[illegible] this isn't "old stuff." War Savings Stamps are [illegible] essential in 1919 as [illegible] 1918. We must pay the war [illegible] [illegible] almost [illegible] per cent [illegible] ever.

GOVERNMENT NEED FOR MONEY GREATER NOW

Expenditures For December More Than in Any Month in Pre-War Times.

Washington, D. C.—When the American people, in the Victory Liberty Loan in buying War Savings Stamps daily and raise billions of dollars to pay for munitions that never reached France, they will not in reality be paying for those munitions but for the saving of 200,000 American lives.

It was not the American army in France that forced defeat upon Germany in 1918; it was the enormous production of munitions in this country that the German general staff knew would soon be flowing into action at the front. Had it not been for this knowledge the Germans would have fought through 1919.

These statements are made by Lewis B. Franklin, head of the War Savings and Liberty Loan organization.

"Our expenditures for December," said Mr. Franklin, "were the largest on record, being $2,060,000,000, almost double the total annual expenditure of our Government in pre-war times. Many people will call that paying for a dead horse.

"But do we realize that the German army was never really routed? That to the last it was fighting on foreign soil? It was only the knowledge of a great stream of munitions on the way that ended the war in 1918 instead of 1919, and saved the lives of from 100,000 to 200,000 American boys."

Mr. Franklin said the Seventh Federal Reserve district, which includes lower Michigan, has achieved a more general distribution of bonds than any of the other districts. It sold [illegible] of its bonds to purchasers of $1,000 or less as against a ratio of [illegible] for the whole nation.

He argued from this that War Savings Stamps should be a great success in the middle west.

PEACE WILL PUT NEW VALUE ON THE DOLLAR

The greatest merchants and industrial chiefs in the country agree that there will be a readjustment during the peace period. There will be a gradual decline in prices and a gradual improvement in the buying power of money.

The secretary of the treasury has a pretty good opportunity to form an opinion of financial tendencies. He says:

"Every dollar saved now and invested in War Savings Stamps will be worth much more when peace readjustment comes. Every provident man and woman in the United States may find their savings double in purchasing power in the next few years. How can any one more certainly make money than by saving it now with assurance of its enormous enhancement in value when normal conditions are restored?"

The war took 58,000,000 men out of productive civil life and turned them into non-productive soldiers. To supply them all the governments in the world went into the markets and began to bid for everything. Demand increased by leaps and bounds while supply remained stationary or was going down. Result: higher prices and declining buying power of the dollar.

Starting the Baby Right With W. S. S.

A movement has been inaugurated to see that each baby born in the state of Michigan gets the proper start in life. The plan is to present to each a War Savings certificate with at least one $5 War Savings stamp attached. The parents hold the certificate in trust and as a rule see to it that there are no vacant spaces on it.

The war is not won until the problems it created are solved and the debts paid.

SALOON ISSUE MAIN CONTEST ON APRIL 7

Wine and Beer Amendment, If Adopted, Will Bring Bars Back—Drys Expect to Win.

Lansing, Mich.—While good roads and party politics will command attention of voters of the state on April 7, the real battle at the polls on Monday, according to lieutenants who have been directing the pre-election campaigns, will revolve about the contest in progress between the wets and drys over the wine and beer amendment proposed by the liquor interests. If adopted by the electors of Michigan, the amendment will again make lawful the sale of wines, beers, ales and porters within the state.

Representatives from both the liquor and the prohibition camps have had their coats off and their sleeves rolled up for several weeks—the wets campaigning quietly, in gum shoe fashion; the drys openly, from pulpits and platforms in every section of the anti-saloon forces profess confidence that the present dry laws will be maintained, and the wine and beer amendment defeated.

The present struggle between the saloon interests and the drys, it is being pointed out, is the reverse of that it was in 1916, when the drys were on the offensive. On Monday the drys will be on the defensive to hold what they have. In 1916 their motto was "Vote Yes." Their slogan in the present campaign is "Vote no on the wine and beer amendment."

Confidence in the dry camp is attributed in the main to the expectation that a big majority of Michigan's 500,000 feminine voters will line up to prevent the return of the saloon.

FIND FORTY JOKERS IN WINE-BEER BILL

Wet Amendment to Be Voted On Monday Is Master Piece of Camouflage, Drys Declare.

Lansing, Mich.—[illegible] who are [illegible] this season's [illegible] pinned a name upon the proposed wine and beer amendment of the wets which promises [illegible] with it [illegible] after [illegible] election [illegible] April 7 [illegible] time [illegible] the Drys [illegible] enumerating [illegible] the measure and taking his [illegible] from [illegible] the capitol [illegible] christened the amendment "The Forty Jokers." It is upon the presence of these "Jokers" in the amendment, which make it something other than what it purports to be, that the Drys are basing their hopes for the defeat of the measure by Michigan voters on election day.

Among the jokers enumerated is one, it is said, that would make it legal, if the amendment was adopted, to give wine, beer, ale or porter to boys and girls; another would restrict the legislature from making any laws that would limit the amount of alcohol these beverages could contain; and a third feature of the amendment would repeal the right of counties to vote on local option, and would hereby make every county wet whether it so desired to be or not. If adopted the Drys charge, the amendment would throw Michigan wide open in a way that the state has not seen in 50 years.

NO DEBATE ON WINE AND BEER AMENDMENT

Wets Decline Invitation of Drys to Thrash Issue Out on Platform.

Lansing, Mich.—Michigan will hear no debates this spring upon the relative merits and demerits of the proposed wine and beer amendment to the constitution, which will be voted upon April 7. Some weeks ago a challenge was issued from the headquarters of the Michigan Anti-Saloon League here inviting representatives of the liquor interests to talk the question over in public, but the invitation has thus far brought no response from the champions of the wine and beer measure.

"Our only inference," remarked Grant M. Hudson, superintendent of the Michigan Anti-Saloon League, "is that the wets realize their measure is so lacking in merit that no defense for it is possible."

Another invitation addressed by the Drys directly to State Senator Arthur E. Wood of Detroit a few days ago, has likewise remained unanswered.

"NO BEER, MORE WORK" SLOGAN OF WOLVERINES

Governor Albert E. Sleeper So Tells New Yorkers in Interview.

Lansing, Mich.—On the eve of what is expected to be the last wet and dry fight in Michigan, the Dry forces of the state have adopted a slogan, "No beer, more work," coined by Governor Albert E. Sleeper.

The slogan has come from here New York, where it was first enunciated by the governor in the course of an interview granted to the New York Journal.

The governor was asked whether the "No beer, no work" movement would effect Michigan.

"Not at all," he answered. "Our experience is 'no beer, more work.'"

The governor's declaration is expected by the Drys to much help the Dry cause when the proposed wine and beer amendment is voted on April 7.

PLAN NEW BILL TO ADMINISTER ROAD BOND FUND

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER ROGERS MEETS WITH LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES TO ARRANGE FOR DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY.

TO MEET FEDERAL AID FIRST

Government to Furnish Equipment As Well As Cash to Help Pull The Wolverine State Out of the Mud.

Lansing, April 2.—Highway committees of the House and Senate, together with State Highway Commissioner Frank F. Rogers, are busy working out a new bill for introduction immediately following the ratification of the Good Roads amendment at the election April 7, which will serve to arrange for the distribution of the money to be raised from time to time on the highway bonds.

Rep. Frank B. Aldrich's bill establishing a sliding scale of state reward for road building, which most people supposed was designed as the machinery for the administration of the highway bond proceeds, will serve only as a part of the legislative machinery. Commissioner Rogers has gauged public sentiment and is convinced the people now so understand the proposed Highway amendment and so thoroughly approve of a system of permanent roads built under a deferred payment plan and with Uncle Sam matching the state's investment on a dollar for dollar basis, that he is proceeding under the assumption that the proposal will get an overwhelmingly favorable vote at the [illegible] election.

[illegible] must be provided to assure [illegible] of the funds raised from [illegible] from the sale of bonds, to guarantee Michigan its more than $[illegible] share of federal aid during the next two years. Some special provision must be made

State Highway Commissioner, Frank F. Rogers.

for caring for bridge construction in such a way that it will not be a burden on the local community and there must be machinery to assure the local communities their full quota of state reward. All these points will be incorporated in a new bill which probably will be one of the last pieces of legislation pushed through the house and senate.

Mr. Rogers also announced that Michigan will receive some 4 per cent of the vast quantities of war equipment and supplies that could be converted to highway building. This will be distributed in the same ratio as the Federal aid and he already has assurance of a large number of trucks, automobiles, stone crushers, road rollers, surveyors' instruments, tractors, locomotives, cars, narrow-gauge track, steam shovels, concrete mixers, etc. And this is but a small portion of what Uncle Sam will send into Michigan to help the state spend its own and the government money in the most economical, efficient manner in the construction of a comprehensive system of main market roads leading into every community.

SUPERVISORS INDORSE GOOD ROAD AMENDMENT.

Nearly all of the County Boards of Supervisors have passed resolutions indorsing the proposal to amend the constitution to provide the machinery for issuing bonds from time to time for the construction of a system of main market roads leading to every community. In addition to the indorsement of individual boards, the State Association of County Supervisors, in annual session at Lansing, adopted a resolution pledging themselves individually and collectively to help [illegible] and [illegible] educate the people to the true character of the proposal.

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Elephant Hunting.

In Ceylon elephants are hunted chiefly for [illegible], as they do not bear so much ivory as the elephants of Africa and elsewhere.

MORTGAGE SALE

[illegible]

Value of "Wire Dragwork."

"Wire dragwork" is a technical expression used in connection with the making of coast surveys and the mapping of ocean waters. Such surveys are necessary in order to chart the routes of coastwise traffic and in making them the ocean is dragged below the surface to discover hidden dangers to navigation. This is done with a wire [illegible] constructed for the purpose, and it [illegible] discloses dangers unknown and unsuspected before. The secretary of commerce says in his annual report: "One of the rocks discovered in Alaska is truly a sort of submerged Washington monument, except that it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] bottom of the channel to within 17 feet [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] present a sin [illegible]

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