ASK AID FOR BLIND

Call Upon American Women to Help War Victims.

PLAN TO TEACH THEM TRADES

Unceasing Activity of American People In Their Efforts to Alleviate Sufferings In Europe Has Met With Kindest of Appreciation From Abroad.

New York.—The activity of the American people in their efforts to alleviate the sufferings in Europe has resulted in the saving of the lives of many persons who were on the verge of starvation and the receiving of profound thanks from both victims and rulers of the belligerent nations. Their unceasing work will long be remembered. Money and supplies in large quantities have been sent to both sides.

One of the latest steps taken by the sympathizers of the allies is an appeal issued by the B. F. B. (British, French, Belgian) Permanent Blind Relief fund, with headquarters in this city, over the names of Lady Arthur Paget of the fund's executive committee and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, one of the honorary secretaries, calling upon the women of America for aid. The appeal says in part:

"Thousands of wives, mothers and daughters in France, England and Belgium are speaking to you. Their husbands, brothers and sons, blinded in the war, are helpless and hopeless. They cannot see to work at their former trades. These brave, true women are now obliged to assume the entire burden of supporting them and their children, of supplying all their daily

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MRS. H. P. WHITNEY.

material needs and of encouraging them constantly in their complete despair and continual distress.

"Unless you act these thousands of women will be condemned for the rest of their lives to an existence of hopeless drudgery and hardship.

"For humanity's sake help these European women. They are your sisters, even though you have never seen them.

"Six months' training will educate the blinded men dependent on them in trades not requiring sight. Even your single donation alone will go far toward enabling one of these sightless men to support himself and partly support his family for the rest of his life.

"These women stretch appealing hands to you from across the ocean. Make at least one of them permanently happy and her husband, father or son permanently useful by sending us a contribution.

"The sooner you act the sooner one brave, good, faithful woman will be rescued from an existence of despair and crushing slavery and the sooner the man who is tragically anxious to support her will be saved from a life of uselessness and hopelessness."

FOX IN PORCH SWING.

Apparently Found Cushion Comfortable Sleeping Place.

Duarte, Cal.—When C. A. Werner opened his house the other morning he found his swinging seat occupied by a full grown fox. With the cushion for a nest the fox was resting comfortably and evidently enjoying his quarters.

When his presence became known the members of the family came trooping out to see the porch climber. Then the fox disappeared under the house, where his nature prompted him to hide until the spectators left the porch, when, finding the coast again clear, the fox gracefully jumped on the porch and into the swinging seat, and with an almost human air of comfort and satisfaction adjusted the pillow and settled down to complete the morning nap.

When again interrupted the fox disappeared and headed for the mountains.

Woman Will Be Undertaker.

St. Paul.—Miss Katherine S. Sleppy of 27 Crocus place will continue the undertaking business left by the death of her father, William J. Sleppy. "Most of the work will be done by employees, however," she said. Miss Sleppy is sole heir to the $17,500 estate left by her father and the $9,000 estate left by her mother.

COST A DIAMOND FOR EACH TIME JILTED

Youth Has Only Three Remaining of Original Seven In Locket—Hopes to Find a True Lover.

Kansas City, Mo.—A well dressed young man walked into a loan office here. He brought forth his pocketbook and paid the interest on money he had borrowed on a locket.

Then he asked Frank Nevin, appraiser, to be allowed to see the trinket. Nevin produced it. The young man examined it and grew confidential.

"That locket," he said, "represents four love affairs gone astray. You will notice four of the seven diamonds with which it was originally set are missing. It was four years ago that I became engaged the first time. The girl suggested I take a diamond from the locket for our engagement ring. I have been engaged three times since, and every time I have used one of the diamonds. The girls have broken their engagements and then kept the ring.

"You see these three remaining stones? I hope to be able to find a girl that will keep her promise before they are all gone."

Mr. Nevin said the diamonds in the locket were worth about $75 each.

WAR EMANCIPATES THE TURKISH WOMEN

Veils Being Discarded or Modified, and Theaters Will Soon See Native Actresses Is Belief.

Constantinople.—Since the allies abandoned the Dardanelles attack Constantinople has become normal and is now as far removed from the theater of war as any big city in neutral countries. The cafes and motion picture houses are well attended, and the theaters are crowded. Recently there was a big first night in the Petit Champs, the occasion being the performance of a French comedy. The actors were Turks, but the actresses were all Armenians, as Turkish women are not yet permitted to appear on the stage, but the general opinion is expressed by all thinking Turks that before long their women will make their first appearance as actresses.

The emancipation of women in Turkey has made remarkable progress since the beginning of the war. In the best society in Constantinople the women no longer wear their veils when receiving their guests. Though veils continue to be worn by the Turkish women in the street, still the fashion has made them so flimsy and transparent that they might just as well be dispensed with.

Consequently all the fascination and mystery that heretofore has surrounded the harem has suddenly disappeared. There is no longer any such thing, and in its place there is simply the usual family life. The Turkish woman is as much a housewife as her European sister, and in this war her resources have been taxed to the utmost. Despite the fact that the rich agricultural country of Anatolia is not far distant, the prices of all necessaries of life have increased enormously.

Turkey has awakened from its long lethargy, and the war has brought a new life in the empire. Progress is now the keynote, and the indications are that within a few years Constantinople will be one of the most advanced cities in the world.

WOMEN NOT REAL ANGLERS.

New York Commissioner Pratt, Therefore, Would Let 'Em Fish Free.

Albany, N. Y.—"Women," says Conservation Commissioner Pratt, "do not constitute a factor of importance in the fishing situation."

Therefore Mr. Pratt recommends that the fair sex, as are children under sixteen years of age, be exempt from the provisions of his bill to compel fishermen to take out an annual license costing $1.10.

"It is not desired," he adds, "to put any burden upon these young fishermen."

Under the bill a license is not required to catch suckers, bullheads, carp or other plebeian fish, but to catch fish propagated by the state the $1.10 fee must be paid.

WEDS LOSER OF PHOTO.

Planter Traveled Throughout Middle West Six Months Seeking Ideal.

Hudsonville, Mich.—George N. Howard, a planter of Birmingham, Ala., found a handbag on the Panama-Pacific exposition grounds at San Francisco last September. The bag contained the photograph of a young woman. On the picture was written the name "Wisconsin."

Howard fell in love and for six months traveled throughout the middle west seeking his ideal. He found her here.

The bride was Miss Nettie Telsma of Oshkosh, Wis.

Flying Hen Drops Egg.

Bluefield, W. Va.—What is believed to be the first time on record of a hen laying an egg in midair was the unusual accomplishment of a brown leghorn in the express office at Graham. The hen was in a coop of chickens. After the coop had been placed on a truck the brown leghorn escaped, and while flying dropped a snow white egg into space. John Jones, a colored roustabout, who was pursuing the hen, caught the egg as it dropped.

Rural Credit Bill

By R. F. Wilson

Washington, May 11.—The choicest piece of legislative faking that has come to light in many a day is the Democratic rural credit measure known as the Moss-Hollis Bill.

In many a message, report and speech, the Democrats have announced that they have heard the call of American farming for cheaper money to finance farming operations. They have told the farmer that they are providing a federal credit system that will destroy the power of the money lender everywhere. The Government will put its own funds into the system, they say, and the resulting cheap money will make rural America a Paradise and Utopia.

Then they write a bill which purports to do this thing. They fill this bill up with words, some 100 printed pages of words, providing every minute detail of an elaborate government land bank system, and right in the middle of this measure they insert two pages of type that absolutely nullify the rest of the bill.

These two pages provide for the incorporation of joint stock land banks which are to be private competitors of the government system. The private joint stock banks are given every advantage enjoyed by the government institution. In addition, they are freed from all the restrictions with which the authors of the bill have hedged about the government land bank.

The result will be, if the Moss-Hollis bill is passed in its present form, that the government bank will be a fizzle in which the public Treasury will sink $6,000,000 of its funds, while the private joint stock banks will flourish, giving the nation a mighty mortgage banking system in the same private hands that now lend money on farm lands.

The writer does not claim that the private stock banks will not do good to American farming, or that the system in the long run might not be better for the country than the government land bank scheme.

He does, however, call attention to the Democratic hypocrisy which, purporting to do one thing for the farmer, really does an entirely different thing.

CONSIDER THE EDITOR.

Picking up an exchange, we came upon this choice bit:

"Remember that the newspaper editor whom you are cussing is probably the fellow who will have to write your obituary. Also remember that when he writes your obituary out of the goodness of his heart he will probably overlook the fact that you are a skunk and a deadbeat and wifebeater, and out of sympathy for your family will put a halo on your head and picture you as twanging a golden harp in the New Jerusalem. Then be charitable, even if the editor is a reprobate and a grave-digging hyena."—Ex.

Killing Americans along the Mexican border is good. Right to travel at will on the high seas must not be abridged quoth Sire Wilson—but you'd better stay away from the Mexican border.

Another large English liner has been sunk by a German torpedo. It carried munitions of war, no lives were lost, and for some unacountable reason there were no Americans aboard. The United States government will investigate.

Works Both Ways.

Mrs. X.—Bothered with time wasting callers, are you? Why don't you try my plan?

Mrs. Y.—What is your plan?

Mrs. X.—Why, when the bell rings I put on my hat and gloves before I press the button. If it proves to be some one I don't want to see I simply say, "So sorry, but I'm just going out."

Mrs. Y.—But suppose it's some one you do want to see?

Mrs. X.—Oh, then I say, "So fortunate; I've just come in."—Boston Transcript.

When Abstinence Was a Novelty.

Seventy years ago drinking was so common that, when a total abstainer applied to a London company for a life insurance policy, the board of directors held a special meeting to deal with the unprecedented case. They finally decided to insist on a special premium to cover the extra hazard, but the man upset their expectations by living to the age of eighty-two.—Youth's Companion.

A Note of Apprehension.

"Do you think your boy Josh will be satisfied to stay on the farm?"

"Mebbe it'll be just as well if he isn't," commented Farmer Corntossel. "The way he wants to run the place, if he is satisfied nobody else can be halfway comfortable."—Washington Star.

What He Said.

"So Grabum is after everything he can get. Did you say he was getting well off?"

"Not exactly. I merely remarked that he was getting off easily."—Judge.

Origin of "Mash."

The common slang word "mash" is from a beautiful gypsy word, "mafada," which means "to charm by the eyes."

Progress is the activity of today and the assurance of tomorrow.—Emerson.

Prompting the Prompter.

Like all artists, Sir Henry Irving sometimes allowed the line he was to speak evade his memory for the moment, but so seldom his prompter grew careless. One night Sir Henry turned to the wings and said, "Line, please." The prompter was busy chatting, and Sir Henry repeated, "Line, line!" There was a rustling of leaves, and then a distressed voice murmured, "Which line, Sir Henry?"

Egyptian Maxims.

An Egyptian papyrus which dates back to about 4000 B. C. has the following injunctions: "Calumnies should never be repeated." "Guard thy speech before all things, for a man's ruin lies in his tongue." The wise men of the race early learned good sense.

Nailed by the Ears.

During the prosecution of a London east end shopkeeper for adulteration recently the magistrate remarked that in days gone by tradesmen convicted of offenses similar to this were punished by being nailed by the ears to their own doorposts.

He that will not reason is a bigot, he that cannot reason is a fool, and he that dares not reason is a slave.—Sir W. Drummond.

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SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, Department No. 2, No. 4813.

John T. Hughes, Plaintiff, v. Alvah G. Lineback, Rida Lineback, Alex Christ, Rina Christ, Walter L. Tooze and Phil Arthur, Defendents.

To Alex Christ and Rina Christ, defendants above named.

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and suit, within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, towit, on or before the 15th day of May, 1916, and if you fail so to answer the said complaint for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to said Court and take a decree for the relief prayed for in the said complaint, viz.:

That plaintiff recover off and from the defendants Alvah G. Lineback and Rida Lineback Three hundred and seventy-five ($375) Dollars, with interest thereon at eight per cent. per annum since February 27, 1911, until paid, and Sixty ($60) Dollars as attorney's fees herein, and his costs and disbursements, and that the mortgage given by said defendants Lineback to W. H. Boals October 27, 1906, and recorded on page 157 of Volume 27 of the Polk County, Oregon, Mortgage Records, and now held by plaintiff, be foreclosed in the manner provided by law, and that the real property described in the said mortgage, viz.:

That tract or parcel of land, being a part of the Donation Land Claim of John Sheldon and wife, Notification No. 6832, Claim No. 41, in Township 8 South, Range 6 West of the Willamette Meridian, in the County of Polk and State of Oregon, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point which is 32 chains South and 25 chains West from the Northeast corner of said Claim; thence South 18.80 chains; thence West 5.00 chains; thence North 18.80 chains; thence East 5 chains to the place of beginning, containing 9.40 acres, more or less;

—be sold for the satisfaction of the amounts decreed to be due the plaintiff herein, and that plaintiff may have such other relief as is prayed for in the said complaint.

This summons, by order of the Hon. H. H. Belt, Judge of said Court, dated the 30th day of March, 1916, is published once a week for six consective weeks, in the Falls City News, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published in said County.

The date of the first publication of this summons is April 1, 1916.

OSCAR HAYTER,
Attorney for plaintiff.

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