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No Place for Revolvers in the Lives of Our Boys.

A bill has been introduced in congress to prohibit the shipment of explosives and firearms to minors. It is meant primarily to prevent the purchase of revolvers from mail order houses by boys likely to misuse them.

This is a step in the right direction. Such legislation, if it proves legal and practicable, should be supplemented by state and municipal laws calculated to keep certain types of firearms out of the hands of minors and also of adults who have no business with them.

Rifles and shotguns for legitimate hunting or target shooting are one thing; revolvers are quite another thing. It may be granted that even boys, especially in rural districts, may properly possess the former if they have skill and sense enough to use them properly.

Uncle Sam's Bank Experiencing a "Run."

There has been a run on the United States bank lately. That is to say, on the postoffice. Postmasters in many cities report a regular siege on the part of people seeking to cash their war savings stamps.

All these depositors, of course, have not questioned the solidity and trustworthiness of the government bank. They have been drawing out their

money because they wanted it for some purpose or other. The unfortunate thing about it is that most of these purposes were really unnecessary, and that the depositors by their thoughtless action have been undoing a great deal of the fine work done during the last year or two in developing thrift.

Opening Up a Big Sphere for Women.

Now that New York women are enjoying the citizen's privilege of voting, they are eager to take on more of the obligations. The Brooklyn Women's Bar association is preparing a bill which it expects to present to the state legislature making women eligible for jury service, including service on the grand jury.

In a way the women may be said to put jury duty in the class of privileges rather than obligations, for their bill provides that such service on the part of women shall be voluntary, not mandatory. It is said that the bill has been endorsed by both the Brooklyn and Manhattan commissioners of jurors.

There is undoubtedly opportunity for real service in this new branch of women's activity. Trials in which community welfare, the health and safety of women and children and similar matters are concerned may be concluded with a greater measure of humane justice if women are on the jury.

The old cry that women engaged in any public function, whether administering office, voting or anything else would act upon unreasoning emotion rather than upon sound judgment governed by facts has been largely given up. Women have been voting and holding office in the western states for years, even serving as jurors occasionally, and on the whole they behave under those conditions much as the men do.

Insurance and Compensation for Dependents.

With the swelling of the casualty lists tens of thousands of families are directly interested in the monetary payments provided for by the government, and many of them are in doubt as to their rights in the matter.

There is much confusion particularly between "insurance" and "compensation," so that the secretary of the treasury has recently found it necessary to make an explicit public statement explaining and distinguishing between the two.

It should be clearly understood that in every case where a soldier with a government insurance policy is killed, the insurance money is due his people just as surely as if he had taken the insurance in any private company. The financial standing of the family does not matter. Whether "dependent" or

A Wonderful Sale Announcement

An opportunity that must prove irresistible to the woman with her coat, suit or dress still unchosen, your unrestricted choice of any coat, suit or dress in the store at 1-2 Price

January Clearance Sale Prices on all Men's, Women's, Children's Shoes

- WOMEN'S SHOES—SEASON'S NEWEST COLORS AND THE LATEST STYLES AT REDUCED PRICES
MEN'S SHOES—NEW SPRING STYLES AND COLORS—SALE PRICES ONE LOT WOMEN'S SHOES—LACE AND BUTTON—VALUES TO \$6.00. YOUR CHOICE \$2.49
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Our regular lower than elsewhere prices reduced in every department

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not, the wife, child, grandchild, father, mother, brother or sister named as beneficiary in the policy will be paid the money in regular installments by the United States government.

"Compensation" is a somewhat different matter. As explained by the treasury department, it is intended primarily to take care of injury cases and of such death cases as may not be covered by insurance policies. It takes the place of the old-style military pension. It is paid only to a member of the family who is really dependent on the man in question for support.

Every family interested should get these facts clearly in mind. In case of doubt, the war or navy or treasury department at Washington will furnish the necessary information.

Making a Living by Exploiting the Uniform.

No soldier needs to sell foolish little patriotic emblems from door to door, presuming upon the fact that he is in uniform to insure their purchase.

No soldier needs to work in his uniform as solicitor or agent, or in any capacity where his uniform, and not the value of his work or the product he is selling, is the drawing card.

Not only are such uses of the uniform unnecessary, but they disgrace the army and the whole people. Says an officer of the Red Cross:

"It is simply the exploitation of the uniform for the profit of the employer, and it belittles both the soldier and the uniform. The situations of this kind coming to our attention have not been in the class of occupation that would encourage thrift on the part of the soldier or a quick and easy return to substantial civilian pursuits."

"Any discharged soldier unable to obtain employment will be assisted by the civilian relief department and its co-operating agencies to obtain worthwhile employment."

In some cases where the soldier's pay is long overdue, and he is consequently unable to fit himself out in appropriate civilian clothing, the Red Cross has arranged that he may have credit.

The wearing of the uniform is a dignified and serious business. The khaki is not designed for an advertising medium, and use of it as such opens the way for fakes and impostures without limit.

Of course, those Poles have no business jumping on Germany when she's down. At the same time, the world, remembering what Germany has done to the Poles, Serbs and Belgians, takes a sardonic satisfaction in their impudence.

The Germans are going to work. Watch for the new sign over the door, Captain Boy-Ed, Undermining Engineer.

"The job now is to make, find and fit jobs."

Another victorious retreat—Ludendorff has retired to a farm.

Those German "Reds" were bound to observe their name.

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Silberthorn's FAMILY DRUG STORE LA GRANDE, OREGON



THE FORUM

The Place Where Everyone Has His Say.

STANDS BY SENATOR PIERCE Imbler Ore., Jan. 17, 1919. To the Editor of the Observer: I note your editorial in The Observer of January 18th in regard to Senator Walter Pierce and I second what you say in standing by Walter. I have always found him to be level-headed. He says the best way to fight Bolshevism is to remove the cause, and I think he is right.

I read in the Journal of January 18th Fred Lockley's article that it is not Bolsheviki that is committing the crimes in Russia that are being laid to them, but the hundreds of thousands of Russian prisoners that have been released in Russia and the Russian criminals.

Christ whipped the money changers from the Temple, saying "The foxes have holes, the birds have nests, but I have not where to lay my head." Horn in a manger and forced to sleep in the hay, I wonder he kicked and did not like it.

Now about the worst thing that I can figure out against the Bolsheviki is that they have got this same idea in their hearts that Christ had, that they ought to have a home, and own a few acres of land where they can lay their heads down in peace.

Whenever we commit crimes against democracy and the rights of both man and woman we must and will suffer the penalty. We have allowed crimes against humanity right here in the United States to go unpunished, for which we will have to suffer the penalty.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE"

Concrete floors can be made almost noiseless by covering them with heavy tar paper, attached by cement.

An automobile jack and pump have been combined in a single tool by a recent invention. One handle operates both appliances.

For cleaning white shoes a powder-holding glove has been patented, powder being applied through an opening while the glove protects the hand.

A machine has been invented by a Milwaukee man that soaks, brushes, washes, sterilizes, rinses and cools bottles at a speed of 100 a minute.

To lessen the consumption of gasoline by automobiles an inventor has patented a device to introduce live steam or vapor into the intake manifold.

FARMING OUTFIT

Large sized Rumley oil pull, with 12 plows, separator, derrick, complete outfit, price \$3000.00. Might consider good residence in town, and pay the difference. Box 994, La Grande, Ore. 1-18-31

MONEY ON CITY PROPERTY

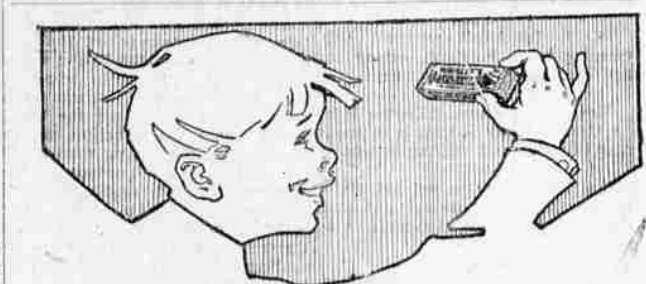
Jack Oliver has money he will loan on city property on very easy terms. 1-11-30

Chamberlain's Tablets.

When you are troubled with indigestion or constipation, take Chamberlain's Tablets. They strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. Indigestion is usually accompanied by constipation and is aggravated by it. Chamberlain's Tablets cause a gentle movement of the bowels, relieving the constipated condition.—Adv.

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land, I have heard him advocate in public speeches the following described plan, which I think better than the governor's: He would have the government condemn all lands over and above a certain amount, say one ac-



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THE wax-wrapped sealed package with WRIGLEY'S upon it is a guarantee of quality. The largest chewing-gum factories in the world—the largest selling gum in the world: that is what WRIGLEY'S means.



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- Died— Had a Fire—
Eloped— Had a Baby—
Divorced— Had a Party—
Embezzled— Sold a Farm—
Left Town— Been Arrested—
Come to Town—
Had Twins or Colic—
Sold a Cow or Lost an Auto—
Laid in a Stock of Whisky—
Stolen a Dog or His Friend's Wife—
Committed Suicide, or Murder—
Fallen From an Airplane or—
Fallen Into a Coal Hole or—
Fallen Into a Legacy?

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