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THE GREAT DUTY

As we go about our daily tasks in peace and safety men are dying every minute on the battlefields of Europe to save civilization. Our own gallant soldiers are shedding their blood in France and our sailors engulfed in the waters of the Atlantic as they go in defense of America's rights and honor.

Upon our performance of the work committed to us depend the lives of thousands of men and women, the fate of many nations, the preservation of civilization and humanity itself; and the more efficient and prompt we people of America are in doing our part, the more quickly will this war come to an end and the greater the number of our soldiers and sailors who will be saved from death and suffering and the greater number of the people of other nations released from bondage and saved from death.

To work, to save, to economize, to give financial support to the Government is a duty of the Nation and to the world and it is especially a duty to our fighting men who on land and sea are offering their lives for their country and their countrymen.

As a further evidence of the progress of the so-called Indian problem now comes a regulation covering the handling of individual Indian money, granting authority to disbursing officers to turn over to any Indian, upon the issuance of a patent in fee to said Indian, all individual Indian money on deposit to his or her credit, and to assist in obtaining, as speedily as possible, payment of said Indian's share of tribal trust funds which may be held in the Treasury of the United States.

Word has been received at the agency office that the Liberty bonds purchased last fall have been registered and are now at the Northern National Bank of Bemidji. It is not determined whether the bonds are to be kept in a safety deposit vault at the bank or transferred to the agency or Washington for safekeeping. Indian purchasers are to be given the number, amount and date of maturity of bonds held in trust for them.

Preparations are being made to make the regular spring payment this year early to enable the Indians to purchase seeds and needed farm machinery. The indications being an earlier crop planting time than usual.

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Don't be grouchy if asked to buy more bonds than you figured on. Rather flattering, isn't it?

The new bridge at Battle River is nearly completed. A. C. Goddard and C. H. Stanard, with a crew of men drove the piling last week. This will make a great improvement as it was almost impossible to cross the river before.

The United States will start a Third Liberty Loan campaign on April 15th. This loan is to be for at least \$3,000,000,000. This is to furnish the sinews of the war for the United States and her Allies.

The next time life doesn't appear like living, consider the trenches. Then go and buy a Liberty Bond as a bracer.

Every employee, every Indian trader, and every Indian on the reservation should prepare to buy at least one bond. This reservation ought to double the purchases made last fall.

OUR HONOR ROLL

- 1—John Needham, Co. D, 10th U. S. Inf., Rock Island, Ill.
- 2—John Sumner, Rock Island, Ill.
- 3—Joseph Sumner—Rock Island, Ill.
- 4—Stanley Johnson, Battery E, 66th Regt., C. A. C. Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.
- 5—Dr. L. G. Neal, Leith War Hospital, Seafield, Leith, Scotland.
- 6—Dr. Leo L. Elliott, American Expeditionary Forces, New York City.
- 7—John Mike Roy, Co. A, 352d Inf., Camp Dodge, Iowa.
- 8—John B. McGillis, Headquarters Co., 349th Inf., Camp Dodge, Iowa.
- 10—Miss Mabel Bright, Army Nursing Corps, Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
- 11—Dr. Richmond P. Favour, Somewhere in the South.
- 12—George Clark, Jersey City, N. J.
- 13—William R. Spears, Jr., Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

14—Clifford Sitting, Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
15—Corporal Henry Anderson, New York City.
The new service flag is expected every day now. Only 11 stars were ordered sewed in, but a supply of extras will be furnished.

Our boys write us it's fine, but none so good as the U. S. A.

Dr. Leo L. Elliott cabled from France the other day and "Lum" Neal from Leeds says he has to guard his supply of sugar more than his pocket book.

Hashbarger says John Mike Roy will sure get the Kaiser if they will just let Milk to 'im. He is up near the top on boxing, wrestling and baseball and "representing" Red Lake sure enough.

George Clark copped No. 12 and young "Bill" Spears drew 13. "Come on, boys," is what they all write.

PUBLIC SCHOOL ITEMS

The Junior Red Cross Auxiliary is the proud possessor of a framed certificate of membership in the American Red Cross. The meetings are held in the school room on Wednesday evening, once in two weeks.

Marjorie and Maxine McDougal and Emma King have been absent on account of whooping cough.

The amount of War Savings Stamps purchased by the public school this month is \$68.50. This room is 100 per cent war savers.

The following program was presented at the last meeting of the Little Citizens' League:

The Star Spangled Banner.....School
A WailMildred Dickens
War StampsHarriet Dickens
Kaiser BillAddison Goddard
Battle Hymn of the Republic.....School
Our FlagRuth Goddard
The Red, White and Blue.....Grace Dickens
AmericaSchool

Ruth Goddard, Grace Dickens, Mildred Dickens, Paul Dickens and Maggie Cook have signed pledges for garden making this year.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. James Sayers has left the hospital with her 13-pound baby.

Mr. Archie Barton has been a patient for several days. He is fast improving and will leave the hospital in a short time.

Miss Susie St. Martin has taken the Civil Service examination for head nurse. Success awaits her.

Whooping cough is among the children but not in an epidemic form. In this disease everything that conserves the general health of the child is of first importance. An abundance of fresh air, exercise and nourishing food. The disease is self-limited and a continuance of this good weather will make short duration of it.

The prospects for new floors is assured. The tile that is proposed will be both beautiful and sanitary.

Medical and Sanitary Inspector Dr. Newburne has paid his official visit to the hospital and reservation. We have his declaration that the health and the sanitation is good.

The cook is gleeful over the promise of screening in the back porch.

Mrs. Charles H. Graham has recovered from her troublesome laryngitis.

Mrs. "Bill" Spears spent a pleasant restful week

as a patient.

The Hospital is aglow with electric light again. The need now is a continuance of light through the night by the installation of the new storage battery.

Mrs. Hashberger was a patient with a badly lacerated finger, her large wedding ring having caught in the steam washing machine.

The Doctor is enjoying the Ford. Distance lends enchantment.

Attention is again called to a strict obedience and compliance with the regulations of the Food Administrator, also of the Fuel Administrator.

The night watchman is counting the days when he can get in his 12 hours sleep.

The remarkable health of the reservation is a matter of general comment.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fairbanks have recently received a certificate from Commissioner Sells that Mary N. Fairbanks, their daughter, has been awarded first prize at the Red Lake Indian baby show held September 15th, 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks may be justly proud of the distinction conferred upon their daughter, Mary, who comes by it by virtue of her splendid health and perfect little body. Commissioner Sells is immensely interested in the welfare of the Indians and believes that healthy Indian babies will insure the propagation of the Indian people.

The fore part of the winter the Little Rock Farmers' Club built a house for Jacob Fairbanks, a new barn for Baptiste Taylor, Robert Smith and Wah bish ke gwan ay aush.

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