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WE MUST buy bonds to the last cent of our ability, because our country is fighting for its very life. Make no mistake, citizens of America, the crisis is just that—we are fighting for our very life.

We must fight this war through. We must fight it through to a peace the basis of which will be written by us and our allies.

Germany must not write a single clause in the Treaty. She must be whipped until she will sign a treaty every word of which will be drawn by the Allies. Germany must not be allowed to dot an i or cross a t.

Why?

Because Germany has become nothing but a robber empire, a murderer empire, an empire every purpose of which is the enslavement of the rest of the world. Such purposes admit of no compromise. We must conquer or die. If we do not conquer we shall, nevertheless, die—and die slaves.

Germany began with the intention of robbing France of her iron, her coal, her best land and her great factories; of making Belgium with her rich mines, great cities and immense factories a part of Germany; of gaining the Belgian coast, from which she might conquer England, and of combining under her flag the hordes of Mohammedan Turks, and all the Balkan States, so that she might train soldiers in countless millions, build navies to sweep the oceans, and conquer the world.

This war was to be a step toward world conquest.

If we do not fight the war through to complete victory she will still keep on and she will succeed. She will surely succeed!

Russia with her nearly 200,000,000 people lies prostrate at Germany's feet. Germany could now give up the Balkan States, give up Belgium, force Austria to yield up the Italian territories, give up conquered France, yes, she could give up these, and even Alsace-Lorraine, and if allowed a free hand in Russia, she would still have won a victory greater than any of which she ever dreamed at the beginning of the war.

Give her control of Russia and she can, and will, within a few years come back with power to take back Alsace-Lorraine, crush poor Belgium once more and destroy exhausted France, sweep every vestige of resistance from Europe, Asia and Africa, and then what?

Then she will thunder at our doors—from Asia she will invade us on the West, from Europe on the East, and from any possible seized vantage point on any side.

If Germany has control over the terms of peace, we who read this will live to see one of the Kaiser's six sons Emperor of America.

The time to whip Germany is now!

It is now or never!

The Princes of Germany are shaking dice for the United States!

It will take money, money, money, that we may send men, men, men!

Buy Bonds, for so only can the war be won. Unless it is won, everything you possess is lost, and with it the American soul is lost

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