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February 11, 1918.

Mrs. W. P. Hobby,
Governor's Mansion,
Austin, Texas.

My Dear Mrs. Hobby:

Last week, while in Dallas, I just happened to meet Mrs Fleming in Sanger's lunch room, and she told me that she had at your request appointed a Woman's Committee to co-ordinate the war work of the women of the state, and that she had appointed me on that committee, and had published the appointment, without even the formality of notifying me of the fact. I feel sure that Mrs. Fleming would not have done that had she had the remotest conception of how seriously I take our war service and how unwilling I am to be a mere figurehead in any responsibility for service to the country at this time, that seems to be mine. And I write to assure you that I shall be most happy to serve on that Committee, and will give the very best cooperation possible. You are Chairman, are you not? Mrs. Fleming left me with that impression.

You were in Taylor the day I was in Austin, and so I missed the conference I hoped to hold with you, about the work you have planned for the Committee, and what we could do to help. Also I was very anxious to ask you to serve on the Advisory Committee of the "oman's Liberyu Loan Committee. Please, Mrs. Hobby, find place for this in your busy life. Our Texas boys over seas would be gladdened to know that our Governor's wife is helping to hold the second line trench at home, which is financing the war.

Hoping to hear from you soon, and favorably, I am,

Very truly yours,

MFC-EHL

President.