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Col. George M. Bailey, Editor, Houston Post, Houston, Texas.

My Dear Colonel Bailey:

Permit me to thank you for the perfectly splendid editorial appearing in the Post entitled "Women as Flappers." I cannot imagine from what source Mrs. Robins gets her figures, and I fancy her point of view must be warped by her personal contact being largely with the very poor in Chicago, and the very rich. Thank goodness neither class represents a majority throughout the country, and we are very grateful to you for "taking your pen in hand" in defense of the rest of us.

May I just say, too, that we think it a mighty good Suffrage editorial also: Always Suffrage for women has been right because "Governments defive their just powers from the consent of the Governed," which means us as well as you, but never has there been such urgent need to place the potential power for self protection which lies in the ballotein the hands of the millions of women you have so eloquently spoken of and for, than at this present time when, under the necessity of the serious situation, the Bovernment is laying its not-to-bedenied hand upon our men, and laying many overwhelming and unusual burdens upon the "frail shoulders" already loaded with burdens it was never intended that they should bear, as you say.

Again thanking you, I am,

Very truly yours,

President.

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