

'SAFE' BONDS PURCHASED FOR VETERANS WHILE FLOTATIONS WERE SHOWING HUGE LOSSES

Issues Also Bought for Mentally Afflicted Ex-Soldiers Before Court Had Approved Actions, Records Disclose.

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MARION, Ind., March 3.—"Your guardian considers said investments safe and free from undue hazard and as remunerative to ward's estate that could be made."

Those words were incorporated in a petition to invest funds of a World war veteran brought before Grant County Circuit Judge O. D. Clawson, by Marshall Williams, secretary and trust officer of the Grant Trust and Savings company, on Sept. 30, 1930.

(Mr. Williams is not the Marshall Williams formerly connected with the Democratic state committee.)

The petition was approved for the expenditure of \$5,150 of the insane veterans' funds.

At the time of the petition, one group of bonds, Harding building, 6½ per cent, for which a \$300 investment was asked, had sent out bondholder statements showing a loss of \$14,000 for that year and failure to pay taxes on properties two and one-half years prior to 1930.

A mortgage loan for \$2,500 on the real estate of C. F. Richardson, requested in the investment petition and maturing in Oct. 1930, was foreclosed Jan. 11, 1932, for the estate of the insane veteran and bought by the guardian at a sheriff's sale for \$3,124.

Cost Was \$248.19

It cost the veterans' estate \$248.19 in delinquent tax payments, attorney fees, and court costs to obtain the property which on Sept. 30 was termed as a "safe and free from undue hazard and as remunerative to the ward's estate."

Belmont hotel bonds petitioned to the extent of \$500 in the same court request on Sept. 30, 1930, were later defaulted in interest, and now said to be in receivership.

Harding building bonds too, later were defaulted.

On Dec. 12, 1933, losses estimated at \$5,150, the exact amount of the so-called "safe investments," is sought in a suit against the Grant Trust by the new First National bank in Marion.

All Shown As Losses

All of the investments cited above are shown as losses to the veterans' estate in the suit.

All of the investments had been purchased from six months to three years prior to any court order being obtained for their investment in the ward's estate according to the records.

The present receiver of the Grant Trust, Howard W. Hooper, refused The Indianapolis Times permission to look at the company's books to establish whether the Richardson mortgage loan was delinquent in either payments of interest or principal when ordered by the court to be placed to the credit of the veterans' estate.

Mr. Hooper explained that the impending court action, suits, and litigation against the Grant Trust prevented him from clarifying the transactions on Sept. 30, 1930.

Bonds presumably purchased in 1926 and petitioned for in that year shrunk in value in later reports in guardianship records of the Grant Trust.

For instance, in Case 1926, bonds totaling \$8,000 in Manghelli Bros., a Marion corporation in 1926, secured by a mortgage, fade to \$4,000 on the final report of the Grant Trust.

Purchased in '26, Says Report

The bonds, apparently, were petitioned for and purchased in 1926 with the purchase date on the Grant's ledger, according to the veterans' bureau report, as May 25, 1926, but the petition to invest with court approval made for \$8,000 of the bonds on Oct. 18, 1926.

The earlier alleged purchase of the bonds shows that in May, 1926 only \$4,000 of the bonds were bought instead of \$8,000 petitioned for five months later.

The same variance of amounts credited to estates shows in current court reports of realty mortgages assigned to the incompetent veterans' estates.

Case 1926, who at present is in a closed ward at the Marion Veterans' hospital, is shown by investment petitions to have had purchased for his estate by the Grant Trust a mortgage loan for \$1,300 and \$1,000 in property of Lewis F. De Wolf, Marion.

But in Sept. 30, 1930, a new investment petition is requested for \$1,800 mortgage on the De Wolf property.

Loan Shows Paid Off

In Nov. 25, 1933, the Lewis De-Wolf loan is shown paid off in the final report of the First National of Marion (now in receivership) but the amount of the loan is \$1,300 not the \$1,800 as shown in the investment petition of Sept. 30, 1930 nor \$1,000 as shown to be one of the requested purchases on March 6 of the same year.

The First National of Marion took over the guardianships of the Grant and the records on Case 1907 as well as the assets and liabilities.

A loan from an individual to an individual secured by an adjusted compensation certificate (bonus) is not permissible under the United States Veterans' administration.

The loans may be made by an individual.

In the guardianship court records of Case 1907 is shown a \$360 loan, secured by a bonus certificate, to Robert Patrick Kiley.

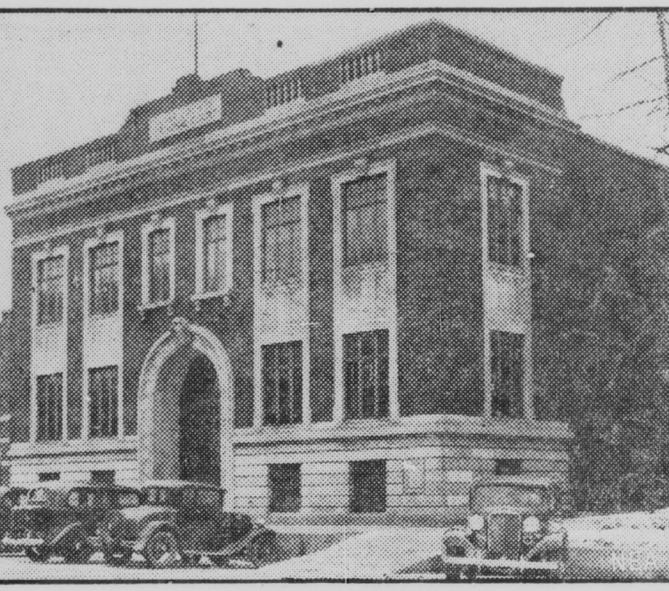
The loan notation is in the first current report of the old First National of Marion filed with the circuit court Feb. 10, 1932.

It shows that the loan was made apparently without a prior court order.

In the year 1931 to 1932, Robert P. Kiley, beer importer of Marion, was listed as vice-president and cashier of the old First National bank of Marion.

Mr. Kiley in the case of No. 1995

PICTURES TELL STORY OF DILLINGER'S LIFE, HIS PALS AND ESCAPES FROM PRISONS



MOBSTER NEVER TO PAY, EX-JUDGE SAYS

Clarence Marley Believes Dillinger Safe.

The first judge John Dillinger faced in his crime-stained career declared today that the mobster never will stand trial for his infamous series of bank robbery and murder charges.

Clarence Marley, the justice of peace who turned Dillinger over to Circuit Judge Williams of Martinsville after the criminal had robbed a Mooresville storekeeper, said that he believed authorities never will capture Dillinger alive.

Marley, now manager of the City Hall restaurant, posted a cryptic sign upon the city hall bulletin board when he received news that the gangster had escaped. The sign read:

"Johnny Isn't With Them Any More."

To the crowd of city employees who gathered around Marley, the former justice of peace reviewed the early history of Dillinger's criminal career.

Marley told how Dillinger and an accomplice had robbed a Mooresville storekeeper after beating him on the head. Dillinger was told by his father to plead guilty in order to escape with a light sentence.

Whereas, Dillinger's partner pleaded not guilty and received a light sentence from the circuit judge, the now notorious criminal received from one to twenty years at the Indiana state reformatory.

It was this heavy sentence that embittered Dillinger against society and started him on his long career of crime, Marley believes.

Burglar Loots City Residence

Frederick Sudbrock, 829 North Hamilton avenue, reported his home entered last night by a burglar, who stole \$37, a string of pearls, valued at \$7.50 and food stuffs of undetermined value.

JAPAN FRIENDLY TO U.S., GENERAL SAYS

Exchange Club Hears Talk by Fort Commander.

The better class of Japanese now are friendly with the United States members of the Exchange Club were told yesterday by Brigadier-General William E. Naylor, Fort Benjamin Harrison commander.

General Naylor traced history of the development of Japan's program of expansion into continental Asia.

He declared that Japan, having reached the population saturation point, with 440 persons per square mile of arable land, has found it necessary to expand westward, the only possible direction, into Manchuria, where fertile land and rich deposits of coal and iron are available.

SOCIAL WORKERS TO CELEBRATE AT DINNER

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of Club Will Be Observed.

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