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Let's All Back The Attack!

The Fourth War Loan is part and parcel of the preparations for the all-out smash at Germany and Japan. The slogan, "Let's all Back The Attack," conveys the note of urgency to everyone of us to do our utmost to make certain that we do not have another Dunkerque or Dieppe on our hands. If you have anyone near the battlefield—and who has not—you will want to sacrifice to the point of hurt to buy extra war bonds.

This is the kind of a war you as an individual can't brush off. You're in it to the hilt. Not since the very beginning of the Republic have the ringing words of the Founding Fathers—"we pledge our lives and our fortunes"—resounded so clearly and so truly. Because if we lose, we lose all—not only as a nation but as individuals.

In the big assault, in which men from this community—men from your very home and your neighbors' homes—will be braving every terror a Hitler can hurl against them—you have a job to do. You can't afford to take the chance that you will not be needed. Every man and woman and even our children must deny themselves comforts and luxuries to put the money into extra war bonds in order to achieve in some measure the sacrifices which their sons, brothers, fathers, husbands and friends will make in the next few months, perhaps weeks.

The fateful days are here. In the years to come you will look back at the early months of 1944 and recall what you did to help save yourself, your family and your country.

Every home which displays the Treasury Department's 4th War Loan, red, white and blue shield with its proud message, "We've Bought Extra Bonds," is adding its weight to the attack.

In doing your duty in the forthcoming invasion to crush our enemies, you are first being loyal to your country. However, you must not lose sight of the fact that "buying bonds" and keeping them is actually saving money. Bonds are savings. They are real social security, real old age insurance. They are the safest and best investment for the average man, against a rainy day.

Where else can you find an opportunity for small investment today, such as in E Bonds, that guarantees a thirty-three and one-third per cent increase in 10 years?

Thus, from a standpoint of sound reasoning, every person should put every dollar they have into War Bonds, for the good of the country and for the good of the individual citizen. Let's all back the attack.

LEGION ASKS TO SUPPORT BILL FOR VETERAN AID

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so short that claims from disabled veterans who are unable to work and

whose allowances ceased on the day of discharge must wait weeks, and sometimes months, for their compensation allotments to which they are entitled. The situation is all the more tragic because it is preventable.

Early in December a telegraphic survey by The American Legion of 34 states disclosed within 24 hours 1,537

cases of disabled veterans of World War II whose claims for compensation had been delayed from three to eleven months, forcing some of them on charity. This survey merely scratched the surface. It is a shocking indictment of the lack of foresight and preparation for the inevitable casualties already here and yet to come. More than 800,000 veterans of this war already are back in civilian clothes. If, as a purported high official recently predicted, we may expect half a million casualties in the next 90 days, we have no excuse for not preparing for them. I should not like to be here to face the wrath of 11,000,000 veterans after this war if our treatment of their disabled has been as shabby, indifferent, and lax as the story of the last two years would indicate.

In addition to caring for our disabled, we shall soon be faced with the problems of the great demobilization. Millions of G. I. Joes, and G. I. Janes are coming home from the wars when the fighting is done. We must be ready for them, too, to facilitate their transition back into civilian life and jobs.

This is the situation, and these are the facts. To date our country has no master plan for dealing with the entire veteran problem of this war. To date the Veterans Administration virtually is still on a peacetime basis, kicked around as a stepchild, while other government agencies are competing for the right to look after various interests of the veterans. The result is confusion, incredible red tape, divided responsibility, and the veteran too often is left holding the bag, as far as prompt and adequate treatment is concerned.

With more than 1,000 members of the armed forces now being discharged every day, and this number increasing from week to week, it is high time that system and understanding be applied to the present situation. We must have a definite master plan for dealing with the new group of veterans. It must be a plan into which must be integrated thoughtful provisions for their every need—opportunities for completing their interrupted schooling, vocational training, muster-out pay, expanded hospital facilities, speedy and sympathetic adjudication of their just claims, government aid in buying homes or farms, placement in jobs, to mention the principal needs. This is the least we can do for the men and women who are fighting this war for us. They are entitled to that consideration.

The American Legion submitted such a master plan to Congress, January 10. It was an omnibus bill within the scope of which the Legion embraced all needed provisions for the welfare of World War II veterans. It was not any hastily-drafted legislation. It was written by a committee of nationally-known experts on rehabilitation, appointed by National Commander Warren H. Atherton in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the 1943 national convention at Omaha. Into this measure was incorporated the studied wisdom of the 25 years of experience which The American Legion has accumulated in dealing with veterans' rehabilitation. It represents the best thought in America on this subject. The American Legion has lived with this problem since 1919.

This legislation might well be hailed as a legislative "G. I. Bill of Rights." It would give the Veterans Administration master control of all government services to veterans, unify these government functions, simplify procedure, eliminate red tape, centralize responsibility, and assure both the veterans and the taxpayers a square deal.

The American Legion measure in the Senate is Senate Bill 1617. In the House this legislation is represented by H. R. 3917.

This legislation has the fighting support of every American Legion Post in the nation. We want it enacted now, not for ourselves, but for the men and women who have taken our places in the ranks of the armed forces of our country.

Time is of the essence. Every day that chaotic conditions in dealing with this problem continue, piles on added misery to brave hearts already wrung by the tortures of war. This legislation cannot wait. Justice, fairness and decency demand it be enacted with all the speed possible.

To that end The American Legion asks your active support. Telephone, telegraph or write your Senator and your Congressman that you are behind Senat Bill 1617 and H. R. 3917 all the way. DO IT NOW, and you will have the real thrill of reversing the usual order for once and reporting to our fighting forces: "MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!"

4th WAR LOAN
* Let's All *
BACK THE ATTACK

RATIONING CALENDAR

RATION BOOK NO. 3
(Brown stamps for purchase of meats-fats, etc.)

January 29—Expiration date of brown stamps R, S, T and U.
February 26—Expiration date of brown stamps V, W and X. W series valid on January 30, X on February 6.
March 20—Expiration date of brown stamps Y and Z. Y series valid on February 13, Z on February 20. Each weekly series good for 16 points.

RATION BOOK NO. 4
(Processed fruits and vegetables, jams and jellies.)

February 20 — Expiration date of green stamps G, H and J.
March 20 — Expiration date of green stamps K, L and M.

RATION TOKENS
February 27—Starting date for use of red and blue ration tokens.

SUGAR
March 31 Expiration date of stamp 30. Book 4, good for 5 pounds.

SHOES
Stamp No. 18, Book 1, and "Airplane" stamp No. 1, Book 3, valid for one pair each for indefinite period. Loose stamps not accepted.

STOVES
Purchase certificates available at local boards.

WOOD, SAWDUST, COAL
Fuel dealers deliver by priorities based on needs.

FUEL OIL
February 8 — Expiration date of period 2 fuel oil coupons. March 14 — Expiration date of period 3 coupons.

GASOLINE
March 21 — Expiration date of No. 10 coupons in A book, 3 gallons each.

TIRE INSPECTION
Cars with A ration books must have tires inspected every 6 months; B books every 4 months; C books every 3 months. Commercial motor vehicles every 6 months or 5,000 miles, whichever comes first.

PRICE CONTROL
Refer price inquiries and complaints to price clerk of your local war price and rationing board.



TOUGH LUCK
With so many home repair items on the critical list, now is no time to run into tough luck. A broken window may not be so bad, but a real fire or a bad windstorm could be very serious indeed. Replacements on many items are practically unobtainable. So be extra careful now about fire. Eliminate every possible hazard. AND be sure your insurance fully covers the present value of your home property. Check fire insurance, windstorm insurance, smoke damage insurance, hail insurance, etc. See that you are fully protected by adequate insurance limits. This agency offers its services to home owners. We will gladly, and without obligation on your part, check over your present insurance and submit recommendations regarding the kinds of protection you should have; and in amounts which will truly protect your investment. Why not see about it today?

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