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THRIFT DAY.

There is at the present time being conducted in this country a campaign

which is worthy of the deepest consideration by every man, woman and child, because upon its successful operation will depend our increased national, community and individual progress. It is the movement which has been designed to bring into greater evidence and practice everywhere the inestimable quality of thrift—a quality which has more to do with ultimate success than any other one factor.

Educators, economists, and, in fact, all constructive thinkers have long recognized the growing necessity for the practice of greater thrift on the part of American citizens if our national welfare is to be permanent and substantial. One only has to glance at history to realize that extravagance, in its disastrous effects upon national welfare, may be likened to the rapidly spreading parasite vine which, wrapping itself around the mighty oak, draws upon the very life and sustenance until the grand old

tree decays, crumbles away and finally topples over.

Without thrift, failure, dissatisfaction and discontent are inevitable, whether in the life of the nation, corporation, home or individual, and individual thrift is the foundation upon which is established community and national thrift.

Before the individual can be expected to practice thrift, however, he must understand in what it really consists. Perhaps the foremost reason that the word thrift is a distasteful one to the ears of many of our citizens is that for years in this country there has been a general misconception of the term.

Thrift is not, as many suppose, niggardliness or stint in the necessities and sane enjoyments of life; in reality, it makes available more money for the things which make life really worth while through the elimination of unnecessary and useless expenditure.

It is something more than saving, it means "earning, working planning and increasing, as well as conserving." It is common sense in actual operation in every phase of human endeavor and activity.

Rightly understood, the practice of thrift becomes a positive pleasure, for it is a wise adaptation of means toward a beneficent end—the constant maintenance of a fair standard of comfort and an increase of life's enjoyments and a lessened share of its burdens with the flight of years.

The earning power of the people of the United States is very great, but their saving propensity is less fully developed than could be wished, though we are far from being a nation of spendthrifts. No doubt, by a proper utilization of the opportunities of Thrift day, much valuable educational work could be done, and the suggestion to set aside one day of the year for the purpose of showing our people how their welfare would be advanced by the practice of greater thrift and economy is one that should receive the active co-operation of all.

ANNEXING LOWER CALIFORNIA

It is almost impolite for the governors of Arizona and California to talk about annexing part of Mexico, at this time. But that is what they are doing. Governor Hunt of Arizona has written Governor Johnson of California on the subject of buying that part of the Mexican frontier around the head of the Gulf of California. The idea was launched by irrigation interests of the Imperial valley, and Arizona mining men.

The Colorado River, be it known, has a bad habit of bursting its banks and inundating the surrounding landscape which in many places is lower than the river—even lower than the sea. It did this down in southern California and left a rich and fertile valley, which is irrigated from the still rampageous Colorado.

The point where the irrigating ditches leave the river, and the point where the river must be held in leash to prevent a recurrence of the flood, is in Mexico. The farms are in California. Governor Hunt of Arizona and Governor Johnson of California want to buy up that part of Mexico containing the key to Imperial Valley's prosperity. It remains to be seen whether the deal be put through—whether there will be any responsible Mexican government with authority to sell the strip, which contains 2,500 square miles, lying mostly in the Mexican territory of Boca California west of the Colorado river.

If there is any objection, however, slight, in Mexico, to the sale of land, we hope the government in Washington will put its foot down good and hard on the whole project. Not all the wealth in 20 Imperial Valleys would be worth while if it brought back the distrust of Uncle Sam's intentions, beginning to disappear in Latin America. No doubt the Imperial Valley would be better off with this territory under the stars and stripes. But if it is Imperial Valley versus Pan-American, we are for Pan-American.

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