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BUY A **FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN** WEAR THIS **BUTTON** TODAY

## Fourth Liberty Loan

OUR DISTRICT NOW HAS TOTAL OF \$29,000.00.

The Liberty Loan campaign has not progressed this week as it should but some nice subscriptions were received. A total for district No. 33 of \$29,000 is reported by Captain Arthur Prazier.

Among the subscriptions over \$100 were the following:

J. W. Kaigler, \$600.  
G. A. Remington Executor, \$1500.  
Minnie Melius, \$250.  
Elizabeth Boyer, \$500.  
T. M. Hahnbarger, \$500.

It is planned to make a canvass before the campaign is through, and give every person who is able a chance to voluntarily subscribe. If not, the person will be referred to the Ada council of defense committee, for investigation. W. N. Sweet of Boise, is chairman of this committee.

## BIG CELEBRATION WAS A LITTLE AHEAD OF TIME

Phone information was sent out from Boise late Saturday night telling of the capitulation of the Germans and that the war was over. Meridian received the news gladly but did not enthuse until more reliable data was at hand. In Boise and Nampa however the bands were out and there was a big jollification. The next day—well, it was discovered that Germany was not ready yet to quit, and the huns were still on the job. There is importance however in all this peace talk—it means that the end is not far off, maybe this fall, but perhaps not until more brave men meet death on the field of battle.

## ALL PUBLIC PLACES CLOSED FOR A TIME

By an order from the state board of health, in effect to-day (Friday) all public places are closed, as a health measure, as a result of the appearance of the Spanish influenza.

Dr. E. T. Biver, secretary of the state board, says:

"The closing order applies to all public gatherings for whatsoever purpose—all theatres, dance halls, churches, Natatorium, Liberty Loan rallies, political rallies—in fact all indoor meetings, public and private schools alone excepted."

## LIEUTENANT FRENCH IS WOUNDED THE SECOND TIME

Lieut. Archie French, a Meridian man, who is with the American military forces in France, was seriously wounded the second time in a battle with the Germans Sept. 16th. Advice to this effect was received this week from the war department by Mrs. Mary French, the mother of the young man, residing north of Meridian. In a gallant attack of the American forces on the German front some months ago Lieutenant French was so severely wounded that he remained in the hospital four months, and it was only recently that he was able to return to active duty.

Farm sales are of frequent occurrence in the Meridian country. During the past few months many home-seekers from Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma, have located in this section. They come because of the droughts these states have experienced the past year. It is said that this section has received a greater immigration the past year than for several years past.

## M. E. Church Items.

According to orders sent out from the office of the state board of health all places of assemblage are closed for a time, with the exception of the public and private schools.

The Methodist Episcopal church will not hold services of any kind until further notice. Spanish influenza has become an epidemic to an alarming extent throughout the United States, and the state board of health has taken this action as a preventative measure, with the hope that Idaho may escape with as small a number of cases as possible. All citizens are called upon to co-operate to that end.

## EDITORIAL MENTION.

The collegiate section of the University of Idaho army training corps is rapidly reaching the limit of its quota. To-morrow is the last day for applications.

The recent rains have been very welcome especially on the dry farm lands where the soil was dry and hard and difficult to work. Soil conditions are now much improved and plowing and seeding are in full blast.

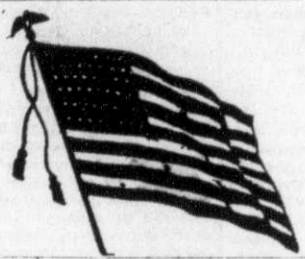
Most of the silo filling is completed in the Meridian section. Range conditions are improving, however, in a way most pleasing to stockmen. New grass is making rapid growth and late fall feed is excellent. Cattle and sheep are in good condition.

The rains of the past week have interfered somewhat with the curing of the third cutting of alfalfa and the crop has been slightly damaged. Since from this, the weather has been favorable for all farm operations and also for maturing of fall crops.

The Ada county draft board has selected the following men to go to Vancouver barracks, Oct. 14 and 15, to enter the spruce division: Rubin A. Howry, Meridian; Otto Muller, R. D. 5, Boise; Orville A. Kennedy, Barber; Hector J. Danost, Barber; Glenn E. Sebern, Meridian.

Apple packing around Meridian continues and good headway is being made in the work. The crop is about as much as expected—about 20 per cent of normal. The quality of the crop is good, except that there is an unusually heavy percentage of wormy apples.

The Ada county draft board has selected the following registered men all from Meridian, to make up the county's quota to enter the mechanical training department at Moscow on October 15th: Robin S. French, R. 1; Otis W. Waitley; John Wolfkiel, R. 1; Willis T. Cato; Ezra A. Plant, R. 3.



## THE SITUATION

By Rev. Charles A. Quinn, Pastor of M. E. Church, Meridian.

JUST NOW all eyes are turned toward Washington and Berlin.

For more than four long and dreadful years, two great and powerful armies have been in a life and death struggle. Germany has exerted every ounce of her strength to overcome an ever-increasing army of the allies, but has now lost the advantage of offensive action, and is now on the defensive.

Every day sees her once proud and well-trained army falling back from one position of defense to another, until the retreat amounts to almost a rout.

The German war lords see this and are in dire straits for reserves. As a result Bulgaria has surrendered. Turkey will soon follow, and in less than six months from now, Austria-Hungary will be asked by these same masters to do likewise, thus bolstering up a now badly-defeated German war machine, and from every appearance the decisive battle that will end this war and bring in an era of world peace WILL BE FOUGHT ON GERMAN SOIL.

It is well for us Americans not to be too optimistic. The war is not at an end yet. The hardest battles are yet to be fought. Thousands of men who are now in cantonment camps and at home, must go to the front, and we will need to support them by increased production of all crops.

Also by the purchase of LIBERTY BONDS AND THRIFT STAMPS.

Let here be no cessation of our activities here, but rather increase them. Let Berlin and Washington know that the last man, woman and child is a willing volunteer in this gigantic struggle, until the enemy is crushed and peace is secured.

## LOOSEN UP, TURTLE



The Fourth Liberty Loan is the first item on the program of national war finance since the announcement of our intention to put five million men in France and finish the war next year. On our response to its call for our dollars our friends and enemies will judge of our sincerity and earnestness in making that pledge.

The nation's resources are ample. The success of the Fourth Liberty Loan depends on our converting a share of those resources into Fourth Liberty Bonds. Nothing more. The loan should be subscribed the first day and oversubscribed the second day.

Buy Liberty Bonds. Don't be a Turtle.

SERVICE QUALITY PRICES

# Tolleth's

The autumn and winter woollens recently sent us by E. V. PRICE & CO. are the handsomest ever shown in Meridian and reasonably priced.

"Where The People Trade"

# KING COAL

Place your orders now for Coal, either lump or stove size. We can fill them.

**Fuel Money Saved**

Cook and bake with the gas part of your fuel wasted by all other ranges. Stop those fuel dollars that are now flying up the chimney unsaved. Install

## COLE'S

### Down Draft Range

in your kitchen and the fuel saved will soon pay the first cost. Notice the large Sanitary polished top (no stove blacking) the Sanitary Smooth nickeling and Black Enamelled reservoir top. Put this Sanitary Range in your home.

## Vickers - Sims Hardware Co.

MERIDIAN, IDAHO.

## GO TO RIFE & ROBERTSON'S FOR School Supplies

A nice line of tablets, inks, pens, pencils, etc.

## Fine Stock of Groceries

We don't keep groceries—we sell them.



Bring us your Butter and Eggs

Go-Operative Mercantile Co.  
RIFE & ROBERTSON  
MERIDIAN, IDAHO.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

ALL EXCHANGES OF 3 1/2 PER CENT AND 4 PER CENT LIBERTY BONDS FOR HIGHER INTEREST MUST BE MADE BEFORE NOVEMBER 9TH.

BRING THEM IN AT ONCE.

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The Meridian State Bank

Member Federal Reserve System  
STATE AND COUNTY DEPOSITORY