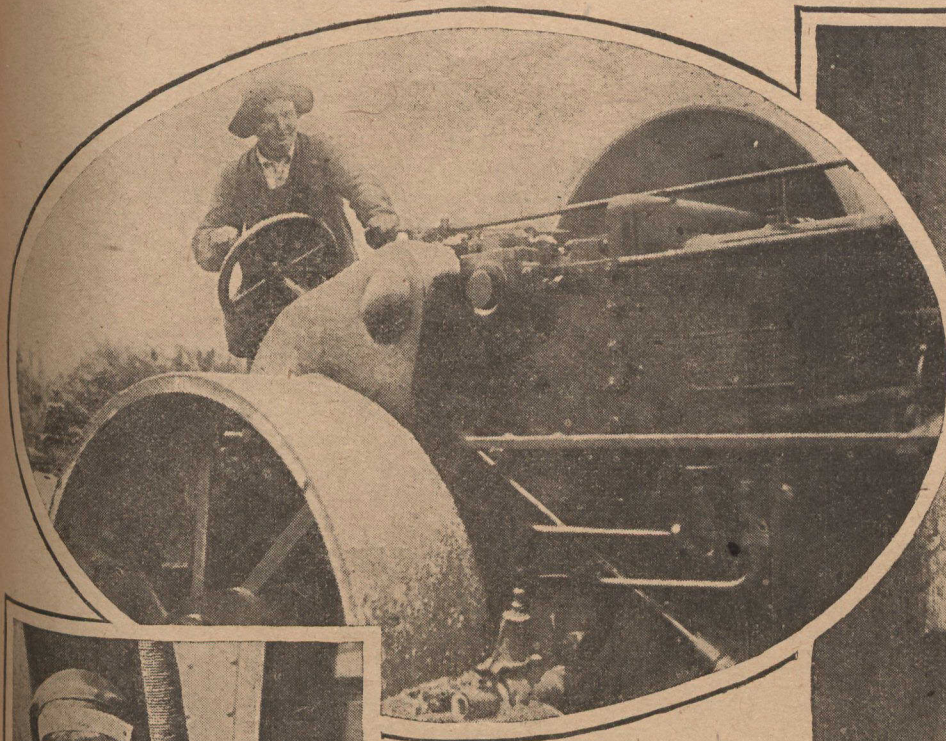


THE WORLD AND THE WOMAN

She No Longer Stoops to Folly but Begins to Run Civilization

By A MERE MAN



should not do it if they feel like taking on so unpoetic a job.

MISS JANE McCALLUM, of Montreal, lately arrived in New York on the S.S. Philadelphia. She has been working as a Red Cross nurse with the American Ambulance Association. The photograph shown on this page was taken just as she arrived in New York. There are some ultra-smart critics who contend that nursing is not a proper occupation for women because it is too exacting and exhaustive. Very well, then we shall have to let some of the men go nursing while the women take a few more male occupations.

OF course women are sometimes spiteful, as even the Bishop of London and the poet Watson know. But women's spite is not always without an element of humour. In the step-ladder picture on this page a few merry English women are seen in the perpetration of a huge joke. At one of the recent fairs in England—and that country, even in war time, has the mood to be merry—there was an imitation of the great wooden statue of Hindenburg that stands in the Sieges Allee in Berlin. All patriotic Germans who like to help their country are allowed to drive nails into this statue at so much per nail. These English girls are driving nails in the imitation statue of Hindenburg.

AND English women have even taken to the axe. It used to be said of a clumsy axe-man in the Canadian bush that he had to stand in a washtub in order to keep from chopping off his toes. This woman is starting to cut down a war-time tree in an English forest. As may be noticed it is a real tree and a big one. In true English fashion it is being cut close to make use of all the wood instead of leaving a stump. That makes more chopping for the same sized tree. But this woman with the real axe doesn't seem to mind the extra work. By the time this goes to press she probably will have the tree down.



WOMEN have not yet been credited with steam roller tactics; but a hint of what may be expected when fair femininity gets into politics is furnished by the photograph above, taken on the main roads of North Cornwall. This woman is driving a steam roller. She has worked full days while road making has been in progress, and has driven the roller considerable distances from one town to another. At work she wears ordinary blue overalls. Road-making and mending is a job that more directly interests women than most other things that men are in the habit of doing. And as driving a steam roller is not more difficult than operating a motor-car, there is no reason why women