

THIRD LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE

**Next Drive Will be Open Between
March 15 and April 1, is the
Belief.**

It is probable that the next Liberty Loan will be offered to the people of the United States sometime after March 15 and April 1, according to the belief of North Dakota officials of the state committee who attended a conference of the members of the Ninth district committee in Minneapolis last Saturday.

That the loan will be from \$5,000,000,000 to \$8,000,000,000, and will be followed quickly with a drive for more funds for the Red Cross, is also reported.

Chairman McDowell, of Marion, in reply to a question as to what effect the date of drive would have on results in North Dakota, stated:

"It has been our purpose to acquaint the administration with the true situation here this spring and as a result I do not think that more of this loan will be allotted to North Dakota than we can easily handle if we make up our minds to do so."

Plans for the coming campaign have been gone over and each state director was urged to complete his organization at once so as to be ready to start the work as soon as the dates are announced.

"I believe it is going to be easier to sell Liberty Bonds now than it has been heretofore," said Mr. McDowell. "Our boys are now in France, fighting for our cause, and the people of the nation are fully awake to the necessity of backing them up with all the resources at our command. We must prepare ourselves for whatever may happen. Should our armies meet with serious reverses over there it is highly important that we are provided with ample financial resources to take care of a situation that would arise as a result."

The new Red Cross drive will be started as soon as the third Liberty Loan is out of the way, it is said. Just what the amount asked will be has not been announced, but it is freely rumored in the east that it will be for more than was called for during the previous campaign. It is probable that the same organization which handles the former campaign will be retained for the spring drive.