SAVING TO STABILIZE BUSINESS OF COUNTRY

Systematic Buying and Elimination of Waste Lead to Prompt Payment of Bills and Happiness.

American thrift will go far to save the life of the world, to bring liberty and to make the pursuit of happiness possible to oppressed humanity. Periedically in the United States there have come times of financial depres**sion**; production has exceeded con amption; factory doors have closed workers have found themselves without money and the retailers who serve them have faced the gloomy atterna**tive** of refusing credit and going out of business because of lack of trade, or extending credit and going to smash because of tack of funds. The store doses its doors and immediately other stores, even those competing, feel the sawholesome influence. Panic spreads dest as surely as when there is a run on a bank and fallure stares many morchants in the face.

s combinity are the more promptly they pay their bills, and the more promptly bills are paid the more remote becomes the possibility of fallure. If every worker is a systematic mever, with savings made possible by careful, intelligent buying and the chimination of waste, the hard time mendously shortened. It is, therefore, good business for the retailer to join in a cumpaign against impulsive buydush times, buys an unnecessarily elaborate article, and who, in hard times, repudiates his bills, is not as good a customer as the one who used restraint in his day of prosperity and had a margin for the rulny day. The former undermines business-the intter stabilizes it.

The judicious buyer who exercises care in his purchase also carefully and conscientiously meets his obligations, The man who throws money away treats his bills as "a scrap of paper."

Waste is an enemy of good business. In certain districts of New York investigators found that 11 per cent of the contents of the gurbage cuts was per fectly good forefatuff. The amount of unable material shandoned in this country every year amounts to mil The farmer leaves the plow to outside the harn all winhousewife overheats the house; the factory worker throws good material on the scrap heap, and all those things make it possible that in the United States teslay there are 1,250,000 people, whose working days are over, dependent upon charity, halfvidual and county, to the extent of \$230,000,000 a year, dependent because in their earning days they cultivated habits of waste rather than three of thrift.

Education in thrift must be an refu ention in values. That estment in must extend most the workers of today to routh's previous erhoud of the principles of how to live. a helpful and progressive problems of a warkadar The higgest lack in this na tion is a department which will teach

The come man who is erhoot recolved the proper training in theift will take account of the use of sax ings. Savings is worse than nepless If the hard carned accumulations are invested in some of the innumerable gold brick, get rich guick schemes which take millions of dollars out of our communities each vent.

The treasury department is confident | Violin Solo that no safer and more attractive plan has been offered for the encourage ment of small extensite investment than that of War Savings Stamps. If the investor can for aside but 25 cents a week he has here the means of put. ting that amount away in a cafe we enrity. If he can set uside four dal lare and a few odd cents each week that amount begins working for him at a good rate of interest, which with the principal be will receive at the

In a certain great industrial plant where M per cent of the employees were regular buyers of theift stamps the influenza epidemic was met with the minimum of suffering. The men had the funds available for doctor and medicine and proper food. They met this amazing record is made. Figures their bills promptly and did not embar. cannot alone tell the great blessings rass the merchants of the community. Odd Fellowship has brought to the preparing their returns. It would be hard today to get any of these men to abandon the thrift habit which the government has taught them.

Cardinal Gibbons for Savings. An appeal for continued support of the government's war savings campaign has been issued by Cardinal Gib.

cardinal, "to continue the saving good authority that "the Order of habit. To buy war savings is the clear daty of every American citizen young and old. I urge all our clergy to promote this campaign by every means in their power. I urge our people to give their heartlest mpport, and from the splendid eviof their patriotism shown in he last two years I am confident that rill meet with great succe

LARGE AUDIENCE WAS PRESENT AT I.O.O.F. CENTENNIAL

Local Lodge Entertained Over Two Hundred Members of Order, Relatives and Friends.

Presentation of the Colors with an escort of twelve Cantons, in full dress, and the singing of "America", opened the 100th Anniversary or Centennial Celebration held by Downers Grove Lodge, No. 750, Independent Order of Odd Fellows at their hall last Monday evening.

Close to two hundred members, relatives and friends were present to have a good time, celebrating the one hundredth year since the founding of this great order and the same scenes are to be enacted all over the United States during the coming month.

Plans were being formulated for this event for the past few months Now the more thrifty the people of by the committee of the local lodge to make this the banner event of the season. How well this was accomplished can be judged by the program and much credit is due Mr. George T. Schindler for getting together such talented Downers Grove people who were on the short but very elegant

Without a doubt there are better entertainers in any town along the "Q" than those right here in the ing and waste. The mechanic who, in Grove, who respond most generously ter. to the demands made upon them by the various organizations of the village. The piano selection by Miss Helen Beidelman was rendered in most pleasing manner as was the vio lin solo by Raymond Klein . The vo cal selection by Miss Mary Bryan was also greatly enjoyed. After these three young artists had entertained those present, Mr. George T Schindler gave a brief history of the Order and Mr. A. F. Beidelman gave a reading which showed a thorough knowledge of this dificult art. Then cume a beautiful and very eleverly executed exhibition of toe dancing by Miss Woodson. The program ended with short talks relative to Ord Fellow-hip and what it means by Captains Reilcin, Robby, Chase, Patterson and Major Krumloff, of the Aurora Canton. The Lodge wishes to public thank all those who so gener ously gave their services to help along this Anniversary Celebration.

A social hour followed the pro gram in which time everyone was re suested to get together and get ar quainted. Right here let me intersperse to say that this get together business is a noteworthy feature of add falles gatherings at all times LUXURY TAX and special requests and members at rays make it their business, whenever isiters come to the hall, that there tall be no "wall flowers" and hese social hours are always empoyed by

After the social hour everyone adimmed to the hanquet table; vehere the inner self was eatisfied and then arother get together was started until each and everyone had enough for one evening and had to start home ard on account of the late hour.

Following is the proc - m and also brief history of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Piano Solo Vocal Selection Brief History of the Order

Miss Woodson

American Odd Fellowship was 100 years old on April 26, 1919,

the Order is hown by the statement and all of Dillage county of a recent Grand Sire who said. end of five years. Let the necessity of this frateemity. In 1819, one lodge hard times—he can have the ready wand Body's (Grand Lodges, Grand and he made on or before June 30. cash ten days after he applies for it. Encampenents and Robekah Assemblies) and considerably more than-10, 000 Subordinate bodies, with a mem-Leaship of 2.225,707" being 1,691,000 Odd Fellows and 531,617 Rebekahs. In little less than one hundred years world. The lessons of Friendship, Love and Truth have been taught to many millions of men, women and children. Many of these rest from their labors and their names remain on the

rolls of the army of our honored dead. A Look Backward.

proached, it is natural to take a sur-"We should welcome the opportunity |vey of the past. The order was born afforded by our government," said the beyond the seas. It is stated upon Odd Fellows originated in England part of the century beginning with severe suffering. 1700 the celebrated Dani-I De Foe mentions the Society of Odd Fellows and in the Gentleman's Magazine for 1745, the Odd Fellows' Lodge is mentioned as 'a place where very pleasant and recreative evenings are spent. tery.

The poet James Montgomery, in 1788, PRIZES WON BY wrote a song for a body of Odd Fel-

Transplanted to America

From the highly respected parent age of English Odd Fellowship was born the American branch on April 26, 1819. Many vain attempts were made prior to this to transplant the Order to the New World. It was left for Thomas Wildey and his four asso-

ciates to plant the seed that germinated into American Odd Fellowship. Thomas Wildey was born in London, January 15 1782. It is said of him that on reaching manhood he was initiated into an Odd Fellow Lodge in which he distinguished himself by his zeal and itegrity. He came to the City of Baltimore,

a stranger in a strange country. Among Englishmen he met John Welch, an Odd Fellow. At once he began to take the preliminary steps to form a lodge. Three others must be found as it required five to start. These were found and on April 16, this charmed number met at the Seven Stars Inn in Baltimore and organized themselves into "Washington Lodge of Odd Fellows," Thomas Wildey was the first Noble Grand and John Welch the Vice Grand of the first Lodge of Odd Fellows in America

The Grand Lodge of Maryland and the United States was formed and granted a charter to Franklin Lodge, on August 22, 1821. This lodge is till in active operation.

Because of complications the Grand Lodge of the United States was organized on January 15, 1825. Thomas Wildey was the first Grand Master and John Welch Deputy Grand Mass-

The Grand Lodge of Illinois was instituted at Alton, August 22, 1838 and the first lodge in Illinois was Western Star No. 1, at Alton. The headquarters of the Grand Lodge were located at Springfield, April 25, 1842, remaining there to this day and now in the Grand Lodge's own permanent

In the 72 years since the first lodge was organized at Alton the Order has grown to 991 in Illinois. There were at last report 108,916 members in Subordinate; 62,800 Rebekah and 14,117 in Encampments.

During the last year the sum spent for relief aggregates \$389,850. The resources of all lodges in Illinois make 1 gigantic sum of \$41,097,316.

Thousands of our members at the first opportunity sprang to arms and are wearing the uniforms of military ervice overseas. To see that these are properly cared for and their memsership secure the Grand Lodge at ts last session appropriate (\$40,000) for their relief. The Order as a whole and individual lodges have also subscribed generously to all the Liberty Loans and other war work

HELPERS ARE AURORA

Local merchants who are in doubt as to what commodities come under he new justily tax lax, thich went into effect yesterday, can have their

The following article clipped from to explain the law and they can easiir secure the service of one of them hy writing to the In-prector in clauge

Four deputy resenue in-pretors Miss Helen Beidelman have been sent to Aurma to institue"! Miss Mary Bryan perchants in making out their hixury Raymond Klein tax sturms and to collect the tax if treeseary. Leadquarters have been of Company H men sporting medal-Mr. Geo. T. Schindler opened on the second floor of the city from now on. The merit badges ar A. F. Beidelman hall with Inspector P. F. Fullmer in for attending drill for at least fifty that get His assistants are A. C. consecutive weeks. A total of twelve Weingartner, H. T. Meti ath and Ed-men will precise the merit badge ward Kaufman. Aurora is the boad- Hon, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landi-The magn do of the growth of quarters for somhern Kane county will present the medals

The inspectors will visit most of "wonderful has been the development the stores for the purpose of instruct- SHOWERS FOR ing the merchants in the work of preof redemption arise through illness or and five members; in 1917, over you paring their returns, the first of which They will show the merchants what good, are taxable and will answer ore tion, relating to the law

in-sector Fullmer will be on duty and will receive paymen's of those who desire to pay thru the local office. He will also assist the merchants in

died at their home in Lace, last Wed- many useful kitchen articles. nesday. April 23rd. Death was due A doily and handkerchief shower As the Centerary mile-post is ap- to inflamatory rehumatism, followed was also given by Miss Edith Scott

Arthur was born October 15, 1908. Miss Anderson is well known in and in his short ten and a half years both LaGrange and Downers Grove. of life has made many friends thru She is to be a June bride. in the 18th century. In the early his cheerful disposition in spite of

Burial services were held at the Lace church last Saturday, Rev. Walter Buhrmeister officiating and interment made at the West Side ceme

LADIES AT (O. H. RIFLE SHOOT

Evening by Wives and Friends of Reserve Militia Members,

"Ladies' Night" at the armory of Co. H, was observed last Thursday evening and was a roaring success from all viewpoints. The purpose of the gathering of wives and lady friends of members of the local unit of Illinois Reserve Militia was to create interest, among the fair sex, in gallery shooting.

For some time Artificer MacDougall had contemplated a "contest" of this kind but did not attempt to put it across until last Thursday even-

There were about thirty women present and each had a chance to plot out the ever clusive bull's eye. The women used the regulation gallery rifle which is of .22 calibre. These guns are comparatively heavy and even impair the shooting of the men. A certain young lady even ventured so far as to use the .22 long and obtained a high score.

The shooting was managed in the ame manner as is a competition shoot. Members of the rifle team acted as coaches and did exceedingly well. Each candidate for the prizes had ten shots. Five standing and five kneeling. After the first three candidates had completed their scores the numerous members of Co. H, present felt themselves slipping as the women were registering scores close to their high ones. Of the thirty some wemen shooting the highest score was 45 and the lowest 30 out of a possible 50.

Miss Mary Bryan topped the list with a 45 score and Miss Grace Towsley followed close with 44, the res; of the scores were within close range of the forty mark. During the entire evening but a few shots missed the target. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served during an intermission.

The "guests" seemed quite interest ed in the sport and other shoots of similar nature are expected in the near future. Some of the women had never handled a rifle before and much credit is due them for getting such high scores without practice. The prizes were donated by members of Co. H. and some of its other local backers. The following captured tro phies: Miss Mary Bryan, tern; Miss Grace Towsley, pie knife; Miss Lucite Buch Jade's comb; Mrs. R. C. Briggs, gravy ladle; Mrs. W. H. Henderson, pickle fork; Miss Dorothy Mar Dougall, cheese knife; Mrs. J. Jenkins, stationary; Mrs. G. C. MarDougall, meat fork; Mrs. F. Stephens. basket of eggs; Mrs. W. Heintz, tea pot; Miss Ruth Briggs, cream ladle; Miss E. Medjrick, hand painted dish; Mrs. H. P. Jones, hand painted dish; Mrs. F. P. Drissler, hand painted dish.

The Company goes to the Second the Aurora Beacon News shows that Regiment Armory in Chicago, this the government has sent out agents evening to take part in a regimental parade. The primary purpose of the formation is to present hadges of merit to various men in the regiment. Medals will also be given to all men who have qualified for mark man, sharp-hooter and expert villeman. There will be a goodly number

BRIDE TO BE

Miss Florence Bratt gave a miscellaneous shower for Miss Helen Stanley Anderson last Saturday evening. The decorations were in green at the headquarters in the post office yellow and lavender, which are the colors Miss Anderson's attendants will wear at her wedding. The guest of honor was presented with many beau-

Several weeks ago. Miss Hallie Sweet entertained for Miss Anderson, A social evening was spent, and the girls hemmed kitchen towels. When A thur Leverenz, ten year old son refreshments were served Miss Anof Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leverenz, derson was presented with a great

a couple of weeks ago.

LaGrange Citizen.

Miss Anderson is a niece of Lee Stanley, formerly of Downers Grove.

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