold Gilpatrick, state treasurer, has purchased \$1000 worth of W. S. S. as an investment for state funds. They will be held until the date of maturity. The purchase is to be credited to the city of Putnam, of which Gilpatrick is a resident.

The Connecticut state treasury subscribed for \$1,250,000 worth of Victory notes during the last campaign. This brought the total of the state's investment in government war securities up to more than \$2,000,000.

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With the purchasing power of the dollar lower than it has ever been, it is the part of wisdom to put some of them to work, earning interest, until the time that money is worth more. War Savings Stamps enable the wage earner to do this. Save what you can and invest it in W. S. S.

NECESSITY OF A LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Should Eliminate War in Ninety-Nine Out of One Hundred Cases.

I wish to maintain the proposition that a League of Nations is not only desirable but an absolute necessity and for three reasons, any one of which would be sufficient to justify that phrase.

First, it is a necessity for winding up the war. We must not forget that this war has unsettled almost everything; has destroyed nations, and has created new nations on paper, such as Finland, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Jugo-Slavia, the Ukraine and the Balkan States and some semi-independent bodies like Armenia, the Caucasus, and Palestine. These small states will be even more at the mercy of the great states than Belgium was, if we do not guarantee in some way their independence.

Then there are the great problems of the landlocked countries, which must have an outlet to the sea, and of certain international areas, like the Bosphorus, which must be administered by a league of nations. Then there are the German Colonies, which need, for obvious reasons, to be administered internationally.

Finally, as Mr. Taft predicted, this peace treaty is as long as the moral law. It will require interpretation, and it will require enforcement, for both of which we need a league of nations.

Secondly, we need it in order to avoid a recurrence of what has constituted a veritable curse even in times of peace, competitive armaments.

International cut-throat competition in armies and navies leaves the nations in the end in substantially the same relative positions as in the beginning. Yet we must each in self-defense, keep up in this race. To Europe this will mean economic ruin; to us, high taxes.

There are business men who are fighting shy of the idea of a league of nations with the thought that it is going to unsettle trade internationally—afraid, perhaps, that the tariff will be disturbed in some way. But any possible gain that could be had by maintaining the status quo would be cancelled many times over by the loss from the taxes—enormously high—which would be required to keep up our end in this international competition in armaments. Our own country, in spite of its wealth, would be reduced a long way toward poverty. This world would be scarcely fit to live in.

We have reached the parting of the ways as to our policy on armaments. Either we must compete with the rest of the world, or combine with the rest of the world.

The third and most important reason for a league is to prevent the recurrence of a world war.

A league should eliminate war in 99 out of 100 cases, because it affords another way than war to settle the inevitable disputes. A collective police force takes the place of national military forces. The national pride which so often leads to war will be transferred to keeping treaties. No longer will a nation need to go to war to "save its face" rather than recede from an untenable position; for the award of the third party will preserve its self-respect. Furthermore, whatever disarmament takes place will tend to diminish the danger of war and reduce its scale if it comes. Many people are indifferent to or scornful of the idea of a league of nations chiefly because they lack the imagination to realize the horrible alternative.

In order then, to wind up this war, to prevent oppressive taxes in times of peace, and to prevent future wars, we need a League of Nations.

But besides these three reasons, which are purely selfish, there is a reason which outweighs them all. Irrespective of our interests, irrespective of the fortunes of any man or party, we are in honor bound to do this thing. Our boys went abroad, to "make the world safe for democracy," and to do it forever. We owe it to them that their labors shall not have been in vain. We are talking about erecting monuments to them—memorial arches, and bridges, and buildings. Let us first erect a monument which will not only commemorate but perpetuate their work, the monument of a League of Nations.

PUBLIC SALE!

The following articles will be sold to the highest bidder on my farm two miles west of Lyons, on the Scio road, on

MON. SEPT. 22, '19

SALE TO COMMENCE AT 10 O'CLOCK, A. M., SHARP

10 Milk Cows

3 Yearlings

1 Brood Sow

8 Six months Shoats

14 Goats

3 Horses, 1 Pony

1 John Deer Buggy, 1 Hillside plow

1 Monarch Hack,

1 Double Shovel plow

1 Disc Harrow 10 18in discs

2 14in Oliver Chilled plows

1 12ft Straight tooth harrow

1 Six ft McCormack Binder

1 Five ft McCormack Mower

1 4 1-2ft Champion Mower

1 12ft Advance Hay Rake

1 Eight ft Hay Rake

1 3 3-4 Studebaker wg'n & bx

1 Spring Tooth Harrow

1 Set Work Harness

1 Set Double Buggy Harness

2 Good Stock Saddles

1 14 tooth Harrow Cultivator

1 Pair Double Blocks

HOUSEHOLD ARTICLES TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION, ETC., ETC.

One 1Hp. Drag Saw with 3 saws 5, 6, and 7ft

TERMS: All sums of \$10.00 and under, Cash, over that amount six months time will be given at 8 per cent with bankable note. See the Clerk before you buy

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Clerk

Al Stevenson,
Auctioneer

Mrs. O. M. Aplet,

Owner