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Boycott the food profiteer whenever you can.

Economy is also the road to the ownership of Liberty bonds.

Among other things that have become extinct is the cheaper cut.

The ships keep sliding down the ways with neatness and dispatch.

U-boats are still taking their toll, but it is not much of a toll at that.

Many a husband's list of nonessentials includes the fashion pages of the newspapers.

There is a time for everything. Today is the best possible time to buy war stamps.

Are the workers who are making good money saving any of it or spending it wisely?

It must be discouraging to Germans to have to fight people who can eat all the beef they want.

America has afforded several examples of how rapidly a people once aroused can prepare for war.

In these times a fashion expert is any woman who can get two or more seasons' wear out of one gown.

With 80 per cent of war profits going to the government, profiteers will soon become compulsory patriots.

A lot of commanders mentioned in the dispatches from the western front; but we see nothing of Generalissimo.

A million watches have been ordered for the American army abroad so the boys will be on time at Berlin.

Keep your kodaks working to please and comfort the boys "over there" with pictures from "over here."

"Who drew the United States into the war?" asks one faction in Germany. "Search me," replies the other.

The thousands of German prisoners captured on the latest drive are no doubt the envy of millions of their countrymen.

Another person who does not help much is the cynic who insinuates that this will be merely the same old world after the war.

If the U-boats could get inland they probably could do more business with canoes and rowboats even than with fishing schooners.

It is said every family in the German empire, except one, has been hit by the casualty list, and nobody needs more than one guess.

One good way to help everything good, including one's own bank account, is to buy Thrift stamps and savings certificates.

The seaborne shark has not been as active this summer. He probably refused to take any risk of being associated with a U-boat.

If, as optimists assert, the war will end within the year, the drafted baseball stars may return in time to keep the game going next summer.

There is little in the war news to encourage the great American squirrel. Lots of crack shots will come back from Europe presently.

In addition to other waste created by the Germans in this war, there is the time that thousands of Americans have spent in studying the language.

But the man who makes inferior goods for the army probably is sure that his son will not have to use them, because his son is not in the army.

The dissatisfaction about golf playing for a president must be that he can never tell whether he is getting better or whether the other fellow is letting himself be beaten.

It would surprise nobody if Christmas presents in 1918 consisted in the main of boxes of bacon, half-pounds of coal, canned fruit, spare ribs and other coarse and uncouth gifts.

All profiteers are bad, but those who seek profit by defrauding our soldiers are of the worst grade, and nothing is too severe for their punishment—something, for instance, like boiling oil.

When we read of the ease with which aliens have been permitted to move about in this country and even to leave it, we do not wonder that the Germans have been kept well informed of all that is going on over here.

Our sailors object to the name "jacks." It is a term of love and respect and glorious associations, but if our sailors want something new they are entitled to it. Youth must be served—and youth deserves service now.

Hand grenades are being produced at the rate of 2,000,000 a month, with the output to be doubled in four months. And baseball practice has made the Americans expert in throwing them, which is bad news for the Huns.

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There can be no worse crime than profiteering on war supplies.

A steel shortage looms ahead. "Don't throw away your safety razor blades."

Ice in summer and coal in winter are necessities that must be provided.

Anything that is advertised as "free" will cost about three times what it is worth.

One of the beautiful things about a dollar is that it buys four Thrift stamps.

Baldheaded men, it is said, seldom suffer from consumption. But there's always something.

A barber always can make some disparaging remark about a fellow's hair and get by with it.

The names of several of those places they are fighting around in France almost spell something.

So far as the war returns go, Wagnerian music and pessimism do not get one anywhere.

Women conductors in London have gone on strike, thus proving their ability fully to replace the men.

With everybody wearing old clothes and not worried about injury to them "a good time should be had by all."

The "war doesn't make our weather funny," a scientist explains. No, but it makes the funny people who think so.

Not only are the boys "over there" making a lot of history, but they are making considerable geography as well.

The war gardener also makes the acquaintance of numerous insects that his college professors never told him about.

The tax on tobacco is going to be trebled. Is it possible, we wonder, that bad cigars will also become three times as bad?

Thanks to glucose, the candy makers continue in business and the manners and customs of wooling are not seriously impaired.

You never hear a word about working conditions or wages from the fellows abroad who might have justification for complaint.

Some war profits have been estimated as high as 3,000 per cent. Many conungers have imagined they soared much higher than that.

The railroad employee who is not courteous because he is working for Uncle Sam is just the kind of employee the kaiser likes.

Raising the draft age to forty will let in a lot who have been telling what they would do to the Hun if only they had not been more than thirty-one.

A man who resists the draft and declares he will not fight Germany should be permitted to work for his board during a large part of the rest of his life.

To the average restaurant patron it appears that the house does its saving creditably enough but charges him for regular peace portions at war prices.

In the case of the able-bodied man who knows that he will either have to fight or go to work, but is waiting for something to happen, something will happen.

An English writer mentions the proverb, "A good Injun is a dead Injun." But that was a long time ago. A good Injun today is fighting for the United States.

"Cheese has taken a remarkable jump in price," a market page note announces. Some sort of a campaign for its use as a substitute must have been in progress.

General Crowder keeps calling them and they keep right on answering. The kaiser will begin to think there's no end to Yankee's way they're pouring into France.

Recent editions of masculine shirts have the terminal facilities greatly abbreviated, but whether this is due to the boll weevil or the war the haberdasher saith not.

Suggestions are made to the effect that the discontinuance of German in the schools should lead to an increased study of the English language. This is a first-class idea.

Now comes the iceless drink. The tinkle of cracked ice will no longer be heard, and the patriotic citizen will drink to his country every time he drains his noiseless glass.

In the comprehensive luxury taxes proposed in Great Britain is one on cosmetics. Thus the patriotic British matrons and maidens will pay tribute to their country every time they powder their noses.

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Profiteering and patriotism cannot go together.

Preserve that you may conserve, but do not waste the sugar.

Paper underwear, one trusts, does not demand the services of a paper-hanger.

The less unnecessary food served at the table the greater the service to the country.

In summer heat every horse is profoundly sad that he was not born an autotruck.

Just because you make a noise like a big gun it doesn't signify you're doing your bit.

After the war nobody in the United States will be handicapped by being a mere American.

If the commission that is to fix food prices only could fix an easy way to get the price!

Some people are pacifists because of conscience, but most of them because of the lack of one.

"Hold fast" means that we haven't licked the Huns yet, but that we can if we fight harder and don't quit.

Due praise should be accorded the embattled chiropodists who help to keep our armies on a sound footing.

It takes some folks longer to pick out five cents' worth of candy than it does others to buy an automobile.

Women's styles may have something to do with the fact that fewer persons are shocked to death than formerly.

Many a patrioter is trying to convince himself that he is engaged in war work when he shoots off his mouth.

Men of forty-five are beginning to tighten their belts, strut cockily through the streets and talk about "us boys."

Wonder if the soldiers remember the days when they used to knock off work 15 minutes early, so they'd be sure to hear the whistle?

The high cost of living wouldn't be so bad for the average citizen if he could petition for a wage increase to an impartial board.

Nobody expects to see college football abolished, but it would occasion no surprise if yell masters were declared non-essential.

Thanks to the war garden, another good old joke has to be taken seriously: "You eat what you can and what you can't you can."

The most dangerous enemies are either in internment camps or are being arrested for attempts to defraud the government on war contracts.

Extending the age limitations for draft may give the man who figured on retiring from business at forty an idea of what to do with his leisure.

Not all the bachelors within the new draft ages who are rushing to wed are slackers. Many are, perhaps, desirous of taking their punishment early.

Thanks to the Liberty Bonds and Thrift Stamps one of the lessons taught the great American public by the war will be the value of a dollar.

Considering the disagreements of "war experts," it is a matter for rejoicing that they are not in charge of the battles they so freely comment upon.

With the war department buying \$450,000 worth of baseball and football supplies for the use of our soldiers overseas the sports will know where to go.

An Ohio county is to abandon thrashing dinners as a measure of food conservation. Some of these days city fellows will launch a movement without a banquet.

If the Americans really take up souvenir collecting seriously, there will soon be more German helmets in the United States than there are in the German army.

The government is taking a hand in current fashions. And Uncle Sam as a style dictator will attend to the economic phase and let the esthetic take care of itself.

The college graduate had a particularly hard time this summer in putting enthusiasm into his commencement essay when he really wanted to be out in the trenches.

Pork exports from America to the allies were almost 170,000,000 pounds during June. But that's all right; the more pork we send to Europe the sooner we can bring home the bacon.

Some of the German officers fled so quickly at the approach of the French and Americans that they left wine glasses on the table in their headquarters. But not, probably, any wine.

A Spanish war veteran has sent word to the boys in France that ants will destroy the beetles. An immediate mobilization of French ants will probably be put into active operation.

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WOMEN AND THE WAR



By MRS. HENRY P. DAVISON

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Within six months after the United States entered the war, the Y. W. C. A. War Work Council had established girls' clubs near more than forty of the cantonments, barracks, and navy yards.

A trained recreation leader was placed in charge of each club. These workers supplement the efforts of the local Associations, if those already exist. Where the idea is new the workers form club centers, organize the girls, and arouse them to a sense of their responsibility in this time of great excitement and confusion.

No scolding of girls for unwise actions and no solemn finger-shaking occurs in the clubs. Instead of dwelling on what not to do, these wise leaders urge real patriotism. All sorts of projects are suggested that are more interesting than the dubious and dangerous pleasures which appeal to the ignorant and the thoughtless. At parties, for instance, these wily chaperones, whom no one ever thinks of as supervisors, arrange that there shall always be twice as many soldiers as girls. "Tactless" is utterly impossible where there are not enough girls to go around!

Club leaders do not attempt to banish the gallant soldier entirely from the girls' world; they wish only to bring him down from glorified heights of glamour to take his place as an every-day hero, subject to the same scrutiny as other men.

Instruction and relief work are not neglected. Among the activities offered are dressmaking, cooking, knitting, French, athletics, dancing, singing, Red Cross work, Belgian relief, and work for the fatherless children of France. The world contains a number of things besides soldiers for a girl's imagination to dwell upon. Hundreds of clubs for school and business girls all over the country are offering pleasanter recreation than the gaily lighted streets and the shadowy parks.

"I have a place now to spend my evenings," said a telephone girl in Waukegan, Illinois, to the club leader. "I was so lonely before you came."

Emergency housing for employed girls is closely connected with the more general welfare work. Centers, selected on the basis of immediate need, have been chosen as demonstration grounds to show employers how girl employees should be housed.

These centers are near the cantonments.

The Bureau of Social Morality is an important feature of the War Work Council's program under the present abnormal conditions. That ignorance is no shield to a girl is well known to its members. Instead, it is her gravest peril. Any situation shrouded in mystery is dangerous. Women can deal only with what they understand. A true social morality must be built on a foundation of knowledge, and be inspired by high aims.

Fourteen women physicians are talking to groups of parents, schoolgirls, and industrial women. These lecturers bend their best efforts to spreading information on social ideals.

Colored women at this time must meet all the problems confronting white women. Their situation is further complicated by industrial and social conditions. Special clubs are being formed among colored girls in the neighborhood of cantonments.

Workers are being placed in industrial centers like Louisville, Kentucky, and Hopewell, Virginia.

Immigrant men who formerly labored in mines, on farms, and in factories, and now serve in our army, are themselves, in need of assistance. Foreign men marry young and many, even of the young ones, have large families dependent upon them. Because of these helpless families, the War Work Council has translators who go into the camps.

The activities of the War Work Council could not be confined to our own country. Our American nurses in France need the Y. W. C. A. social workers. Even the most self-reliant women must have help at the front where women's welfare is a matter of minor importance. A central club in Paris gives hard-worked, courageous nurses a home in a strange land. Branch clubs at all of the base hospitals provide relaxation and recreation for hours off.

When the French women cabled to the War Work Council, pleading for experts to advise them in establishing foyers-canteens for women workers in munitions and other war industries, experts were sent over to have oversight of the building and equipping of some of the canteens and act as adviser to French committees.

A professionally solemn-faced butler in one of the beautiful homes where a drawing-room meeting was being held stood where he heard the stories of the War Work Council's plans and accomplishments. After the guests had gone he approached the speaker with two one-dollar bills. "I give them for my daughter," he said. "I am subject to the next draft. When I am gone someone must look after my little girl. I feel the War Work Council will do it."

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