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#### GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN HOMEMAKING.

Numerous Government agencies are at work in behalf of homemaking, according to a recent report on home education prepared by Miss Ellen C. Lombard of the Bureau of Education, Department of the Interior. Besides the Bureau of Education—which

maintains divisions of home education—the Bureau of Mines, the Reclamation Service, and the Office of Indian Affairs, all of the Interior Department, are doing direct work in education for the home. The Treasury Department, through its Public Health Service, and the Departments of Agriculture, Labor, and Commerce are also promoting homemaking through one or more bureaus or offices.

The Reclamation Service of the Interior Department is reaching the women on the projects; it is working for improved conditions in the homes, and it has taken active steps in inaugurating clubs for study purposes. More than 200 clubs have been formed among the project women, every one of the 16 States where the Government has reclamation projects being represented. The Reclamation Record, the organ of the Reclamation Service, has become an important factor in reaching the women on the projects; one entire section of this periodical is given over to project women and their interests.

The Indian Office, also under the Department of the Interior is carrying on four distinct activities in the promotion of better home conditions: Through the Indian children in school;

through the farmer on the farm; through the medical service; and through the work of the field matron. The field matron comes into close contact with the Indian mothers. She instructs them how to care for themselves and little children; how to give the children proper food. She teaches them how to care for their houses and gives them valuable lessons in the importance of ventilation, sunlight, and cleanliness. She exerts a definite moral influence in advising the mothers.

Homemaking as a problem in the territories and dependencies of the United States has had the attention of the Government for some time, and much good work has been done, although there are still sections, especially in the insular dependencies where a careful study of living conditions and a plan of work for home education are needed. In Alaska, where the education of natives is under the direction of the Department of the Interior, every teacher is a social worker and strives in every way possible to promote the physical, moral and industrial welfare of the natives, adults as well as children. In the native villages the teachers and nurses of the Alaska School Service endeavor to establish proper sanitary conditions by inspecting the houses, by insisting upon the proper disposal of garbage, and by giving instruction in sanitary methods of living. Natives are encouraged to replace their huts by neat, well-ventilated houses. In some sections the natives have been taught to raise vegetables, as a healthful addition to the usual diet of fish and meat.

The need of home education in Porto Rico is evidenced by a survey of home conditions recently made by a special investigator for the Bureau of Education. While much valuable work has already been done by the authorities, there is urgent need for simple instruction in the selection and preparation of proper food, especially for infants. Steps have already been taken to bring the women together in small groups to discuss home problems. To a large extent this work will be directed by the teachers.

In the Philippines such Government agencies as the bureau of education, the bureau of health, and the bureau of agriculture, have been actively engaged in improving and building up home life. There is the closest relation between the home and the school. The bureau of education of the Philippines, co-operating with the bureau of agriculture, has been instrumental in the establishment and supervision of thousands of home gardens, while the bureau of health, which has gained an international reputation for its successful efforts to control diseases of the tropics, has distributed circulars regarding epidemics and has in many other ways reached the homes of the people with instruction in preventive health measures.

### "MR. GREX OF MONTE CARLO"

Theodore Roberts, the distinguished star, will be seen at the Arcade Friday and Saturday, in the photodramatic version by Jesse L. Lasky of E. Phillips Oppenheim's thrilling novel, "Mister Grex of Monte Carlo," which recently appeared in serial form in the Saturday Evening Post and is now one of the most widely discussed books of the day. It is a Paramount picture.

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