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SIMPLE FACTS ABOUT THE NOTES OF THE VICTORY LOAN

There are two kinds of notes being issued. Both mature in three or four years, as the Government chooses later.

The first kind bear 4 3/4 per cent interest yearly, payable every six months. These are free from State and local taxes, and from the normal Federal Income taxes.

The second kind bear 3 3/4 per cent interest and are free from taxation as others are, but in addition are free from super-taxes and every form of taxation, except the usual estate and inheritance taxes.

Notes of either kind can be changed for those of the other issue, at the wish of the buyer.

The notes of both series will be dated and bear interest from May 20, 1919, and will mature on May 20, 1923. Interest will be payable on December 15, 1919, and after that on June 15 and December 15, and at maturity. The dates upon which payments will be required on the notes are as follows:

- Ten per cent with application on or before May 10.
- Ten per cent on July 15.
- Twenty per cent on August 12.
- Twenty per cent on September 9.
- Twenty per cent on October 7.
- Twenty per cent on November 11 with accrued interest on deferred installments.

Payment in full can be made on May 20, the ten per cent required with application having been duly paid on or before May 10. Payment can also be completed on any installment date with accrued interest.

This accrued interest is the money you refund the Government on account of the fact that it pays you interest on the full amount of your bond from May 20, whereas it does not have the full use of your money until you have paid the last installment. This amounts to very little, of course.

VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE OPENED MONDAY

At an early hour Monday morning, April 21st, the populace of Arcadia was awakened by the loud ringing of church bells. Many confessed to having rushed out to determine the cause, and to learn that it was the signal for the opening of the Victory Liberty Loan campaign, and reminded one of the manner in which the morning of Nov. 11th was ushered in.

The quota for Bienville Parish which was set at \$20,000.00 was announced by P. A. McGuire, parish chairman, at a meeting held at the Peoples Hardware Store at 10:00 o'clock Monday morning, and upon learning the amount everyone exclaimed, "Come on! Let's finish the job—quick!" Mrs. D. E. Brown, speaking for the Women's Committee, gave assurance that the women were going to do their part in the work. Jos. Davidoff, chairman of Ward 1, appointed a committee to assist him in making a canvass of the town and by noon practically one-third of the quota for Bienville Parish had been subscribed by the business men and other patriotic citizens of Arcadia.

Thus far nothing has been heard as to the progress of the drive in the other wards of the parish, as Ward 1 alone was represented at the meeting Monday morning, notwithstanding the fact that the date of the meeting had been announced several days ago. Each ward of Bienville Parish is going to do her part we feel sure, and it is expected that before the week closes the "job will have been finished."

On display in the show window of the Peoples Hardware Store are a number of shiny German helmets, some of them brand new, others showing evidence of much wear. These are to be awarded to those who have been most zealous in prosecuting the drive. There are a number of medals to be distributed among the workers also.

WEST MONROE TO BECOME PART OF OUCHITA'S CAPITAL

During the next 60 days, or earlier if possible, after the necessary legal formalities have been carried out, the town of West Monroe, with approximately 2,000 inhabitants, located just across the Ouachita river from Monroe, will become a part of the city of Monroe. The town of West Monroe, is very much in favor of becoming a part of Monroe, and within the near future an election will be held in West Monroe to permit its residents to vote on the proposition of becoming a part of Monroe. It is a certain fact that the election will carry and thus give the city of Monroe 2,000 more inhabitants for its population, besides a bank, large cotton compress, 100 new homes and many other improvements. The town of West Monroe has one bank already and a movement is now on foot to establish a second bank, a new building and loan association, one of the largest cotton compresses and most modern in the south.

NOTICE

In discussing the parish-wide tax proposition with some parties I find that there is a little confusion as to the number of mills to be paid. By act of the legislature all special maintenance taxes were reduced to not more than five mills. By resolution of the Bienville Parish School Board at the meeting on March 27, 1919, this five mills is abolished in case the five mills parish-wide tax is voted. Hence the total amount of special taxes to be paid will be five mills. In either case, whether the district plan remains or the parish-wide plan is adopted, not more than five mills special maintenance tax can be collected.

E. H. FISHER, Supt.

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LOCAL, STATE AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Honor Woman Dies

Homer, La.—Mrs. J. T. DeLoach, aged 64, died Wednesday morning, April 16, after an illness of several months. A husband and several grown sons and daughters survive her. The body was carried to Athens for burial.

Methodist Churchman Dies

Muskogee, Okla., April 23.—Bishop Embree Hoss, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died at his home here at 9:30 o'clock tonight, following a paralytic stroke two months ago. He was born in Tennessee April 14, 1840.

Water Well Crew Strikes Oil at Gibbs

Gibbsland, April 20.—Workmen boring a deep well at the Petty Stave Company mill here found oil and gas at a depth of about 280 feet. Great globules of oil came up with the gas in such quantities that experts who have visited the spot state that there are oil strata close by.

Claims State Honors

Des Moines, Iowa, April 23.—Equalizing its record in the last loan, Iowa claims the distinction of being the first state to exceed its quota in the Victory Liberty Loan, according to a message today from C. H. McNider, state director of sales, who is at federal reserve district headquarters in Chicago.—Shreveport Times.

Sambola Jones Will Mary Hooduran Girl

New Orleans, April 23.—Col. T. Sambola Jones, of Baton Rouge, United States minister and former private secretary of Louisiana governors, is to be married in Tegucigalpa May 15.

Shreveport Journal Changes Hands

A change in ownership of the Shreveport Journal was announced last Thursday, according to press reports. Douglas Attaway, business manager, and Thos. O. Harris, managing editor, receiving control of the Journal company's stock from O. A. Wright, formerly of that city, but now of Chicago. Mr. Wright, who has been president of the company, retires from all connection with the paper. Messrs. Attaway and Harris will be in active management of the paper.

Falling Tree Demolishes Law Office

The law office of Atty. Foster R. Taylor was demolished Tuesday afternoon when it was struck by an oak tree which was being felled by a negro workman. It happened that the tree stood in the way of an addition that was to be made to the building and had to be removed. As it started to fall a gust of wind threw it crashing upon the roof of the law office.

Iowa Adopts Woman Suffrage by Vote of 84 to 2

Des Moines, Iowa, April 19.—Woman suffrage scored a victory in the closing hours of the Iowa legislature today when the measure according women presidential suffrage, completed passage through adoption in the house by a vote of 84 to 2.

Gibbsland's Postmaster Progressive as Well as Patriotic

It is a compliment to Postmaster J. H. Houck, of Gibbsland, that Frank M. Smith, district manager of the War Savings division of the Eleventh Reserve District should see fit to quote Mr. Houck's letter in a circular which has been mailed to every postmaster

ARM STOCK NEWS

ables Take Place of Spring Tonics in now to take a good spring tonic, but let it be in the form of blues and fruits, advise the garden lists of the extension division, ana State University. Less meat vegetables and fruit will do toward toning up the system, relieving that "tired feeling," already is beginning to take hold

Specialist Investigates Markets in Fort Worth recently, J. B. Boul, agent in swine husbandry, conferred with the stock managers with regard to shipments from Louisiana points. Rallies, routing, care en route, load, were among the points taken fr. Francfort is therefore in a position than ever to give in- lon, and assistance to growers, making special efforts at this time note the swine industry of the and believers that there is no way to accomplish this than to the best market prices for the s. His services are available at es for this purpose.

held in the summer, it having been the custom heretofore to hold the farmers' short course, as it was called, in January. With the change in the time of year for holding this meeting it has also been decided to change its title, so in the future Farmers' Week at L. S. U. will be the official designation of the annual gathering of farmers.

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NOTICE

To the Parish School Board, Parish Superintendents and all persons interested.

You are hereby notified that on May 8th, at 11:00 a. m., Mr. L. E. Thomas, Chairman of the Board of State Affairs will meet with the Police Jury of Bienville Parish at their regular meeting, and will discuss matters touching upon school matters in Bienville Parish in connection with taxation.

The Parish School, the Parish Superintendent and all others are hereby notified and asked to be present.

J. S. WILLIAMS,
Secretary of the Bienville Parish Police Jury.

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SPARTA NEWS

Rev. J. J. White filled his regular appointment at Mt. Olive church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Norman and children, of Castor spent the week-end with relatives here.

Miss Lillie Holdman spent the week-end with her friend, Ollie D. Huckabay.

Miss Leola Hayes visited homefolks at Bienville Sunday.

J. F. Williams and R. T. Watts were visitors to Bienville Wednesday.

Mrs. W. T. Campbell and little son, Rupert, and brother, Lindon Smith, were visitors to Bienville Friday.

The teachers of the Mt. Olive school gave an entertainment Thursday night. Hot chocolate and cake were served. A large crowd enjoyed the entertainment. On Friday afternoon they entertained the little folks with an Easter egg hunt.

Miss Bessie McGraw gave a rook party Saturday night for a few friends. All reported a very pleasant time.

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L. M. TOOKE, President

ana Pig Club Boy Wakes Up Community

side Deshotel, a pig-club boy of es Parish, brought into his mity its first pured Duroc- hour, and his experience has the eyes of the farmers, reports wann, parish agent of Avogelles. record is as follows: The boy for the purebred pig, took good him and used him as a com- sive, making about \$100 in that The animal now weighs 500. and is worth \$75 as pork alone. has a young boar to take his ed pigs are plentiful in that ty now and the farmers are etter hogs.

Week at L. S. U., July 31 to August 8

to August 8 are the dates for Farmers' Week at the State University. This will time that the annual gathering at the University is