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ALL IS READY FOR THE VICTORY DRIVE

The executive committee for conducting the Victory Loan Drive for the Athena district, of which P. S. LeGrow is chairman, has everything ready to start the drive next Monday morning and it is expected that Athena will be put over the top on that day. Athena's quota in this, the last popular subscription loan to be issued is \$50,000, or \$100,000 less than the quota for the Fourth Liberty Loan. But the fact that the quota is less than half the amount of the last quota, is no reason that all should not do their part in subscribing to the Victory Loan, and the committee expects and will insist that each potential subscriber take in proportion to his rating.

The committee personnel comprises the same men who have heretofore successfully conducted the Liberty Loan campaigns and the drive, which begins next Monday morning will be made along much the same lines as those of the preceding drives.

Terms of the Victory Loan as announced by Secretary Glass are:

Amount \$4,500,000,000. oversubscriptions to be rejected.

Interest, 4 3/4 per cent, for partially tax exempt notes, convertible into 3 3/4 per cent notes, wholly tax exempt.

Maturity four years, with the treasury reserving the privilege of redeeming the notes in three years.

The 3 3/4 per cent notes to be issued later, also may be converted subsequently back into 4 3/4 per cent notes.

The 4 3/4 per cent securities are to be exempt from state and local taxation excepting estate and inheritance taxes and from normal rates of federal income taxes, the 3 3/4 per cent securities are exempt from all federal, state and local taxes except estate and inheritance taxes.

The size of the loan was much smaller than had been anticipated by most financial observers, who looked for an issue of about six billion dollars particularly in view of Secretary Glass' past statements that the loan would be five or six billions.

This will be the last Liberty loan, Secretary Glass explained, although there will be other issues of government securities to finance belated war expenses. These will not be floated by popular campaigns. None of the past issues of Liberty bonds are convertible into Victory loan notes, and there are no specific provisions in the terms of the Victory issue serving directly to maintain market prices on past issues.

In many communities the selling campaign already has begun actively, without formal acceptance of subscriptions, although the official opening date is April 21. The drive will continue three weeks, until May 10.

"In fixing the terms of the issue," said Secretary Glass' announcement of the Victory loan, "the treasury has been guided largely by the desire to devise a security which will not only prove attractive to the people of the country in the first instance, but the terms of which should insure a good market for the notes after the campaign is over and identical prices for the two series and should not affect injuriously the market for the existing bonds of the Liberty loans.

"This will be the last Liberty Loan. Although as the remaining war bills are presented further borrowing must be done. I anticipate that the requirements of the government, in excess of the amount of taxes and other income, in view of the decreasing scale of expenditures can be readily financed by the issue of treasury certificates from time to time as heretofore, which may be ultimately refunded by the issue of notes or bonds without the aid of another great popular campaign such as has characterized the Liberty loans.

Secretary Glass has announced the dates upon which payments will be required on the notes of the Victory Liberty Loan as follows: Ten per cent with application, on or before May 10; ten per cent on or before July 15; twenty per cent on or before August 13; twenty per cent on or before September 9; twenty per cent on or before October 7; twenty per cent on or before November 11, with accrued interest on deferred installments. Payment in full can be made on May 20, the ten per cent required with application having been duly paid on or before August 7. Payment can also be completed on any installment date with accrued interest.

Up to Pendleton. The people of Pendleton will be left to decide whether the Victory Loan campaign is to be a drive. Opportunity, says the East Oregonian, will be given in the first week for voluntary subscriptions to go in. If the response is such that Pendleton is clearly to go over the top, no solicitation committee will be sent out. It was decided that the first week of the campaign would be designated Volunteer Week.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Charles R. Warren, actor, writer and composer, died in Eugene Friday at the age of 46 years.

Oregon broccoli is now being sent to the Chicago market, where it is meeting with a good demand.

The sixth annual convention of the Cattle and Horse Raisers' association of Oregon will be held at Bend April 22 and 23.

A proposal to vote \$800,000 bonds for road improvement in Linn county at the special election in June is practically assured.

Many new fields of loganberries, raspberries and evergreens are being put out by farmers and growers in the vicinity of Brownsville.

Over \$17,000 in gasoline and distillate taxes, under the law passed by the 1919 legislature, was received by Deputy Secretary of State Sam A. Koser last week.

The Daughters of the American Revolution have started a campaign for the erection of a monument to the men of Coos county who served in the world war.

A general meeting of the orchardists of the Sutherlin valley will be called to consider the formation of a state irrigation district, as soon as the state engineer, Percy A. Cuyler, arrives.

During the past week the state industrial accident commission received reports of 499 accidents, of which two were fatal, as follows: Alton Gregory, Linton, lumbering; Ira Bower, Marshfield, shipbuilding.

A large warehouse owned by E. L. Klemer at Alvadore, a station on the west side branch of the Southern Pacific, 13 miles northwest of Eugene, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$7000.

A fall of snow running from six inches to two and a half feet fell in the mountains west of Dallas last week, interfering with logging operations and causing a shortage of logs for the mills in that locality.

A meeting of the mill operators and employees of the Cottage Grove section, numbering 400, will be held there Saturday for the purpose of organizing the Local Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen on a peace-time basis.

Plans and specifications for sewer improvements in the Porter Hill residence district of North Bend amounting to more than \$30,000 were approved by the city council. Total street improvements will exceed \$150,000.

Portland can have a fleet of four to six army airplanes for the Rose Festival in June if a flying field is provided, according to the specifications of the military air service, Senator McNary was told by the chief of the army air service.

Based on unofficial advices received at victory loan headquarters, Portland will be called upon to subscribe between \$18,000,000 and \$19,000,000 in the coming patriotic drive. On the same theory, the Oregon quota will be around \$33,000,000.

The railroad administration was called on by Representative Sinsott's office to consider a request of the Newport Oregon Commercial club for the extension of the Yaquina branch of the Southern Pacific railroad from Yaquina to Newport.

Leases covering approximately 4000 acres of old lands between The Dalles and Dufur were filed in the county clerk's office at The Dalles. The leases are made for a period of 15 years and provide that the sinking of wells shall begin within two years.

Charles Feller, who has started a suit to kill the crab law applying to shipments from Coos county, lost \$25 as a starter in Justice E. H. Joehnk's court at Marshfield, when the law was upheld. The case will be appealed.

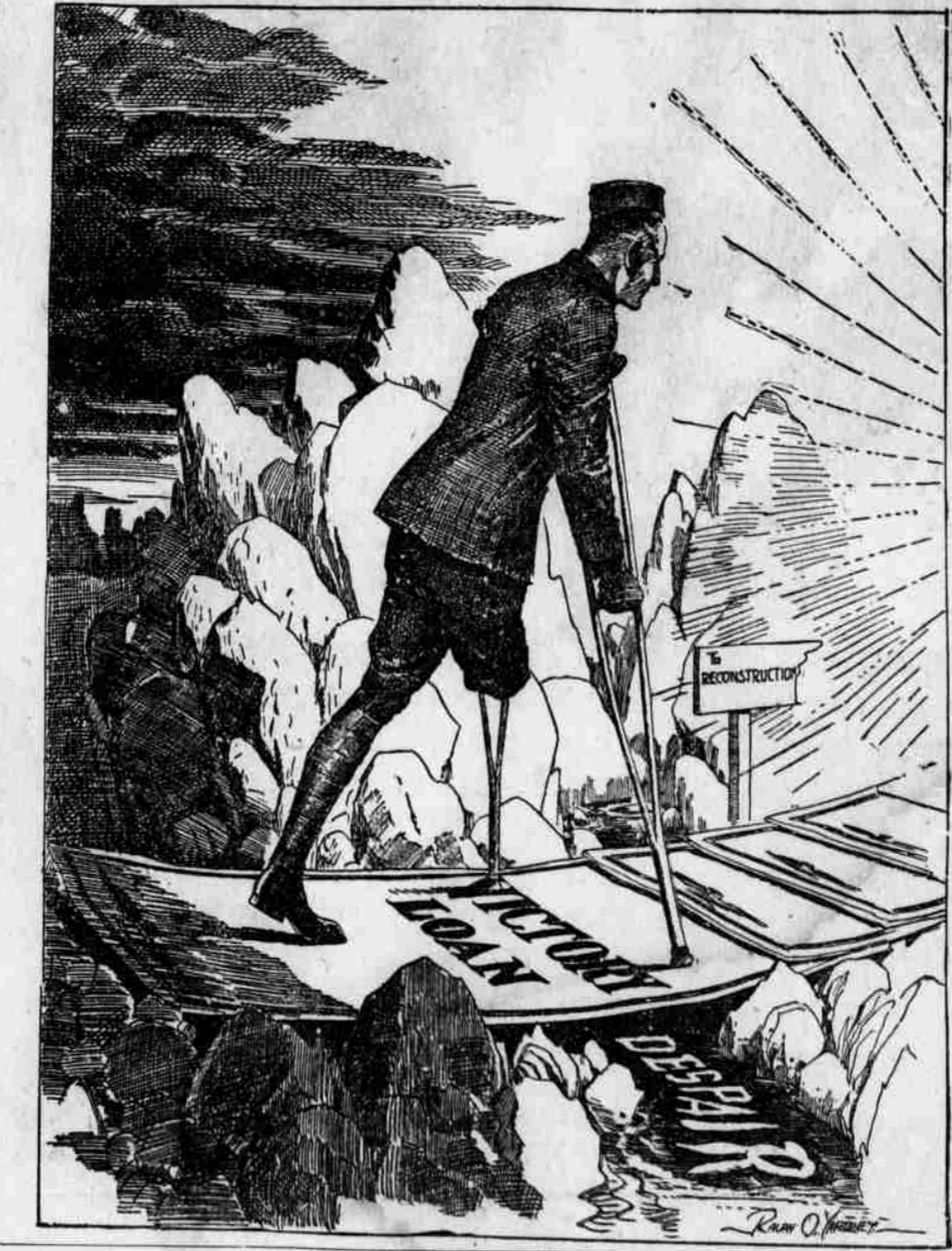
Mr. Feller declared, to the circuit court.

Mrs. P. J. Parks, the young wife of the superintendent of a government hatchery at Herman creek, west Hood River on the Columbia river highway, was killed, her neck being broken while attempting to replace a log in the food grinding room of the hatchery.

A flat reduction of 10 cents a ton in the freight rate on road building materials is announced in a telegram from State Highway Engineer Herbert Mann from Director Wilson, of the public roads department of the federal railroad administration. The reduction is effective May 1 and will extend to December 31.

Four students of the University of Oregon, all junior men, were expelled from the university by action of the faculty, on a charge of publishing dur-

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big spring vacation an anonymous "scarlet sheet," containing alleged libelous articles and stories of ambiguous meaning. They are Douglas Mulhark of Bend, Lloyd Still of Milton, Jack Dundore of Portland, and Richard Avison of Salem.

PARIS ENVOYS SEND MESSAGE TO AID DRIVE

Four members of the American peace mission in France, Secretary of State Robert Lansing, Col. E. M. House, General Tasker N. Bliss and Henry White, have sent this message to the American people urging support of the Victory Loan:

"TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE: We have had the opportunity here in France to see and realize the magnitude of the accomplishment of our country in this war and the magnificent spirit with which this great task has been carried through to a triumphant issue.

"What has been done and what remains to be done before normal conditions are restored demand your continued and united support with the same spirit of self sacrifice and of determination as that which was manifested by the nation while the German armies faced our men at the Marne; and in the Champagne, at St. Mihiel and in the Argonne. We must not relax our efforts until every soldier of the republic is landed on the soil of America.

"To finish this mighty task imposed upon the government of the United States a great financial burden. The Victory Liberty Loan must thrive. If it should fail it would indicate that the Nation is willing to leave its task uncompleted.

"To secure the ideals for which Americans fought and died this great demand on national patriotism and united effort should meet a generous and universal response. Let us do our duty to the end.

"ROBERT LANSING,
"HENRY WHITE,
"E. M. HOUSE,
"T. N. BLISS."

OUR DEBT TO THE DEAD

Subscribing to the government's fifth Liberty Loan, called in our thanksgiving the Victory Loan, is the most patriotic thing any of us can do at the present moment. While actual fighting was in progress it was not hard to arouse ourselves to active and unqualified support of any war measure which was brought forward. Now that the stimulus of the knowledge that American blood was flowing on the fields of France is gone we should not be any the less hesitant in responding to an appeal which is necessary to pay the price of the peace.

It is not difficult to realize that hundreds of millions of dollars were spent in accumulating the materials

with which this country was to play its part in the great spring offensive of 1919, planned by the Allies to be the vital blow of the war. Among other things it is to pay for large quantities of these supplies that the present loan is being asked. The debt was acquired in a worthy cause and in honor to our dead we can do nothing but pay in full.

SIMONDS SAYS AMERICA MUST END RED RULE

Frank H. Simonds, the noted war correspondent, in one of his comprehensive peace conference stories from Paris, says:

"All Europe recognizes the fact that the war is not yet over; that it will not be over until its consequences have been liquidated in a sure peace.

"All allied Europe equally recognizes that only with America's continued aid can a safe peace be obtained and preserved. Accordingly, America's aid being priceless, no price is too great to pay.

"The one essential thing is that America should stay to finish the job. If she doesn't we may have anarchy and Bolshevism from Kamchatka to Land's End."

Simonds is on the job and knows. He isn't writing Victory Loan propaganda but the Victory Loan must be "put over" because of the very facts that he brings out.

We have got to finish the job. To finish the job costs money. Every American citizen has got to dig down and help finish it with the Victory Loan.

United States Government War Savings Stamps bear four per cent interest, compounded quarterly. Make your money make money for you.

A LIVE MAN WHO IS OFFICIALLY REPORTED DEAD

Notwithstanding the War Department persists in claiming that Louis Nelson, Headquarters Co., 361st Inf., 1st Division is dead, he walked into the Press office Wednesday afternoon, pretty much alive.

Nelson, who before the war worked for the Hodgins boys at Umatilla and on their ranch northwest of Athena, answered the draft at Pendleton on October 3, 1917. He was in active service almost constantly after reaching France.

Near Montfaucon, on September 27, 1918 while lying on a hillside with his battalion, he received five shrapnel wounds. The explosion of the shell killed four of his comrades and wounded several others. When Nelson came to, he found himself standing head first in a shell hole, one piece of shrapnel having pierced his helmet and plowed along the right side of his head. Other pieces wounded him on the hip, in both hands and under the knee of his left leg.

Extricating himself and assuming an easier position in the shell crater, a few minutes later he was gassed. This experience was worse in its results than the shrapnel wounds. When he was here Wednesday the man's face and hands were covered with a mass of watery looking welts and pimples which he explained, was the gas poison exuding in the customary way from his system. Fortunately, his lungs were not affected. Mr. Nelson was accompanied here by Lou Hodgins.

THE FLYING CIRCUS AT WALLA WALLA SUNDAY

The Flying Circus, advertising the Victory Loan, will be at Walla Walla Sunday. The following information will be of interest to those here who contemplate going to see the air flights:

Train of 13 cars, nine baggage cars, three sleepers and one diner will arrive at Walla Walla Sunday morning at 7 o'clock.

Train will proceed to a point opposite the Riffe ranch three and one half miles east of the city. Aviation grounds on the old McLean place opposite point of embarkation.

Flying circus consists of 18 air planes, 18 aviators and 50 mechanics from overseas service.

Planes will take the air at 1:30 o'clock and all stunts will take place directly over the city.

The planes carried by the circus are five German Fokkers, four French Spads, four S. E. 5's and five Curtiss planes.

Planes selected for the battle stunts and for the trick flying will be the five Curtiss planes, two Spads, two S. E. 5's and two Fokkers, making 11 machines to take part in the flying.

ARMY MAN COMING

Major Robert Walsh, U. S. Army, who has recently returned to America after long service in the aviation division, is expected to arrive in Athena tomorrow, for a short visit with his uncle, F. S. LeGrow. Major Walsh, who is the son of General Walsh, commander of the Port of Bordeaux, is on his way to Seattle where he has been assigned to the Flying Circus, a detachment of Army aviators who appear in exhibition flights at Walla Walla Sunday, on behalf of the Victory Loan drive. Major Walsh visited Mr. and Mrs. LeGrow here prior to going to the war, at that time holding the rank of Lieutenant.

LADY TOWNSHEND



New portrait of Lady Townshend, wife of the hero of Kut-el-Amara. She was made a staff officer in the French army for her work in organizing canteens for the troops in Lorraine. She was often under fire.

A RECEPTION TO ATHENA SOLDIERS

Tomorrow evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, a reception will be held in the High School auditorium, in honor of Athena men who entered and have returned from service in the World War, whether or not they participated in overseas duty. Also any visiting soldiers or naval men who happen to be in the city or vicinity will be heartily welcomed at the meeting.

It is the wish of Mayor Watts, on behalf of the city, that every man who was in the service from Athena will be present tomorrow evening in uniform; at which time he will be presented with a beautifully lithographed testimonial of the city's appreciation for the part he performed in the service of his country.

For the occasion, Lieut. Steiwer, who saw service in France in the artillery division, and who is an excellent speaker, has consented to come and deliver an address. Capt. Ritner, who served in France in the American Red Cross, will also speak.

The meeting, preliminary to the speaking, will begin with a short program. The occasion of the meeting at this time, presents itself in twofold purpose. The Victory Loan drive, which begins next Monday, necessarily calls for information, and the fact that soldiers who have returned home are already drifting away to assume avocations in civil life, makes it incumbent that appreciation should be extended them at this time. For these reasons, it was thought expedient to combine the meeting and reception into a big community gathering for tomorrow evening.

PROGRAM

Song - Star Spangled Banner
Audience, led by Private Geo. Sutton
Presentation of Testimonials to returned service men, by B. B. Burton, on behalf of City of Athena.

Duett - "The Long, Long Trail,"
Mr. and Mrs. George Sutton.
Address - Captain Roy W. Ritner.
Solo - "The Meadow Lark,"
Mrs. Ethel G. Scott.

Address - Lieut. Frederick Steiwer. Athena men, who have returned from service to date, and who are requested to be present Saturday evening to receive testimonials of appreciation from the city, are: Claude Sanders, Jesse Myrick, Bert Stone, Forrest Zarba, Harold Haynie, Clarence Gagnon, Will Russell, George Banister, Lieut. Glen Dudley, Roy Russell, James Phillips, Everett Rothrock, John Shick, Sergeant Sidney Barnes, George Sutton, Virgil Williams, Charles Payne, Leroy McCubbin, and any others whose names may be unintentionally omitted here.

Theatre Front Painted

Bill Hendrickson has been wielding the paint brush down at the new Standard Theatre this week. The front presents a new dress of white and the interior has been given a trimming of brown. The seats have arrived and will be in place after a thorough renovating of the interior of the building. The projection machine is on its way from Cleveland, Ohio, and is expected to be installed in the course of a couple of weeks, when the Standard will be open to the public. The new theatre will be equipped with the latest model Simplex machine, equipped to use the Mazda light, which will do away with the old arc system and its annoying hissing sound.

Our Clean-Up Day

Judging from a cursory observation of some of our allies and backyards, Athena's Clean-up day, Wednesday was more honored in the breach than the observance. Not much activity was noted, and very little accomplished. Let's try it again—every day, until it is satisfactorily carried out. The projected Civic Club, talked of among Athena women, would do good work right here, and should be encouraged. Come on now. Let's clean up; it will soon be fly time.

Goes to LaCrosse

Max Dudley has leased 1000 acres of wheat land from Ira Scott, near LaCrosse, Wash., and will leave at once to take possession. In the deal Max acquires a caterpillar tractor and 50 head of young mules. An acreage of 940 acres is in wheat on the place and the land lies in one body. With the going of Max, Athena is fairly well represented now at LaCrosse. Otis Whitman and James Hodgson have large farming interests there and are doing well by following Umatilla county methods in tilling the soil.

Raise in Salary

A flat raise of \$25 a month in salary dating from January 1, 1919, is announced by the American Express company for all its employees. The company also announces that the eight hour day will be effective from now on and employees will get time and a-half for overtime.