TOOTH BRUSH DRILLS URGED FOR SCHOOLS

Statistics Show One in Sixteen Has a Toothbrush; Show Health Requisite

Probably the average individual believes that the habit of cleaning the teeth is a universal performance among civilized people. However, a recent statement read in a journal gave the information that according to estimates given out by dealers in tooth brushes, only one person in sixteen, or about 6 per cent of the population of the United States possessed a brush. Many persons use several tooth brushes and doubtless many brushes have been sold that are not used with much regularity, so that the percentage of our population using tooth brushes daily with effectiveness is surprisingly low.

As decay of the enamel of the teeth is much more prevalent during the growth of the child than later, it is important that children be taught early in life the value of clean teeth. Tooth brush drills in the schools are an important feature and splendid results have been attained in many communities in this way.

Inquiry shows that many persons brush their teeth before breakfast only. This seems very absurd, for the teeth are clean for probably a period of five minutes out of twenty-four hours. Then breakfast is eaten and particles of food remain around the teeth during the entire day and night. The logical times to brush teeth are after breakfast and just before retiring. The teeth are then clean all morning and all night. The best times to brush teeth, hiwever, are after each meal and just before retiring. It is a good habit to have two or more brushes so that a stiff brush will be available whenever needed.

Some people give as an excuse for not brushing teeth that tooth brushes themselves are not clean. There may be some truth in that statement but as yet we have not seen anything that will accomplish the purpose as well as a brush.

Many people have great faith in the efficacy of some particular dentrifice or special style or shape of brush, but after all the most important feature of cleaning the teeth is a frequent, regular and diligent application of a stiff brush.

A sum of \$221,000, raised during the war for the Michigan Patriotic Fund, will soon be turned over to the welfare committee of the Michigan Department of the American Legion, according to Guy M. Wilson, Department Commander. The money will be used for welfare work among exservice men.

Cupid spends a reasonable amount of his time loafing about the clubrooms of the American Legion post at West Warren, Mass., for marriage is subsidized in that organization. The post has voted to present \$25 to every member who gets married. The offer is retroactive to the date of organization of the post; consequently seven of the members will receive the gift.

Bulletins containing the names of Virginia's draft dodgers will be sent to all posts of the American Legion as soon as they are made public by the War Department. Posts of that state will receive instructions from Department Headquarters to co-operate with the constituted authorities in the slacker round-up.

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There are in the United States—or were on June 30, 1919—1,719 savings banks, stock and mutual. This does not take into account the 5,715 post offices which receive savings deposits.

On the date mentioned there were on deposit in the savings banks \$5,902,-577,000, belonging to 11,434,881 individual depositors. The amount of money on deposit in the postal savings department at the same time was \$167,323,260, making a grand total of \$6,069,900,260 as the savings of the people of the United States, not counting the Liberty and Victory bonds, and these savings were all increasing because they were earning interest.

Again: THESE SAVINGS WERE EARNING INTEREST.

The Money of the American People.

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and earn nothing.

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The Class That Saves Nothing.

Here is an interesting point: More than eleven, million Americans are making their savings work for them.

In addition there are other millions who have savings invested in sound industrial securities, in real estate, farm lands; homes, or business enter prises that are productive.

Then there are other Americans who save nothing, who spend their earnings as fast as they receive them and who openly revile those who save. These are the radicals who curse "Capitalism" and "Capitalists," because they have wasted their capital foolishly. If they did not waste their earnings they wasted the time they should have devoted to earning money.

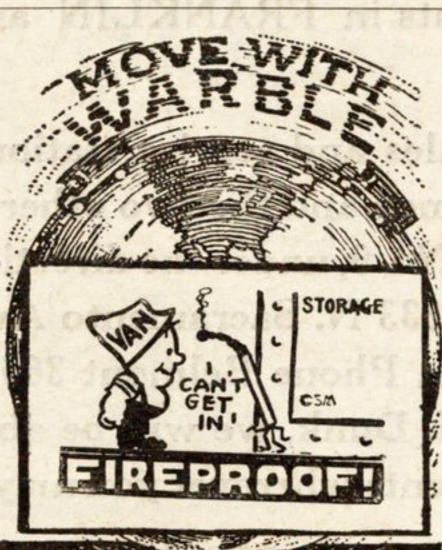
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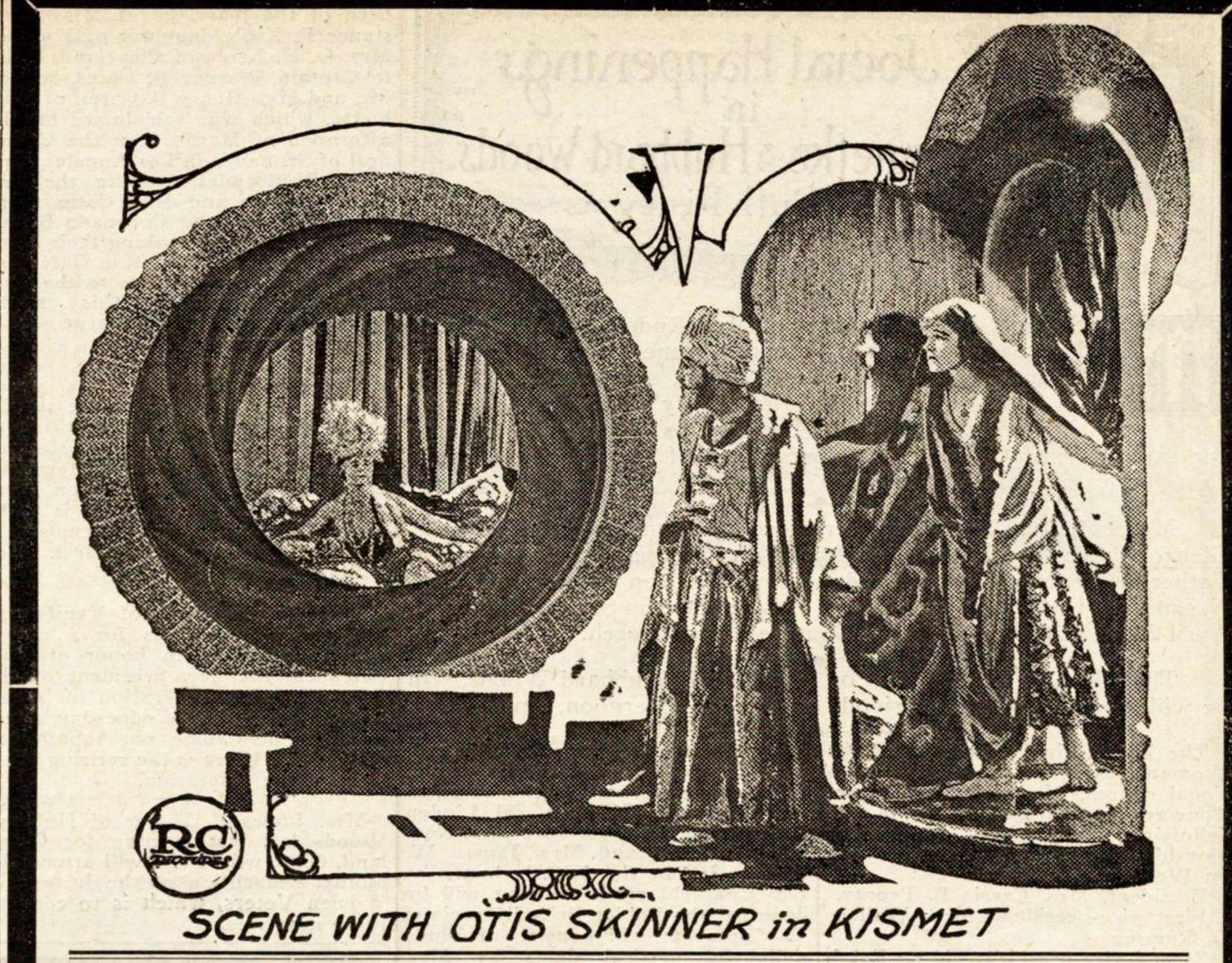


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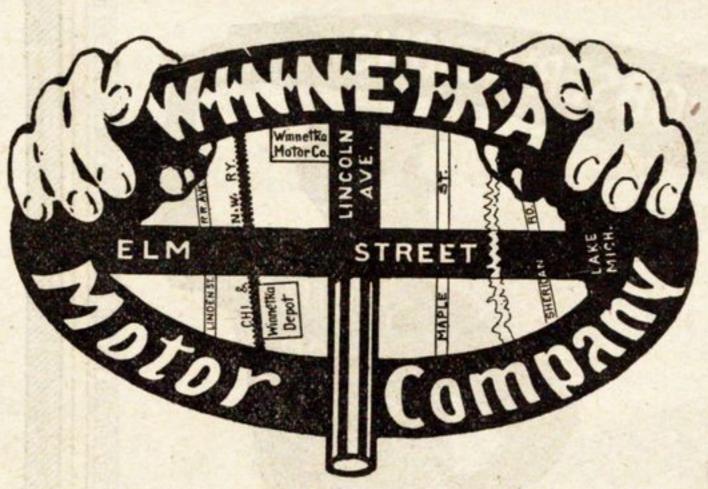
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