

### TODAY

is your last chance to participate in America's second Liberty Loan. Today the dispatches tell how OUR boys "over there" have moved into the first-line trenches, and how American guns are at last roaring their message at the kaiser.

Ask yourself the question today: "What am I doing to help them?"

If you haven't bought a Liberty bond, buy one today at any bank, or at Liberty Loan headquarters, at Second and Marion.



## CAN YOU ALSO SAY "NOUS SOMMES ICI"

BY THE EDITOR

The people of France are placarding their land with a speech that was delivered recently by Gen. Pershing at the tomb of Lafayette.

It is a wonderful speech, the more remarkable because it consists of only five words, three of them French.

It is one of those vivid, attention-challenging, thought-stirring utterances that some unusual man under the stimulus of a great occasion breathes about once in a generation. This particular speech, The Star is sure, will be written in the text books of the years to come.

A group of French notables had gathered at the resting place of their 18th century hero. As Pershing approached they turned silently, expectantly to him. He had not intended to speak, but seeing that a message was awaited, he removed his hat reverently and said:

"WELL, LAFAYETTE, NOUS SOMMES ICI!" (Well, Lafayette, we are here!)

Every Frenchman within his hearing, every Frenchman to whom the utterance has been repeated, knew the story of how Lafayette had gone to the struggling revolutionary colonies in the hour of their dire need and how this aid had turned the tide for independence and democracy—and America. And every Frenchman understood the depth of sentiment that underlaid the simple statement, "Well, Lafayette, nous sommes ici," when it was made a century and a third later by the commander of America's new army of democracy come to repay an ancient debt.

Pershing and our soldiers in France can say in the hearing of the world, "Well, Lafayette, nous sommes ici." The men of our navy can say it. The men at Fort Flagler and Camp Lewis and the Presidio can say it. Their mothers can say it. YOU AND ALL OF US, FELLOW SEATTLEITES, CAN SAY IT WHEN WE HAVE DONE OUR INDIVIDUAL BEST TO PAY OUR DEBT TO A VALIANT, LOYAL FRIEND. We CANNOT say it, without the words choking us, until we have bought as heavily as possible of Liberty bonds—until we have subscribed TODAY the million and a half we are still shy of our \$13,000,000 allotment.

Have YOU "gone to France?" Can YOU say with Pershing, "Well, Lafayette, nous sommes ici?"

## SEATTLE MAKES STRONG FINISH IN PURCHASING LIBERTY BONDS

Plunging into the whirlwind finish, an army of thousands of business men, Boy Scouts, women, blue-jackets and federal employes undertook Saturday to win \$1,268,150 in Liberty loan subscriptions before midnight.

If this army gains its objective, Seattle will have reached the \$13,000,000 mark set by the government.

The campaign closes Saturday night.

The downtown section was seething with excitement and bustle.

Seattle's total subscriptions Saturday noon were approximately \$12,000,000.

Speakers held street meetings in front of all downtown banks, which were all transformed into bond subscription depots. They were to remain open until 8 p. m.

Subscription bureaus were established in the foyers of all theatres, and theatre-goers asked to sign up.

Liberty loan headquarters, Second and Marion st., were to remain open until midnight.

A spirit of determination was evident in all walks of life.

Those who had purchased bonds were doing their patriotic duty by seeing others to make war loans.

Jubilant Planned

The minute Seattle's subscriptions reach the \$13,000,000 mark, a jubilation celebration will be staged at campaign headquarters, Second and Marion st.

Music and speeches will mark the joy-fest, and Seattle's Liberty Loan bell will ring out.

One of the biggest reports was submitted by W. H. Wynn, when he announced that the Life Insurance Underwriters, working for the loan, had signed up approximately \$1,000,000 in loans during the last few days.

Many Fine Subscriptions

Men of the Pacific Coast Steel Co., not content with having loaned \$45,000, held a meeting Saturday afternoon, and expected to raise their total to \$70,000.

The company has subscribed \$100,000.

Every one of the 18 men and officers connected with the U. S. navy recruiting district here had subscribed to the Liberty Loan Saturday. Their bonds totaled \$5,400.

John B. Agen increased his subscription from \$225,000 to \$250,000 and A. J. Rhodes boosted his loan from \$25,000 to \$35,000.

H. L. Jaffe, San Francisco liquor man, allotted a \$25,000 loan to Seattle.

Channey Wright's restaurant employes signed up \$3,900.

Alexander Pantages, Seattle vaudeville magnate, has advanced his total Liberty bond investment to \$120,000 by taking out \$39,000 more in bonds Friday.

Turkish Jews in Seattle are backing Uncle Sam.

After a canvass by Morris B. Naaman and Joseph Gaston, it was announced that 44 of them subscribed loans, totaling \$2,750.

Every employe in County Clerk Percy Thomas' office has subscribed, piling up a total of \$5,500.

Frederick & Nelson employes have subscribed \$26,850.

The Pacific Safety Deposit Co., at First and University, offered Saturday to furnish safety deposit boxes for Liberty Bonds free to bond buyers, who had no boxes and who cannot afford them.

## GYCLONIC FINISH TO PUT LIBERTY BOND SALE UP TO QUOTA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—In a cyclonic finish the Liberty loan campaign is surpassing all previous records, and promises even to exceed expectations of a billion-dollar final day.

The most gratifying phase of the race today was the large number of individual subscribers of small means; 13,500,000 Liberty bond buttons have already been distributed, and banks are clamoring for more.

Allowances for wastage, this would indicate that the 10,000,000 subscribers goal, as well as the \$5,000,000,000 subscription mark, would be reached by midnight.

Final results in the campaign will not be known with accuracy until November 1, it was stated at the treasury.

## SWEDISH CITIZENS BACK LIBERTY LOAN

Swedish-born citizens of Seattle are opposed to slackers who refuse to loan their dollars to the government for Liberty bonds.

And they are opposed to disloyal conversation that subtly hinders the U. S. war program.

This position was outlined at their mass meeting, at which they pledged their lives and fortunes to America Friday night at Swedish Tabernacle.

J. E. Chilberg, Senator Miles Pindexter, Carl J. Smith and Rev. Paul W. Rood were the speakers.

### READ STAR WANT ADS

## GEN. H. A. GREENE MAY TALK HERE SUNDAY ON VICE

Will Meet Seattle Public for the First Time in Dr. Matthews' Church

SPEAKS IN MORNING

Maj. Gen. H. A. Greene, commander at Camp Lewis, will address the public from the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church at 11 a. m. Sunday.

It is expected that he will outline the position of the war department in regard to vice conditions here.

It will be the first public appearance of Gen. Greene in Seattle. His former visit was on invitation of the Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club, when he spoke to an invited group at the New Washington hotel.

Dr. Mark A. Matthews will introduce Gen. Greene, and pledge him the support of Seattle churchmen in making Seattle safe for soldiers.

Can Accommodate Big Crowd

Because the general has announced that soldiers will not be permitted to come to Seattle unless conditions are improved, a large audience is expected to attend the services. The First Presbyterian church, Seventh and Spring st., has the largest church auditorium in the city.

The morals committee of the Ministerial federation met at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday afternoon and decided to continue investigation of vice conditions.

## May Launch Revivals

Whether or not a crusade of evangelistic meetings by all churches will be launched as part of the anti-vice program will be taken up at the next meeting of the federation, at Plymouth church, November 5.

"We are very much interested in the reports from Olympia, hinting that state authorities may undertake to clean up Seattle," said Rev. Leonard B. Smith, pastor of the First Methodist Protestant church, after the meeting. "The morals committee pledged itself to co-operate in every way possible."

Members of the committee are Edward F. Sulzer, W. R. Sawhill and U. G. Murphy.

## PHONE STRIKE SEEMS SURE TO COME TONIGHT

Company Refuses to Deal With "Hello" Girls' Union at San Francisco

UNION READY TO ACT

A strike of telephone operators in Seattle and all coast cities at midnight Saturday seemed certain at noon, when officials of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. at San Francisco flatly refused to recognize the operators' union. Local officers of the union called a meeting of the union members at the Labor temple for 8 p. m. Saturday night to await instructions from their business agent, W. F. Delaney, who has been conducting negotiations at San Francisco.

The company will attempt to maintain an emergency service in case of a strike.

Arrangements to meet such an emergency have been going on for more than a week.

By working a crew of unorganized girls, an attempt will be made to handle federal, hospital, police, fire and newspaper calls.

It has been planned to quarter and feed a number of nonunion workers in the plant here.

Police officers on their beats will be able to maintain normal service to headquarters, as their phone system is operated independently.

Labor Backs Girls

"There will be no lack of support of the telephone strike on the part of the whole of organized labor in this territory," said James Duncan, secretary of the Central Labor council, when informed of the action at San Francisco. "The girls will be backed to the limit of union labor's resources."

He said there was no doubt that "the girls will go to bat, all right."

"I am surprised at the attitude of the telephone officials at this critical time," said Duncan, "when the government is recognizing the right of employes to combine."

Quest for Company's Patriotism

"This company endeavors to demonstrate its patriotism by buying Liberty bonds, but refuses to recognize the mere organization of girls who are trying to make conditions more tolerable."

Emergency service for hospitals, police, fire and federal calls will not be difficult to maintain, union workers estimated.

But a general assumption of service, it was predicted, would necessitate importation of several hundred strikebreakers from some territory away from the Pacific coast.

Both employers and girls, it is believed, are prepared in detail for a long strike, if necessary.

Strike Vote Tonight

The actual strike vote will be taken by the girls at their meeting Saturday night on information that will be wired from San Francisco by Delaney.

Because the girls have frankly outlined their position, and declared they would strike unless their right to bargain collectively was recognized, the chance of peace seemed remote early Saturday.

And if the girls strike, the electrical workers are pledged to walk out with them, thus further complicating the situation.

## 12-Year Boy Scout Sells \$50,000 Bond



Paul Rozema, 1158 16th ave. N., member of Troop 10, Boy Scouts, a blond-haired, freckle-faced, dimpled 12-year-old kid, sold a \$50,000 Liberty bond.

Paul "tackled a fellow in the Liberty loan headquarters," he explained.

"When I saw it was for \$50,000, I nearly fell over."

The man who bought the bond was W. R. Grace, operator of America's largest mercantile fleet.

## FRENCH FILMS OF PERSHING'S MEN TO BUY SMOKES

"Seattle, Wash., Oct. 25.

"To Some Soldier Boy in France: I'm saving my candy money to buy your tobacco for you to enjoy, and I'm glad to do it. I must close, for it is time to go to bed."

"MARTIN CARSON, "10 Years Old, "4137 Ida St."

Editor's Note.—And Martin made good. He sends 50 cents to the tobacco fund.

John Hamrick, manager of the Rex theatre, called up The Star Friday evening. He was all excited.

"I've got the biggest scoop on record," he said.

Then WE got excited, thinking it was a hair-raising piece of news.

"What is it—quick!" we demanded.

"The first motion picture," said John, "showing Gen. Pershing's American troops in training in France."

"Oh," we said.

"I'm going to show them for a week, beginning Saturday," Hamrick went on, "and I want to give a percentage of the proceeds to 'The Boys in France Tobacco Fund.'"

Which interested us to the extent that we went to witness a special showing of the picture.

Close-Up of Our Boys

It is a 15th film, and arrived in Seattle only Friday, direct from France. It shows the Sammies—the boys for whom The Star is collecting its smoke fund—in their camp life, "over there," at drill, at play, practicing with hand grenades and artillery under the direction of French experts. It shows them in a grand review, and in their daily contact with the French people among whom they are living.

Beside the Sammy picture, there's a first-run five-reel Western film on the program. The Star smoke fund will get 10 per cent of the gross receipts at the Rex for

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## BRAZIL TO PUSH WAR ON TEUTON, IS BELIEF HERE

By United Press Leased Wire

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct. 27.—Brazil's formal declaration of war against Germany was expected today to foreshadow a policy of even more active co-operation by Brazil in the allies' fight against autocracy. Greater utilization of the Brazilian navy in patrol operations was expected as the first step.

How unanimous was the sentiment for war, to follow up the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany was indicated in the vote of the chamber of deputies on that point. It was 149 to 1. The senate's vote was unanimous. The German gunboat Eder, now at Bahia, will be seized at once.

## GERMAN PASTOR AND WIFE DINE SOLDIERS

By United Press Leased Wire

CASTLE ROCK, Oct. 27.—Nobody questions the unflinching loyalty of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Meincke, Germans, here today.

They dined 365 soldiers to prove their patriotism.

STORM WARNING

Small craft warnings were ordered displayed at 9 a. m. by the U. S. weather bureau. Moderate North-west gales are expected this afternoon and tonight.

## GENERAL STRIKE OF PHONE WORKERS ON COAST IS PREDICTED

By United Press Leased Wire

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 27.—A general strike of electrical workers employed by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. appeared inevitable at noon today when D. P. Fullerton, general manager of the company, announced that his company would refuse to recognize or negotiate with the organized telephone girls.

Inasmuch as district officials of the Electrical Workers' union had declared recognition of the girls

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## AMERICAN GUNS OPEN ON BOCHES

### Pershing's Men Join Veteran French Fighters in First Line Trenches.

By J. W. PEGLER  
United Press Staff Correspondent

AMERICAN FIELD HEADQUARTERS, France, Oct. 27.—American troops are in the front trenches and American artillery is behind them. Official announcement of this fact was made in the following statement from headquarters today:

"In continuation of their training as a nucleus for the instruction of later contingents, some battalions of our first contingent, in association with veteran French battalions are in the first-line trenches of a quiet sector of the French front.

"They are supported by some batteries of our artillery in association with veteran French batteries.

"The sector remains normal. Our men have adapted themselves to actual trench conditions in a most satisfactory manner."

## First American Shell Fired to Make World Safe for Democracy

With American Sammies fighting in the trenches, side by side with French Poilus, a red-headed artillery captain and his husky gunners will share the fame of firing the first shell sent by American battery in the fighting for democracy.

The captain gave the gunner a command—the gunner jerked the lanyard and America's first shot against German autocracy screamed toward a German battery. It was precisely at 6 o'clock. The morning was a misty one. The American infantry restlessly waited during a certain day while the American gunners were at their part of the work. They remained in their billets behind the lines until evening.

Then they swung thru the rain-swept muddy street of a tiny village, their shadowy forms disappearing down the road toward the trenches.

## Case of First Shell Is Sent Home by Sibert to President Wilson

Some attempted to sing, "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys Are Marching." It was just starting when others shouted:

"Shut up! The Germans will hear you."

The silence fell—except for the rumbling of the rolling kitchen that kept pace with the soft shuffle of the feet of the marching detachment.

The shell case of the first shot fired for America in the world's greatest war is en route to President Wilson today.

Maj. Gen. Sibert ordered that it be preserved for him.

Just five civilians—all newspaper men—witnessed the first American troops marching to the trenches.

## Baker Happy That U. S. Is in Fight

By United Press Leased Wire

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Secretary of War Baker declined to add any further information to Gen. Pershing's announcement of the presence of American troops in the first line trenches in France.

Baker was manifestly a happy man, however, at the realization that the American army is now physically in the fight. Baker's last weekly war summary, it will be recalled, intimated that the American forces were about ready for action. When other units of the Pershing expedition will be added is a matter of military secrecy.

## GERMANS INVADE ITALY AND TAKE 60,000 PRISONERS

By United Press Leased Wire

BERLIN, via London, Oct. 27.—Sixty thousand Italian prisoners have been taken in the German drive against Gen. Cadorna's army, the war office announced today.

The Stol mountain ridge and the summit of Mount Matajur were captured Thursday morning, the statement said.

"We are pressing thru the spurs of the Julian Alps."

ROME, Oct. 27.—German troops have crossed the Austro-Italian boundary line, between Mount Cuneo and the head of the Judria valley, today's war office statement announced.

The enemy forces are attempting to reach an opening to the Italian plains beyond.

On the Carso front, the official statement reported an increase in the enemy's offensive strength, in

## HAIG DRIVE AHEAD THRU FLANDERS' MUD

By United Press Leased Wire

LONDON, Oct. 27.—Field Marshal Haig's men hammered their way still farther into the German lines today.

"West of Passchendaele we further progressed," the British commander reported. "Eighteen machine guns were captured."

Another plague of Flanders mud during the night.

## HAPPENINGS IN STAR'S WEEKLY

The Star-Weekly motion picture weekly opening at the Liberty theatre Sunday includes the following local scenes:

Departure of Seattle's quota of drafted men for Camp Lewis, this afternoon.

Raising of flag this afternoon at Pacific Coast Steel Co. plant by employes.

Seattle school children subscribing for Liberty bonds.

Seattle Letter Carriers' band helping to boost bond sales.

Paul Fank, Chinese cartoonist, doing his bit for the Liberty loan.

Pharmacy students at university stripping foxglove leaves for war medicinal purposes.

Senator Miles Pindexter via its naval training camp at university.

Seattle man spends spare time hunting wild honey in woods.

## Movie at Firlands Stirs Cynthia Grey; Even Chaplin Pleases

BY CYNTHIA GREY

Last night I attended a movie, which, in itself, is insignificant. But this movie was different.

Out where the pine trees skirt the north end of the city, nestles a group of neat, red brick buildings, surrounded by a village of Vesque tent houses. You have guessed it, Firlands, tubercular sanatorium, the scene of my movie.

I chose to tell you about this movie because a great many of you have an interest in it. Last

winter, you will remember, as the holidays drew near, Mr. Joe Newberger suggested to The Star that it would be an excellent plan to have movies at Firlands. The Star told you about it, and you heartily endorsed the plan. The result was that, with your generous donations, a fine motion picture machine was presented to the folks at Firlands for a Christmas present.

And, folks, I wish each and every one of you could see for yourselves the joy you have brought to those brave souls who are battling the grim reaper.

I am going to attempt to tell you.

Last night, with Mr. Newberger as my guide, I found my way up broad stairways and thru spacious halls to a large, neatly carpeted room.

The rays of little white-curtained windows, which bordered either side of the room, gave it an air of homelike coziness.

The audience, numbering about 100, all the way from babes in arms to white-haired men and

women, were already assembled. Those who were too ill to sit up were reclining on white cots, which lined either side of the long room. The others were seated in rows of camp chairs in the center of the room.

The lights winked out. The screen in the corner announced Charlie Chaplin and Marie Dressler in "Tillie's Punctured Romance."

I settled down in my chair and prepared to spend a bored even-

ing, for I never did like Charlie Chaplin, and I don't see anything particularly funny about Marie Dressler; that is, I didn't until last night.

Thus I sat for several minutes in bored silence—then I was startled by a thin voice. It was the sweet, little old lady on the cot beside which I was sitting. She was laughing until the tears streamed down her face as Charlie vigorously defended himself from the police with his famous Chaplin kick.

Between gulps of laughter, she exclaimed, "Oh, isn't it wonderful!" and "Isn't that big, fat lady just killing!"

Gradually I put away my dislike for the comedians. I was seeing them thru the eyes of the shut-ins. They were as real as the first that surround the sanatorium.

And finally, when Tillie and Charlie Chaplin bade farewell to their audience on the last strip of the reel, I applauded them with no malice.