

*I will remember Frank Stephens, not as an economist, not as a fighter for economic justice, not as a writer, not as an orator, but as a fearless soul, a believer in liberty and an opponent to war who wrote a great letter that should be as famous as Nathan Hale's "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."*

*Frank Stephens was a pacifist and opposed the World War. He walked into the White House the day after Mr. Wilson went before Congress and asked for a Declaration of War, and delivered the letter to Assistant-Secretary Foster to be delivered to the President.*

*The letter reads as follows:*

*"Washington, D. C.  
"April 3, 1917.*

*"Mr. President:*

*"The bloodguilt of this war is upon you and neither you nor the law shall make me a sharer in it. I will neither kill nor help kill.*

*"When it seems expedient to you, as it soon must, to make an example by punishment of those who will not obey your war laws and who appeal to others not to obey them I offer myself for that service to my country.*

*FRANK STEPHENS"*

*Nathan Hale may have been sorry he had but one life to lose for his country. He had no choice but to lose it; but greater than that was the courageous act of Frank Stephens.*

*During the war he was indicted under the Espionage Act for giving reasons for refusing to buy liberty bonds, but after a trial was acquitted. He opposed war in the time of war when governments, the people and the press were insane on the subject. Frank Stephens never weighed his opinions by the time, or the opinions of friends. There was a man.*

*HARRY WEINBERGER.*