

## M'ADOO URGES U.S. GO 'OVER THE TOP' IN COMING WEEK

Only Four Million Persons Have Subscribed So Far; Next Friday to Be Another High Light.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, April 21.—Liberty loan workers were instructed tonight by the treasury to redouble their efforts to make this a banner week, and if possible to raise the total of subscriptions from \$1,371,000,000 obtained in the first half of the period, to near the three billion dollar minimum goal.

Headquarter reports show that only about 4,000,000 persons have subscribed so far, and this is only one-fifth of the subscribers it is hoped to enroll. Apparently only one in every 15 adults has bought bonds.

Liberty day, Friday, will provide one more high light in the campaign, and hundreds of communities are planning big parades and rallies.

The third loan campaign apparently is proceeding faster than the second, for when the second was half over, only about \$800,000,000 had been subscribed.

Cities Are Slow.

The outstanding fact so far is the liberal offerings from rural districts, and the comparative slowness of big city communities.

All the states which have gone over the top and won honor flags are largely rural.

Montana, whose quota was \$9,000,000, has reported subscriptions of \$14,147,000. North Dakota, with a quota of \$6,500,000, has reported more than \$10,000,000. Indications are that South Dakota also has subscribed its quota of \$2,200,000. Minnesota has contributed \$38,900,000, exclusive of subscriptions from Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth, whose pledges amount to \$37,500,000. Northern Wisconsin and northern Michigan have about \$8,000,000 each.

The Cleveland district, with its banner list of 592 honor communities, has subscriptions of about \$140,000,000 including about \$26,000,000 from Cleveland alone.

Now After Individuals.

Campaigners in the Chicago district are trying to get the greatest number of individual subscribers. Already Iowa has 432,000 out of a population of a little more than 2,000,000; Michigan has 211,000; Illinois 354,000; Indiana 195,000 and Wisconsin 123,000.

Hawaii reports subscriptions of \$2,630,000. Banks of Portland, Ore., have paid 93 per cent of the city's quota into the San Francisco federal reserve bank. Wheeler, Ore., with a quota of \$9,000 has subscribed \$90,000 or nearly 10 times over the top.

The St. Louis committee sent word today that it expects the district to exceed its quota this week.

Rail Administration to Build 100,000 Wooden Cars

Washington, April 21.—Orders for 100,000 freight and coal cars containing a large proportion of wood, in order to save steel for ship building and other war purposes, will be placed, probably this week, by the railroad administration with about 15 leading car manufacturers. The contracts will total about \$300,000,000, representing profits to manufacturers of probably 5 or 6 per cent, about half of the rate first demanded by them.

Quantity delivery will begin in about four months and all probably will be completed in six months, when more will be ordered.

Within two weeks John Skelton Williams, director of purchases of the railroad administration, expects to order part of the 2000 new locomotives which the railroads will need this year.

The new orders, it is said, will be distributed among most big concerns east of the Mississippi and to several in Seattle, Portland and other western cities.

Kearney Plans to Turn Bond Coupons Into Stamps

Kearney, Neb., April 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Bond holders of Kearney are organizing a movement, which, if adopted nationally, will leave in the treasury of Uncle Sam millions of dollars in interest to be used by him until after the war. The plan is to have all owners of bonds take their interest coupons, when due and turn them into thrift stamps or war savings certificates. If this is done over the entire country, the interest on the first and second issue of the Liberty loan alone would give Uncle Sam an additional war work capital of more than \$600,000,000.

Several local big bond holders and numerous societies here have already declared their intention of so investing their interest, instead of having the country meet this obligation.

British Drop 12 Tons of Bombs on Four Foe Targets

London, April 21.—The British official communication dealing with aviation issued tonight says:

"Twelve tons of bombs were dropped during the day on various targets, including Menin, Arras, and the Thourout railway junction."

"During the last few days, owing to better weather, there has been more air fighting. Six hostile machines were downed and three others disabled. Three of our machines are missing."

"Our night-flying squadrons bombed Bapaume and enemy billets and the roads leading to the front. Railways junctions also were attacked at Chaumes, where a large fire was caused; at Juniville, 20 miles north-east of Rheims, and at Bethenville. All of our machines returned."

British and German Sea Forces Clash in Battle

London, April 21.—British and German light forces clashed Saturday in the waters east of Heligoland, the British admiralty announced today. After the exchange of a few shots at long range, the German warships took refuge behind their mine fields. One enemy destroyer was observed to be hit. All the British ships returned without casualty.

## Nine-Year-Old Kills Baby Who Stole Marbles

Jersey City, N. J., April 21.—A charge of murder against a 9-year-old boy, Frank Muchelowski, was made in the criminal court here yesterday. Questioned as to why he killed Edward Chorowski, 4 years old, with a rifle while they were at play yesterday, he replied:

"I shot him because he stole two marbles from me."

It is alleged that after an argument over a game of marbles the Muchelowski boy ran to his home, returned with a rifle and ordered the smaller child to hold up his hands and then shot him down.

## POLITICIANS TELL THEIR ASPIRATIONS

Latest Is Public Announcement of Edgar Howard That He Will Be Candidate for United States Senator.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special.)—Now that the ground hog has crawled out of winter quarters, politicians deem it safe to sprout their little boomlets.

The latest is that of Lieutenant Governor Edgar Howard of Columbus. Mr. Howard in a platform which principally states he is backing the president and going to back him to the limit, states he wants the democratic nomination for the United States senate.

Deputy State Treasurer Henry Berge, after some weeks of close hugging and a very close investigation of the heavens to see if there was any chance for a democrat to stay in the state house, unburled his flag and set his boat afloat in a race for the democratic nomination for state treasurer this week. He expects to be a more successful office chaser than some other members of his family who have pursued the official phantom and become lost in the political quagmire.

State Superintendent Clemons, who has been out of the office a short time on business coupled with a slight illness, is said to believe he is entitled to a second term. It is rumored that Miss Florer, one of his assistants, is being urged by her friends to get into the race for the same place. Of course this is probably under the supposition that Mr. Clemons decides not to be a candidate. Miss Florer has also been away and until the both of them return it will not be known what the arrangements may be.

## GERMAN MUSIC TO BE CUT OUT OF THE PROGRAM

Lincoln, April 21.—A telegram sent at the request of Mayor Miller, by C. O. Bruce, under whose auspices the Minneapolis Symphony orchestra is coming to Lincoln, requests the manager of that organization to exclude all music by German composers during the program given here. The management was asked at the same time to use as much music by American composers as possible.

The mayor stated that a military authority had asked him to have the German music eliminated and Mr. Bruce agreed to make the request.

## Must Come With Clean Hands, Says Shumway

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special.)—Applicants for mineral leases must come with "clean hands," according to a statement put out by Land Commissioner Shumway, a member of the state board of educational lands, which has the leasing of the potash lands.

State Treasurer Hall wants no dirty hands around the table either, but he wants the lakes tested to give everybody a chance to get in at the game. There must be no dealing from the bottom of the pack or no kicking of sins under the table. He believes that where all things are equal and where applicants have been to expense to get ready they should be given the preference.

"This all comes from the fact that R. M. Hamblin, vice president of the American Potash company, has written to all of the members of the board to know his status. He objects to the board's action in notifying old lessees to file claims and says he was prevented from filing his when in Lincoln, April 12, because W. S. Ridgell, officer of an opposition company had told him that his company had a lead pipe cinch on its leases."

## State Auditor Figures Cost of Running the State

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special.)—It cost the state \$1,809,558.32 for the first quarter of this year for expenses of all departments. The highest amount was for salaries and wages, amounting to \$444,675.36.

For the first quarter of last year the cost was \$1,577,913.14. Salaries and wages amounted to \$414,341.44.

For the corresponding quarter of 1916 the expense was \$1,421,840.85 while salaries and wages amounted to \$417,258.44.

The school appropriation is added to each of these items, which in 1916 amounted to \$454,410, in 1917 to \$349,850 and this year to \$408,120.

These figures are prepared by the state auditor and cover an itemized account as to each department.

## Nebraskans Donate Field Glasses to Army and Navy

Lincoln, April 21.—Governor Neville has received a letter from army officers at Camp Funston, thanking Nebraskans for the generous manner in which they responded to the appeal for field glasses, of which there is a shortage in the army.

Seven pairs of field glasses have been sent by Governor Neville to Camp Funston and 12 pairs to the Navy department.

## St. Edward Loyal to Loan.

St. Edward, Neb., April 21.—(Special.)—Loyal and patriotic citizens of St. Edward and vicinity met at the school house Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock and in less than 30 minutes over-subscribed their quota of \$17,000, making it \$27,000. An address was made by Rev. W. St. John Saunders of the Methodist Episcopal church.

## MAY TRAIN SOME DRAFTED MEN AT THE UNIVERSITY

Lincoln, Neb., April 21.—University officials feel that there is a good chance of the State university becoming a training school for drafted men. A telegram has been received by acting Chancellor Hastings, stating that Captain Andrew Knight will be in Lincoln soon to complete negotiations. While this is the only evidence the university has that it has been chosen for the training of drafted men, officials say reports which have been made by various War department inspectors, who have visited the school at different times during the last three months, have been favorable.

The university is planning to accommodate between 600 and 800 enlisted men. Under the supervision of the college of engineering and the seniors in that department, the men will be given special training in automobile engineering, wireless telegraphy, telephone and telegraph line work, iron forging and cement work.

As soon as definite word is received the engineering college will announce its plans as to the regular routine of work to be covered. It is possible that special barracks will have to be built to accommodate the men.

## DUAL MONARCHY STRUGGLING WITH GRAVE SITUATION

Washington, April 21.—The feeling in Austria is one of despair, despite the claims Germany is making as to what the offensive will accomplish, according to an official dispatch today from France.

"In spite of all the sensation the Germans are making in Austria about their offensive," says the dispatch "they are preserving a definite appreciation of the painful situation with which the monarchy is struggling. The full difficulties are inextricable. Heavy clouds are gathering in Bohemia and among the Jugoslavs and even the decisive rapid victory promised by the Germans would not bring much relief to the present perplexities of Austria-Hungary."

## Gage County Farmer Held Under the Espionage Act

Beatrice, Neb., April 21.—(Special Telegram.)—John Gerdes, a farmer living near Beatrice and reputed to be worth \$100,000, was arraigned before the County Council of Defense yesterday following reports from the third Liberty loan committee that he refused to buy Liberty bonds.

The council recommended that a complaint be filed against him under the espionage act. The council attorney promised to file charges immediately with District Attorney Allen.

Gerdes alleged he had bought thrift stamps and subscribed to the Young Men's Christian association and refused to subscribe to another loan. The council requests him to buy \$500 bonds.

## Our Near Neighbors

Avoca.  
L. J. Marquardt and L. W. Fahnestock went to Omaha Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Ruge were visiting with Lincoln friends Saturday and Sunday.

A. Zimmerman and son, Adolph, were here from Nebraska City Wednesday afternoon. G. W. Harshman was here from Hastings the first of the week for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Rohmberger were visiting at Omaha Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hollenberger were at Lincoln Sunday for a visit.

Miss Mary Thompson of Washington was here this week for a visit.

Omara Nutzman, who is engaged in the banking business at Hamlet, Neb., was here this week visiting his parents.

The woman's club met with Mrs. E. T. Corhart Wednesday afternoon.

Norbert Brodbeck and Clarence Plasmann of Berlin were visitors here Wednesday.

George Johnson of Lexington is passing the week with relatives.

Miss Cayle and family of Elmwood were here Sunday for a visit.

Joseph and Adolph Zimmerman went to Lincoln Thursday.

H. H. Marquardt and C. W. Everett were here visitors Wednesday afternoon.

George Trook and James E. Everett made a trip to Syracuse Wednesday.

Mr. E. E. Stoffer and daughter have been passing the week with relatives at Unadilla.

Mr. and Mrs. Lick Bohman and children of Berlin were here Sunday.

Mr. W. C. St. John has returned from a visit at Hastings.

W. B. Wykert went to Kansas to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. G. C. Goddard, the early part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winn of South Omaha visited here Sunday.

Miss Helen Blair of Piper City, Ill., has taken a position as stenographer with The Elwell & Sons company and will make this her future home.

Len Komer has been called to the colors. He left Friday for his home in Kansas.

Floyd Jarman is in training in the naval station at the Great Lakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson have returned from Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Andrew Martensen of Primrose visited his daughters, Mrs. Chester Keyes and Mrs. Robert Keyes.

Mr. M. A. Roberts passed last week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Cyrus Leung, Atlantic.

Springfield subscribed \$5,000 more than its quota in the Liberty loan drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nelson left Sunday for La Crosse, Wis., called there by the death of Mrs. Nelson's father.

Rose Bates, a lieutenant in France, has been placed in charge of the government supplies "somewhere in France."

Miss Elizabeth and Paul Jones of Reserve, Kan., visited Mrs. M. A. Roberts Saturday.

Webster Fish of Belden visited his cousin, Frank Fish, the early part of the week.

Glen Mills was given a farewell party at his home Tuesday night, before leaving for the navy.

John Branson of Colorado is visiting his sister, Mrs. D. O. Branner.

Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Walstrom and Mrs. Glen Gordon have returned from Camp Funston.

Miss Bernice Butcher was called to her home at Wymore, Neb., Thursday by the illness of her mother.

Maurice G. Phillips, who comes in the next draft, left for his home in Modesto, Cal., last week.

Miss Gertrude Reynolds passed the week at her home in Omaha, on account of the death of her brother, Willie Reynolds. Mrs. L. Presto substituted in her room at school.

Rev. S. N. Horton attended the meeting of Presbyterians at Fremont.

Mrs. G. S. Kopp went to Omaha Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Noyes and Priscilla, of Dundee, visited in Valley this week.

While at the home of her mother, Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Noyes had an attack of measles.

Rev. S. N. Horton left Friday for Colorado, for a week's visit.

The regular meeting of the Valley Women's club was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Coy. Mrs. Fred Walstrom and Mrs. Weekly were on the program.

Rosa Hammond of Fremont, gave an address before a large audience at the opera house Saturday night.

The third Liberty loan quota for Valley has been over-subscribed.

## NAVY SAFEGUARDS U. S. TROOPSHIPS

Depth Bomb, Listening Device and Hydroairplane Declared to Have Conquered German Submarines.

(By Associated Press.)

A French Seaport, April 21.—"I have seen so much that is true in the way our navy is keeping the faith along the west coast of France," said James Kerney, director for the France-America committee of public information, "that I think the folks at home would like to know how admirably our troops and supplies are being safeguarded."

"A French vice admiral told me that it was due to the great skill and co-operation of the American navy that no tonnage had been lost on this coast for three months. He was most enthusiastic in his praise of Rear Admiral Wilson, who seems to have captured all this part of France. The depth bomb, listening device and hydroairplane in the hands of the Americans have conquered submarines."

"I happened to be at a port when a convoy, including several big troop ships, formerly German liners, came in. I went on board some of these transports and found the troops happy in admirable surroundings. I also visited some of the destroyers. The commanders of both the ships and destroyers go without sleep for days at a time in order that the troops shall be safe from danger."

"Not only are the troops and supplies coming very fast now, but it is a big job guarding the entire west coast, which is being done in a big way."

## Mayor Dahlman Selects Campaign Running Mates

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slate, but he also explained that "every little endorsement would be as welcome as the flowers in May."

Reynolds, the labor representative on the mayor's slate, was high man of the Working Men's Nonpartisan and Economic league ticket at the primary. There is an unanimity of opinion between the mayor and Commissioner Hummel, Parks and Withnell.

Mayor Makes Statement.

In announcing his slate the mayor made the following statement: "I feel privileged at this time to recommend seven men who will represent the entire citizenship of Omaha. They are men who are capable, efficient and well qualified to conduct the affairs of the municipality. I fought for seven years to obtain a home rule charter. The voters will elect a charter for Omaha and this charter will be entirely out of the hands of the city council."

"I am in favor of the strict enforcement of the liquor laws, the laws regulating the social evil and all other laws that tend to keep our city morally wholesome. But I do not favor closing base ball parks and theaters on Sunday. The working people of our city should have their recreations. As to nepotism, I defy any man to point to a single relative of mine who has been on the city payroll during the 12 years that I have been mayor."

"I favor the strictest economy in the conduct of city affairs, and the best service that can be given the people. My record speaks for itself."

## Three Others Lawyers.

"The opposition starts out with three lawyers who do not know any more about running city departments than a hog knows about Sunday. This is no time to experiment with theories of how a city should be governed."

"Not a single man whom I have recommended has been asked to make any pledge, nor will he be asked to make one. I am recommending them to the people of Omaha because I firmly believe that of the 14 nominees, they best represent our city and will be best able to conduct its affairs at this time when the municipal affairs of every community should be conducted with the least friction and mistakes."

Roy N. Towl, one of the six candidates in an organization designed as the "Anti-Slavery" was mentioned last week as a probable member of the city hall combination, but that was reconsidered. Towl looked with strong disfavor on any endorsement from the city hall as he is already committed to a platform of principles to which Ed. P. Smith, W. G. Ure, J. Dean Ringer, Harry B. Zimman and Henry F. Wulf have subscribed.

Launch New Organization.

A new political organization was launched Sunday afternoon in the assembly room on the 16th floor of the City National bank building, where Francis A. Brogan presided over 100 attendees.

A motion to vote on tentative endorsement was lost. Endorsements will be made at another meeting, probably on next Sunday afternoon.

The purpose of the organization, as explained by the chairman, is to decide on a ticket of four, five or six of the 14 candidates without the aid or consent of the candidates themselves. In that respect it will differ from the anti-administration organization of which W. F. Baxter is chairman, this latter organization being a coalition of six candidates who have agreed to each other and to a platform of principles.

F. H. Gaines, one of the speakers.

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