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A REMINDER FOR EVERY DAY
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BANKS ORDERING HAND GRENADES

Over 175,000 Children in Fifth District Will Be Routing Enemy Waste, During Summer Months.

Richmond, Va.—According to the latest available figures over five hundred banks in the Fifth Federal Reserve District have ordered supplies of hand grenade penny-savings banks that are to be used by the children for summer savings. The total number of hand grenades that have been ordered exceeds 175,000.

The plan of the hand grenade bank originated in the Treasury Department and the banks are being distributed in this district by the War Loan Organization here. Every school child under the age of seventeen years may be applying at the local bank, receive one of these hand grenade penny-banks as a loan for the vacation period. If during the summer, enough money is saved to purchase one or more War Savings Stamps the bank becomes the property of the child.

The banks are made out of real hand grenades that were to have been used against the Huns. With percussion cap and high explosive removed, and slots cut to receive and take out coins, they are now doing service against the enemy waste, as banks for savings.

School officials all over the district are enthusiastic about the plan, as they feel that it will not only keep alive but strengthen the thrift ideals that already have been implanted in the minds of the children.

J. H. Binford, assistant superintendent of public schools here, has endorsed the scheme. In a recent letter expressing the hope that all the banks in the district would co-operate in getting supplies of the hand grenades, as the school children are enthusiastic about securing them.

OBJECT IS TO MAKE PEOPLE PROSPEROUS

Government Much Interested in Series of War Savings Societies That Are Rapidly Being Organized.

Government officials at Washington are watching with no little interest the growth of a series of societies springing up all over the United States. They have already attained a membership that reaches well up into the millions.

Treasury department officials are particularly interested in this movement and it is fostered by that department. As soon as a society is formed the names of the president, secretary and each individual member are placed in the treasury department archives.

These societies are War Savings Societies, and the motive of each society is Thrift. The government, in favoring these organizations, has not only in view the replenishing of the United States treasury through the sale of Thrift and War Savings Stamps but the big idea is to cause each individual member to learn the value to himself of being thrifty.

The government is not seeking to divert capital from legitimate commercial enterprises. It does not want to tie up vast sums. It is the person who has never saved systematically that it is the most anxious to reach. This person can put aside the small amounts that he has been accustomed to spend and this drawing four per cent compound interest, will in an incredibly short time grow into a large enough sum to make the first payment on a home, or to provide a sum with which one may make a permanent investment.

"Nothing is surer!" said Napoleon after the battle of Jena. In days of prosperity insure against emergencies. Buy financial safety with War Savings Stamps.

AGENTS CARRYING MESSAGE OF THRIFT

Harold Braddock, Director of Savings Division Writes Letter of Appreciation to Each of Eighteen Hundred Workers.

First-hand information and suggestions as to how to obtain increased efficiency and prosperity may now be obtained by women on the farm, in any part of the country, from the home demonstration agents of the department of agriculture. Entering into the national savings movement with a zest that characterizes all their work, some eighteen hundred of these home demonstration agents have been carrying the message of thrift into the farm houses all over the United States.

In appreciation of their voluntarily undertaken work, Director Braddock has written a letter to each worker, a commendation which reads in part: "Thrift is primarily the people's concern. If thrift is to become a permanent national asset, the people's agencies and organizations must definitely assume their share of responsibility for inculcating thrift by including it in their program for action. Schools, churches, business and labor organizations, fraternal societies and women's organizations, as well as agricultural workers and agencies, are already undertaking this work and are in close co-operation with the treasury department."

According to Mr. Braddock's letter, plans for the creation of savings facilities in the home are outlined, as follows:

- "1. Habit of saving first some part of income for future needs and of spending wisely for present needs.
- "2. Home betterment fund, to secure, for example, running water in the house.
- "3. Savings plan for every boy and girl.
- "4. Savings fund in government securities for every family.
- "5. Keeping of accounts to promote wise spending and to increase savings.
- "6. Safe investment of savings (Nos. 2, 3, 4) in government securities until money is needed; War Savings Stamps as a desirable investment."

EASY TO SAVE

By the same token that the best way to have anything is do it yourself, the best way to get ahead in the world is save regularly and invest wisely. Your children may be buying Thrift Stamps but the nickels and dimes and quarters they are able to save won't buy a new automobile or a home or a cultivator. The money to do that will not be saved unless you save it.

It's easy enough to save if you do it the W. S. S. way. Quarters planted in Thrift Stamps grow into War Savings Stamps and the interest makes them grow like rain does a summer flower. Save for that happy opportunity. If you're not in a War Savings Society—get in one. Be with the crowd.

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Will You Help Prevent Fire?

President Wilson Says:

"Preventable fire is more than a private misfortune. It is a public dereliction. . . . Every means should be taken to prevent this evil."

Fire Prevention Suggestions

1. Prohibit smoking by employees.
2. After using a match, be sure the flame is extinguished BEFORE throwing the match away.
3. Do not allow bonfires to be built on your premises.
4. Do not put hot ashes in wooden boxes or wooden barrels, not on wooden floors.
5. Do not leave dampers in stovepipes open when you go to bed, or go out of the house.
6. Remove all combustible rubbish from unoccupied rooms, and from attics and cellars and yards.

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