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**WHOLE STATE TO
RAISE FUNDS ON
WAR CHEST PLAN**

**MICHIGAN PATRIOTIC FUND
CREATED BY GOV. SLEEPER
TO STAGE UNION DRIVE
IN NOVEMBER.**

7 AGENCIES REPRESENTED

Action in Accordance With Request of President Wilson's Organization Is Perfected.

The Michigan Patriotic Fund, recently created by Governor Sleeper to combine all appeals for funds by war relief agencies in one yearly drive, embracing the whole state, will make its first campaign the week of November 11. The amount to be raised is approximately \$10,000,000.

A number of counties are already raising funds through their own county war chest organizations and have their quotas in hand for this year. For that reason their participation in the first campaign will be passive and they will be credited with their respective quotas just as though they were taking an active part in the drive.

Different Agencies Essentially One
Establishment of the Michigan Patriotic Fund is in accord with the request of President Wilson, as voiced in a letter to Raymond D. Fosdick, Commissioner on Training Camp Activities. In this letter the president pointed out that the services rendered by the different agencies to our army and to our allies are essentially one and must of necessity be rendered in the closest co-operation. He asked that appeals for funds be united in order that the spirit of the country may be expressed without distinction of race or religious opinion.

Seven large national organizations engaged in war work will be represented in this drive. They are the Y. M. C. A. War Fund, the Knights of Columbus, the Jewish War Fund, the War Camp Community Service, the Y. W. C. A. War Fund, the Salvation Army and the American Library Association.

Each of these organizations had planned a campaign for funds for some period within the next six months. This would have meant a series of “drives” following one another in quick succession and even overlapping. By joining forces in a single campaign, conducted by the Michigan Patriotic Fund, they will save time and annoyance both for the public and the solicitors and promote a better feeling all around.

Giving on Efficient Business Basis
In other words, the object of the Michigan Patriotic Fund is to place Michigan's war time giving on an efficient business basis, and at the same time distribute the burden equitably among all the people. The people of Michigan have shown in the past that they are no slinkers when it comes to backing up the men who have gone to the front from within its borders. The Patriotic Fund will greatly simplify the task of collecting this money and save many precious hours for the real work of winning the war.

Organization of the fund was perfected at a recent meeting held in Detroit. Campaign headquarters have been established at 115-117 West Fort street, Detroit, and the work of organizing the counties is already being under the direction of the executive committee. The war board in each county will be asked to head up the respective county organizations, and counties already operating on a war chest basis will be asked to cooperate to the fullest extent.

Plan Copied After Detroit's Big Drive
The Michigan Patriotic Fund is an elaboration of the Detroit plan, which proved so popular that, with a goal of \$7,000,000, Detroit and Wayne county raised \$10,500,000 in a seven-day campaign last May. Executives of the state organization are confident that the people of Michigan will welcome the war chest idea, which affords them an opportunity to give once a year for all patriotic purposes and practically insures them against further solicitation in the meantime.

The Liberty loan campaigns, of course, are entirely separate, the purchase of a bond being in no sense a gift but a sound business investment. Officers of the Michigan Patriotic Fund are: Gerald F. Sweet, Grand Rapids, general chairman; David A. Brown, Detroit, general vice-chairman; Mark T. McKee, Detroit, general secretary, and State Treasurer Samuel O'Dell, treasurer.

The executive committee is composed of the officers and the following: E. J. Bullard, Detroit, chairman of the state quota committee; H. H. Dow, Midland; Col. A. E. Kimball, Detroit; W. J. Norton, Detroit; Ernest A. O'Brien, Detroit; Helen Penrose, Detroit; Adam Strohm, Detroit.

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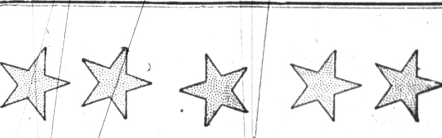
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