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## Paying Taxes and Buying Bonds

You hear men say, "I paid big war taxes, and I think I've done my share.'
Such men do not stop to think that this war must be financed by the people, whose freedom and safety are at stake.

Our government has wisely concluded that it will not raise by taxation all of the money needed for this war, unless it becomes necessary to do so. It has adopted the plan of $20 \%$ by taxation and $80 \%$ by bond issues.

The man who has paid his taxes under this program has done just $20 \%$ of his duty. To fulfill his whole duty he should invest four times the amount of his taxes in Liberty Bonds.

If incomes were equal, such a plan might almost be enacted by law. If every person were equally patriotic, the plan would work automatically.
Unfortunately, incomes are not equal, and patriotism runs high in some and ebbs low in others.

Because another is unpatriotic is no reason why a real patriot should depreciate his own patriotism.
If your taxes are large, it is because your profits are large---your ability to buy bonds also is large. You have prospered---probably because of the war. Don't let a slacker inventory your patriotism. No man has done his full duty in this war until he has bought all of the Liberty Bonds he can possibly finance.

