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... This paper has enlisted
with the government in the
cause of America for the
period of the war ...

DON'T REPEAT EVERYTHING

The Oregon Division of Public In-
formation about the war has found
another series of lies about the war.
Stories are being circulated that
unnamed privates have been sentenced
to long terms in prison for minor
offenses; that a number have been
shot for insubordination; that
certain officers have confiscated the
supplies sent over for somebody's
boy.

Now listen. These are German
propaganda stuff, and should have
no attention from any loyal citizen.
Supplies for the boys are reaching
them as fast as they can be sent for-
ward, and all court martials are re-
ported in the press.

No sane American is barred from
honest criticism of the government
and its conduct of the war, but do not
pay any attention to the silly stuff
of the character of the foregoing.

It is a good idea to be a conver-
sation miser anyway.

CHANGE METHOD OF HANDLING WAR INSURANCE ALLOWANCES

A radical change in the method of
handling allotments and family al-
lowances which will speed up the
delivery of Government checks to the
dependents of soldiers and sailors
went into effect July 1, Secretary
McAdoo announces.

Several important amendments of
the war-risk insurance act, just ap-
proved by the president, make pos-
sible the change in procedure.

Government to Add Bonus

After July 1 every enlisted man in
the military or naval service, regard-
less of rank or pay, must make the
same compulsory allotment to his
wife and children—\$15 a month. To
this allotment the Government will
add a monthly allowance ranging
from \$5 a month for a motherless
child and \$15 for a wife without
children up to a maximum of \$30.

In addition the enlisted, if he
desires Government allowance for his
dependent parents, grandparents,
grand-children, brothers and sisters,
may make voluntary allotments to
them—fixed by the new amendments
at \$5 a month, where allotment is
made to a wife and children and \$15
where no allotment is made.

Heretofore allotments were on a
sliding scale and varied according to
the soldiers pay or the numbers and
personal of his family.

Simplifies Allotment System.

The new system, which was put
into effect with the approval of the
War and Navy Departments, will
simplify the administration of allotments
and allowances both by the Bureau
of War-Risk Insurance and in the
field. Henceforth the Bureau of
War-Risk Insurance will handle al-
lotments of only two amounts—\$15
or \$20.

The amounts of family allowances
paid by the Government to supple-
ment these allotments are not
changed by the amended law.

Beginning with July pay, the Bu-
reau of War-Risk Insurance will
handle allotments only to support
family allowances and then only in
the amounts required by law to sup-
port such allowances. The excess
allotments and allotments to persons
not entitled to allowances will be
handled by the War Department,
Navy Department, Marine Corps, or
Coast Guard.

This change in administrative pro-
cedure will considerably increase the
bureau's efficiency in handling its
allotments and allowance problem.

OUR BOYS AND THE RED TRIANGLE.

Try the following experiment:
Pick out a rainy district and a barn
with a leaky roof and gapping walls.
Move into that barn with a blanket,

Train Women in Poise and Judgment for Better Government of World

By MRS. WILLIAM GRANT BROWN
President of Michigan Federation of Clubs

I would not have woman usurp man's place in world affairs, but I
would have her reach an equal footing with him. I do not believe the
right to govern should be entrusted solely to man or entirely to woman.
I would have them divide the right. And by dividing the right they would
arrive at the balanced viewpoint which would be a benefit to humankind.
It would efface from government many, if not all, of the evils that pre-
vail. Some man-made laws are perfectly ridiculous, but so would some
woman-made laws be, if she were allowed to build them alone.

Woman's entrance into public life is not so objectionable as it once
was because what she is doing is commendable work. She has become
accustomed to seeing herself in the public eye. It has been her club
training that has fitted her to go out into civic life and which has quali-
fied her for the part she is playing. While I regret woman's entrance
into business affairs, while I am sorry she must go out from her home,
conditions today decree she must, and there remains nothing for her to
do but to go on.

But before she makes her move into public life I believe a woman
should have some sort of training to fit her for those trials and responsi-
bilities with which she intends to burden herself. There should be a
school for the study of government, and to this institution I would not
only send woman but man as well.

I would first be sure she was fitted for her work in whatever sphere
she enters, and I would be sure of her integrity and honesty and truth-
fulness. I do not believe women should be appointed to office through
social influence, and those seeking positions should be the last to be re-
cognized.

Light That Warms Heart and Makes One Love All Little Children

By HARRIOT RUSSELL

Some girls are little mothers at heart almost from the time their
baby lips have learned to form a few words.

I watched a small girl the other day as she sat rocking her baby
brother to sleep—such a roly-poly, husky fellow he was—much too large
and heavy to be held by so small a girl.

And though he wasn't just the easiest sort of a little tad to manage,
not once did the little girl lose patience with him.

Her bright, sunny face radiated tenderness and cheerfulness, and
in her soft eyes was a spark of the light that some day will burn brightly
when she holds her own babies in her arms, close, close against her breast.

I watched her all the rest of the day as she cared for the wee boy
while her own busy mother went about her work and, though the little
girl was very young and extremely childish in her ways—not one bit
old—there was something in her pretty face and something in her way
of handling that young brother of hers that made you think of her as
a little mother.

And that is what she was—a little mother. We often see them as
they bend over their dollies and sing soft lullabies to them. It is a little
light that burns in their eyes even when they are scarcely beyond their
own cradle days—a light that grows deeper and brighter with the passing
of the years whether or not they ever have babies of their own, and it is
a light that sends a glow of warmth about the heart and that makes one
love all little children.

a toothbrush and sixty pounds of
bricks. Carry those bricks around
in rain and heat twelve or fourteen
miles a day. When you are through
promenading with the bricks or dig-
ging, eat your beans out of a wash
basin, light your pipe, pick out the
least wet and drafty spot in the barn
and contemplate the beauties of the
manure pile on the other side of the
yard, varying this occupation now
and then by shifting to softer lo-
cation in the damp hay. Continue
this experiment for at least six weeks
sprinkling your person plentifully
but usefully with insect powder and
taking a weekly bath out of a tin cup.
At the end of six weeks watch some
one put up a temporary wooden
structure a hundred yards from the
barn. Watch him put up a stove
tables, chairs, a phonograph, a shelf
with tobacco, candy and similar ar-
ticles, a counter with hot coffee and
doughnuts. When that fellow is
done and waves at you to come over
wouldn't you make the hundred
yards in nothing flat?

Multiply this experiment by a mil-
lion, add night raids, daylight bom-
bardments, a foreign language and
homesickness, and you have a picture
of what the boys in France are up
against. All honor to them for it!
After all, the Hun isn't their greatest
foe. The worst menace to them is
the drab monotony of life in the
field, the total lack of the small con-
veniences we never notice until they
are gone, the endless succession of
discomforts, dirt and mean miseries
from which there are only two
avenues of escape: the French inn
with wine and worse things and the
Red Triangle hut.

In which place would you prefer
to find your boy?

The Red Triangle of the Y. M. C.
A. has the same meaning for the un-
wounded boys that the Red Cross has
for those who have suffered bodily
injury. As the war goes on, the
work of the Red Triangle becomes of
daily increasing importance. Re-
member that the boys in France are
digging trenches—and graves—for
you. Dig into your pocket for them.
—From the August Sunset.

Also the conservation of food
provides more money for thrift
stamps.

In Austria the slogan seems to be
"Eat or Strike."

Ten million and some odd dollars
are taken in daily by the Internal
Revenue Department. What of it?
Oh, nothing; but that's a nice little
batch of money isn't it?

If it'll help clean up the Russian
situation, I'm in favor of letting the
Chinese set up a line of laundries all
the way from Vladivostok to the
Gulf of Riga.

"Going to stay home all summer?"
I'm obliged to. I've got a load of
coal in the cellar and I can't afford
a private watchman.

Russia is being educated in the
bitter and expensive school of ex-
perience.

Maybe Von Kuehlmann will be
decorated with the order of the tin
can.

Effective Turkoman Headgear.
The Turkomans owe much of their
charm to their fantastic headgear.
When they remove them and reveal
the shaved heads and embroidered
skull caps underneath they seem com-
monplace. Yet there are many of the
older men whose majesty of bearing
is not a matter of costume alone. Their
red cotton gowns or khalats give them
a princely stateliness which the trans-
ferred Russian with his shirt flopping
lacks.

Wasn't Talking About His Wife.
A Melbourne man was speaking to
a friend of his troubles in general
when he sighed and said: "Yes; the
only girl I really cared for I couldn't
have." "What?" exclaimed the friend.
"That doesn't sound very complimen-
tary to your wife." "Oh," the other
hastened to explain, "my wife felt as
badly about it as I did. You see, the
girl wanted two pounds a week and
we couldn't afford to pay more than
thirty shillings."

Why Women Bear Pain.
Women bear pain better than men,
as is well known, but Dr. E. O'Neill
Kane says that their tranquillity is
often deceptive, being stoical submis-
sion rather than lack of feeling. He
believes women are less often affected
by shock than men; they endure sur-
gical operations better and pass under
anesthesia more rapidly, quietly and
safely.

DO NOT NEGLECT YOUR TEETH

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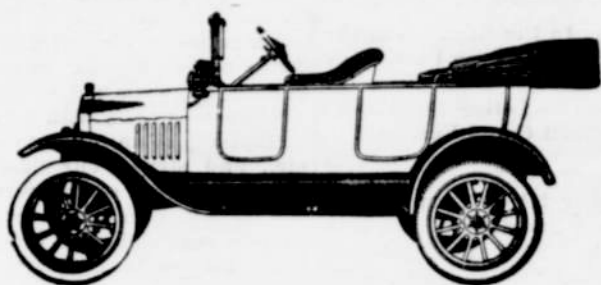
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