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Home of Post

"Step in please, step in a minute. The bus will start in exactly half a minute. There is ample room for all without crowding. Sit up closer please—here we go. We shall drive slowly, so that no one need miss a single point of interest."

At this point in the journey suffrage coffee will be served by the passengers from thermos bottles under the direction of the hospital committee.

"Speeding on through Commercial Street, a hasty dash up Foster brings us to Main, the great artery of Worcester traffic. Cast your eyes to the right, ladies and gentlemen. This is Mechanics Hall where was staged the most impressive and overwhelming suffrage rally ever conducted at any place or at any time on this continent!"

Stop the bus for one moment, driver, while an audience gazes on the triple staircase which where the knife men and strong women fought for places on the Saturday night before election. At the top of the next flight (which you could see were your eyes adapted to glancing around corners), club members stood on that memorable night driving back with the marching cohorts. I now crave your indulgence, ladies and gentlemen, for a quick dash down the street to a spot of such vast historic interest that it must not be overlooked. Here on my right in the building now occupied by the store for the distribution of war papers, the Worcester suffragists had their headquarters for the three months preceding election. Note please the window on the extreme right; where the window hangs that roll of pea green bedroom paper with the pink spider design, stained the voiceless speech, turned by the willing hands of scores of club members and read by the eager eyes of countless thousands. Within, other willing hands pinned yellow buttons

Where Margaret Foley Dared "Further up the street we turn to the right and the bus for a few precious moments just within the confines of Commercial Street, where Margaret Foley defied the Worcester police force in one of the most thrilling engagements of the campaign. On the pavement where our vehicle now stands, the intrepid creature halted her automobile, and while even the

"THE VOTE WILL TAKE THE WOMEN OUT OF THE HOME" --- Anti-Suffrage Argument

WAYS THE BALLOT WILL HELP WOMEN

Practical Reforms That It Would Help

By CHRISTINE DUPRE McCOURT During the life of every mortal, there comes a time when we long to be of some help to our fellow men. To those women who feel this call, ways are open but it is a perplexing problem to choose the one which will cover the greatest number of lives...

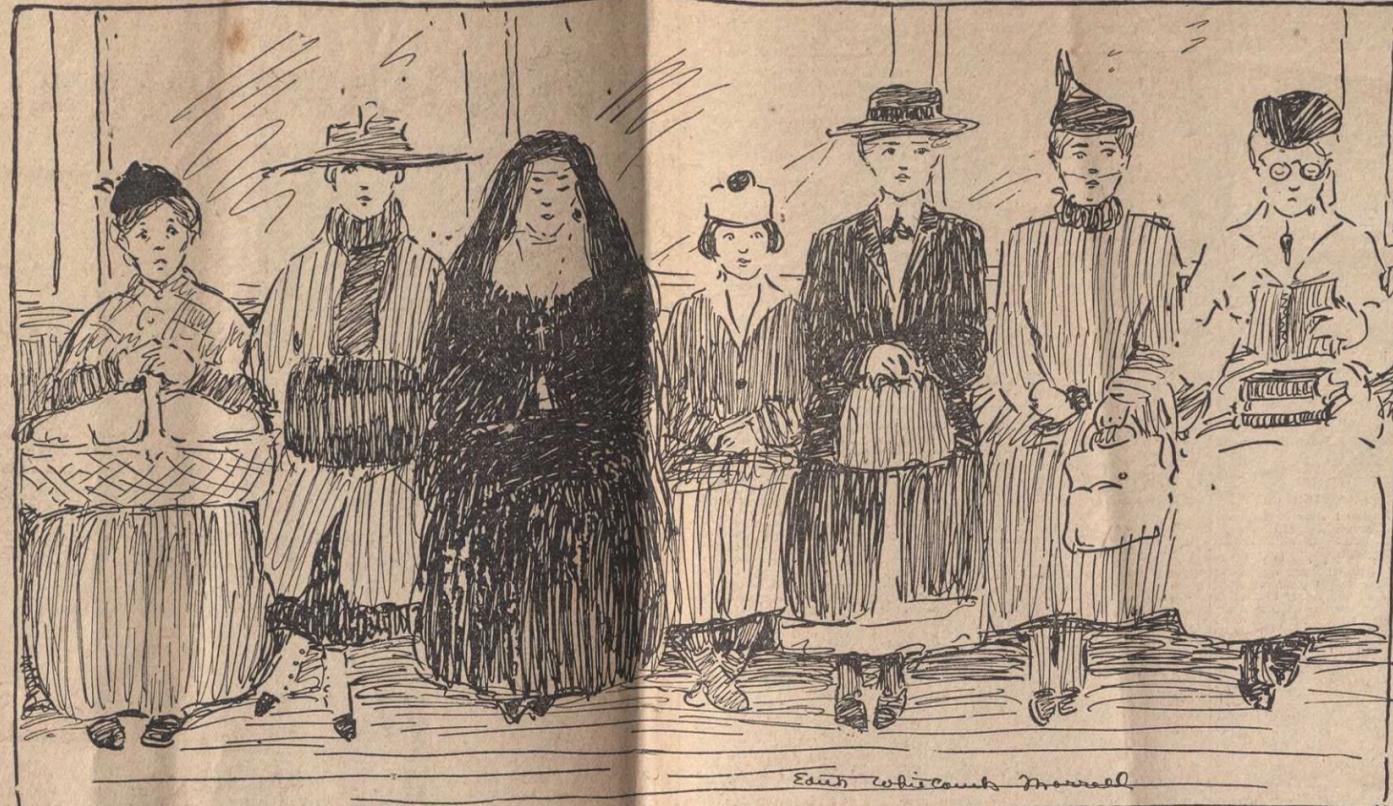
The women who walk in the lower paths of life are not barred from contributing their humble mite, for through the medium of woman suffrage they may add their share. What better avenue could the women whose husbands, brothers, sons or daughters are among the countless numbers of humble toilers so necessary to the progress of the world choose than to be instrumental in the enactment and enforcement of laws to enforce laws already made and enact new ones the relief cannot be a permanent one. The foreign-born parents, sadly disillusioned after proving on our shores are often obliged to live in filthy, congested neighborhoods where vice flourishes under the very eyes of the police officials. What wonder the reformatories are filled to overflowing with youthful offenders!

Those women who are compelled to join the vast army of wage earners, either in stores, shops or factories, could do much to better their conditions. Shorter working hours so that overworked nerves would have a respite, proper sanitation, adequate light and above all, the power of the ballot in the hands of women as well as men.

The old argument of indirect influence has proven its futility times out of number. Note the case of hundreds of immigrant girls being sold into white slavery through the agency of employment bureaus in New Jersey. Petitions yards long were merely made to pay a small fine and given their liberty, to establish their field of operation elsewhere. Note the struggle of the girl workers in the Fall River textile mills to improve the unsanitary conditions in their respective rooms. Their requests were presented and a slight change took place. Not being voters, they have no further redress. The non-passage of the bill for the eight-hour day for working women is another striking example of the ineffectiveness of indirect influence. The fact that in the 27 states where women cannot vote for members of the legislature, not one has a law restricting women to an eight-hour day, is sufficient food for reflection. Yet these women are the mothers and future mothers of our country.

BIologically SPEAKING "It may be that woman's effort to secure the franchise is but the surface indication of a great biologic movement. Perhaps the present feminist agitation will bring a change in human destiny. When we consider that woman was evolved to preserve, to perpetuate, the species; that in the course of that evolution she developed traits—traits which are the logical results of her care for her children—it would seem that there must now also be evolved within her a great fundamental reaction against the harshness of man. This greed for killing was put into man through evolution, and it cannot be mitigated save through further evolution. Perhaps one of the influences in this further evolution will be woman's natural reaction against needless violence in hotels and restaurants."

MEXICO SEES LIGHT At a Constitutional Convention held recently at Queretaro, a proposal to enfranchise the professional and business women of Mexico was favorably entertained.



THESE WOMEN: WASH-WOMAN, STENOGRAPHER, SISTER OF MERCY, FACTORY GIRL, TRAINED NURSE, BUSINESS WOMAN, SCHOOL TEACHER, AND MANY OTHERS ARE OUT OF THE HOME ALL DAY

THESE BILLS FOR THE WELFARE OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN WERE DEFEATED BY YOUR LEGISLATURE AT ITS LAST SESSION

Women to Serve of Health Boards—The appointments to health boards are now confined to men. A bill permitting women to sit on health boards was favored by the committee on public health. This bill was rejected by the Senate.

Women Voters, Notice Regarding Registry—This bill provided for the notification of women voters who had been dropped from the registered list. This notice is sent to all men. Committee reported this bill "leave to withdraw" (a polite form of rejection) and report was accepted in both branches of Legislature.

Women, Vote on Liquor License—The question of license is voted upon annually in the state. The bill to permit women also to vote on this question was favored by many men. Liquor men violently opposed the bill. Committee on election laws reported "leave to withdraw." Report accepted in both branches.

Teachers' Agencies, Abuses—This bill was introduced to correct present abuses such as excessive fees, misrepresentation, etc. Committee on education reported "leave to withdraw." Report accepted in both branches. This bill will have to be introduced into the next session as it is of vital importance.

Women, Eight-Hour Day—We now have an eight-hour day and forty-eight hour week for men in public employment. The Massachusetts law has a 54-hour week for women. Bill introduced extending shorter

on coats, shirts and suitwaists, scattered suffrage literature to the breeze, painted banners, stretched, converted citizens and killed flies.

Home of Rummage Sales "Turn the bus, please. As the driver turns, it may be of interest to the ladies of the party to observe the vacant store directly opposite where the semi-annual suffrage rummage sales are held. These rummage sales in evening gown, hats, suits and smart hats for the past three seasons; maids and matrons have scrupled to take advantage of the extraordinary goods offered for sale. Those ladies on the bus wishing further information, please telephone Park 6030, during the lunch hour.

"We are now turning up Pearl Street, and I wish to call your attention to the vacant lot on my right. Here under the very shadow of aggravated anti-suffrage speakers made the welkin ring and a committee member of the police force saw the light for the first time. It is understood on good authority that before one speech ended, a doctor was present in one anti domicile in the vicinity.

Crade of Suffrage "We now take a long jump, ladies and gentlemen, from this vacant lot to the side of the suffrage crade of Worcester. This crade is on the side of the street; now we turn into Oxford. Observe the Bluebird still clinging among the vines on yonder porch, one of the two such fowls in this city that weathered the storms of political adversity without shedding a feather. (Run the bus carefully up the driveway.) Gentlemen, please, remove their hats! My friends—the Threshing Floor!

Here have the suffragists of Worcester met by two, by dozens, by scores, and by hundreds. Here tea has flowed freely and conversation has been held. Here more resolutions have been drawn up for the perusal of legislators than at any other place in the civilized world. These ladies have elected to the important position of ladies from Holden, Grafton, Shrewsbury, Southwick, and even from Paxton. Barring the back steps of City Hall, it is the only spot in Worcester where a free speech is more than an idle threat. Back out carefully, driver! Three cheers for the Threshing Floor, my friends!

(Permission for this demonstration has been secured through permit from the committee on public nuisances.) Turning this sharp corner, we and bring up once more in front of the clubrooms. Please hand your tickets to me as you leave the bus. Ladies wishing to recover from the emotional strain are welcome to the hospitality of the clubrooms. Next trip day after tomorrow at the same hour. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. This way, please!

working day to women in public employment was given "leave to withdraw" and the report was accepted in both branches.

Women Cleaners in Public Buildings, Wages—The men in public employment such as laborers and mechanics are paid prevailing rate of wages for men in private employ. Bill was introduced giving women cleaners in public employment prevailing rate of wages, and report accepted in both branches.

Hotel Registry Bill—This measure embodied one of the recommendations of the white slave commission and was intended to prevent men from taking girls to the hotels and registering as man and wife. It had the support of the better class of hotel men and innkeepers and was this year introduced by an association of hotel men. The bill was defeated in the House. People interested in this measure may like to know that the chief cause of the defeat was the ridicule directed against the bill.

Female Prisoners and Patients, Handcuffs—This bill was introduced providing women custodians, guards, or probation officers for women prisoners. This bill was rejected by the House.

Inebriate Women, Hospital Treatment—The state now maintains a hospital at Norfolk accommodating 400 men who are treated as patients and not as criminals or drunkards. They are given the best scientific treatment. The only public provision for women is the jail or reformatory. The trustees at Norfolk recommended starting the same work for women, and requested an appropriation for a cottage for 30 women. (I think the appropriation asked was \$1,500.) Request was also made for a barn for the men's hospital. Request for barn granted. Provision for cottage for women stricken out by committee on public institutions. Defeat rests with this committee

and the ways and means committee. Mothers' Pensions, to Remove Element of Charity.—Relief is now administered by the overseers of the poor. All bills to provide for the mothers' pension given "leave to withdraw" and report accepted.

Employment Offices, To Regulate and Provide for State Bureau.—This measure was intended to relieve the unemployed situation and to remedy by state supervision abuses now existing in some private employment offices. Committee on legal affairs reported "leave to withdraw."

Immigration Bureau, to Provide.—It has long been felt by those studying the immigration situation that a bureau to teach the immigrant the duties of citizenship would be a great benefit to many of the political evils now existing. A bill to provide this bureau was approved by the social welfare committee but rejected by the House.

Disease Transmitted Through Handling Food, to Prevent.—The possibility of innocent persons contracting loathsome diseases through infected foods in the hotels and restaurants is a real menace. Other states are taking action in this respect. New York requires the physical examination of employes in public eating houses. Several measures directed against this evil were introduced in the 1916 session. One bill provided for an investigation of conditions under which foods and drinks are handled in public places. Another bill authorizing cities and towns to provide for medical examination of all persons employed as cooks, waiters, waitresses in hotels and restaurants.

State Board of Labor and Industries, Inspectors—We now have 24 inspectors for the 1400 places of employment in Massachusetts. Bill providing for 12 more inspectors was introduced. General "leave to withdraw" was reported. This bill extended the law of one day's rest in seven to workers in hotels and restaurants. Instead of appointing a committee to study the matter, the Legislature appointed a committee to study the matter.

Age of Consent, Raise of—The law in Massachusetts now holds a girl 16 years of age responsible with the man who wrongs her. A bill to raise this age was reported by the joint judiciary committee "leave to withdraw" and report was accepted in both branches.

Another bill requiring physicians to report cases of abuse of girls

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MOTION PICTURES FOR CHILDREN ARE SUCCESS

Enterprise Under Leadership of Mrs. Arthur W. Marsh Grew Out of Six Weeks' Survey

By ARABELLA H. TUCKER

The Woman's Club of our city has for two winters been carrying on an enterprise which, we believe, has aroused much interest and will arouse more; a weekly motion picture entertainment for children. During the autumn of 1915 a survey of all the motion picture theaters in the city was conducted by the civics department of the club under the enthusiastic leadership of the chairman, Mrs. Arthur W. Marsh, which suggested the need of doing something for the children of the city. During the six weeks of the survey every picture shown in every motion picture theater in Worcester was seen by at least one member of the committee and reported upon. The result showed that while there were very few absolutely bad films there were many undesirable ones from the point of view of the committee. Burlesque and sensational melodrama characterized a large part, and though they were attended by hundreds of children—indeed, in some cases the audience being composed entirely of children—no effort seemed to have been made to present anything especially suited to them. In the 704 pictures seen during the survey, only 14 were noted as adapted to children.

At Mrs. Marsh's suggestion the club voted to allow the use of its hall with a seating capacity of over 700, and to install a motion picture apparatus. The civics committee raised money to cover a dreaded deficit by an advance sale of season tickets. Permission was given by the school department for the weekly programs to be displayed in the abundant space for announcements. The result has been that for 16 weeks last winter, and for 15 this winter, with five more to come—a continuous performance, lasting from 2:30 until 5:30, and consisting of two showings of the pictures, has been given every Saturday afternoon. Much time and thought have been put into the selection of the programs, as the attendance that will prove, and the very best educational films have been obtained from the various exchanges, part of the time directly and part of the time through the Community Motion Picture Bureau of Boston. That good films are appreciated is shown by the fact that the attendance steadily increased last winter, and has kept good all this winter, although for the same price—ten cents for adults and five for children—the picture could be obtained to most of the moving picture houses, many of them in a more central location. The programs have usually contained some well-known story (Robinson Crusoe, Rip Van Winkle, Cinderella, the Prince and the Pauper) an event from history (Paul Revere's Ride, the Birth of the Star Spangled Banner, Washington Crossing the Delaware), a nature film (Dr. Dillman—director of the Bronx Zoo—Animal Pictures, Our Feathered Friends, the Jerboa), some natural scenery (Canyon of the Colorado, and this winter, a series of four "Antarctic pictures"), and for pure fun, comedies and cartoons (Sunny Jim, Dreamy Dad and Bobby Bump).

It is hard to tell which have been enjoyed the most; an audience made up largely of children is not backward in expressing its satisfaction and pleasure. Many parents who are unwilling that their children should go to the public places are glad to bring them to the clubhouse, and grateful to the club for the opportunity; in fact there has been from the first a large attendance of adults as well as children. But the audience have been by no means confined to the carefully nurtured; the children of the poor count out their five pennies at the box office in great numbers, and though most of them come a long distance they arrive in good season and through the streets long before the time for opening the doors. In order to give larger opportunity for the children of the city to enjoy the pictures, and by way of suggesting to the managers the desirability of catering more to children, the pictures were shown during the first

winter on Saturday mornings, in some of the motion picture theaters in the poorer parts of the city. A small fee was charged to pay the proprietor for the expense of lighting, heat, etc. The Woman's Club furnished the pictures free of all charge, believing that good seed has been sown, and that it will bear good

A Prominent Worcester Suffragist



MRS. EMILE LANDRY AND THE TWINS, PAUL EMILE LANDRY AND PHILIP RENE LANDRY.

fruit. Last winter the pictures, again without charge by the Woman's Club, were shown Saturday evenings at the Boys' Club, for several weeks, and they have been shown there again this winter for the last three weeks, and will be shown the remaining five. It is very gratifying to the committee that they have paid all expenses and have a small sum in the bank for other civic work. It is even more satisfying to observe that the commercial houses of the city have begun to cater to children in their programs. Motion pictures for children have been given by women's organizations in a number of cities and towns in different parts of the country with varying success. The movement has been most successful in Providence, and Worcester stands second. Too much credit cannot be given to Mrs. Marsh for her part in this success. The conception was hers, and she has done the planning and the work that have made the undertaking something of which Worcester has good cause to be proud.

Many women suffer from laws that encourage monopolization of necessities, from laws that permit traffic in alcohol, from laws affecting labor, children, the home, and so on, but they have had no opportunity to vote against these laws. It is based on the principle of democracy, and is simply the logical conclusion of the great democratizing movement which began generations ago, and is now sweeping the entire world. It is upheld by expediency, because justice is always expedient, and because, moreover, upon woman falls the greatest responsibility for the education of the country's future citizens. She should teach children to appreciate the privileges and hold sacred the duties of citizenship, but she cannot be thoroughly acquainted with these privileges and duties, unless she has participated in the privileges and helped to fulfill the duties of the citizens of a democracy. It is upheld by the fact that woman's influence as a sex, is one of educational and moral uplift, and that it should be expressed, not only in council but in law. At the heart and center of a free government stands the ballot box; into it should go the protest of women against wrong, the help of women in establishing right; and because until the votes of women are added to the votes of men, our government will be neither just nor democratic, and our country cannot come to its full moral development, the cause of suffrage will live and thrive and grow, borne upward and onward by forces that have never failed and are unconquerable.—MRS. GEO. A. SLOCUMB.

This Week Ohio gave Women Presidential Vote
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EQUAL FRANCHISE IN WESTERN STATES

Letters of Interest to Believers and Investigators

The following letters from various western states are interesting reading to all who are interested in the equal franchise cause, whether as believers or investigators.

From North Dakota
The passage of the presidential suffrage bill by the legislature of North Dakota was the first real victory toward the suffragists for years of labor. Even before statehood, the question of woman suffrage was fought over in the territorial legislature and in 1872 came within one vote of passing. Again in 1885, a bill passed both houses but was vetoed by Governor Pierce, who has since become a suffragist.

When North Dakota became a state, Henry B. Blackwell of Boston came west and addressed the constitutional convention in behalf of prohibition and votes for women. After long debate, prohibition went into the constitution and as a compromise the legislature was put in authority to prohibit at any time by a legislative act to be approved at the next general election by a majority of voters voting upon the question. How, when or where the words "voting in general election" were inserted no one seems to know.

But the change of those few words was responsible for our hard and fruitless campaign of 1914, at which time the question was submitted under such provision. We received, under this election, so large a majority that the legislature of 1915 killed our constitutional amendment because to substitute it meant without doubt victory in 1916.

After so many disappointments and defeats, the action and attitude of the 1917 legislature was certainly gratifying. In the passage of the impartial suffrage bill we are rejoicing. The presidential vote is important not only for its own sake but through it the best kind of pressure can be brought upon our national representatives for passage of the Susan B. Anthony amendment. May success only make us more loyal to the great cause of equality for women and may our efforts never relax until every state has granted the ballot to its women.

With greetings and cordial good wishes to Massachusetts from the North Dakota Votes for Women League.
GLACE CLENDENING, Pres.

From Washington
Women suffrage came about very naturally in this state and it works well. The men were never strongly opposed to it, and the few women who at first felt insulted or have been the object of having to vote have become quite reconciled. The fact of the average woman having not been realized, for women still are not really an equal part of the political platform. Many who are agitated that this is a mathematical discovery that one can be an intelligent voter without delving deeply into politics, if one is not of a political turn of mind.

Suffrage has not brought about startling changes in Washington. This is an argument for the movement rather than against it. It is a proof that women, like men, are individuals, not a mass. Of course there is the significant fact that in our schools, our churches, our parsonages, our clubs and other societies there are more women than men. On the other hand, there are more men interested in philanthropic, educational and other welfare movements than there are women. It follows that there are usually more women than men active in furthering matters of public welfare. The women's vote has proved an important factor in helping to determine the course of the state's interests are opposed to matters of public welfare. There were more men than men prominent in putting through prohibition in this state last year. Yet, while this is true in a general way, our women have never lined themselves up on one side against the men on the other. In politics, as well as in other phases of life, our intelligent, conscientious women work shoulder to shoulder with the conscientious men, and the men seem glad to have them there.

From California
Woman's suffrage in California has proved beneficial to the individual, the community and the state. It will soon be nationwide. Women formerly indifferent to the ballot now regard it as a civic responsibility which requires of them more careful thinking and a broader intelligence than in the past. The simple, rational way in which they have ac-

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SUFFRAGE ABROAD
India boasts a well defined suffrage movement with some good working organizations, like the notable one at Mussoorie. Women in Bombay and Bagoda have the municipal suffrage, and Hindi, Mohammedan, Parsi and Buddhist women have voted in the municipality of Rangoon, in Burmah, for 30 years. The women of Argentina, while still far from the vanguard of the woman movement, are waking up to modern possibilities, are waking up to them as working as heads of large humanitarian societies, which they have organized to help women and children. They have taken the first step. The second step comes when the women think a little further and endeavor to prevent the wrongs they see by demanding a voice in law-making.

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WAR IS NOT WANTED BY THE WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS

'National Crisis and Woman's Responsibility Toward It' To Be Discussed by Them in Capital

Women members of the National American Woman Suffrage Association are assembling in Washington today to discuss the 'National Crisis and Woman's Responsibility Toward It.'

Women suffragists in particular, are nearly all on record as averse to war. They are averse to the creation of war psychology in advance of the event. They deprecate ill-considered war talk in the name of patriotism. They want peace. They work for peace. They pray for peace. If peace can be compelled, they will compel it. But if war can no longer be averted, national service in time of actual need will find response in their hearts.

To outline a plan of constructive national service by women, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, has called her associates consisting of 100 members, representing all the states, to meet in Washington February 23.

'If we are to be involved in war this is no time to offer pointless promises of assistance,' says Mrs. Catt. 'In the beginning of the European War the women were asked what they could do and whether they were wanted, while the governments underestimated their capacity and hesitated to call upon them for any service. The result has been serious economic mistakes for which those countries are paying dearly. In order to avoid these blunders we propose to consider carefully the capacity of women to help in our own crisis and to make a definite proposal to our government which we can guarantee to carry out successfully.'

'The first cry in Great Britain was for munitions. Contracts were awarded everywhere among companies that could and could not fill them. High wages finally attracted enough men. They earned more money than ever before and spent more. There was a new, unknown prosperity. Then the government found it needed these men elsewhere. It pulled them out of the factories and put them in the trenches where they earned little. Women were substituted for them in factories at low wages, but not until they had marched the streets of London demanding that they be given an opportunity to work. It was a mistake not to take the women at first. It was unnecessary to cause an economic revolution by substituting women for men on a new scale of wages, and introducing in factories under stress of great demands for products a large number of untrained hands which might have been trained earlier under a more intelligent system.'

News of the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany was answered by a deep and reverberating pean from the millions of organized suffragists over the country. At the New York and Washington headquarters of the National American Woman Suffrage Association telephone bells were ringing all day and telegrams pouring in, as state by state the suffrage organizations got into line to prefer concrete action with the national or any program of constructive service to be offered to Congress in the event of war. In Pennsylvania the suffrage action first, New Jersey and New York followed immediately. Headed by Mrs. Norman de R. Whitehouse, chairman of the New York State Woman Suffrage Party a delegation of suffragists tendered service to Governor Whitman.

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War Explodes War Argument Against Women Suffrage

The conversion to woman suffrage which is the most notable in many a year is that of Lord Northcliffe, leader of Conservative forces in Great Britain and owner of the London Times, and Mail, as well as other English publications. His influence through the many columns he controls is enormous. His opposition was by many considered of more importance than that of Premier Asquith. Editorially he says that the old argument against giving women the vote was that they were useless in war times, but they have shown that the war couldn't be carried on without them.

Women

There are some who think the vote's a right, A duty 'tis to some, There are some who do not wish the 'vote', They wish it ne'er would come; And yet, how very soon we'll see These women voting merrily.

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Reviews of Books That Show Woman's High Place in Affairs

A FRENCH MOTHER IN WAR

TIME, the Journal of Madame Edouard Drumont. Longmans, Green & Co., London, 1916. 167 pp.

This pathetic little diary runs from July, 1914 to August, 1915, and reveals admirably the bewilderment and anxiety of even the cultured class in France during those first months.

Madame Drumont's son, her only child, was in the aviation corps, and completing his training, and with the greatest anxiety was that she would not be able to see him again before the "inevitable war," but she was spared this. The women voters are with you and will stand royally on your President in this period of national danger.

THE WORLD GROWS WHITER

North Dakota makes the first contribution to the suffrage map in 1917. Its bill for presidential suffrage passed both houses last month and Governor Frazier signed it January 23. Thus does a great commonwealth add five more electoral votes to the quota in which women are already directly concerned. That quota is now 86. Full suffrage is confidently expected to follow as fast as North Dakota legislative procedure allows.

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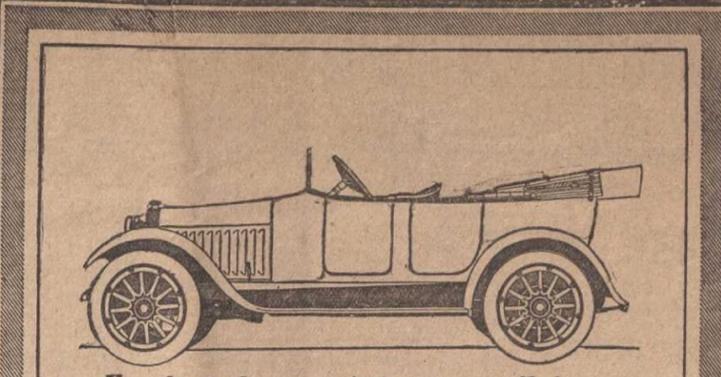
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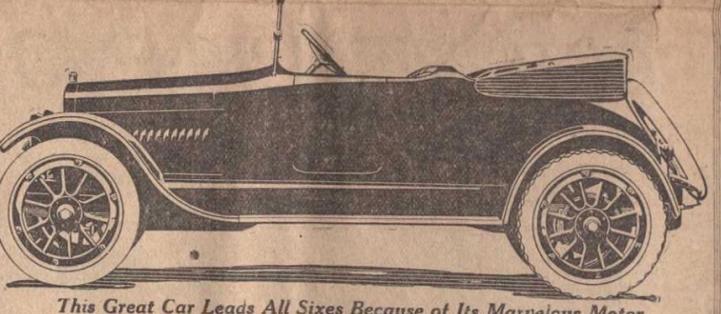


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