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PAYING THE COST OF WAR

The American committee on war finance is doing splendid work in digesting and presenting for public information the subject of financing the war. It places the whole matter on a business as well as a patriotic basis, and reaches certain conclusions that are irrefutable. It takes the ground that so far as possible we pay the war's cost as we go, and in order to do this that all make such sacrifices as are necessary to accomplish it. It believes the money should be raised largely by a graduated income tax, low for small incomes with an allowance for married men, permitting all an income to sustain life and purchase its necessities. Above two or three thousand dollars a year income the tax grows steadily, until it becomes confiscatory for all incomes above \$100,000 a year.

The hearty indorsement of the plan coming from some with large incomes shows that the accumulating of money has not deadened patriotism. Henry Ford, who under the proposed law would lose of his income \$15,000,000, heartily indorses the plan. So does E. W. Scripps, the multimillionaire newspaper man, and these are but a few of the immensely rich who are willing to put up their money while the masses, from whom the fighting men must largely be drawn, are offering their lives. More than his life no man can give, and the loss of all income is nothing compared to it. Nor is it just the multimillionaires who express this sentiment. Recently the board of directors of the St. Paul Association of Public and Business Affairs, the big civic and commercial organization of St. Paul adopted with but one dissenting vote the following resolution:

"Whereas: Many hundreds of thousands of American citizens are to be called upon for the supreme patriotic sacrifice, pledging their lives for their country; and

"Whereas: The least that those remaining at home can do in any measure even approaching this sacrifice of those on the firing line is to pledge their entire financial resources; therefore, be it Resolved: That in behalf of this association of nearly five thousand St. Paul business and professional men we urge upon the government conscription of dollars as well as of men, to be brought about by through the imposition of large graduated income taxes reaching total absorption for all incomes over \$100,000 a year."

Powerful labor and farm organizations have also enthusiastically indorsed the plan of taxing incomes to pay the war debt.

From the standpoint of patriotism the plan should be backed by those who will have the larger portion of the bill to pay. From the viewpoint of business they should indorse it that the country may sooner get back to normal conditions and not be handicapped with a great burden of debt when this happens. There is still another viewpoint, outside of business and patriotism, and that is self interest. The war has to be fought to the end. We must either beat Germany or be beaten by her. To defeat her will require united effort and perhaps great sacrifice. Yet whatever that sacrifice may be it must be made. Suppose through the lack of patriotism and failure of the wealth of the country to respond to the call for the means to carry on the war, the allies should lose and we were forced to carry on the war alone. How much greater would the cost be and how much income would it leave any? If Germany should win--well the wealthy can do a little figuring to see where they would be when the kaiser got through collecting war indemnity from them and raising funds to rehabilitate Germany. Put on a financial basis, the man with a thousand dollars is interested that amount in the war, and the man with a hundred million is interested in just the same amount, that is--all he has. It is gratifying to read the expressions of sentiment coming from the rich, for it shows that regardless of station we are all Americans, and rich and poor alike are ready to make any and all sacrifices for our common country that circumstances may demand of us.

When the Northwest has built its 1,000 ships it will have a string of them that placed bow to stern would reach nearly fifty miles. Some ships.

ALL MUST REGISTER ON DAY PROCLAIMED

Only One Day For Registration--War Department Explains Workings of Law

Washington, May 15.--The war department today made the following announcements regarding the registration of citizens liable to draft:

"The war department wishes to impress upon the people that there is only one day for registration. All males between the designated ages must register on the day set. The fact that five days were allowed for the placing of the necessary blank forms in the hands of registrars appears to have misled some headline writers. One day only--the day fixed in the president's proclamation--will be devoted to registration.

"The war department is gratified by the spontaneous offers of uncompensated assistants in carrying out the work of registration.

"One father in offering to serve as registrar writes: 'I have two sons in the guard and one in the regular army, but I want to do my own little bit.' This is typical of hundreds of letters. All such offers properly should be made to the governors, who are the heads of the registration machinery in their respective states.

"It should be clearly understood that no male resident of the United States between the designated ages is excused from registration unless he is already in the military or naval service of the United States; that is a member of the regular army or navy, the marine corps, coast guard service or that part of the national guard now actually in the federal service. Registration is distinct

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ANOTHER SLACKER

That citizen is somewhat phoney who hastens into matrimony, that he may dodge the fray; it ought to shame his soul, dog-gone him, to see how people look upon him, upon his wedding day. Methinks I see him humbly kneeling, his voice all choked with maudlin feeling, before some maiden fair; "The thought," he says, "of doing battle out where the noisy cannon rattle, is whitening my hair. So long as I'm remaining single, the chances are I'll have to mingle with men whom I abhor; I have no use for soldiers' labors, I have no use for guns and sabres, I have no use for war. I'd rather hear my

neighbors hoot me, than have a husky German shoot me, or prod me with a sword; I'd rather men should call me Rabbit, than fall into the beastly habit of being carved or bored. So marry me, sweet Isabella! Have pity on a cringing fellow, who hates the thought of blood, for if you won't avert disaster, by chasing with me to the pastor, my given name is Mud." You'd think the girls would deem him dotty, that they in angry tones and haughty, would order him away; but Slacker prospers in his wooing; girls like his billing and his cooing, and wed him every day.

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from selective service. Registration is a necessary preliminary to the later process of selection.

"It is useless to ask registrars to excuse anyone from registration. The registrar has no such powers. No one can suspend the law requiring all to register.

"It is important that all shall understand the significance of registration and it is hoped that the day will be approached in the spirit with which the government has appointed it. Democracy is its essence. No one can absent himself, nor can the well-to-do man hire another to represent him on the occasion. The country's manhood will present itself on this day and by so doing will say in effect: 'Here I am. Take me.'

"Not only has the individual citizen of the country made a remarkable response to the registration call, but the states through their official heads have indicated such zeal that there is great rivalry among some of the communities for the honor of making the first complete registration returns.

"Many questions are asked daily at the war department concerning the registration of traveling men and other absentees. On the sixth day after the date of the president's proclamation anyone subject to registration who expects to be absent from his home on registration day should go to the clerk of the county where he may be staying. If he is in a city of over 30,000 population the city clerk is the official to whom to apply. The absentee will be told how to register and a registration card will be filled out. This card must be mailed by the absentee so as to reach the registrar of his home precinct by registration day.

The clerk to whom the absentee is not empowered to issue a registration certificate. This is done by the registrar in his home precinct.

"Persons too sick to present themselves for registration must send a potent person to the county or city clerk on the sixth day after the date of the president's proclamation. The clerk will give instructions for registration."

My Husband and I

By Jane Phelps

GETTING SETTLED

CHAPTER XLIV.

When I tried my curtains I found that Helen was right, that none of them fitted the windows. Other things too were needed as is always the case when one moves I have found out. I said nothing of all this to Tom until the heavy part of the setting was over. The furniture in place, the pictures hung, etc. Then I didn't say anything either. I waited a day or two then one evening proposed that we call on Helen. I was tired, and it would rest me. I trusted her dainty hangings and other purchases would so impress Tom that he would not object to our having them also.

"I was right."

"How pretty and cozy you look!" he exclaimed. "It must be your hangings, Helen, we haven't ours up yet you know."

Helen explained how she had used the old ones, taking Tom and showing him all through the rooms.

When we reached home he said to me:

"I guess you'll have to do as Helen did; use the old curtains for the bedrooms and get new for the living and dining room."

Tom Agreed to Open an Account.

"But Tom, I haven't a penny of my allowance left that I can spare," I answered.

"Well it's got to be fixed up some way. It looks as bare and unhome-like as fury after Helen's apartment."

"Why don't you open an account

for me at one of the big department stores where they carry everything? Then I could get what we really need." I added without waiting for an answer, "and it wouldn't cost us any more and we'd have the use of it things right away, instead of waiting goodness knows how long for us to save the money."

I waited breathlessly for his answer. I knew if I could win him over to that, my troubles were ended when I wanted something pretty to wear, or for the house. It never entered my foolish head that they might be just beginning.

"You see," I continued, when he said nothing, "you are getting a good salary now. Twice as much as you had when we were married. And you are with a progressive man." I quoted him, "that makes all the difference too."

"But Sue, we are three now instead of two, four, really; because I can see that you'll have to keep Nora most of the time. Then we are paying just double rent. We'll get in a hole if we don't look out." Then, "But we must have those windows fixed up, somehow. I'll write Bimble's and tell them to open an account in your name. That's a medium priced place and they carry everything under the sun."

I was so elated I could scarcely keep from dancing; but I managed to keep within bounds as I said:

"The sooner you do it, the sooner I can fix up the house."

I could scarcely wait until Tom was left to go in and tell Helen the news. "Tom is going to open an account for me at Bimble's, Helen," I called out, "and I want you to go down with me buy the curtains."

"Today?"

"No--I guess not today. I'd like to wait until Tom tells us it's all right."

"Very well, I'll go any time you say. I'm glad Tom has decided to be sensible at last and let you have the money. It's such a convenience, and I don't mind being out of my room, then I can see what I can do for you."

"Did Everett Crandall ever buy those christening dresses?"

"Yes," I answered almost automatically.

"Don't think I'm noisy, but I'm sure it is in love with you--near it."

"Nonsense! why Helen ever knows that I love Tom," I said. "I know. 'Why ever, Miss Phelps, you are laughing at me for showing up my things so plainly; and said I had never known by my actions that I had never long married.'"

"Well, look out for Crandall!" all, she said laughing. "I'll do it."

"I shall tell him some day that I have labeled him. I jaded. I'll see how he will deny any more intentions." I had read that somewhere in a novel.

(Tomorrow--The Account is Opened.)

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