

AMERICANS ARE PROSPEROUS

Victory Liberty Loan Campaign Finds People in Excellent Shape to Subscribe Liberally.

The Victory Liberty Loan campaign will be started April 21 and it will find Americans in all walks of life in excellent shape to participate largely. The record of business failures in the United States for the year 1918 shows that American business men are in a condition financially to make large subscriptions to the Loan.

In the twelve months of 1918 there were only 9,983 failures in the United States as compared with 13,855 in 1917, 16,933 in 1916, and 22,166 in 1915. This shows for 1918 a 55 per cent decrease. The total is the smallest since 1899 when there were 9,337 failures. By reason of the great increase in the number of business houses in the country since 1899, the 1918 failures are relatively even much smaller than then.

And it is worth while to know that the Tenth Federal Reserve District was next to the bottom of the list of twelve districts, having the lowest per cent of failures.

Farmers everywhere are making the greatest returns in history. Wheat is pegged at \$2.26 and the Government is also practically guaranteeing the price of hogs and corn.

Among wage earners, despite the high cost of living, there is marked general prosperity. The average yearly wage of the United States Steel Company employee is now \$1,574 against \$905 in 1913, and \$669 in 1902 a 126 per cent increase. The increase in the last five years is 74 per cent. Common labor, receiving \$2.00 a day before the war, now gets from \$3.54 to \$5.00. Skilled men now get on an average of from \$6 to \$20 a day and a few get as much as \$75 a day. In the Seattle shipyards men are getting \$18 a day.

Railway wages have been advanced \$700,000,000 per annum in the last year, following a \$100,000,000 advance given by the Adamson law. The following table shows the relative pay in 1914 and now, and may be taken as a minimum of advances in nearly all fields of employment:

Office boy, per week	\$ 8.00	\$ 13.44
Minor station agent, per month	74.75	182.00
Baggage man, per month	72.80	144.40
Drawbridge deckhand, per month	90.00	188.21
Car repairer or blacksmith, per day	5.22	9.51
Plain carmen, per day	4.02	8.11
Ticket clerk, per month	72.80	122.11
Ticket clerk and telephone operator, per month	75.83	182.00

In the country farmhands who used to be satisfied with \$30 a month and board are now getting \$3.00 a day.

The cost of living has taken up some of the gain in wages and profits everywhere, but there is still a hand some margin left. Now that the Victory Liberty Loan is offered the public on April 21, Uncle Sam will be decidedly unwilling to accept any plea of inability to subscribe from his prosperous nephews.

Don't let a wounded soldier hear you say that you "sacrificed" by selling a Liberty Bond below par. He knows what sacrifice is. He also knows that Uncle Sam will pay par on every promise when that promise matures.

If you fail to pay your personal business debts you can only be placed in jail, if you fail to lend your just share to pay the Nation's war debts you will be called a slacker. You know what your share is.



VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN

NOTICE TO HOME GUARDS

To members of the Box Butte Home Guards: By order of the adjutant general of the state of Nebraska, all Home Guards having guns or other equipment other than uniforms, the property of the organization or of the county, are hereby instructed to deliver the same without further delay into the custody of the officers of the organization. In my absence from the city, the guns may be left with Lloyd C. Thomas, at the office of the Thomas-Bald Investment Company, in Alliance. Mr. Thomas has been instructed to receive said guns and to receipt for them for me.

ROY C. STRONG, Captain, Alliance, Nebraska, April 9, 1919.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the county clerk of Box Butte county, on Thursday, May 15, 1919, until 3 p. m., for grading, constructing small culverts, surfacing with sand-clay, and incidental work on the Alliance-Antioch Project No. 24 Federal Aid Road.

Bids will be opened at the office of the Board of County Commissioners, at their office in the Court House, Alliance, Nebraska, promptly after the time for receiving bids has closed.

The work consists of constructing 14.82 miles of earth road surfaced for approximately 9.0 miles with a sand-clay mixture.

The approximate quantities are: 72,200 cu. yds. earth excavation;

11,507 cu. yd. mile hauling earth or clay; 5,753 cu. yds. imported gravel delivered on road (not manipulated); 100 cu. yds. loading, hauling (average 1 mile) and delivering cinders, on road; 440 Lin. ft. 18 in. dia. concrete pipe; 59.4 cu. yds. of concrete.

Certified check—5 per cent of amount bid.

Plans and specifications for the work may be seen and information secured at the above office, or at the office of the State Engineer, Lincoln, Nebraska.

The State and Counties reserve the right to waive all technicalities and to reject any and all bids.

W. C. MOUNTS, County Clerk. GEO. E. JOHNSON, State Engineer. First publication, April 17, 1919. Last publication, May 8, 1919.

TRY THE SCALES

The scales seldom fail to reveal the truth, they are a fair gauge of health. If you are losing weight and are not feeling up to the mark, it is high time to replace the loss and build up the powers of resistance.

SCOTT'S EMULSION

a unique combination of tonic and nourishment, having definite reconstructive properties, enriches the blood, restores weight and imparts vigor and tone to the whole system. If you feel yourself losing ground, try Scott's Emulsion—the Strength-Builder.



FARMERS AND LAND OWNERS

The "FORDSON" TRACTOR is the result of extensive trials and experiments conducted by Mr. Henry Ford, covering a period of many years. Before placing the tractor on the market, every detail has been thoroughly tried out under actual farming conditions in various parts of this country and abroad.

Experience has pointed to the small, light tractor as being the one machine which will fill all varying conditions satisfactorily.

In developing the "FORDSON" Tractor, the aim has been to produce a small tractor which will be low in first cost, reliable, and above all—efficient.

Being small, light and economical, the "FORDSON" Tractor is adapted for use on small farms as well as on the largest. It will pull all farm implements and do the work generally done by horses on the farm. In addition, by its belt pulley the tractor will drive farm machinery such as a thresher, ensilage cutter, etc., making the "FORDSON" a truly universal tractor.

In design and construction the "FORDSON" takes a long step in approaching the ideal tractor. The simplicity of its operation and construction will at once appeal to the farmer.

Special devices were perfected to keep out dust and dirt. All moving parts are enclosed and thoroughly lubricated. The number of lubricating points requiring attention are very few and easily gotten at.

The motor, transmission and rear axle are assembled together, forming one rigid unit, which, combined with the three-point suspension, relieves these parts of all strain.

The absence of any frame gives accessibility to all parts for making adjustments or repairs, and allows the tractor to be taken apart in a few minutes.

The motor is of substantial design and is capable of delivering its full power continuously. It embodies features which have been used with success in other fields for many years.

PERFORMANCE

The tractor is designed as a two-plow machine and will pull two 14-inch plows in the stiffest soil. It will maintain a drawbar pull of 1800 pounds at plowing speed. In low gear a drawbar pull of 2500 pounds is obtained.

The fuel consumption varies with conditions; two and one-half gallons of kerosene per acre being a fair average. The amount of ground plowed also depends on conditions—eight acres in ten hours would strike an average.

When used at stationary work and running at full power, at 1000 R. P. M., the fuel consumption does not exceed two and three-fourths gallons per hour.

The total weight of tractor is 1700 pounds, with water and fuel tanks filled. Overall length is 102 inches, height 55 inches and width 62 inches.



There won't be enough Fordson Tractors to go 'round!

THE demand for the Fordson tractor is so great that it will be a long time probably before everyone will be able to get one. Therefore, if you are looking for a tractor and wish a Fordson you should see us at once.

The Fordson has more than fulfilled expectations. With its economy—efficiency—durability—it is ideal for the average farm.

Burns kerosene—has special air washer—and all moving parts are enclosed—there is practically nothing to cause trouble.

Use it with the Oliver No. 7 Plow

Here are some of the big Oliver features: The combined rolling coulter and jointer buries all stalks, weeds and trash at the bottom of the furrow; and the stop device maintains an even depth of furrow. The best plow for your Fordson—that's the Oliver.

Come in and let us show them to you.



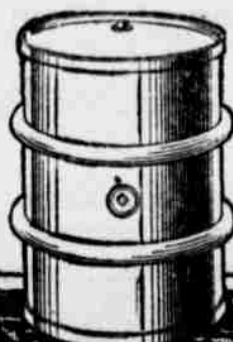
Get Your Order in Early
COURSEY & MILLER
CORNER THIRD AND LARAMIE

Power For All Purposes Whenever Needed

Your tractor is a power plant that's always ready for work—if its engine is kept free from wear by correct lubrication. It requires special lubrication because its operating heat is high—especially when the fuel used is kerosene.

STANOLIND Tractor Oil

is manufactured to stand this extra high engine heat and keep cylinders, valves and bearings protected against ruinous friction. It is the oil that leading tractor manufacturers endorse and recommend. It will keep your tractor fit for hard work the year round at the least cost for overhauling and repairs.



Ask your dealer for this oil or write us for information

Standard Oil Company
(Nebraska) Omaha



RED CROWN GASOLINE



Makes the Car Hum

Red Crown Gasoline is motor fuel at its best. Watch the car prove it in starting and on the road. Each piston stroke is as full powered as a straight-distilled, air-gas gasoline can make it.

You don't estimate the value of Red Crown by the price per gallon but by the mileage a gallon delivers.

You get most miles in liquid form—clean burning fuel—uniformity—in Red Crown Gasoline, no matter where you buy it, or in what make of car you use it.

It always pays to look for the Red Crown Sign when the tank needs filling.

Polarine, the perfect year round lubricant, conserves power.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY
(Nebraska) Omaha



RED CROWN GASOLINE