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## Fourth Loan Gets Impetus by Spencer Going Over Top

Total amount subscribed in the county Thursday afternoon at the time the Sentinel went to press was \$190,900.

Name of Township	Quota
Brunswick Township	\$49,500
Chatham Township	42,150
Granger Township	46,400
Guilford Township	114,000
Harrisville Township	102,800
Hickley Township	102,800
Homer Township	40,700
Lafayette Township	53,900
Litchfield Township	41,100
Liverpool Township	50,200
Medina Township	32,950
Montville Township	43,000
Sharon Township	56,900
Spencer Township	56,850
Wadsworth Township	65,600
Westfield Township	140,950
York Township	51,100
Medina Village	148,400
Wadsworth Village	193,400

Total county quota \$1,365,800

The Medina County Fourth Liberty Loan campaign was started off betimes and with a bang, when Spencer township announced Saturday morning that she had overtopped her quota of \$56,850.

It was a foregone conclusion that Spencer would lose no time in performing her duty to Uncle Sam, but to have been able to record its fulfillment within a few hours after the campaign opened, was quite sufficient to produce temporary palsy with the average hustler.

At 9 o'clock Saturday morning Spencer announced that she had taken 217 subscriptions, totalling \$57,000.

Only a few townships have made an active canvass for bond sales this week, the others taking the time to prepare for a thorough combing of their respective territories at the beginning of the second week, when they expect to overtop their quotas in a hurry. For that reason no sectional results will be published this week—merely the approximate county total to date.

A feature of interest in the local work this week was the opening of a Liberty Loan headquarters in the village. The building on West Washington street, formerly used as a meat market, has been fitted up with telephones and with a big sign over the entrance gives the headquarters a genuinely businesslike appearance. Mr. J. W. Fulton of the Fourth Federal Reserve Bank, who is assisting in the Medina campaign, is in charge of the headquarters, assisted by Miss Madeline Beedle as typist. The telephone number is 4353 and any one desiring information concerning the loan is asked to make free to call upon the office.

No expense has been incurred in securing and fixing up the headquarters, everything being donated, even to the use of the building, whose owner signified a pleasure in turning over its use for so noble a purpose.

Officials of the county's various banking institutions report the daily receipt of a large number of unsolicited subscriptions, and interest in this fact as favoring an early reaching of the county's quota of \$1,365,800.

As announced elsewhere, there will be a grand demonstration in Medina on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, Oct. 15, the occasion being the coming to the village of the Great Lakes Band of fifty pieces, which with many other forms of entertainment being arranged by the local campaign committee, will make the event a memorable one, besides a fitting prelude to the closing week of the Fourth Liberty Loan drive.

The privilege of naming ten ships, built under the supervision of the U. S. Shipping Board, and ten tanks to be used on the western front has been granted to this Federal Reserve district. These ships and tanks will be named after towns and counties as follows:

Rule No. 1-A. One ship will be named after the county in each area that first attains its quota.

Rule No. 1-B. Four ships will be named after counties, regardless of the area, having the greatest percentage of over-subscriptions, but no award will be made in this class to the same county that wins in class 1-A.

Rule 2. Tanks are to be named after banking towns obtaining the greatest percentage of over-subscriptions of their quotas. These awards will be based on subscriptions filed with the Federal Reserve bank.

Rule 3. The selection of sponsors for both tanks and ships will be left to the successful counties or towns.

Rule 4. Under no circumstances may a ship or tank be named after an individual or an organization.

### REV. H. S. FRITSCH COMES TO CLEVELAND PULPIT

A report published in the Sentinel last week that Rev. H. S. Fritsch, former pastor of the Medina Congregational church, and for the past year of the Pilgrim Congregational church, of Chicago, had accepted a call to the pulpit of Hough Avenue Congregational church, Cleveland, has since been confirmed. The later pulpit has been vacant since the resignation in June of its pastor, Rev. Ernest H. Tippitt, who entered Y. M. C. A. war work in his new charge on Tuesday of this week.

Rev. Fritsch was succeeded in the Medina church by Dr. Wm. Drew, the present pastor.

## ABEL C. ELSTON DIES IN EIGHTY-THIRD YEAR

Abel C. Elston, for many years a resident of Medina county, died on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. A. Searles, West Washington street, with whom he had resided for some time, both in Medina and at the former's previous home at Penn's Corners. The deceased was a native of Ohio and was 82 years, 9 months and 14 days of age. Death resulted from the infirmities of his advanced age. Funeral services will be held from the Searles' home this morning, Friday, at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Wm. Drew of the Congregational church. Burial will be made at Talmadge, O.

### LIBERAL EXEMPTION 4TH LOAN FEATURE

Here is a digest of the tax exemption features of the Fourth Liberty Loan, prepared by an accredited expert on tax legislation:

Under the Fourth Liberty Loan and until two years after the close of the war an exemption of \$30,000 is allowed from graduated additional income taxes commonly known as surtaxes and excess profits taxes now or hereafter imposed.

Inasmuch as the income and excess profits tax law exempts income from Liberty Bonds for the normal tax this would exempt these bonds for the normal tax as well as those stated above.

The bill also provides that interest received after January 1, 1918, upon the entire issue of Liberty Bonds prior to the Fourth Liberty Loan is from taxes up to an amount of \$45,000 principal amount, but in no case exceeding one and one-half times the principal amount of bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan originally subscribed for and in the hands of the taxpayer at the time of making his tax report.

In addition to this the bill provides that there is an exemption of \$30,000 upon the principal amount of bonds placed into the bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan. This makes an aggregate exemption of \$105,000 and in addition to this amount the bill provides that the existing exemption of \$5,000 previous to the exemption above stated, making a total exemption under the bill as signed by the President of \$110,000.

All of the above is clearly stated in the bill with the exception of the exemption from normal tax but, as stated above, this bill is exempting the very taxes that the income tax law names as being subject to tax; therefore the two bills considered together leaves no doubt, it is thought, but that the exemption applies to the normal tax as well.

### WAR DOGS AND SONG FEST LAUNCH LOAN CAMPAIGN

Saturday afternoon and evening, as a prelude to the opening of the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign, two of Uncle Sam's private soldiers came to Medina and let loose on the main street a trio of trained dogs of war. It was the chief feature of a celebration calculated to set off the fireworks for the big money quota that must and is going to be raised by Medina people within the next three weeks.

The dogs, of the Airdale breed, arrived about 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon and at 5 gave preliminary demonstration of racing and carrying messages to and from a given point. Many people witnessed the work.

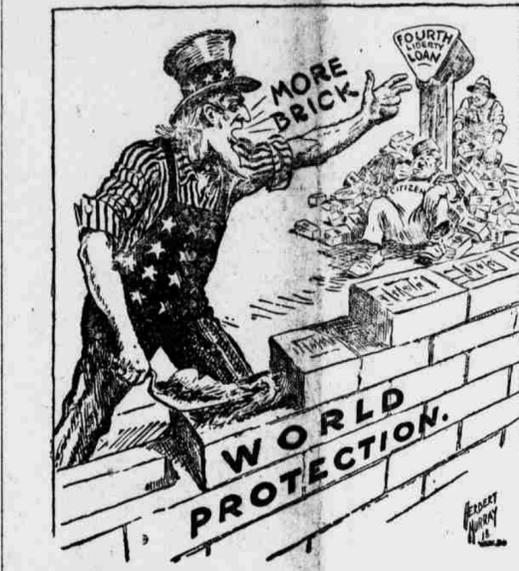
In the evening a song fest was held from the park pavilion by the Medina Glee club, participated in by the throng that had gathered to listen. This was followed by a brief but stirring address by Attorney F. W. Woods, who with force impressed upon the people the supreme importance of responding to the Fourth Loan "until it hurts."

Ingham's martial band gave zest to the occasion, its members playing with the old-time fire of '61.

Following the program in the park the pave in front of the business houses on the west side of the square was cleared and the war dogs were allowed to give another demonstration of the part they have been taught to perform in the great conflict for world democracy. For speed a jack-rabbit has nothing on these animals when they leave with a message. The messages are attached to the dogs' necks and with a flourish of the hand and the exclamation "Go", they are off, and with the directness of an arrow proceed on their important errand. The work elicited hearty applause from the large crowd lined up on either side of the street.

Last but by no means least of the evening's entertainment was the drilling by Co. B of the local home guards under the command of Geo. Washburne. While these men have been drilling regularly for many weeks, that they had acquired so great proficiency was exemplified Saturday night was more or less of a surprise to the many who witnessed their work and who remained until the close, regardless of the late hour. The drilling was excellent and bespeaks the ability of an experienced drillmaster.

## Keep The Hod Filled



## \$6,000 FIRE VISITS TOWN SATURDAY NIGHT

Medina village was visited by fire Saturday night about 11:30, which destroyed a shed belonging to the Medina Oil Co., G. G. Yocum, proprietor, together with the contents, consisting of an automobile, auto truck and a considerable quantity of oils, paints, soaps, etc., entailing an estimated loss of \$6,000. Neither the building or the contents were insured. The contents at one time had been insured, but the premiums had expired on the following dates: Stock, June 22; automobile, Aug. 18, and truck, Sept. 26, the latter only two days before its destruction.

The cause of the fire is unknown, although it is the belief of Mr. Yocum and others that it was of incendiary origin. This opinion is based on the fact that a man was seen prowling about the place at about 10:45 o'clock, and who ran when discovered.

The Yocum family visited the barn, which adjoined the shed, at about 10:45, to see if the horses were all right, and saw nothing that would indicate the trouble that so soon followed.

The fire was discovered almost simultaneously by H. C. West, who with Mrs. West, was enroute home from town, and Fred Schmidt. The former were on West Liberty street and the latter on West Washington. Mr. West hastened to arouse the Yocum family, while Schmidt rushed to the fire station and rang the bell.

The fire department responded with usual promptness, but were hampered in not being able to use the old engine, which is out of repair and soon to be replaced by a new one. The chemical engine was quickly brought into requisition, and the natural pressure at the standpipe was the only source of reliance for the water service.

In spite of this disadvantage the department achieved amazing results in that the fire was confined largely to the shed, which was attached to the barn wherein were confined four horses, hay, straw, oats and many other perishable things. The barn caught fire on the roof and burned so that the hay and grain were destroyed, but the building itself was saved. Other buildings nearby were scorched, but did not ignite.

Owing to the close proximity of many dwellings to the Yocum property and the inflammable nature of the latter's stock in trade, it has always been generally believed that a fire there would seriously threaten a very large area. That the fire Saturday night was confined to the one property was partly due to the fact that there was scarcely any wind.

Before the arrival of the fire department several men among the first to reach the scene rescued the four horses from the barn. The animals were greatly excited and it was with considerable difficulty that one of the horses could be made to come out.

### THOUSANDS VIEWING WAR TROPHY TRAINS

The two Uncle Sam's War Trophy trains which are now touring the sections of Kentucky, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, which with Ohio, comprise the Fourth Federal Reserve district, are attracting thousands of persons anxious to see some of the booty actually taken from the Hun on the battlefields of Europe. German guns, helmets and medals have been dividing popularity with the famous French "75s"—the guns which made good the historic words of the French: "Thou Shalt Not Pass."

One of these trains will be in Lodi, Thursday forenoon, Oct. 10, from 7:30 to 10 o'clock.

### L. L. MEETING AT GRANGER

A Liberty Loan meeting will be held Saturday night, Oct. 5, at 8 o'clock, at the Granger Center school house. G. L. Sutherland, sent by the Liberty Loan Speakers' Bureau, Cleveland, will address the meeting.

## GREAT DAY HERE WHEN GREAT LAKES BAND COMES

The last week of the Liberty Loan campaign will be signalized by one grand gala day in Medina—Tuesday, Oct. 15, when will be the guests of the village the Great Lakes Band and quartet, the former a first rate musical organization of fifty pieces. The band and quartet will reach here from Wagoner at 3:45 in the afternoon and will remain until 9:45 when they leave for Cleveland.

The local Liberty Loan committee will meet at the headquarters on W. Washington street tonight, Friday, to perfect a program for the afternoon and evening of Oct. 15, to be given in connection with the concerts by the Great Lakes Band and quartet.

Among the many features already tentatively decided upon is a pageant in which will participate the schools, Ingham's martial band, Red Cross lodges, business men, farm women, with tractor, etc., and, if possible the men from the factories. The village will be profusely decorated in the national colors, miniature balloons will be liberated from the public buildings, and speakers will emphasize the urgency of loosening purse-strings for the big Fourth Loan.

The Great Lakes Band is only playing at the larger cities of the fourth Federal Reserve district, and Medina and Medina county people should not fail to avail themselves of this exceptional opportunity.

Remember the date—Tuesday afternoon and evening, Oct. 15, and look for the complete program in the Sentinel next week.

### FORMER MEDINA MAN KILLED IN ACTION

Word has been received of the death in action, about the middle of September, of Emil Taflik of Cleveland. The deceased enlisted from Medina while in the employ of E. J. Tiernan, grocer of Weymouth. No details have been learned.

### COILS TIGHTENING ON W. S. S. PLEDGES

P. B. Beery, special agent of the Treasury Department, was in Medina Thursday, conferring with County Chairman S. F. Dimmock of the War Savings Committee regarding pledges to purchase stamps made by the people of Medina county. Mr. Beery is auditing the pledges and made it plain that the Treasury Department expects fulfillment of all pledges to purchase War Savings stamps.

"The first duty of every person in this county is to redeem the pledge to purchase these stamps," said Mr. Beery. "This pledge has the first call on the resources of the individual because the first duty of a citizen is to his country. The Treasury Department, thru the Medina County War Savings Committee, has record of all pledges and will check these with a view of investigating who have failed to redeem their solemn promise to the government to purchase."

The War Savings campaign has gained great impetus thruout the state and when the pledges to purchase are fulfilled in Medina county its present per capita standing of \$7.72 will be greatly increased and this county join the more successful counties of the state.

More than \$70,000,000 worth of these "baby bonds" have been absorbed in Ohio to date.

Mr. Dimmock, county chairman, suggests that all redeem their pledges at the earliest moment and thus prevent the necessity of a return call on the part of Mr. Beery, who would then have to take action.

### MEAT MARKET CHANGES HANDS

D. H. Steingass and Andy Bradway purchased the meat market of Andrew Erb this week, and will take possession about Nov. 1. Messrs. Steingass and Bradway are at present employed in the market of S. S. Ostman, Mr. Steingass having been connected with the latter market for many years. Dan and Andy have the best wishes of a great many friends for a successful business career of their own. Mr. Erb expects to engage in farming in Brunswick, where he recently acquired a property.

## FOOD ADMR. SOAKS BURBANK PROFITEER

A Garman, proprietor of the Burbank flouring mill, after a hearing before the Food Administrator, Monday, was ordered to close his mill for a week, to purchase \$1,000 worth of Liberty Bonds and to contribute \$100 to the Red Cross. The principal charges against Garman were, selling flour without substitutes, selling flour in excess of the quantities allowed by the government, and selling flour with wrong substitutes. Garman finally signed a statement confessing to the charges. The appeal provision permitting him to carry the case to the state food administrator he did not sign.

There has been complaint against Garman for some months, and he has been warned repeatedly that he would be taken into custody for violation of the food laws. He is alleged to have said that he didn't care for the government regulations, that he proposed to sell flour to make all the money he could.

### BUY LIBERTY BONDS

## ROUSING GET-TO-GETHER MEETING OF L.-L. MEN

If there is a person in the county who entertains the least doubt that Medina county will overtop the prodigious quota assigned her in the Fourth Liberty Loan, that person should have been present at the meeting of the county organization last Thursday night at K. of P. hall, and his little doubt would have disappeared in a twinkling.

No less than one hundred and seventy-five men, representing the varied interests of Medina county, attended the meeting and exchanged ideas and opinions as to the most efficient means of putting over the county's big quota of \$1,365,800; and in the quickest possible time. These loyalists, representing about every township in the county, arrived in Medina in good time, and nearly all were in the hall when the meeting was called to order by County Chairman Blake McDowell at 7:45 o'clock.

Before the business of the meeting was taken up Mrs. Etta Musser Jones sang two or three stirring ballads, accompanied by Mrs. Clark Reinhardt, at the piano. The talent of these two local musicians is too well known to our people to require more than a passing mention of their excellent work Friday night. Mrs. Jones sang at other times during the evening.

Following his announcement of the purpose of the meeting, Chairman McDowell presented Rev. Isaac Woods of Cleveland, who came to Medina especially to address the meeting, through the kindness of the Central Committee of the Fourth Bank Reserve district, to which Medina county belongs. The address given by Rev. Woods undoubtedly was one of the very best of the kind ever listened to by a Medina audience. The speaker has traveled extensively in Europe, even since the outbreak of the war, and has made a close study of the political conditions of those countries that are now at arms. No one could listen to Dr. Woods' arraignment of the kaiser and his war lords, based upon uncontested facts, without a determined feeling that the Liberty Loans are going to be raised, whether it is a fourth loan or a fourteenth. Rev. Woods spoke for about an hour and was enthusiastically applauded.

Other speakers were Rev. S. F. Ross of Medina, and J. W. Fulton and Mr. Foley of Cleveland.

Details of the Loan campaign work in the county were discussed by the various committeemen, and the pep with which the representatives of the different townships gave assurance of filled quotas left no uncertainty that old Medina county will be on hand with her million and a third dollars, and more likely an extra hundred thousand for good measure.

The meeting lasted until nearly midnight, and before leaving for home the visiting committeemen were served coffee and sandwiches, and cigars.

### ESSAY CONTEST BY PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES

When this Fourth Liberty Loan campaign is over there is not going to be a great deal that the High School students don't know about Liberty Bonds and war financing.

In addition to the local plans being carried out in this district, and the "Harvest Home Festival" program for Columbus Day, requested by the U. S. Bureau of Education, the National Committee of Patriotic Societies is further stimulating their interest and work with a prize essay contest.

"Making Your Dollars Fight" is to be the title, and 600 words is the limit in length. Only High School students are eligible.

The Committee has not confided the other details of the plan to us, but no doubt the schools will all hear about it very soon.

### BUY LIBERTY BONDS

## NEW OIL COMPANY

The Medina Oil and Refining Co., is the name of a new company incorporated the past week, the incorporators being G. G. Yocum, M. C. Yocum, C. Strittmatter, M. Yocum and A. Yocum. It is also understood that Warren C. Platt of the National Petroleum Publishing Co., Cleveland, will be connected with the company. The capitalization of the company is reported to be \$150,000. The plans of the new company were unable to learn.

## WINDSOR WHIPPLE SUMMONED BY DEATH

LIFE-LONG CITIZEN OF MEDINA COUNTY

For Many Years An Active Business Man of Medina Village

Windsor Whipple, a lifelong resident of Medina county and for nearly a half century of Medina village, was summoned by death last Friday morning, Sept. 27, at 3:30 o'clock, at his late home, 233 West Friendship street, the result of chronic bronchitis, from which he had been in gradually failing health for some time. His illness had confined him to his home for only a few weeks, however.

The deceased was the last member of six children born to his parents, the late George W. and Harriet Hitchcock Whipple. The latter were natives of New York state, but came to Ohio in the late '50s, settling in Montville township on the farm now owned by Ed. Smith on Wadsworth road, where the subject of this sketch was born April 29, 1850.

In his early years the deceased followed the occupation of farmer with his father, coming to Medina village about 1872. For several years thereafter he clerked in various of the village stores, when about 1882, he entered partnership with W. H. Sipher in the grocery business, which partnership continued for more than a quarter of a century.

For a number of years preceding his death, Mr. Whipple had been in retirement from active business, although frequently assisting local business men in emergency.

March 16, 1873, he was married to Miss Adelaide H. Hines of Medina, to whom were born twin daughters, only one of whom survives—Mrs. Z. M. Rhodes of Black Lick, O. There also survive the widow and one grandson, Windsor Edwin Kellogg, who was reared by Mr. and Mrs. Whipple, and who is now attending Western Reserve college, Cleveland.

Funeral services were held from the home on Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Caulk of the Episcopal church, of which the deceased was a member. Burial was made in Spring Grove cemetery.

The deceased was a man possessed of many friends. Of quiet demeanor, he was of genial and kindly spirit, and one whom it was a pleasure to know. He was a loyal citizen, a devoted husband, and his departure is a loss to the community.

Those attending the funeral from out of town were: Mrs. H. A. Cowle and daughter, Miss Carrie Farmum and Mrs. Oliver Joy of Akron; Mrs. Louis Ruchholz, Mrs. Engelgau, Mrs. C. S. Farmum and Mrs. D. H. Farmum of Cleveland; Mrs. Harriet Whipple Reynolds of Elyria; Mr. Hobart Hitchcock of Grafton; Mr. and Mrs. Bebeck and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hitchcock of Brunswick; Mr. Joel L. Marble of Milan, Mich., and Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes Black Lick, O.

### BUY LIBERTY BONDS

## ORDER FOR 85 MEN OFFICIALLY CANCELLED

The county draft board received a telegram last Friday from the War Department, cancelling Order No. 1355, which called for 85 men to enter for Camp Sherman on Oct. 7. The telegram gave no reason, but it seems probable that the epidemic of influenza and pneumonia there at the present time may have had much to do with it.

The board has received no further order during the week.

### BUY LIBERTY BONDS

## SPECIAL TAX LEVY

Voters of Medina village will have submitted to them at the November election a special tax levy for school purposes. President Wilson in a recent letter, said, "I would therefore urge that the people continue to give generous support to their schools of all grades that no boy or girl shall have less opportunity for education because of the war and that the nation may be strengthened as it can only be thru the right education of all its people."

It appears evident that the public schools cannot continue to render the best services to the children without additional financial aid.

### BUY LIBERTY BONDS

## RECORDER'S SEPT. REPORT

Comparative statement of business transacted in the office of County Recorder for the month of September respectively of the years 1918 and 1917:

1918—Deeds recorded, 45; mortgages recorded, 25; oil and gas leases recorded, 21; mortgages cancelled, 29; oil and gas leases cancelled, 4; total receipts for month, \$144.70.

1917—Deeds recorded, 62; mortgages recorded, 35; oil and gas leases recorded, 35; mortgages cancelled, 39; oil and gas leases cancelled, 6; total receipts for month, \$166.60.

### BUY LIBERTY BONDS