#### Turkey Proceeded to Attend to the Armenians

By WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT

Now why the need of money for the Armenians? You know their story? Abdul Hamid was the Sultan of Turkey. He was the sweet-scented individual who in 1896 deliberately directed the killing of 100,000 Armenians. Who are the Armenians? They are one of the oldest Christian peoples in the world. They lived in a province that lies north of Mesopotamia, east of Asia Minor, west of Persia and south of the Black Sea. It is a province of mountains and valleys—not only rich but fertile. 1,800,000 Armenians lived in that country, cultivating the valleys and made them blossom as the rose". The Turks hated them because they were Christians; hated them because they were industrious, and enjoyed the prosperity

that comes from industry. Later when Turkey entered the great European war as the ally of Germany, she invited German officers into her army. Her army was shortly officered by German officers, who directed that army to go into Armenia and deport 1,800,-000 Armenians, which they did. 600,000 escaped. The other 1,200,000 were driven by that army to the desert of Mesopotamia and Syria, and in the drive the army deliberately killed men, women and children, by rifle ball, by bayonet, by knife, by driving them over precipices, by driving them into deep running rivers-600,000 men, women and children! Half of them were deported to Asia and half to Mesopotamia. Out of those de-ported nearly 400,000 died of starvation.

Then Germany turned the Caucasus over to Turkey; Turkey proceeded to attend to the Ar-menians—in that kindly, fatherly way! That is

A friend of mine who was on the border of Persia told me that he had gone to a German officer and said "For God's sake, can't you stop the butchery of these men, women and children?" and the German officer clicked his heels together and said "Stand back, the time for mercy has

This is the story of that unfortunate people. The Syrians, Greeks and Jews in Western Asia have suffered the same kind of barbaric treatment. The Armenian and Syrian Relief has been organized for some years to care for these unfor-tunate, sorely distressed people. It has received and most efficiently expended more than \$12,-000,000. Each cent that you give will go for actual relief. Feeble, helpless, starving millions cry for food. I urge you to give generously of your bounty.

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When Lewis B. Franklin, director of the War Loan Organization, was in Sau Francisco recently, he revealed that on the day the armistice was signed there was in progress in Washlogion a meeting to formulate plans for the continuous sale of Liberty Bonds-such a plan as governs the sale of Thrift and War Savings Stamps. Moreover, the Liberty Bond and War Stamps work was to be closely coordinated.

These plans were immediately discarded when the Germans signed the armistice and when Secretary of the Treasury Glass took office he announced that the Victory Liberty Loan would be the last. In the face of suggestions that the Victory Loan be put on a cold commercial basis, he added that the men making these suggestions were discounting the patriotism of the American people and he would depend upon the patriotism of the American people rather than place-securities of the United States government upon a plane with the paper of private corporations.

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Having responded to the Government's calls in the past, and having loaned our money ungrudgingly to hurry forward the men and supplies, and victory having come to us because

plies already bought.



to respond to the last call-the Victory Liberty Lean-when we can do so by pledging our credit, perhaps with some little personal inconvenience, saerifice or small discomfort?

The blood of the young manhood of America is not now required. That was generously given before the armistice was signed, and now we may give thanks that no more will be taken.

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