

**The Community Phone.**  
The war has about eliminated gossip over rural telephone lines in the Osweville community. The old familiar answer from central that the "line's busy" has been crowded out by answers of this kind:  
"Can't ring 'em. They are out so meeting for the Red Cross."  
"You'll find 'em at the Red Cross work shop."  
"Mrs. Farmer is helping put up hay. Call later."  
"Haven't been able to ring 'em all day. They are out at work."

**Discreet.**  
She—That dealer is a fraud. He sold the parrot a lot of words.  
He—Maybe they are words he doesn't like to say in the presence of a lady.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Always sure to please, Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers sell it. Adv.

The woman of the hour is the one who promises to be ready in a second.

**Hard Boiled Sergeant.**  
At a regular Saturday morning inspection, a private was not wearing his belt.

First Sergeant—Have you a belt?  
Private—No, sir.  
First Sergeant—You report to the quartermaster sergeant for a new one, and don't forget to tell him to charge you for the one you lost. I'll stop this carelessness!

Private—All right, top, but I loaned you the belt about two months ago.  
—Corp. S. C. Samuels, Battery C, One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Artillery, in Judge.

**Outstretched.**  
The Girl—"Did you observe the lovely palms in the cafe?" The Man—"The only palms I saw were the waiter's."—Puck.

**A Daylight Scourer.**  
The Bee—"That firefly is a slacker."  
The Ant—"Yes, if he got up earlier he wouldn't have to make a light."

**The Effects of Opiates.**

**THAT INFANTS** are peculiarly susceptible to opium and its various preparations, all of which are narcotic, is well known. Even in the smallest doses, if continued, these opiates cause changes in the functions and growth of the cells which are likely to become permanent, causing imbecility, mental perversion, a craving for alcohol or narcotics in later life. Nervous diseases, such as intractable nervous dyspepsia and lack of staying powers are a result of dosing with opiates or narcotics to keep children quiet in their infancy. The rule among physicians is that children should never receive opiates in the smallest doses for more than a day at a time, and only then if unavoidable.

The administration of Anodynes, Drops, Cordials, Soothing Syrups and other narcotics to children by any but a physician cannot be too strongly decried, and the druggist should not be a party to it. Children who are ill need the attention of a physician, and it is nothing less than a crime to dose them willfully with narcotics.

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**No Appetite? Mouth Dry? Tongue Stiff and a Fierce Thirst? Here's Relief!!**

Hot, heavy foods and teed drinks often play havoc with bad stomachs in hot weather. The weak ones haven't got a chance. A quickly chilled or overworked stomach is a starter of untold misery for its owner.

When you have that dull, depressed feeling after eating—stomach pains, bowel disorders, heartburn or nausea, belching, food repeating—it is the danger point. You want to look out—and be quick about it in this hot weather.

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**What "Maru" Means.**

The word "Maru," attached to the name of every Japanese merchant ship and commonly accepted as meaning "ship," has no especial meaning, according to Captain Takeshima of the Japanese steamship *Hudson Maru*, recently captured and released by a German raider in the South Atlantic. Captain Takeshima said that the word is the survival of a Japanese custom centuries old. He explained the origin as follows: "There are two opinions as to how the custom originated. One of the stories is that in ancient times the Japanese attached 'maru' to the name of anything highly prized. It was first applied to a ship's name about 2,000 years ago, when the Empress Jingo sent an expedition to Korea. She added the word to the name of the ship that transported the troops to Korea. Ever since then 'Maru' has been part of the name of every steamship or sailing vessel. It is never used with the name of a war-ship."—Fishing Gazette.

**Beats Hun Glass.**

The United States bureau of standards has just issued a report on its tests of American-made glass for chemical use, which shows all the new American brands to be superior to the Kavalier and equal or superior to the Jena, both German glass that was almost universally used before the war.

A defective stomach keeps more people awake than a guilty conscience.

Some men take what is in sight and hustle for more.

**What the American Red Cross Is Doing**

THE RED CROSS has organized fifty base hospital units, nineteen of which are now seeing service in France. In ten others, the nursing personnel has been supplied by the Red Cross.

THE RED CROSS is the link between the American people and the American Dreadnaughts. It is the official agency through which gifts from the people can be made to the Navy.

THE RED CROSS has instituted a rolling canteen service back of the American lines. The canteen provides coffee, sandwiches and other refreshments to the troops.

THE RED CROSS is enlisting more than one thousand volunteer nurses a month, and is training them for work in the field. It sends them to the army fully trained and equipped.

THE RED CROSS has opened a scientific campaign against trench fever.

**TO HELP THE PEOPLE OF FRANCE AND BELGIUM.**

The Red Cross Has Sought

THE RED CROSS has undertaken to provide the entire supply of splints for the American army.

- To conserve the sick and wounded among its defenders.
- To conserve the health and spirit of the troops.
- To conserve the households which are maintaining the culture of the soil and the fabric of self-government in the war zone.
- To conserve the coming generation by its backing of three score children's colonies.
- To conserve the children by maintaining villages for several thousand of these little refugees.
- To conserve the refugees by health centers and tuberculosis prevention.
- To conserve home and community life.

THE RED CROSS will furnish five base hospital units for the navy—physicians, nurses and equipment.

THE RED CROSS will supply warm garments, kit cases, necessities for the wounded.

THE RED CROSS will provide sanitary units to keep a sharp eye on the surroundings of the cantonments so as to ward off possible epidemics.

THE RED CROSS will furnish the entire supply of nitro-oxide for use in surgical operations.

THE RED CROSS feeds and clothes entire populations in time of need.

THE RED CROSS is caring for 50,000 children in France, 60,000 in Poland.

THE RED CROSS has established movable factories for the manufacture of artificial ice for our soldiers during the summer months.

THE RED CROSS will supply our men when they are prisoners of war with food, soap and cigarettes.

THE RED CROSS is building houses in the cantonments where "rookies" will be provided with comforts and pleasure during convalescence from illness.

THE RED CROSS is prepared to care for any American soldier who may return from the war a prey to tuberculosis or maimed or blind.

THE RED CROSS is constructing a chain of recreation huts in conjunction with the base hospitals. To each hospital it sends each month 800 books, 400 magazines and 2,500 newspapers.

THE RED CROSS will send food parcels to American prisoners in Germany. Each parcel contains meat, butter, sugar, jam, coffee, tea, salt, rice and dried fruit.

The American Red Cross in more than a hundred ways is rendering service here and abroad that saves human lives and maintains the fighting spirit of our allies. The Red Cross must always be financially prepared to deal with the unexpected emergencies arising from war conditions. In these emergencies immediate relief is the only effective relief.

**Utility Sweaters With Caps to Match**



The sweater, having inspired all sorts of sweater coats and sport coats for the benefit of those who like to combine smartness with uniformity in dress, has improved its own original conception. In the new models now being manufactured of sweaters pure and simple we discover garments more trim and more carefully planned than in the time-honored old original. Much more attention is given to the details of finishing, and even the utility sweater makes a feature of color. Any number of gay shades, as bright as field flowers, enliven outdoor backgrounds.

Many women knit their own sweaters and sweater-coats, but these handmade garments are few by comparison with those knitted by machinery. And designers of machine knitted garments have shown themselves amazingly clever in turning out sweaters that are almost replicas of those knitted by hand. They are responsible for the best of new models and the introduction of novel decorative features that make them interesting. Recently they have introduced caps to match—in the case of utility—to be worn in keen autumn days or whenever wind and cold make a hat not practical.

In the picture, at the left, a sweater-coat is shown in a light color bordered with white. The range of colors includes turquoise, orchid, rose, citron, gold, emerald, amethyst, etc., and less unusual shades that have come to be recognized as sweater shades. The picture tells the story of this model in every detail, simple and effective design, attractive color combination with substantial wearing qualities and comfort.

At the right a model in fag blue with white stripes is of the slip-over variety. Its collar and cuffs are stripes with white and it is adorably trim and youthful.

*Julia Bottomley*

**Ultra Smart Room.**  
An ultra smart living room has an extra long davenport, with long, loose-seated cushions, two bolster-shaped end pillows and three oblong upright back pillows, as well as the frame upholstered, all done in heavy brown satin. At either end of this stands a small lamp table. There are three chairs, one black lacquer, with an embroidered panel and seat and one walnut-framed armchair, upholstered in tapestry. The other furnishings are a lacquered chest, a window seat, one framed portrait and voile curtains with fringed lambrequins.

**Waxing Linoleum.**  
After varnishing linoleum, which will preserve it, try waxing it on top of the varnish just as you would polish a hardwood floor. About once a week wipe with clear water and a clean cloth and about once in two weeks apply the floor wax, leaving it to dry about twenty minutes, then polish with a dry, soft cloth. The wax will brighten the linoleum and help to resist wear.

**Women to Award Pensions.**  
Young women of good education and high purpose are urged in an appeal by the British minister of pensions to volunteer in the work of awarding pensions to disabled soldiers from the battlefields in France.

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**Soft Coal Increased.**  
The fuel administration announces that during a recent six-day period 11,688,000 net tons of bituminous coal were mined in this country. This amount is an increase of 5.7 per cent over the production of the week before. For the month, it is estimated, 46,478,000 net tons were mined, which is about 10 per cent over the amount mined during April, 1917.—Pathfinder.

**Not Entertaining.**  
Mollie—"And did she entertain you last night?"  
Chollie—"No, she sang the whole time."

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