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THE SHAME OF A GREAT COUNTRY.

"Never again-not another bond for me."

That is approximately the expression you frequently hear in this community from people who are holders of government bonds purchased during

While our men were in France fighting to make the world safe for democracy and to retain our country under its own sovereignty the people were asked to buy government bonds. They were even urged to buy clear up to

Campaign and drives were conducted to induce the public to disgorge its savings and deposit them in the public hopper. Even the fighting men themselves were given no rest until they had subscribed their quota

Americans of every class responded nobly, hundreds of thousands denying themselves in their patriotic endeavors to aid in the prosecution of the war. Our own community contributed liberally, as did every other section

The public was allowed to believe that their bonds would be the safest kind of an investment, always at par and possibly soon at a premium.

They bought and kept on buying-because they loved their country and

had faith in Uncle Sam.

But now they are disillusioned-distressingly so. They find that their bonds are not above par, that they are not at par,

but have shrunk in value to considerably below par. They receive a low rate of interest, and can not dispose of a single bond

with at a financial sacrifice. The public in general is not saying much, but it is doing a lot of hard thinking. It is sore and disgusted and does not disguise the fact. There are even intimations that some day the government will want to sell more bonds, and will have a difficult time in finding purchasers. The public will

not care to be singed twice in the same place. There is, however, a remedy-if congress will apply it.

Let these bonds be placed by law on the same basis as our national currency-at par value-with the interest retained. Then let it be made a criminal offense for any person or corporation to refuse to accept a bond at par value, plus the interest that has accrued to date. Or in lieu of this, let the interest on these bonds be raised by act of congress to six per cent, thus placing the bonds on a par with real estate mortgages and other investments.

If a citizen uses the mails to misrepresent a bond or block of stock that he is endeavoring to sell he violates the law and the government sends him

The government should live up to the same standard of honor it requires from its citizens by restoring these bonds to par value by act of congress. It can do no less and retain the confidence and respect of its people.

This is not a political editorial. It is not aimed at any person or any party. It is written in kindness and in a spirit of justice, in an endeavor to safeguard the interests of those patriotic citizens who responded to the appeal of the government when the government was in dire need of assistance.

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