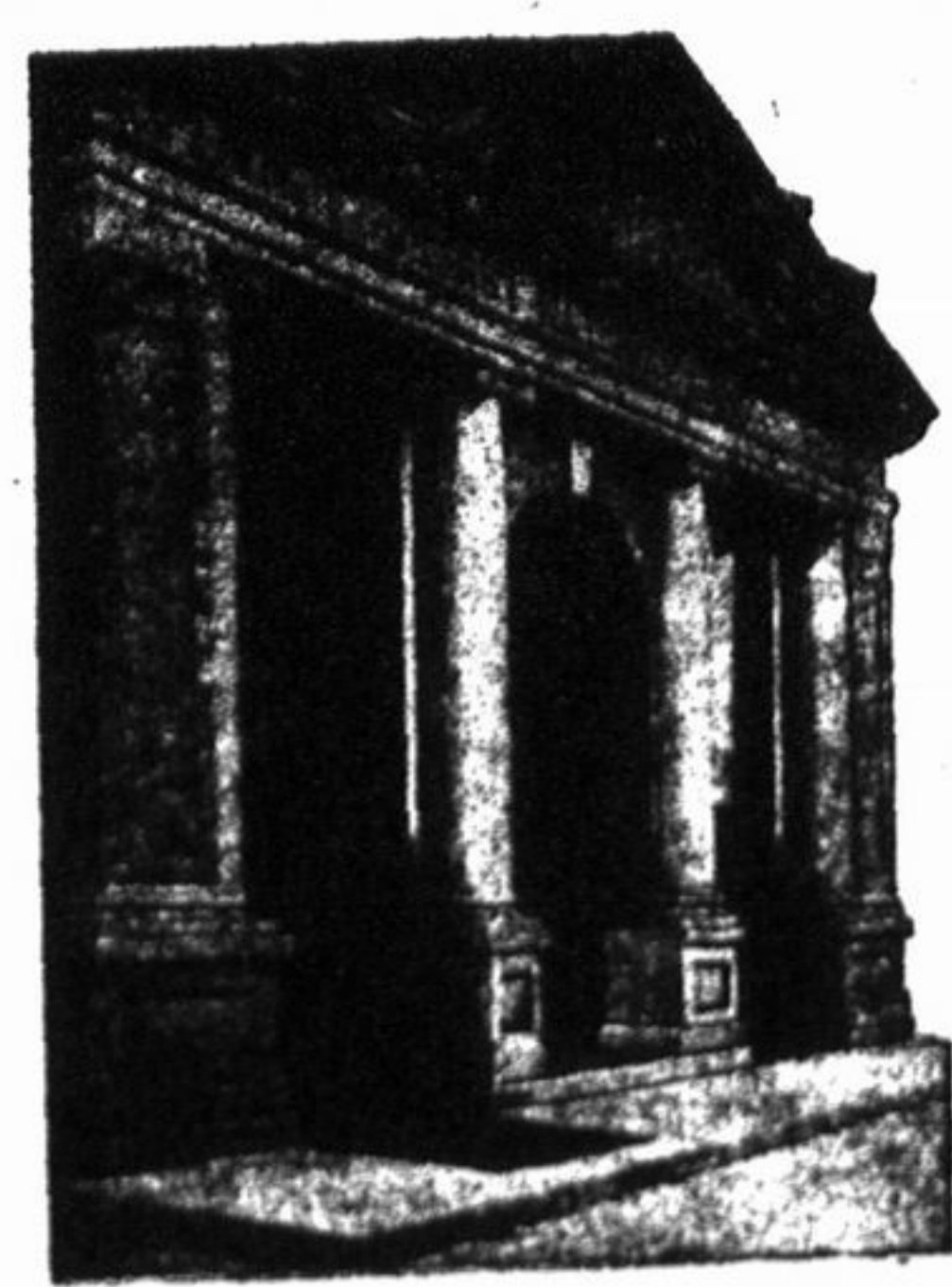


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## THE VICTORY LOAN

must be put over the top with flying colors!

Every discharged soldier and sailor is entitled to the \$60.00 bonus — thousands of our boys are still in France and must be brought home—the war is not yet over — all these things take money and lots of it.

Help your government by subscribing to the Fifth Loan. This bank will give the usual terms to those who cannot pay cash for their purchases.

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK**  
Downers Grove, Illinois.

## HOTTEST SCHOOL ELECTION ENDS; SHAFER VICTOR

1251 Votes Polled Last Saturday in Most Bitter Campaign Ever Waged Here.

James R. Shaffer was re-elected head of the Board of Education and Horace G. Butler, Walter R. Curtis and Mrs. Minnie Prince selected as members in the school election of District 58, held last Saturday.

It was the most bitter campaign ever staged in Downers Grove. Each faction used every artifice known in politics to win and many varied were the arguments with which each side hoped to convince the voters.

Automobiles by the dozen were used to carry in the men and women and workers were on all street corners and at every train.

It taxed the powers of the election board; Richard Blakey and Joseph

## VICTORY LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS LAGGING HERE

Committee Forced to Make a House-to-House Canvass of Village to Put Our Quota Over

The sale of Victory Bonds in Downers Grove is lagging. To date only about \$25,000 has been purchased which means that more buying will have to be done to put over our share of the loan.

Considering the smallness of our share, \$138,000, the local committee thought it probable that we could put it over without a house-to-house canvass. To accommodate buyers workers were at J. W. Tucker's office and the village hall on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and evenings, but the buyers were conspicuous by their very absence. The banks have been taking in their fair share of subscriptions but not in sufficient



## THE VICTORY LOAN

Is the most attractive War Loan ever offered by the United States Government—

The bonds will mature in four years and bear 4 1/2 per cent interest.

It will be your last opportunity to subscribe for a high rate Government Bond.

**DON'T DELAY! BUY TODAY!**  
**Farmer's and Merchant's Bank**  
Oldest Bank in Downers Grove

## Groceries at Service Prices

5 pound jar Savoy Preserved Pineapple	\$1.79
American Beauty Ginger Snaps in Kegs	35c
Sugar Wafers, Nabisco Style, per pound	45c
Libby's Mammoth Asparagus, large can	38c
Peanut Butter per pound	25c
Plymouth Brand, Luncheon Beans, 2 cans	25c
Fancy Sweet Corn, per can	15c
Cottage Brand, Fancy Apricots in Syrup, per can	35c
Plymouth Brand, Lima Beans, 2 cans	21c
Imported Worcestershire Sauce, per bottle	11c
5 pound can Rumford Baking Powder	\$1.25
Plymouth Rock Brand, Red Beans, 2 cans	27c
Savoy Pork and Beans in Tomato Sauce, per can	18c

### BIG SHOE SPECIALS

\$3.00 to \$4.50 quality Ladies and Misses Pumps and Oxfords, all good quality stock, about 30 pairs to close out at \$1.95  
\$3.00 to \$4.00 Boys' Oxfords to close out at \$1.75

### "KEDS"

We have all sizes in Ladies, Miss, Mens, Boys and Childrens White Shoes and Oxfords, biggest stock.

## Lehmann & Michel

Dry Goods, Groceries and General Merchandise  
28-30 South Main Street Two Phones 177-178

Dear Sir:—  
You want your feet to look well and feel well. The W. L. DOUGLAS Shoes spell Style and Comfort, — "unequaled each without the other."

A new stock of these shoes, real leather, right shapes and honest workmanship waits your inspection at

THE CORNER GROCERY

P. S. — Happy feet make happy folks, and happy folks eat more than dismal grouches — THAT'S why we sell SHOES at The Corner Grocery.

Yours truly,  
J. W. Nash

**THE CORNER GROCERY**  
J. W. NASH Phone 59 - M

### SPRING IS HERE!

The robins, the bluebirds and other feathered folk have returned from the southland and nature is beginning to put on her coat of varied colors. Doesn't this suggest anything to you Mr. Painter and Decorator? Spring is the logical time for house cleaning and house cleaning naturally suggests painting, papering and a general brightening up.

Thru the Reporter columns tell folks how good you can do their work.

## THE NEW VERSAILLES SEPARATOR



Weimer, Judges; and George C. Butler and N. R. Feasley, Clerks; to keep up with the long lines which formed to register their choice for these important posts.

People by the hundreds all over the village sat up until very late awaiting the returns. A crowd gathered around the polling place and each bulletin was received with renewed interest for they showed what the count was very close and either Shaffer or John W. Graves his opponent, might win.

The first 124 votes counted went Shaffer 62; Graves 62; and this was the way they went nearly all thru the tally. At 500 Mr. Shaffer was leading by 24 but lost his lead a little later. The ninth and tenth hundred counted went Shaffer 102, Graves 98 and by this time the crowd was holding its breath.

It was after midnight before the board had finished its work which showed that Mr. Shaffer led by 51 votes, the closest election on the school question held within the memory of even the oldest inhabitant.

It was conceded early in the count that while the result of the presidential fight might be in doubt, H. G. Butler, Walter R. Curtis and Mrs. Minnie Prince were running way ahead of the head of their ticket.

Each of these three was elected by a wide enough margin to make it safe to predict they would be after

quantities to put over the loan unassisted.

The canvassers will start a house-to-house campaign the latter part of the week to sell the issue. Be ready for them with your bit toward financing the government. The usual plans of payment will be followed, purchasers having the option of cash, the bank or the government plans of partial payments.

Undoubtedly small investors will never have another chance to buy United States bonds as good as these. The interest rate and the early maturing feature make them worth while.

Downers Grove has never fallen down on any of the money raising campaigns since the war started. S. Curtis, chairman of the local Liberty Loan Committee and his workers are determined that we will subscribe our share of this loan.

Do your bond buying at home, give Downers Grove the benefit of your purchase. Our quota must be subscribed. Help do it.

### FREE GOVERNMENT VEGETABLE SEEDS AT THIS OFFICE

If you have a garden and wish to receive a package of seed thru the kindness of Congressman Ira C. Copley, come around to the Reporter office and get yours. It will be a case of first come, first served, so do not delay, or they will be all gone.

These are the regular government seed packets and were sent to us by Mr. Copley for distribution.

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## Home Repairs

Better Make Them Now

If your neighbor has let his porch sag at the corners and failed to repair a broken stair you have set him down as shiftless. Maybe he sees in your yard an old sidewalk to the alley that should be replaced with a concrete one.

People may be looking over your fence. Why not make everything shipshape right away, indoors and out, and while you're doing the job, do it well.

We have everything you can possibly need for modernizing your home. Concrete makes a fine porch floor and steps. We have the best of roofing, paint and lumber.

Drop in and talk over your work with us. Our long experience in the building business has made it possible for us to help many householders with their repairs as well as new building. We can recommend a good contractor and give you an estimate of the cost of everything needed.

Our business is to help you get the most for your building money.

We Close at 12:00 o'clock on Saturday during the Months of May, June, July and August.

## Lord Lumber Company

Phone Day 20

Phone after 6 P. M. 142 J

### AN ADVRA-TORIAL

For lo' and behold, east ye bread upon the waters and it will come unto you ten fold" — or words to that effect.

That's the best boost for advertising ever written, for it contains a little paragraph the explanation of the effects of printer's ink rightly speaking. Talking to your customers through our news-per is the best addressing an audience composed of every Downers Grove resident.