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**ONLY WOMAN HOTEL
MANAGER IN U. S.**

**Mrs. Orina Slaght Will Speak
at Hotel Association Con-
vention in Chicago**

Mrs. Anna Slaght of the Drake Hotel is the only woman in the United States holding the position of assistant manager in a big transient hotel. Seven years ago she began the work of decorating for balls and banquets in the Hotel Statler, Cleveland. Her work as decorator was being enlarged when the war came and there was an immediate scarcity of men. Mrs. Slaght was put in charge of room rentals and conventions. This brought her the knowledge of the front office without which, she says, she never could have become an assistant manager in any hotel.

Last September she came to Chicago to be one of the four assistant managers of the Drake Hotel under John B. Drake, manager. The other three assistants are men.

Mrs. Slaght has some ideas as to women's responsibilities, and will speak of the "Opportunities for women in the hotel business" at the convention of the American Hotel Association, which will be held in conjunction with the American Hotel and Restaurant Equipment exposition in the Coliseum July 11 to 16.

"The war not only gave women greater opportunities," said Mrs. Slaght, "but gave them a chance to prove they had been doing for years the things men thought they could not do. The operation of the Red Cross, for instance, was exactly like the operation of a large hotel. Every kind of gauze had to be accounted for. All supplies had to be requisitioned. All reports had to go to the executive office in Washington. Who did all this? Women. It was the same thing in the canteen service. There never was a time when a correct count could not be given of every item handled. And who did it? Women. If they can operate the Red Cross and the overseas canteen service, certainly they can be entrusted with a peacetime, prohibition-time hotel.

"Women are coming into their own and there is a big future for them in the hotel business. The trouble with many women is that as soon as they begin to succeed in business they become aggressive and masculine. They should realize that their assets are gracious and perfect co-operation with men.

"Women should realize their limitations. There are some situations in every line of business which require the hand of a man to settle strikes for example. By proper co-operation with men, women can accomplish big things in business, and the elimination of the bar from the hotel as the result of prohibition has taken away the moral hazard that before kept many from entering this business.

"The sooner also that men realize they can turn over big executive positions to women, the sooner they will see big results."

Mrs. Slaght has entire supervision of the upper part of the house at the Drake and its upkeep. She is on a par in authority with the three male assistant managers.

**GOVERNMENT PAYS
INSURANCE CLAIMS**

Total Disbursement of \$226,486,891.34 To Disabled Ex-Service Men

The Government has to date made a total disbursement of \$226,486,891.34 in meeting both the compensation claims of former service men disabled by reason of wounds, injuries or disease incurred in the World War, and the death claims of the dependents of those who made the supreme sacrifice, according to an announcement of Director C. R. Forbes of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance. The disbursements for disability have aggregated \$192,677,589.48 and the death disbursements \$33,809,301.86.

For the month of May alone the total amount disbursed by the Bureau for compensation purposes was \$10,575,416, the monthly payments on disability compensation claims for that period amounting to \$9,145,288 and the monthly payments to the dependents of deceased soldiers amounting to \$1,430,128.08. Between June 1 and June 15 the Bureau mailed 221,621 checks to cover this disbursement to former service men.

The increase in the number of claims filed with the Bureau has exceeded any estimate. The number of claims filed from the inception of the Bureau to May 1919 was 209,700 while on June 1, 1921, the number in file was 631,980 showing an increase during that period of 422,280. The number of awards for death and disability for the first period was 41,073; the number of awards at the end of the second period was 323,415, and increase during the second period of 282,342. For the first period the ratio was one claim pending to every two filed. For the second period, the ratio was one claim pending to every eight claims filed.

It is hardly fair to say the superfluous office holders don't do anything, as they are working hard to establish political pull to save their jobs.

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(Publicity Committee Evanston Bargain Day)



By some strange contradiction the girls who take so much pains to color their faces are equally persistent in their efforts to whiten their teeth.

Most of the states so far report a male population in excess of the female, but the latter sex seems to manage to keep in the public eye.

Great demand for guideboards along the highways, particularly one showing the road to Normalcy.

The kids who a short time ago came home jubilantly singing "No more teacher, no more school" are about, now wishing they had something regular to do to fill up their time.

So far no one has suggested that Congress adjourn to the island of Yap, but it would be a fitting place for its deliberations.

The consumer is said always to "get it in the neck" and just at present in the case of the female consumer, that is an open, extended, and exposed location.

Many a big man gets his forks mixed at the banquet table.

When business is quiet the unprogressive merchant frequently cuts down his advertising, while the enterprising one is apt to increase his space, on the theory that then is the time when push and hustle are most needed.