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GOVERNMENT SHOCK ABSORBERS

The Third Liberty Loan will be larger than either of the preceding ones and perhaps twice the size of the second loan.

To do their part in making the loan a success, the banks of the country not only must invest generously for their own account, but must also be prepared to loan to their customers on Liberty bonds as security, an amount of money greatly in excess of that required in any former loan.

Without such loyal, whole-hearted, generous support by the banks the Third Liberty Loan can not succeed. Failure to float the loan would be an evidence of weakness on the part of the United States that would greatly encourage and stimulate the efforts of our enemies. The loan can not be permitted to fail and the banks must be prepared to carry it through successfully. **THE BANKS CAN DO IT—THEY WILL DO IT—IF EACH ONE LOYALLY DOES ITS PART.**

The burden on the banks will be very heavy, but it can be carried without seriously crippling the necessary business enterprises of the country if the banks prepare now to meet the extraordinary demands that will come upon them in April, May and June.

As the individual must practice thrift in order to respond loyally to the needs of the government, so must the banks curtail, restrict and call in all loans that are not necessary directly or indirectly to the well being of the country in its prosecution of the war. Speculation and unnecessary projects or enterprises must be refused support. In no other way can the banks prepare themselves to meet the strain that will be put upon their resources.

To provide funds in the interim and to distribute the burden over as long a time as possible, the government is offering for sale treasury certificates bearing a reasonable rate of interest that may be used in settlement for Liberty bonds.

If the banks are to meet successfully the demands that will come upon them, they must from now on buy these certificates freely and liberally. By so doing they will render loyal service to the government and at the same time place themselves in a position to meet the coming drain upon their resources without straining their credit beyond the limits of prudence and conservatism.

The Third Liberty Loan must and will be successfully floated, but the banks of the country must be prepared to bear the brunt of the burden. The certificates enable the banks to meet this issue with but little disturbance to their regular business.

The outlook for silver and in fact all metals gives a mighty promising near future for the Tombstone mining district:

In anticipation of a possible Government price of \$1.00 an ounce for bar silver, the white metal jumped 6 1-4 cents to a price of 93 1-2 cents.

Numerous conferences have recently been held in Washington between the Director of the mint, Ray Baker, and Western silver producers, and the most of the dealers have agreed informally to sell the country's entire output during the period of the war at a fixed price of \$1 an ounce, which compares with an average price for twenty years of 58 cents an ounce. Treasury officials and Congressional leaders have reached an agreement of the principal features of a program for extensive Government dealings in silver as a war measure, and a bill to authorize the melting and sale of more than 200,000,000 of silver dollars now in the treasury will be introduced within the coming week.

The melting of silver dollars is for the purpose of furnishing bullion to pay trade balances and will require the withdrawal from circulation of an equal amount of silver certificates. Those of \$5 and larger denominations will be recalled and in their place will be issued Federal Reserve notes, of which the smallest denomination is \$5.

Japan, China and British India, particularly need silver for coinage. The price fixing has been a long-drawn-out affair as the Government met with considerable opposition from the different silver producers in the United States who have been holding out for a price in excess of \$1 an ounce. It now appears that this question is about to be settled and that a definite price should be shortly announced of no less than \$1 an ounce.

Editor Clark, of the Tucson Star, hits the nail on the head, as follows:

Provision of the death penalty for many acts of espionage is shortly to be supplied by congress, whose judiciary committee is conducting a hearing on enemy espionage and propaganda and I. W. W. activities. We hope the legislation will be enacted promptly. America has suffered much at the hands of enemy propaganda, which is still carried on under the eyes of the government, and longer delay in dealing with these enemies will not be tolerance but criminal folly. Public sentiment has already decreed the death penalty for those who attack our overseas forces in the rear by endangering their safety through attempts to delay and damage their equipment.

TAILINGS

When Billy Sunday finishes in Chicago he will go to France. Billy needs rest and quiet.

The profiteers seem to have rounded up all the food. Now let the government round up the profiteers and we'll have the yeggs with the goods on them.

Mr. Hoover says we may eat all the apples we want. He should have said "all we can get."

Holland seems to have gotten in "Dutch" on the shipping question. It's a case of "d—d if you do and d—d if you don't" with Holland.

Since Uncle Sam has taken over the railroads he can sympathize with the fellow who buys a second-hand car. It's not the original cost—it's the upkeep.

That Eastern fellow who was convicted or assault and fined for kissing his wife against her will, evidently never heard the old adage. "When a woman will she will, you may depend on't; and when she won't she won't and there's an end on't."

Inmates of the insane asylum of Illinois are going to celebrate the centennial of the admission of that State into the Union. They may be crazy, but they are no fools.

That fellow who married his mother-in-law in order to avoid the draft, evidently wasn't suffering from any want of courage.

"Packers Plan Corner in Eggs," says headline. They are always cornering or being cornered.

Judge Lockwood, of Tombstone, "took a fall" out of the Douglas "Purity Squad" when he addressed them at a meeting Monday night. We believe Douglas has ulterior motives, anyway, in keeping the bootleggers off the roads.

Everybody should get ready for the opening of the Third Liberty Loan Drive on Saturday, the 6th., and help strike the third—and maybe final—blow for democracy.

We didn't think Douglas would admit it, but the gink who rambles in "The Ramblings of a Rookie" in the Dispatch spilled the beans when he said:

"A certain young woman who is yardmaster in the dining room of a Douglas hotel is using a swigger stick to clear the sulphur smoke from her pathway as she trips along the sidewalk with her ever-present Dear One."

"QUOTE THE RAVEN"

"Never more." That's what the Douglas A. P. man said when he reported the "Tombstone mines have closed, never to reopen." What a rank, rotten, consummate ass a man must be to make a statement like that without any effort on his part to find out if such a statement was made by authority of any person in a position to give out such information. Where this Douglas man dreamed such a thing, or why he did, is unknown to the people of Tombstone, but that he should take advantage of the Associated Press by sending out from Douglas such a report, is beyond the conception of any one who knows anything at all about business and especially mining business. When a mine is shipping hundreds of tons of ore every month and then suddenly stops shipping but still has tonnage enough developed to keep a force at work two years to take it out, is there any reason to telegraph the world that the mine has shut down NEVER to reopen? It is so absurd that no attention would be paid to the false telegram from Douglas were it not for the fact that this man might repeat the same stunt, thereby doing injustice to some other camp that might be undergoing a change of treatment of the ore reduction as is the case of Tombstone. And we might add that the Editor of the Tucson Citizen knows whereof he speaks when he says:

Tombstone has been seriously injured by erroneous reports to the effect that the Bunker Hill mines there are to be closed down for good. Only a portion of the property is to be closed pending the determination of a new and better system of reduction for the manganese ores and when this is perfected Tombstone will be a more lively camp than ever.

GO DOWN INTO YOUR POCKETS

Beginning April 6, the United States government will float its Third Liberty Issue. All over the United States the sale of these bonds will be urged. Men whose brows are furrowed with lines of business strife and tumult, are putting aside their personal burdens, to take up your burden—the burden of this nation and the entire world.

When these men and women ask you to subscribe to Liberty bonds, go down into your pockets, or reach for your check book, and lend your government every cent you can find at your command, and them some more—lend until it hurts.

These men and women who will call upon you are very busy people. They have no time to argue. You know what they want. Have it ready for them when they call, for they will have a almost endless number of visits to make in the time prescribed.

There is absolutely NO ARGUMENT on your side. Just get ready to meet the person who will seek your subscription. Watch the papers daily, and full information will be within your reach. No questions will be necessary—therefore no answers.

Time is limited. The Germans are not going to wait until you get ready to lick them. They are going to lick you first if they can. Its up to you!

WE QUITE AGREE

The Douglas Daily Dispatch says that it is going to take the united effort of Tucson, Bisbee, Tombstone, and Douglas to land the Bankhead Military highway into El Paso, and over the Borderland route, and we quite agree with the Dispatch. So here is to the suggestion of the Dispatch that we get in the harness and pull until we "bust the collar" if needs be to land this greatest of all roads.

CAPTAIN WHEELER

SAILED FOR FRANCE.

Mrs. Harry C. Wheeler, wife of Captain Wheeler, returned to Tombstone yesterday from Hoboken, New Jersey, where she went to visit Captain Wheeler, for several weeks, before he sailed for France. Following his commission as Captain, Mr. Wheeler was stationed at Hoboken, in charge of several hundred recruits, later being transferred to Camp Merritt, N. J., where he remained for several weeks. Mrs. Wheeler, who was with him, states that he sailed last week or France, having been placed in the Signal Corps of the Aviation Division, much against his wishes. He believes, however, he will be transferred upon his arrival over there, since he is not qualified for the Signal Corps. Mrs. Wheeler states that the Captain stated before he left he had sent in his resignation as sheriff of the county of Cochise, to take effect May 1st, when his leave of absence from Cochise county expires, although no official word of the receipt of his resignation has been given out in Tombstone. The matter of appointment of a successor will come up at the meeting of the board of supervisors the first Monday in May, when Chief Deputy Sheriff Guy Welch will undoubtedly be appointed.

SHATTUCK MILL

NEAR COMPLETION

BISBEE, April 4.—Were the equipment all here, the Shattuck's mill for the handling of its low grade silver-lead ore, from which something like \$4 the ton profit will be realized, and of which there is something more than a million tons now determined, with more, doubtless, to come, would soon be going. Freight embargoes of one kind and another, however, have delayed the equipment, ordered long ago and probably all somewhere on the road from the manufacturers at this time. The mill building is up, and has greatly changed the aspect of the surface of Denn, near the shaft of which property the plant has been erected. Everything within the building is now ready to receive the full complement of especially constructed equipment designed to meet the particular requirements of the ore to be handled. Concrete foundations are ready for every piece of machinery and as it arrives it will go in place speedily. Besides the lead-silver values in the ore to be treated, there is also a per cent of copper which will be recovered and added to Shattuck output of that metal.

MAJOR KELLY PLANS

TRIP OF 2 WEEKS

DOUGLAS, April 3.—George H. (Major) Kelly, editor of the Douglas Daily International, will leave next Saturday for Phoenix, the first stopping place on a trip of more than two weeks which he has planned for the benefit of his health and to rest. He probably will go to the Pacific coast from the state capital but he has not yet determined upon his itinerary. He has just recovered from a seige of the la grippe, and expects to be thoroughly recuperated when he returns.

STATE OF ARIZONA OWNS

53 MOTOR CARS AND TRUCKS
PHOENIX, April 2.—Not subject to license tax, the state of Arizona owns 53 motor cars and trucks, about half of them in use by the state engineer's office and field forces, most of the others being distributed among the state institutions and commissions.

NATIONAL GUARD

NOW RECRUITING

PHOENIX, April 1.—A new organization, one that promises to have the support of a large percentage of those ineligible for actual army field service by reason of some minor disqualification, is the National Guard company of the Arizona reserve battalion now being recruited here.

In view of the fact that Arizona is one of two states in the whole union who has not a state commissioned military body, this movement should be most successful.

While the organization will, in every sense of the word, be an authorized military unit, with regulation clothes, rifles and equipment, it will

STEINFELD CERTIFIED

AS A DESERTER

TUCSON, April 4.—Adjutant General McClain of the United States army at Washington, D. C., has been notified that Harold Steinfeld has failed to appear within two days' grace allowed after failure to appear to depart for camp with the contingent for which he was called, and that he is a deserter from the United States army.

The notification practically places a reward of \$50 for the arrest of Steinfeld. He may be arrested on sight by any person, who, according to the regulations, would receive the reward. In the absence of Adjutant General Harris, this action was approved yesterday by Chief Clerk Healy of the adjutant general's office in Phoenix.

The notification was sent to the adjutant general at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. At 10 o'clock Chief Bailey reported the twenty-four hours within which he was to find Steinfeld and bring him before the local board had expired. After an hour's delay the notification as provided for by the regulations was sent to Adjutant General McClain by the local board.

The notification went to the adjutant general as provided for by the regulations, by registered mail.

The action terminates the connection of the local board with the Steinfeld case.

The possibility that Steinfeld has been misled by General Crowder, in person, as to his status, was presented yesterday as an explanation for Steinfeld's presence in Washington, where he has been located at the Willard hotel. It was said that Steinfeld had personally received from General Crowder notice that the local board had been ordered to suspend further activities in placing him in the draft. Steinfeld assumed that this was sufficient to rescind the action already taken to include him in the draft. General Crowder may have taken the same view, since no order to rescind the action of the local board had been received from him.

MAY BE ANOTHER

CALL SOON.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

The local board for Cochise county expects another call within the next ten days to fill up the ranks of rejected, etc., at Camp Funston. The calls are expected to come regularly now at ten day or two weeks intervals for only a few men at a time to fill certain vacancies. There will not be several hundred go at a time as in the first draft, but men with certain qualifications will be called for the different branches.

Drafted men who want to go into the Signal corps of the Aviation service will have to do so before the 10th. of this month, when all special calls will be discontinued. At present a call is out for men within the draft age, or over, to enlist in the signal corps, as mechanics, chauffeurs, metal workers, woodworkers, machinists, photographers, carpenters, tailors, motorcyclists, and many other trades. Applicants can be entered by writing Air Personnel Division Recruiting Section Signal Corps Aviation Section U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., and they will be given induction papers by the local board.

THREE MEN ESCAPE FROM

MARICOPA COUNTY JAIL

PHOENIX, April 1.—Taking advantage of the opportunities accorded them in the corridors of the county jail, J. C. Warden, burglar, Wm. Hellman, bootlegger, and J. Quinn, a federal prisoner, saved their way to freedom about 11 o'clock last night. Just as the three disappeared around a corner, they were observed by deputies on duty in the sheriff's office and an almost instant chase instituted. Although every street and alley in the vicinity, and every country road, railroad and bridge within a radius of several miles were covered, no trace of the three fugitives had been secured up to an early hour this morning.

They have offered me 100 shares of the new stock for my 1,000 shares of the old stock," the woman writes. "Now please tell me where I stand if I have been stung and whether I owe the company money."

Mr. Proctor is still figuring on the problem.

TO INVESTIGATE THE

TAR AND FEATHER PARTY

Chief Deputy Sheriff Guy Welch returned home yesterday from Bisbee, where he went to investigate the alleged tar and feathering of Walter Johnson, an I. W. W. representative, and concerning his visit there the Bisbee Review says:

Undersheriff Guy C. Welch has returned to his home in Tombstone after spending a part of two days here making an investigation of the tarring and feathering last week of Walter Johnson, supposedly by members of the Warren District. The investigation was requested by the attorney general's office at Phoenix. Before that request was made the representatives of the sheriff's office had completed an investigation, but could obtain neither the names or the number of assailants as Johnson had left the district and was on his way to Phoenix to report to officials there.

Mr. Welch learned from men who went to Osborn to take Johnson from there to Naco, that Johnson stated five men engaged in the alleged act; that he did not know their names, and that he had been taken into Mexico, where the act was committed.

In contradiction to this statement is one made to the operator at Osborn by Johnson when he arrived there that night. The operator said if he knew who had taken Johnson out, Johnson replied, "I was taken out by three men," two of them were miners and the other man I did not know."

The undersheriff interviewed several well known citizens. It was their opinion the act should not have been perpetrated and if Johnson had been making reasonable remarks, the matter should have been reported to the sheriff's office and to the department of justice agents in the district. Mr. Welch was informed that reports had been sent to government agents concerning persons making treasonable remarks, that no action had been taken and the delay in such cases was stirring up American feeling against the Germans. It is his desire, said Mr. Welch, to see that persons of this type are dealt with and that if the matter is reported to him direct, he will take it up with government officials to secure action without delay.

In conversation with well known district citizens, Mr. Welch stated he desired that they use their best endeavors and influence to see that laws of the state and government are upheld. He made it known that he did not sanction the acts of the other night and that if further similar acts were committed drastic action will be taken by the sheriff's office.

AGE OF ANN NOTHING AS

HARD AS THIS PROBLEM

PHOENIX, April 2.—A problem of high finance has been referred to Sam W. Proctor, secretary of the state corporation commission, by a woman from another state who says she is "89 years young" and should have known better.

This youthful octogenarian writes to the commission that she at one time purchased 1,900 shares of a certain company which is incorporated in Arizona. The capital stock of the company at that time, she writes, was \$69,000,000 of a par value of \$1 per share. Since then the company has been through a transforming and juggling process, she declares, until the capita stock has been reduced to \$1,000,000 of a par value of ten cents per share.

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FOR SALE—Ranch 3 miles north of Tombstone, 320 acres patented land, 60 acres cultivated; milk dairy with cows; milk dairy stock cattle; work horses; farm implements; 1000-foot well drilling machine in good condition. Address James A. Lamb, Tombstone, Arizona.

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