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\$600,000 IN BONDS.

It is the general belief among the
people that Linn county will vote to
issue \$600,000 in county bonds on
June 3 next.

There are two points about this
bond issue which should, and prob-
ably does interest every Linn county
taxpayer; they desire that as much
money shall be realized from sale of
the bonds, and also that as many
miles of improved roadway shall re-
sult from the expenditure thereof.

It should be required that the
bonds shall not be sold at less than
their par value, and that they shall
be offered first to Linn county peo-
ple; and the people should buy them
willingly, for in addition to being a
glit edge investment the money will
be paid out mostly to Linn county
people and will not leave the chan-
nels of business.

Then the money can be made to
go much farther if many of our
roads are re-located in places, thus
making less mileage between points
and where a change of location will
make a less cost in construction.

As a matter of fact, the confining
of our highways largely to section
lines and square angles is not wis-
dom. If we borrow an idea from
the railroads and change our road-
ways wherever practicable, to direct
lines between points and to lines
which furnish the least resistance,
we will materially increase the ben-
efit to be derived from the bond
money.

Our county court must necessarily
have large discretion, both in the
sale of bonds and in road building.
It would be wisdom, The Tribune
thinks, to try contract construction
and that by direct employment un-
der supervision of the court. Then
it can soon be ascertained which is
the better method. Our first work,
however, is to raise the money, for
until this is done the court will con-
sider the proposition from a tenta-
tive viewpoint.

WHY BLOCK IMPROVEMENTS?

From report it will be but a short
time until the Scio Logging & Lum-
ber Co. completes its flume to or
near the condensery. While the
company has made but little noise
and has gone right along attending
to its own affairs with a large crew
of men, it has let out but little in-
formation concerning its intentions.

Some weeks ago Manager Labor
intimated that if everything worked
out favorably the company would
establish a cutup plant, box factory

and lumber yard in this city or near
thereto, preferably near the con-
densery.

But strange to say, the company
is having difficulty in securing suf-
ficient land for their purpose. The
company is undoubtedly willing to
pay a fair price for the land, and
why a Scio citizen or anyone inter-
ested in Scio property would attempt
to block an important enterprise be-
ing established in or near town, is
difficult to understand.

Should this enterprise materialize,
as seems to be desired by the com-
pany, it would mean the addition of
a half dozen or more families to our
town and a payroll of \$3000 to
\$4000 per month. Moreover it
would supply wood constantly to the
condensery and the homes of Scio at
probably one-half the present cost.

Opportunity, when it knocks at
one's door, should be embraced. If
there is difficulty in getting land
for the purposes required, every
citizen should use his influence to
assist in securing that end.

As above stated, the S. L. & L.
people have done no blowing what-
ever about what their purposes are.
They bought a defunct sawmill and
have gone about placing it in a sub-
stantial workable condition. The
company will add prosperity to Scio.
The Tribune believes the enterprise
to be meritorious. And the man or
men who would attempt to block its
progress is, to say the least, not
considering the progress and welfare
of Scio.

They Have Been Shown.

Ordinarily one might be led to
wonder at the patience of the people
of Lebanon and Linn county who sat
five consecutive hours at a banquet
Monday night and listened to thirty-
two several speeches from thirty-two
several orators on good roads.

Linn county is proverbial for its
hospitality; but its unprecedented
feat is not to be explained on any
easy ground of mere politeness. Nor
is it to be assumed that the speakers
compelled such continuous and at-
tentive interest by the intrinsic merit
of their words and periods, though
it is agreed that Linn county is the
mortal elysium of spellbindery. Nor
was it even the daint, and palatable
viands of the table, Lebanon being
the original habitat of gustatory
succulency.

The reason for the long and fruit-
ful session was the occasion itself;
and the occasion was the formal em-
barkation of Linn county upon a
campaign of good roads. Let us
not say that old Linn has not heret-
ofore been enthusiastic for good
roads, for doubtless it has ever
known their utility. But it has not
always been a unit on how best to
get them. Now the way is clear,
and Linn knows what to do and how
to do it, and has thrown hesitation
into the scrap heap and has joined
the grand march of highway pro-
gress.

It is proposed now to issue \$600,-
000 in bonds to build roads in Linn
county. It is the era of team work.
The state has developed a plan of
highway construction and it is ac-
cepted everywhere as sound and fair
to all sections. But the state must
confine itself to main thoroughfares,
leaving it to the counties to supple-
ment the general scheme in their
own way for their special benefit
and to do besides their proper share
in the larger scheme.

In Sherman county the other day
they had a vote on the question of
\$300,000 for road building. The
progressives of that enterprising
county rolled up 1017 votes for the
bonds, while the opposition could
muster a grand total of only 26. It
was a triumph of enlightenment
over purblind stickinthemuditeness
and was a testimonial besides of in-
dorsement for the road movement
in the state, wisely devised by the

legislature and as wisely adminis-
tered by the state highway commis-
sion.

Linn county will do its part; so
will Marion and other counties that
have adopted a show me attitude in
the past, and which have now been
shown.—Oregonian.

U. S. WAR COST SMALLER THAN BRITISH BILL

Despite Armistice, Disburse- ments Have Slackened Of Little.

Twenty-one months of our war with
Germany cost the United States
\$28,256,000,000, the treasury depart-
ment calculates. Although huge mun-
itions and other contracts have been
cancelled, disbursements have slack-
ened of little. Manufacturers are now
presenting their bills and receiving
payments for materials delivered
months ago in the heat of the
struggle.

Included in the enormous total of
\$28,256,000,000 is the sum of \$7,875,-
000,000 loaned to our Allies. When
we began lending to our Allies, the
government contemplated turning
over to them about \$500,000,000 a
month but actual loans ordinarily ran
around \$200,000,000 monthly.

Of the total war bill about \$16,900,-
000,000 have been raised so far by
the Liberty Loans. The fact that we
have not covered our war debt is the
reason for the Victory Liberty Loan.
In other words we haven't paid for
the job.

The cost of the war to Great Brit-
ain was \$10,619,500,000. Germany is
out \$5,759,000,000 exclusive of in-
terest the Allies may impose.

THE SHEPHERD AND THE CROOK

Herbert Johnson, the man who draws
those inimitable cartoons for the Sat-
urday Evening Post, put into black and
white in the March 1 issue of the mag-
azine something that every man who
owns a Liberty Bond ought to frame.
It is entitled "The Shepherd and the
Crook."

In the foreground, ragged cut in a
"plug" hat and a swallowtail coat and
with an avicious smile on his face,
is a wolf with a grip full of all sorts of
filth-fam stocks. Speeding towards him
is a flock of sheep in the clothes of
humans, each trying to get to the wolf
first with a Liberty Bond to trade for
the filth-fam stocks. Uncle Sam, the
shepherd, stands in the background, as-
tonished at the sudden insanity dis-
played by his flock.

Johnson's cartoons are good because
they are always true and always well
done. This one is particularly true and
exceptionally well done. In a glance
it tells a story that every Liberty Bond
holder ought to heed.

The American buyer of Liberty
Bonds who lets go of his bonds for
fake stock, or even for stock that is
not fake, is playing into the hands of
wolves. The wolf always gets the bet-
ter of the sheep. If he didn't he
wouldn't have anything to do with the
sheep.

Every man or woman who owns Lib-
erty Bonds can put it down in his pipe
or her powder-puff any time anybody
offers something for Liberty Bonds
that the Liberty Bonds are worth more
than the thing offered. Johnson shows
his human sheep wearing silly smiles
as they rush for the wolf. A man own-
ing the best interest-paying security on
earth ought to wear a silly smile when
he walks into a faker's office to trade
his Liberty Bonds for worthless stock
or to sell them for less than they are
worth. Even if one is offered the mar-
ket price, one is getting less than the
bonds are worth, because the market
price for bonds now is no indication
of their real value.

Hold your bonds. Don't be a
"nucker."

Trains Carry \$12,000,000 For Orient.
San Francisco.—The two richest
treasure trains that ever crossed the
continent arrived here with \$12,000,000
in silver bullion, being shipped by the
United States government to India for
the account of the British government.

Flight For Europe Planned For May.
New York.—The start of the United
States navy's attempt to cross the
Atlantic ocean on a heavier-than-air
machine will take place on the first
clear day in May.

PEACE TREATY WILL BE COMPLETED SOON

Lloyd George Declares Nego- tiators Are in Complete Harmony.

Paris.—The preliminary peace treaty
will be ready by Easter and the
Germans will be asked to come and
sign it at the end of April or the be-
ginning of May, Premier Lloyd George
of Great Britain declared in an inter-
view with Stephane Lauzanne, editor
of the Matin.

In answer to a remark by M. Lau-
zanne that what troubled public opin-
ion was not so much the delay as the
secrecy in which the peace negotia-
tions were wrapped and the fear that
there was some divergence of opinion,
the British premier said:

"I affirm absolutely that there is no
divergence among the negotiators.
They are often confronted with tech-
nical difficulties which can only be
settled after close study. Take the
question of reparations. In substance
the allies have one common principle,
which I once set forth thus:

"Germany must pay up to the last
farthing of her power."

"But is it sufficient to draw up a
bill and hand it to the enemy? Must
we not require guarantees and must
we not study the terms, methods and
forms of delayed payments? Must we
not be able to say to our adversary
when he pleads inadequacy of re-
sources: 'Yes, you can go as far as
that and you must do this and you
must do that?' In a word, shall we
simply present a bill or collect all the
money possible?"

"Well, that is where the work comes
in, slow and difficult work, complica-
ted by the fact that technical experts
of the highest capabilities and great
experience are not in agreement
among themselves either as to the
method of liquidation or as to the
assets to be realized."

CHINA DESIRES TREATY ANNULLED

Paris.—Nullification of the 21 de-
mands made by Japan early in 1915
is urged by the Chinese government
in an official statement cabled from
Peking and received by the Japanese
peace delegation.

The Peking statement declares that
the Japanese treaties and terms forced
upon China in 1915 should be abro-
gated, "because their terms are incom-
patible with the principles upon which
the league of nations is founded."

The statement is largely in reply to
a recent statement made by Baron
Makino of the Japanese delegation on
the position of Japan.

"Since the Japanese delegate in
Paris," the Chinese statement says,
"has pointedly referred to the 21 de-
mands, it is incumbent upon the Chi-
nese government to draw attention to
the fact that China's acquiescence to
terms subversive of her own interests
were secured by means of an ultima-
tum to which she was forced to yield
because of the preoccupation of the
rest of the world in the European war.
It is a fact that the terms were im-
posed upon China at the point of the
bayonet, the example followed being
that of Prussia; the extension for 99
years of the lease of Port Arthur and
the South Manchurian railways con-
cessions being precisely the German
Shantung terms."

Woman Sleeps Five Months.
Oakland, Cal.—Eleven physicians
are baffled by the case of Mrs. Julia
Morton of this city, who has slept con-
tinuously for five months. She fell
into stupor a few days after appar-
ently having recovered from influenza,
and since then has not opened her
eyes or given any except the slight-
est indications of consciousness.

Vote on Telegraph Strike Authorized.
New York.—Balloting to determine
whether the 400,000 members of the
Commercial Telegraphers' union of
America and six affiliated unions shall
strike as a protest against Postmaster
General Burleson's methods of wire
control was authorized at a meeting
of the union's executive committee
here.

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