

Essays on Defense Savings Win Prizes at Junior High

In an essay contest for students of junior high school, in connection with the school's defense savings campaign, prizes were awarded for the three best essays in the 9th, 8th and 7th grades. The cash prizes, posted by the U. S. National bank, the First National bank and Mann's Department store, were given out during a public program last Friday.

The best essays in the three grades, as judged by Frank Hull and Herb Grey of the defense savings committee follow:

Why Buy Bonds
(By Elaine Walker, 9th grade)
The United States government is now appealing to the citizens for financial aid. This appeal has aroused the patriotism of the entire population. The current campaign opened May 1, 1941, and up until August 1, 1941, over one-billion dollars of the total sum has been obtained.

Selling defense bonds to the general public is the method chosen to procure the money. These bonds are not only a patriotic opportunity but they are an excellent way to save. Also they are really the best investment obtainable. Of course the number any one individual may purchase is limited.

As dictators rapidly try to seize control of Europe, the responsibility of supplying the needs of the democracies falls to America. Since most defense jobs require highly skilled labor, the government has sponsored training schools for persons interested in this work. With the added task of enlarging our own army and navy, factory production has been greatly increased. In fact in 18 defense industries the payroll has increased 56%. Supporting this new industrial activity is taking more money than the government can now afford.

To raise this large sum of money by means of extra taxation would be impossible. It would be possible but imprudent to get it through the banks as this would cause an inflation. Bonds avoid both credit and price inflation.

Wealthy persons are investing in large bonds, others are buying the smaller denomination known as "the people's bond." Students are being encouraged to buy both stamps and bonds. The entire nation is "all out for defense."

A Plea To Humanity
(By Ruth Gaster, 8th grade)
Patriotism, love of country, is, I believe, an inherent part of every normal human being. But does your patriotism lie deep enough to make you want to take an actual part in protecting the welfare of your country?

America now faces a terrible crisis. Many people fail to realize how terrible it is. Just because we're free now doesn't mean that we alone shall escape the terror and destruction that war always brings.

How easy it is to say, "I love my country." But if you don't really want to help your country, can you really be sincere? So why not help your country with deeds as well as words? There are many ways, but one good way is to buy defense savings bonds.

The cheapest bond costs eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents and ten years from now you will be given, allowing for interest, twenty-five dollars. There are more expensive bonds, too.

So why not do your bit for America, and at the same time protect your future welfare by buying defense bonds and stamps?

Stand Up for America

(By Lottie Hill, 7th grade)

There are three good reasons why people should buy defense savings stamps and bonds.

First, our nation needs money in order to build adequate defense. We have to train soldiers, build up an air corps and expand our navy. They have to be fed, clothed, furnished living quarters and paid. They have to be furnished with modern fighting equipment, if we want to be able to repel invasion.

Second, it is a very good way to save money. It is the safest investment one can make, because if one's government isn't good security, no property or other investments made in that nation would be secure either. You receive a high rate of interest considering the security of your investment and the ease with which you get your money in case of need.

Third, it is the duty of every patriotic citizen to help their government. Let's keep our way of living.

In The Day's News

By Frank Jenkins

A HARROWING thought on Armistice Day that means little:

Maybe a better peace would have prevented this war.

JOHN G. Winant, U. S. ambassador to Britain, puts it this way in his brief Armistice Day speech in London:

"If peace could have been pursued as selfishly as men have generously in the war, permanent peace might have been a reality."

If men could only be as tolerant and generous ALL THE TIME as they are SOME OF THE TIME!

Let's put it in a different way: If all men could be as tolerant and generous as some men are, what a different world this would be.

HISTORY teaches us this lesson:

The Attilas, the Napoleons, the Hitlers and their ilk can stir up more trouble than a million good men can put down.

What a pity.

ANOTHER pity:

Incendiary stirrers-up all ways seem to be able to get the ear of the public more readily than the wise, tolerant calmers-down.

Hence the Attilas, the Napoleons and the Hitlers.

ON Armistice Day 1941, with blood flowing in rivers, with democracy less safe than at any recent time, these lines inevitably come into our minds:

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen

"The saddest are these: It might have been."

THIS is no time for moralizing, but at least we might keep this thought before us:

SOME DAY there will be another armistice. Some day another peace. We'll have to be in on the making of it.

Let's pledge our best efforts toward a FAIR peace.

BUT let's not waste our time thinking there will be no

12 Killed, Scores Injured in Ohio Railroad Wreck



Twelve persons were killed and between 40 and 50 persons injured when the Pennsylvania railroad's "Pennsylvanian" was derailed near Dunkirk, Ohio, when it struck a cylinder head blown from the locomotive of a passing freight train. A railroad control tower (left), was splintered by the passenger locomotive and back of the engine is one of the eight wrecked cars.

more wars. Before that can happen, human nature will have to evolve from what it is into something different and better.

CHURCHILL, speaking with the bluntness he knows so well how to use on occasion, says:

"Britain will declare war on Japan within an hour if Japan goes to war with the United States."

He adds:

"Britain's naval situation in the Atlantic has improved so much that we now feel ourselves strong enough to provide a powerful naval force of heavy ships with its necessary and auxiliary vessels for service if need be in the INDIAN and PACIFIC oceans."

THAT is something for Mr. Suburu to think about as he wings his way by Clipper from Manila to the American mainland. It is something for those who are sending him here to think about.

That is what it is intended to be.

Births

JONES—To Mr. and Mrs. Delmar, Butte Falls, Nov. 11, a girl, 7 lbs., at Community hospital.

FORMER RESIDENT PASSES IN TURNER

Friends here today mourned the death of Mrs. Dora Elinor Corey, 76, Medford resident for 32 years who succumbed to a heart ailment October 19 in Turner Memorial home at Turner, Ore. Funeral services were held October 21 at the Turner Christian church of which she was a member.

A life-time member of the Christian church, Mrs. Corey moved from Medford to Turner four years ago. Her husband, George E. Corey, died in 1930. The Coreys were prominent in church circles here.

Mrs. Corey was born Dora Farrell at New Martinsville, West Virginia. She and Mr. Corey were married at Howard Lake, Minn., in 1886.

Survivors are a daughter, Mildred Corey of Turner, a sister, Mrs. Clara Coe of Howard Lake, and four brothers who also reside in Minnesota. At the time of her mother's death, Miss Corey was confined to the Deaconess hospital, Turner, with a broken hip. Mrs. Coe died with Mrs. Corey when death came.

V.F.W. SEAL SALE PLANNED TO AID SAFETY EFFORTS

In conjunction with a nationwide effort of all veteran organizations to reduce traffic accidents, the local post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars today opened a campaign to make the people of Jackson county more safety conscious.

Immediate plan of the post is to sell small educational safety seals for use on mail and packages. There are 30 different kinds of seal, each picturing some form of danger or suggesting how to avoid accidents. While citizens will be invited to buy as many of the seals as their means and ability to use them will permit, no one will be urged to make any purchases, Merrill Beneka, post commander said.

"We should like to feel that every safety seal that is purchased will be used as quickly as possible in order to obtain the best results," Mr. Beneka said.

Anyone desiring additional information may get in contact

with Mr. Beneka, Bert Starnes, in charge of sales, Ira D. Canfield, William Cooney, James Buckmaster, Etha Wall, R. H. Cadwallader or any other post official.

Bay City, Ore., Nov. 12.—(P)—Fishermen are working day and night in Tillamook bay, bringing in capacity catches from the largest run of chum salmon in years.

GRANGE CHIEF IN PLEA FOR UNITED DEFENSE EFFORT

Taber Challenges Labor, Business And Finance To Join In Production.

Worcester, Mass., Nov. 12.—(P)—Louis L. Taber, master of the National Grange, urged Americans today to "stop the struggle for prices, wages and profits" and help the government achieve unlimited defense production and redeem its pledge of material aid to those fighting Hitler.

"The Grange," he said, "challenges labor, business and finance to join with agriculture in unlimited production."

Earlier, a message from President Roosevelt was read to the Grange delegates, asserting it was the nation's supreme task to make the ideals of "a proper equality, equity and fairness" prevail through democratic action and to make America

"strong and free and neighborly in a changing world."

"We can do it. We must do it. We are doing it," the President said.

Mr. Roosevelt added that he had been a member of the Grange for more than 25 years, and continued:

"In the course of my membership I have often thought of the creed and purposes which members of the order adopted and announced at their National organization meeting in 1873 at Georgetown, D. C."

"We desire," said the founder, "a proper equality, equity and fairness; protection for the weak, restraint upon the strong. These are American ideals, the very essence of American independence."

FORM AIR UNIT

Portland, Nov. 12.—(P)—Col. J. L. Stromme, Portland army air field commander, today announced formation of the 55th air corps interceptor control squadron, one of the first two such units organized. The unit will be a radio and interceptor warning instrument.

WEATHER

Northern California: Rain Thursday and in extreme northern and southern portion tonight; slightly cooler Thursday; gentle variable wind off coast becoming fresh southerly above Point Reyes.



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