

# WOMEN ARE TO TEST MONEY-SAVING PLANS

### General Study of Wise Apportionment of Family Income Will be Taken Up By South Carolina Clubs

January first, members of the federated women's clubs of South Carolina will begin a statewide test of the wisdom with which they are spending their money. How much of the family income goes for hats and herrings, for movies and medicines and saucers and sugar, (when there is any), will be sternly calculated by housewives in every city and county, and the results pooled at the end of the month. Mrs. J. Russell McElwee, state chairman of Thrift for the federation is busily engaged in enlisting the support of every club woman in South Carolina in a campaign to reduce living expenses which is sponsored by the United States Treasury Department, in co-operation with the national thrift chairman of the largest organizations of women in the United States, Women Are Buyers.

"We were never called upon to help in a greater cause, a more needed campaign, a campaign of such reconstruction," says Mrs. McElwee. She is convinced that it lies within the power of women to regulate the use and control the price of the common necessities of life, as they are the buyers of these necessities. When this power is applied in a concentrated way by the women of South Carolina, she believes that they will give invaluable help in solving the present problem of the high cost of living, and in establishing the permanent practice of saving money and material. Mrs. McElwee is being aided in the preliminary work of getting the campaign in this state under way, by a central committee composed of county and city chairmen of thrift.

Each individual, according to present plans, will be asked to keep an account of her daily expenses during January, grouping them under such headings as, "Rent," "Clothing," "Amusements," "Food," etc. She will not be asked to report the actual amounts spent, but the percentage they represent of the actual income. These reports will probably furnish the basis of discussion for a meeting held at the end of the month.

February Review Expenses.

In February, each individual will analyze the January expenses and make an effort through information gained in January to save a certain amount through conservation, without hardship. In March, each woman will make a calculation of how much she saved on living expenses in February over an equal number of days in January. In this month an effort will be made to encourage the members of organizations making the experiment to invest their savings in government securities. Final reports at the end of the three months will be sent to the headquarters of the War Loan Organization of this district, in Richmond, Va.

State clubs have been notified that a model budget prepared for the use of the Woman's Division of the War Loan Organization, which has taken over the government savings movement as its reconstruction work, will be sent to those desiring it. Requests for the budget should be made of Mrs. Eudora Richardson, director of the woman's division, War Loan Organization, Richmond, Va.

### FUNDAMENTAL FACTS REGARDING TREASURY SAVINGS CERTIFICATES.

They are issued in denominations of \$1,000 and \$100.

They are discount bonds of the United States Government maturing January, 1924.

They cost \$846 and \$84.60, respectively, during December, 1919.

They can be procured by payment of cash, checks or the exchange of War Savings Stamps, 1919 issue.

They are on sale at banks and trust companies that have been designated as agencies of the United States Treasury for sales of such securities and at postoffices of the first and second class.

No one person can own more than \$1,000 worth of the securities.

### TRANSFORMATION

Savings! Thrift! Economy!

Once thought you were mean, Petty virtue at the best

Which made life dull and lean; Dun-colored, hard monotonous, Selfish at the heart.

Taking all in all, you played An unattractive part.

But now! The gray cocoon is burst, You stand forth, radiant hued, The steel of your sharp sword is bright

And a warrior's is your mood. Dramatic, sacrificial, brave; The virtues of a knight! Without you, one-time grievous thing, We couldn't start to fight!

Table scraps and kitchen waste are best prepared for feeding by running them through an ordinary meat grinder.

### MERCHANT MARINE PROBLEM DEMANDS EARLY ACTION

Washington, Dec. 28.—Now that there is no longer any question as to the return of the railroads of the country to private operation at an early date, the Washington Government is faced with the necessity of prompt action with reference to the American merchant marine.

The Government now owns about twenty-five hundred merchant vessels—approximately eight million tons—thus huge fleet having been built or otherwise acquired during the war, and the question as to what is to be done with these vessels must soon be solved.

While the final action of the Government regarding the railroads was still in doubt there was much talk of permanent public operation of the American merchant marine as well as the railroads, but now it is generally felt that the plan is not only absurd but impracticable and the fact is recognized that these government-owned ships should be disposed of to private parties. Of course it is desirable that they shall go into the hands of Americans and be operated permanently as a great American merchant marine, but the preparation, enactment, and enforcement of legislation which will accomplish this purpose is admittedly a very difficult task and will call for most careful and conscientious work on the part of Congress.

Concerning this matter Senator Wesley Jones, of Washington, Chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, yesterday made the following statement:

"We may differ about government ownership, but that can be no issue here. The government owns these ships whether we will or not. They cannot be given away. The people will not stand for that. We must not allow private parties to take the cream of this shipping, and let the government hold the balance to be disposed of at a great sacrifice. Grant that government ownership should end as soon as may be, it must be brought about as nearly as may be without unnecessary sacrifice. Furthermore, the government is interested in the future success of shipping and the maintenance of a permanent fleet."

### Tax Notice

OFFICE COUNTY TREASURER, LEXINGTON COUNTY.

Lexington, S. C., Oct. 1, 1919.

Public notice is hereby given that State, County and school taxes for Lexington County will be received by me from Oct. 15th to Dec. 31st inclusive.

The levy is as follows:

State	.....9	mills
County	.....2 3/4	"
Roads	.....4 1/2	"
Court House	.....1/2	"
Weak school	.....1/4	"
Constitutional school	.....3	"

TOTAL . . . . . 20 3/4 mills.

Special tax as follows:

District No. 1 Special and Bonds	.....	8	mills
District No. 14 Special and Bonds	.....	8	"
District No. 15 Special and Bonds	.....	12	"
District No. 18 Special and Bonds	.....	10	"
District No. 25 Special and Bonds	.....	8	"
District No. 29 Special and Bonds	.....	10	"
District No. 37 Special and Bonds	.....	10	"
District No. 66 Special and Bonds	.....	10	"
District Nos. 13 and 40 Special	.....	8	"
District Nos. 12, 35, 78, 79 and 82 Special	.....	6	"
Nos. 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 16, 17, 22, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 38, 42, 43, 45, 46, 50, 53, 55, 57, 61, 62, 63, 69, 71, 76, 77, 83, 84, 87, 88—4 mills.			
Nos. 3, 6, 9, 19, 20, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29, 41, 44, 47, 48, 49, 51, 59, 64, 70, 72, 74, 75, 80—2 mills.			

The following districts have no special levies for school purposes, Nos. 7, 39, 54, 58 and 60.

Capitation Road Tax \$5.00 upon all male citizens (not bona fide residents of an incorporated town) of the County between 21 and 55 years of age.

Poll Tax \$1.00 between the ages of 21 and 60 years.

Dog Tax 50c.

Road, Poll and Dog Tax payable at same time with State, County and School Tax.

C. E. LEAPHART, Treasurer Lexington County.

### MORPHINE

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"We have a United States Shipping Board acting in a dual capacity. It was intended to be a great governmental regulatory agency and is, in fact, doing the work of a great corporation. It cannot well serve both ends. I do not promise in my bills to destroy the Shipping Board, but I propose to divorce it entirely from building and operating ships. I propose to establish a corporation separate and independent to operate, maintain and dispose of our ships in such a way as to give us an adequate merchant marine on a permanent basis. We need an agency that can act promptly."

### PRESIDENT SIGNS EDGE BILL.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Yesterday the President signed the Edge bill, which authorizes the creation of a corporation for the purpose of financing American export trade. The bill was passed just before Congress recessed for the holidays. It provides for the federal incorporation of one or more concerns to handle the composite commercial and financial business of the American export trade. The new corporation will not only be able to exercise ordinary banking functions but may advance cash to foreign purchasers of American exports on such security as foreign manufacturing plants of suitable collateral. Every step of such transactions would be under the supervision of the Federal Reserve Board.

It is rumored that, under the provisions of this act, a giant corporation, with a capital of hundreds of millions of dollars, will be organized for the purpose of bringing about a rehabilitation of Europe with the products of American mines, factories, and mills.

### CUT OUT EXTRAVAGANCE.

The Florida Times-Union very properly takes the position that it is time to cut out extravagance. It says "that half the men on the pay roll of the United States government ought to be cut off."

The war is over and this thing of a continued raiding of the public's pocketbook when we should wipe the war off the state and get back to a peace basis should be ended. Even by the strictest economy the debts we have incurred and interest payments will tax us to the utmost. When then should there be a delay in getting rid

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of so many off less and only make our burdens so much greater? We have had an orgy of extravagance due to the pressure and confusion of war, but if as the Times-Union says, the government is paying twice as many men as it should pay, then it is high time that we take steps to prevent a peace time orgy of extravagance.—Charleston American.



WIESEPAPE, 1517 Main Street.

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