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FIRE PROTECTION VERSUS INSURANCE

One serious drawback to the healthy growth and development of the average town is the absence of adequate protection from loss by fire.

This is not said with any intent to decry the business of the insurance companies, but rather as an aid to them in the efforts they are all making to impress upon the people the great necessity for adequate protection.

The writer has in mind a town of about 2,000 inhabitants that, although there is a river flowing directly through the corporate limits, has not the faintest approach to fire protection.

Its insurance rates are as high as an angry cat's back, ranging from \$1.50 to \$3.50, yet its people have persistently refused to install an adequate water system.

The town is ideally located, in a rich mining and timber country, and but for the apathy of its citizens could take high rank as a manufacturing center.

But the one vital reason why full fire protection should be installed is that the unprotected town is the paradise of the fire bug—the man who regards insurance companies as his best customers.

One of the first improvements demanded of any town that would aspire to a healthy growth is an up to date system of fire protection.

WHAT A GOVERNMENT BOND IS

The government of the United States has two methods of raising money. One is by taxation. The other is by the sale of bonds, which is a method of borrowing money.

The government bond is the printed promise of the government to pay back the borrowed sum of money at a certain time, and to pay interest on it at regular intervals until it is repaid.

The government borrows money in this way only after it has been given the right to do so by act of Congress approved by the President, and the terms of the loan are set out in the act.

Back of the promise of the government stands the honor of the government and all its taxing resources. Really the whole wealth of the nation stands behind this solemn promise of the government to pay.

This makes a United States government bond the safest investment in the world. If the bond of the United States government is not safe, no property in the United States is safe.

The Liberty Loan Bonds of 1917 are especially attractive investments. Not only have they this absolute safety characteristic of all United States bonds but they are tax free not only from all existing taxes but from any war tax that may subsequently be levied.

Another advantage these Liberty Loan Bonds possess is that if the government issues bonds later on during this war at a higher rate of interest the holders of Liberty Loan Bonds will be allowed to exchange at par their bonds for bonds bearing the higher rate of interest.

THE LIBERTY LOAN

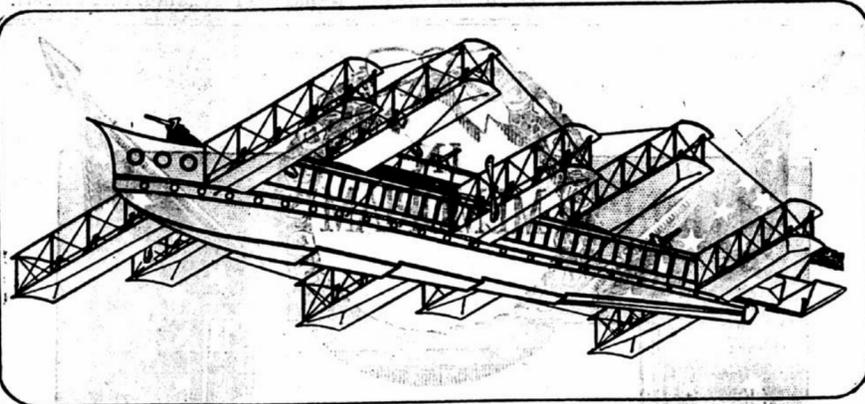
"There is not a single selfish element in the cause we are fighting for. . . . The supreme test of the Nation has come. We must all speak, act and serve together."—Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States.

There are a few rich young men who are deserving of special commendation. At the reserve officers' training camp in Illinois it was discovered that quite a number of young men without means were in danger of having to return home for lack of funds to continue their course of instruction.

Now that summer is approaching, the potato blossom will no doubt make its advent as a select article of millinery adornment.

Down with the food hog! Put him in the pen with the rest of the swine.

FLEET OF GIANT AIR CRUISERS TO GUARD US



A fleet of giant air cruisers, each mounting three anti-air craft guns and capable of successfully battling the greatest dirigible, is a new plan of the men who are concerned with the defense of the United States.

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