

**THE NEW PENSION SYSTEM.**

Uncle Sam has insured well above 90 per cent. of those in the military and naval service of the country. This means that the largest insurance business in the world is now being conducted by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance in the Treasury Department at Washington. More than 12 billion dollars of life insurance has been written since the plan was approved by Congress on October 6, 1917. The largest insurance company in the world has less than one-third that amount on its books.

On this Government insurance the United States bears the expense of administration, the excess mortality, and also the disability cost resulting from hazards of war. The soldier pays what is known as the net premium rate. At the age of twenty-five this is but \$8.00 a year for each \$1,000 of insurance. No company could sell the insurance at that rate in justice to its old policyholders. The average taken has been \$8.085 per man. For the period of the war and for five years thereafter the insurance will be what is known as "term" insurance. Within five years after the war the insured can convert this into any of the usual forms of insurance at the net premium rate for such forms of insurance. No medical examination will be required then, and none is required when the insurance is first taken out. Any one enlisting in the army or navy or entering active service in the nurse corps, can within 120 days apply for and secure insurance up to a maximum of \$10,000.

It is not correct to say that this insurance takes the place of the old pension system. Its benefits are paid in monthly installments for twenty years to the beneficiaries, and if the insured becomes totally and permanently disabled, these monthly payments will be made to him and continued through the duration of the disability. In addition to this insurance, however, the Government has provided for compensation for death or disability applying to all those in the service. This is somewhat like the old pension system. Death or disability, to be compensable, however, must occur while in the service or within one year after discharge or resignation, unless the injured person, within the year, has undergone a medical examination and obtained a certificate that he is suffering from an injury likely to cause death or disability. Then compensation shall be payable whenever death or disability resulting from such injury occurs. This may cause a year of boom business for doctors after the war comparable with that done by a certain class of lawyers under the old pension system. But the Government's liability under this plan of compensation is not likely to increase steadily year after year as it has under the old system.

These Government provisions for insurance, for compensation, and also for allotments of pay to dependents, which are doubled by the Government, are important measures for increasing the morale of our soldiers and sailors and making them better fighting men. One of the incidental results of the insurance plan is likely to be an increased demand for insurance throughout the country; if not at once, then after these men return home and the education they have received in insurance principles begins to spread.—World's Works.

**W. S. S.**  
There is more Chikara in this section of the country than all other districts put together, and what the last few years was supposed to be impossible. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a lost disease and prescribed local treatment, pronounced it incurable, and the doctors received constitutional treatment. Chikara has proven Chikara to be a constitutional disease, and the doctors receive constitutional treatment. Chikara has proven Chikara to be a constitutional disease, and the doctors receive constitutional treatment. Chikara has proven Chikara to be a constitutional disease, and the doctors receive constitutional treatment.

It is stated that the Y. M. C. A. organization suffered a very heavy loss in the retreat of the British on the western front. Eighty Y. M. C. A. huts, with their equipment and supplies had to be destroyed, entailing a loss of about \$500,000.

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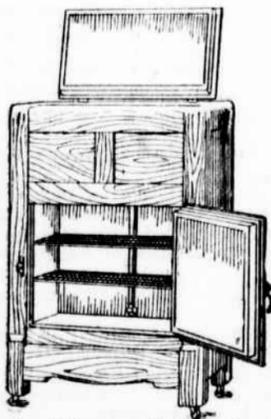
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**SPEAKERS' BUREAU.**

On a statement issued today by T. Sambola Jones, Chairman and Manager of the Speakers' Bureau of the State Council of Defense, a resume was given of the labors of the Bureau up to date.

Every parish in the State has been covered, most of them several times, by the most able and eloquent speakers at the command of the State Council of Defense, every conceivable war topic being thoroughly stressed. The enthusiasm of the people demonstrates that this work is welcomed and appreciated. The most magnificent gatherings have on all occasions manifested where stand the people of Louisiana on the war question.

On the 26th of April, the day designated by President Wilson and Governor Pleasant as "Liberty" Day, speakers were furnished by this Bureau to a great majority of the parishes of the State, and the most gratifying reports of the results of these meetings are being daily received by the Bureau. Many of the parishes have trebled their allotment of the third issue of Liberty Bonds.

There is now in process of preparation the tremendous task of supplying every school in the State with speakers for their approaching commencement exercises. No less than six hundred engagements will be filled by the speakers from the Bureau. This

will be the most comprehensive campaign of this character yet essayed since the beginning of hostilities with Germany. It is now realized that every man, woman and child must be enlisted in the cause. The school is probably the best medium through which to reach and interest the greatest number of people. Already some of the schools have closed, to which have been furnished speakers, and the commencement exercises will continue throughout to the end of June, and it is the purpose of this Bureau to place a speaker at every school-house possible.

While on the subject, it might be well to state that the Speakers' Bureau of the State Council of Defense is prepared at any and all times, on short notice, to supply speakers for any patriotic gathering. Anyone interested in securing a speaker for any patriotic occasion whatever, is invited to correspond with the Speakers' Bureau of the State Council of Defense Baton Rouge, Louisiana. No expense of any kind attaches to this service.

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**LITTLE BUT POPULOUS.**

A map published by the Official Bulletin recently shows that the whole land area of Europe, exclusive of Russia, and with Japan thrown in, could be crowded into the section of the United States west of the Eastern state lines of the Dakotas, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. Russia in Europe has almost identically the same area and is as large as the whole of Europe. Yet while the United States musters in this vast area only 16,500,000 population, European Russia has in a similar extent of territory 132,000,000 people and the rest of the European countries and Japan a total of nearly 375,000,000 population.

Getting down to particulars, Austria-Hungary, with a territory slightly smaller than Texas, has 50,000,000 people as against less than 4,000,000 in the biggest state. South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma represent the territorial area of Sweden and Norway. Their combined populations figure 5,120,000, as against over 8,000,000 in the Scandinavian peninsula. Spain and Portugal, with 26,000,000 people, would be just a little over the edges of Montana and North Dakota, with less than a million. Wyoming and Colorado, with combined population under 1,000,000, just about equal in territorial extent Germany with 7,000,000 before the war.

France is a little larger in area than Nevada and Utah. It has 40,000,000 people, as against 500,000 in the two western states. Italy could be dropped into Arizona and leave a wide path around the edges. Italy has 36,000,000 people; Arizona 204,000. The British Isles have rather less territory than New Mexico, but New Mexico's population of 327,000 would not make a good sized country in England, that of the United Kingdom exceeding 45,000,000. Japan, with its 50,000,000 people is much less in superficial extent than Washington and Oregon with their 2,000,000 or less. Switzerland, Greece, Denmark and Holland (population 17,000,000) would fit snugly into Idaho, with its 325,000, if properly adjusted. And California, with its 158,000 square miles of territory and its 2,377,000 people, would almost swallow up Roumania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Albania, Montenegro, Turkey and Belgium, with over 28,000,000.

However, it must be acknowledged that these little countries have shown themselves capable of raising some considerable disturbance.—Shreveport Times.

**W. S. S.**  
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Get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store. You surely can have beautiful hair and lots of it if you will just try a little Danderine. Save your hair! Try it!

**W. S. S.**  
**WHEATLESS MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS TO BE ABOLISHED.**

Hon. John M. Parker, State Food Administrator, has announced that after next Monday wheatless Monday and Wednesday will be abolished in this state. This statement was brought about by an urgent appeal from bakers that Louisiana was the only state where bakeries were closed two days in the week.

**W. S. S.**  
**Proper Food for Weak Stomachs.**

The proper food for one man may be all wrong for another. Every one should adopt a diet suited to his age and occupation. Those who have weak stomachs needs to be especially careful and should eat slowly and masticate their food thoroughly. It is also important that they keep their bowels regular. When they become constipated or when they feel dull and stupid after eating, they should take Chamberlain's Tablets to strengthen the stomach and move the bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect.

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