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"I am sorry that you do not wear a flag every day and I can only ask you if you lose the physical emblem to be sure that you wear it IN YOUR HEART; the heart of America shall interpret the heart of the world."—President Wilson.



NOTES AND COMMENTS

With the great number of automobile accidents reported in the newspapers it appears that all the insane people are not in the asylums.

"Let us continue to be victorious," says Hindenburg, in a speech to his soldiers. A few more victories like Verdun, the Somme and Ypres and Hindenburg will be through making speeches.

Mormon church officials announce that they have decided to take \$250,000 out of their tithing fund to buy Liberty Bonds. This is the first time in history that these funds have been used for investment purposes.

There are well-defined rumors that Ben Olcott, secretary of state, will be a candidate for governor at the next primaries. Well, if Ben will make as good a governor as secretary, he should be elected. Few men have filled a public job as well as Ben Olcott.

While the late county fair was far from being as good as it should have been, it was better than no fair at all. Possible exhibitors, who failed to do their share, are as much to blame for the shortcomings as anybody. For instance, there are lots of sheep and hogs in this county, but there was one lone sheep and not a hog on exhibition. The writer heard

one woman say, "Why, we have lots better garden stuff than any here." Yes, but since she failed to bring it, how was anyone to know that she had it. The horse men were also delinquent, for there wasn't a stallion or draft team except a pair of mules, entered. While much depends on the officers of a fair, the people who raise crops and livestock must do their share, if fairs are to be successful. The officers fell down, woefully, however, in amusing those who paid admission.

The state Public Service Commission has ruled that the Portland Railway Light & Power company cannot raise street car fares to 6c, as prayed for. Also finds that the company's men are not receiving enough wages. Tell it to Hoover, also the thousands of patrons and employes of the P. R. L. & P.

THE PRESS AND THE GOVERNMENT

In some parts of this nation the newspaper publishers are advising each other not to give the government any free advertising for the sale of Liberty Bonds, taking the ground that nobody else is giving the government anything free of cost. That is a mistake. Thousands of men and boys have given up their businesses and jobs and are taking chances on giving up their lives for the cause of

democracy and liberty. If publishers feel that they cannot afford to give Uncle Sam any free publicity, that is their business, but they have no right to try to influence other publishers. It takes money to finance the war—to feed the soldiers, to buy them clothing, guns and ammunition, etc. Ships must be purchased and built to transport the fighting men to Europe. This money Uncle Sam is trying to raise on the sale of Liberty Bonds. People must be told where, how and when they can get these bonds; what they will cost and what returns they pay the purchaser. Some publishers may feel that they cannot afford to contribute the cost of setting up and printing this publicity, but the publisher of the Express—as poor as any and poorer than many—feels that he cannot afford to refuse this little contribution. He is not physically fit to be a soldier in the trenches—too old. He hasn't the means to buy very heavily of Liberty Bonds, but he is willing to set (with his own hands) a column or two of type each week to promote the sale of Liberty Bonds, just as he has given column after column in the past to Red Cross, Library Fund, Liberty Bond and other governmental publicity, as well as many columns to the spreading of information furnished by the food conservation bureaus of the O. A. C. and the federal agricultural department.

During peace times, the editor of the Express would be willing to demand that the government (which sells printed envelopes cheaper than the Express can purchase the unprinted envelopes) pay for what it gets, but right now, when America is at war with a bloodthirsty enemy, Uncle Sam can have anything the writer owns.

People who have near relatives in the army or navy will not need urging to buy Liberty Bonds, if they are able to do so. And people who have no relatives in danger ought to be so thankful for that they would be glad to enlist their money in the war, especially when it pays 4 per cent interest.

To which class do you belong, brother?

IT COULD EASILY HAPPEN

It is the spring of 1918. An American transport is crossing the Atlantic.

There is an explosion, muffled by the water, and the ship, mortally hurt, lifts, lists and plunges beneath the waves.

Men are struggling in the water. They are American soldiers, and they are denied the chance to strike a single blow for democracy. They drown.

"Gott strafe Amerika!" says the U-boat commander.

Where were the destroyers? Why had the transport no convoy?

You Did Not Buy a Liberty Bond!

The Sammies are in the trenches.

Their sector is wedged in between the British and the French. "Black Jack" Pershing, the getter, is getting ready for a drive.

There must be days of artillery activity before the Sammies "go over the top." Artillery fire makes the enemy trenches untenable and destroys the morale of the enemy troops.

There is something wrong. The artillery fire is lacking in intensity. Perhaps "Black Jack" is running short of ammunition.

At the word the Sammies swarm over the top, and plunge across "No Man's Land."

The enemy is not demoralized. He sprays the Sammies with rifle and machine gun fire. He butchers them. The attack fails.

You Did Not Buy a Liberty Bond!

They do wonderful things at the base hospital.

They take broken men, and patch them up, and make them as good as new.

The trench is full of broken Sammies.

They stand or lie in knee-deep mud.

Some are blind. Some have ghastly face wounds. Some have arms or legs torn off. The bod-

ies of some have been ripped, and mashed, and smashed.

And some are dead.

Even the doctors at the base hospital can do nothing for dead men.

The base hospital is far away. The broken Sammies must be got there. But there is a dearth of ambulances. There is a dearth of medicines. There is a dearth of stretchers. D—n the luck, there is a dearth of everything! The Sammies die.

A ship is lost, a battle is lost, a war is lost—aye, democracy is lost, and all because—

You Did Not Buy a Liberty Bond!
—Portland News.

The editor of the Express knows a man in this city who mortgaged his life insurance policy for \$500, paying 6 per cent interest, to buy a Liberty Bond of the first issue, paying but 3½ per cent. He is now trying to borrow \$1,000 on his home to buy more bonds. That is the kind of patriotism that is going to win the war for America and democracy. Have you done all you can, dear reader?

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