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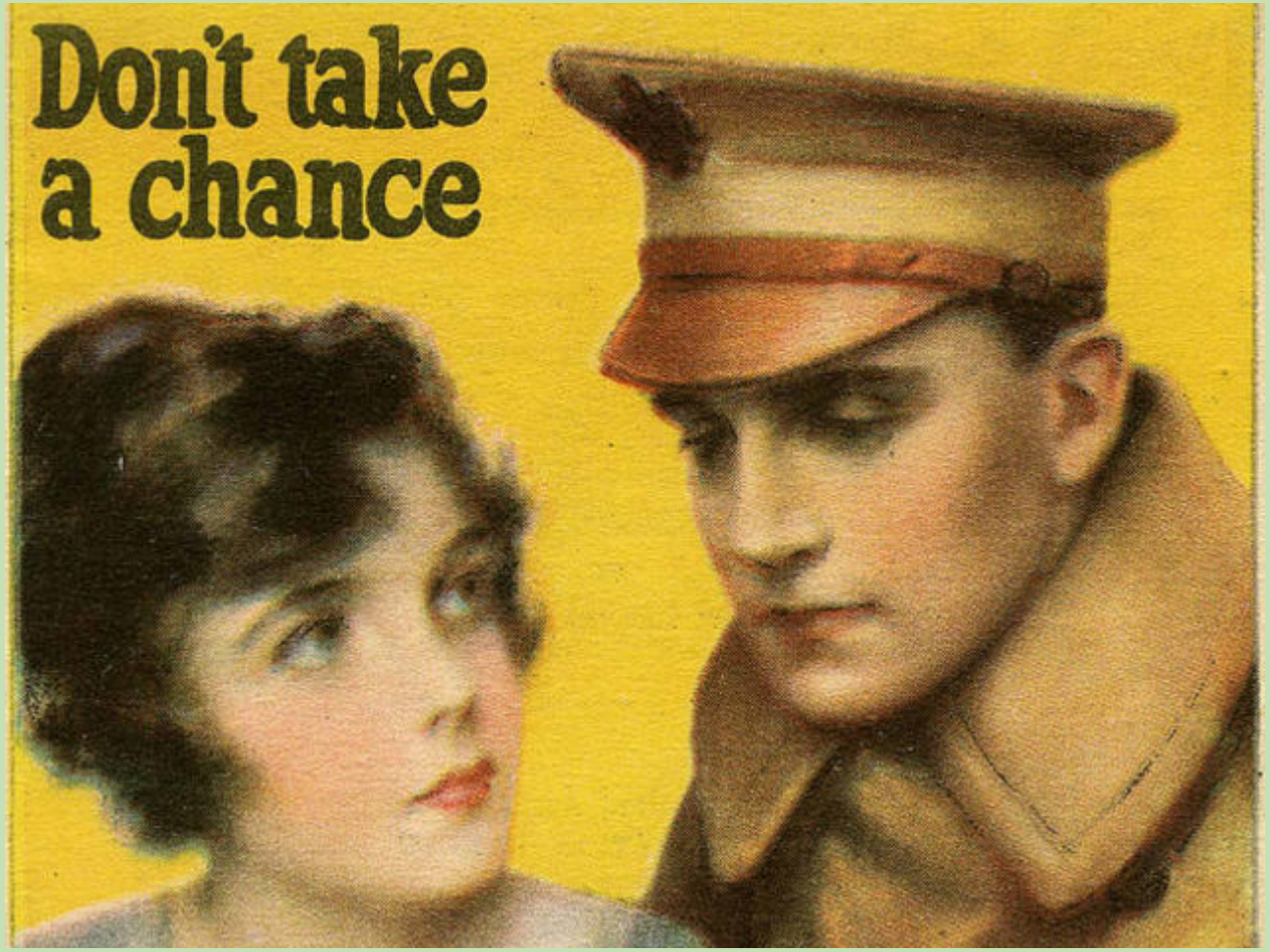

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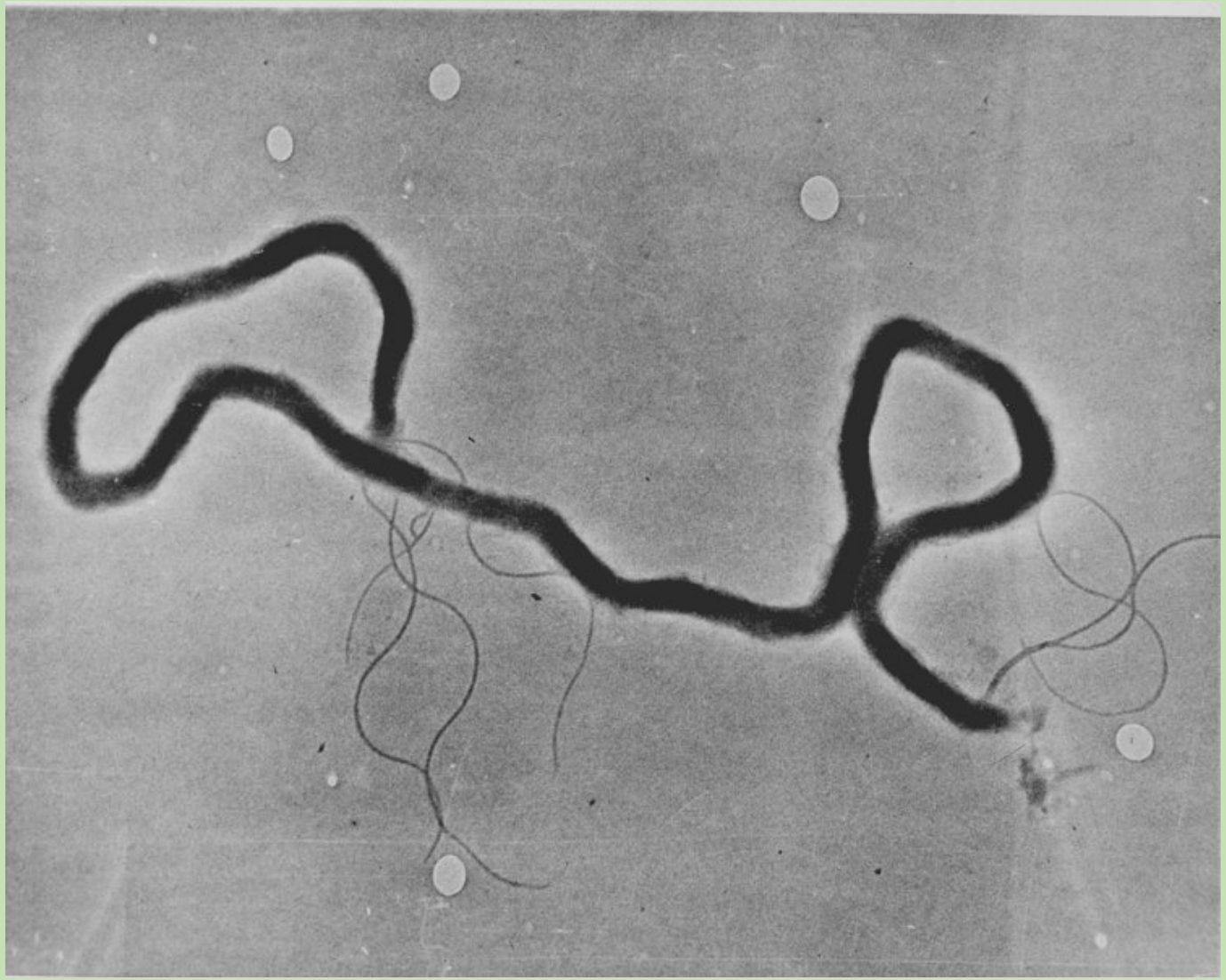

Officer—FRONT FACE!—EYES RIGHT!!

Why in th'—thunder don't you turn your faces to the front?

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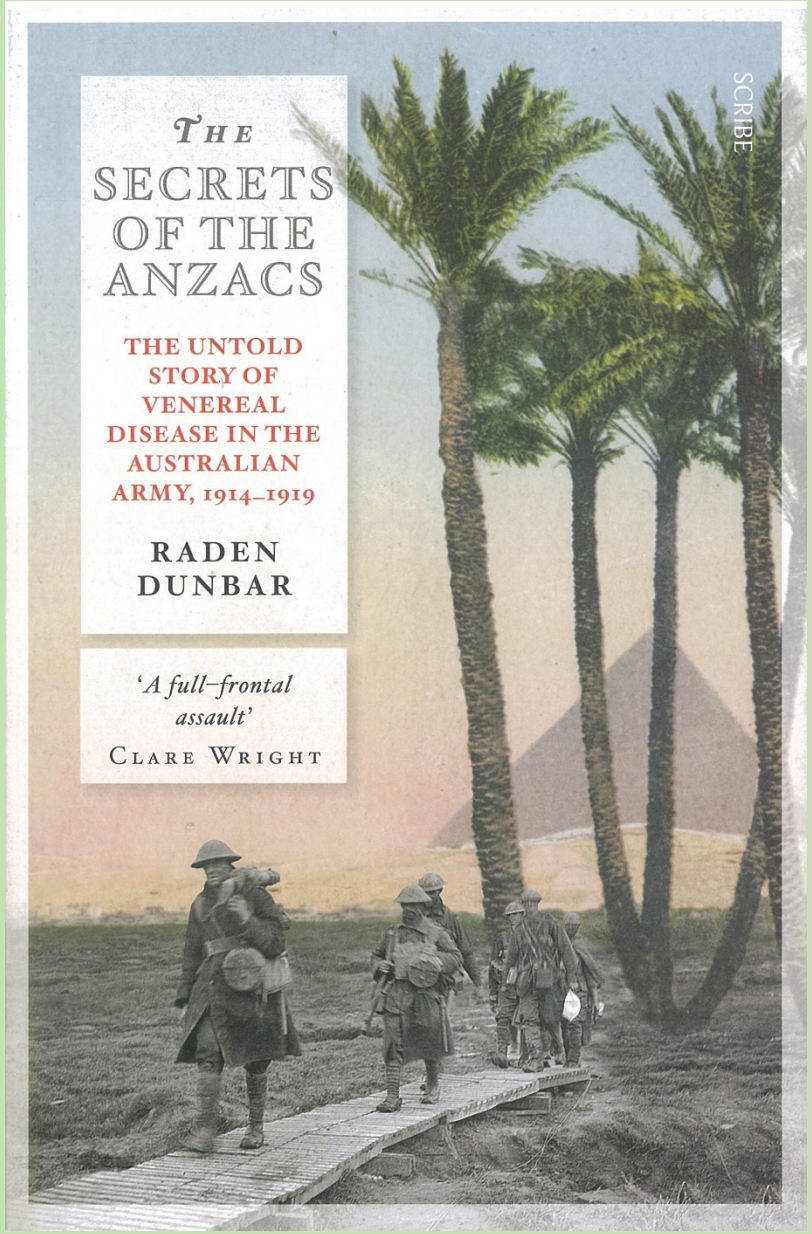
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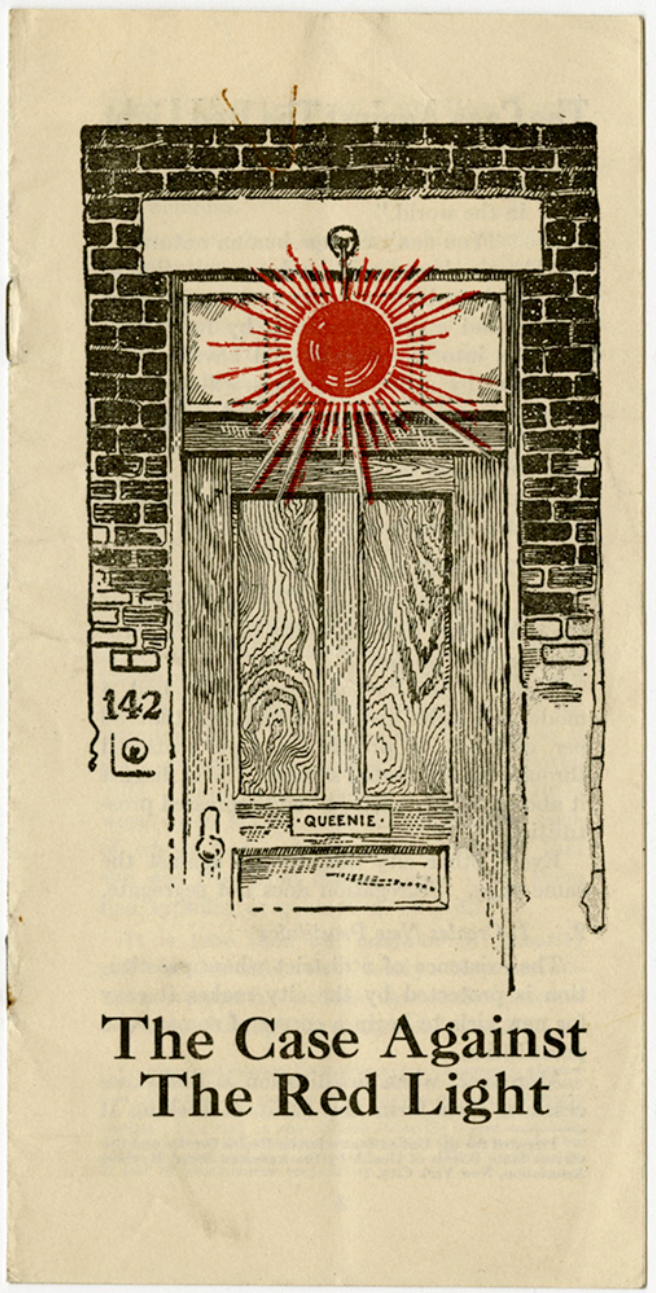

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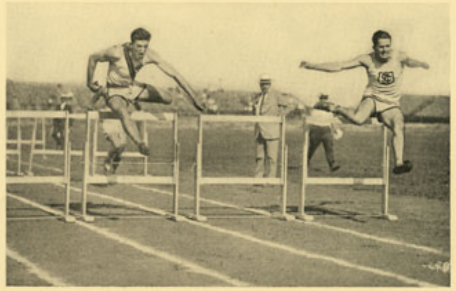
The Sex Impulse and Achievement



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The sex instinct in a boy or man makes him want to act, dare, possess, strive

When controlled and directed, it gives

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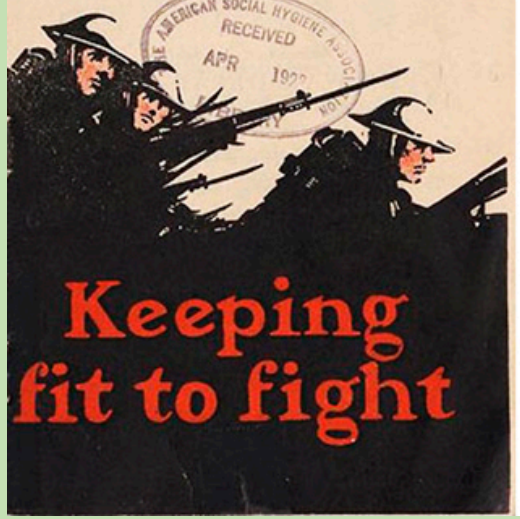

Keeping fit to fight

others—boys and girls, men and women—to avoid misery. Self-interest, decency, patriotism, regard for others, all demand clean manhood.

In Case of Exposure

If a soldier yields to temptation and "falls for" a whore or a loose girl, he must take early (prophylactic) treatment.

He ought to take it as soon as possible—within two or three hours after exposure.

By taking this early treatment he will greatly decrease his chances of getting gonorrhea, syphilis or chancroid.

If he fails to take it and later develops a venereal disease, he will be court-martialed for disobeying General Order No. 17 of 1912.

If in spite of early treatment venereal disease develops, his pay will be stopped during the time he is off duty.

The Government regards sexual intercourse as unnecessary and diseases contracted thereby as not in the line of duty.

KEEP AWAY FROM THE WHORES

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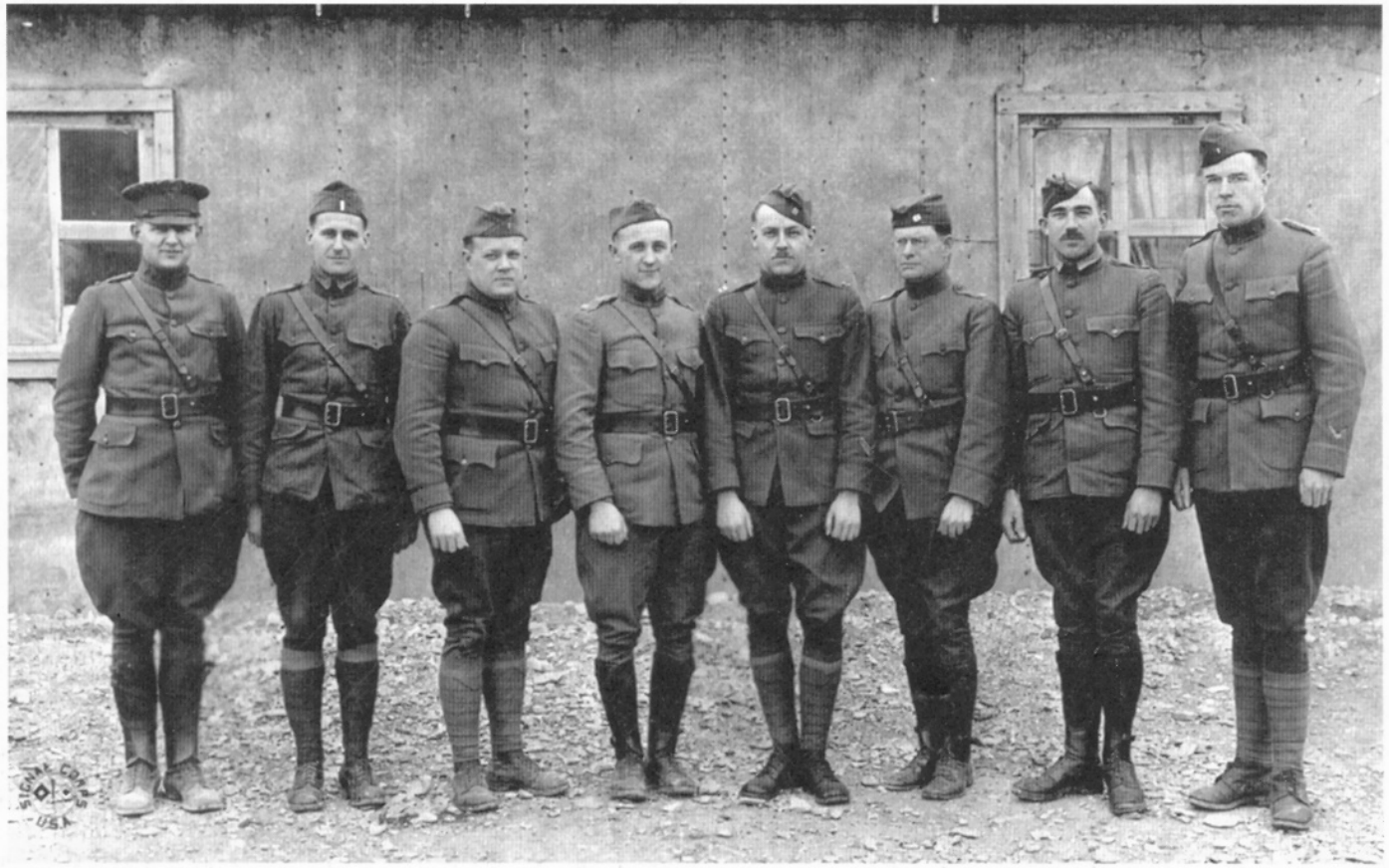
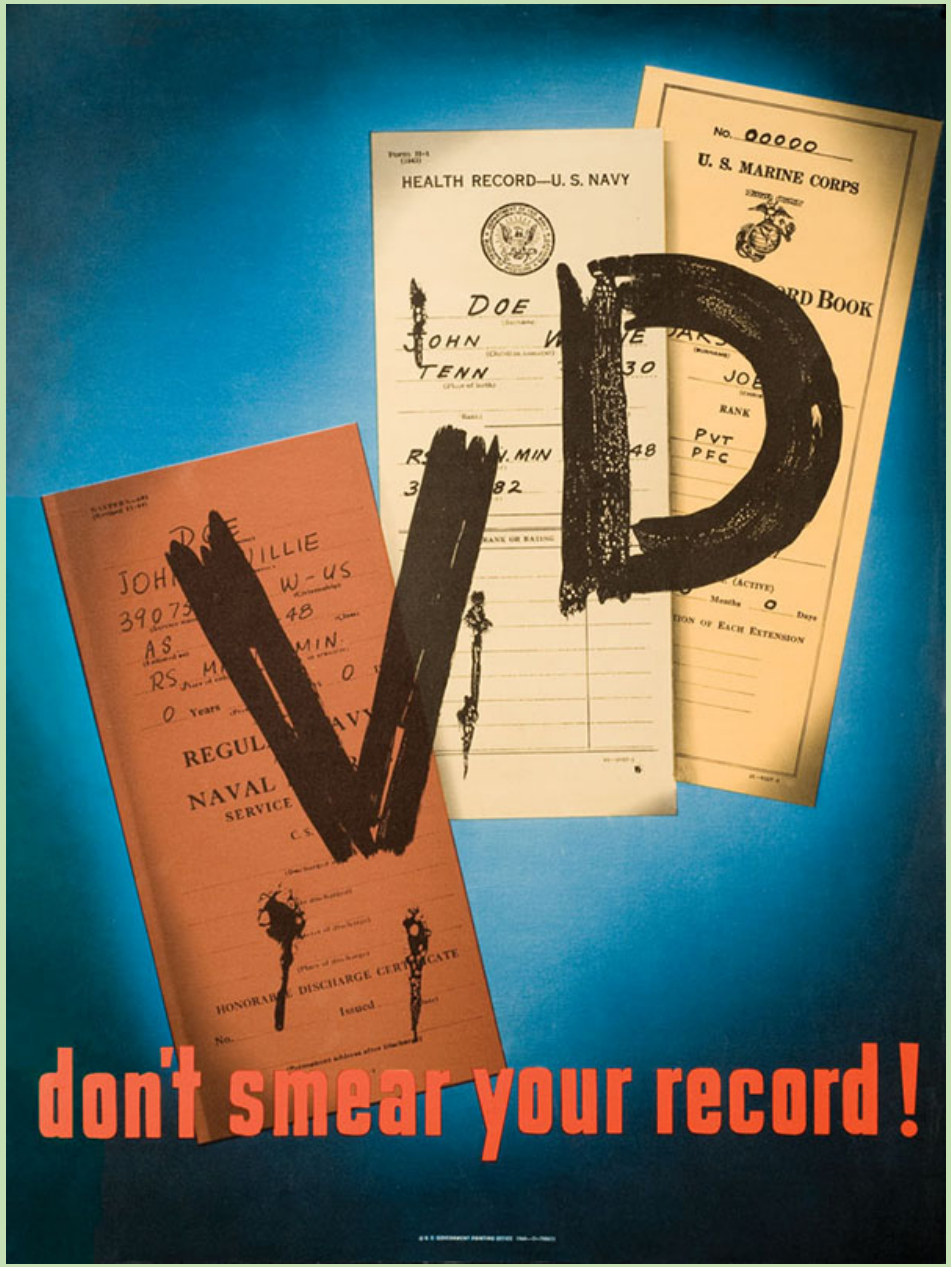


Sanitary Corps officers in Is-sur-Tille, France, February 1919

We've fought in the open -
bubonic plague
yellow fever
tuberculosis
YELLOW FEVER
THE WHITE PLAGUE
THE BLACK PLAGUE
VENEREAL DISEASES
NOW VENEREAL DISEASES
THE H·C·MINER LITHO·CO·N·Y·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WILL YOU BE A FREE MAN
OR CHAINED
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There's a come-back!
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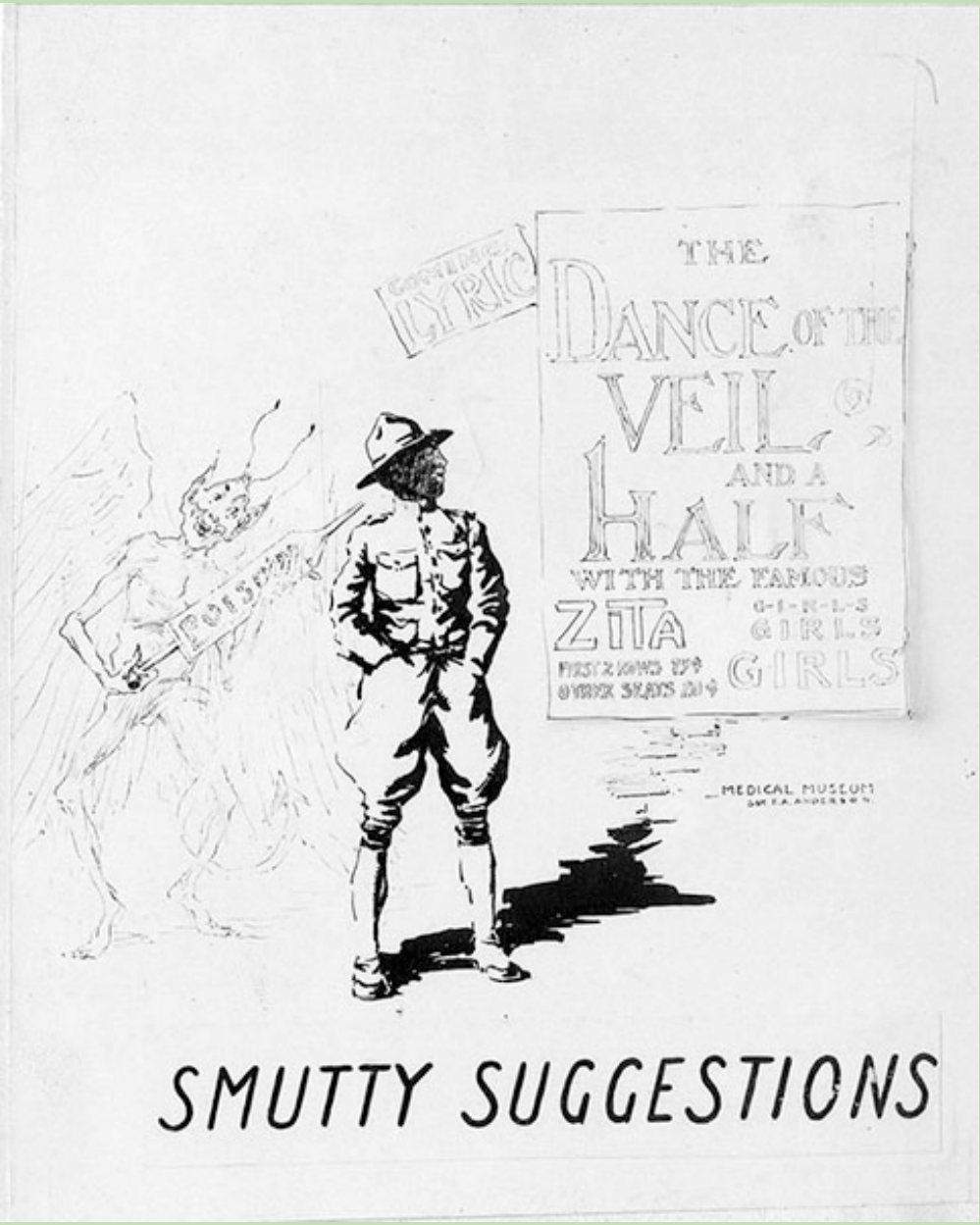
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Louise Farnea
By Courtesy of St. Nicholas
This girl may become an invalid for life if she marries a man who has had gonorrhea not entirely cured
Gonorrhea Causes
1. Many surgical operations upon women
2. Much invalidism among innocent wives
3. Many childless marriages
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"Boys, your sweetheart, your wife or your parents may never know it if you contract a venereal disease - but I'll know it and I'll suffer from it."
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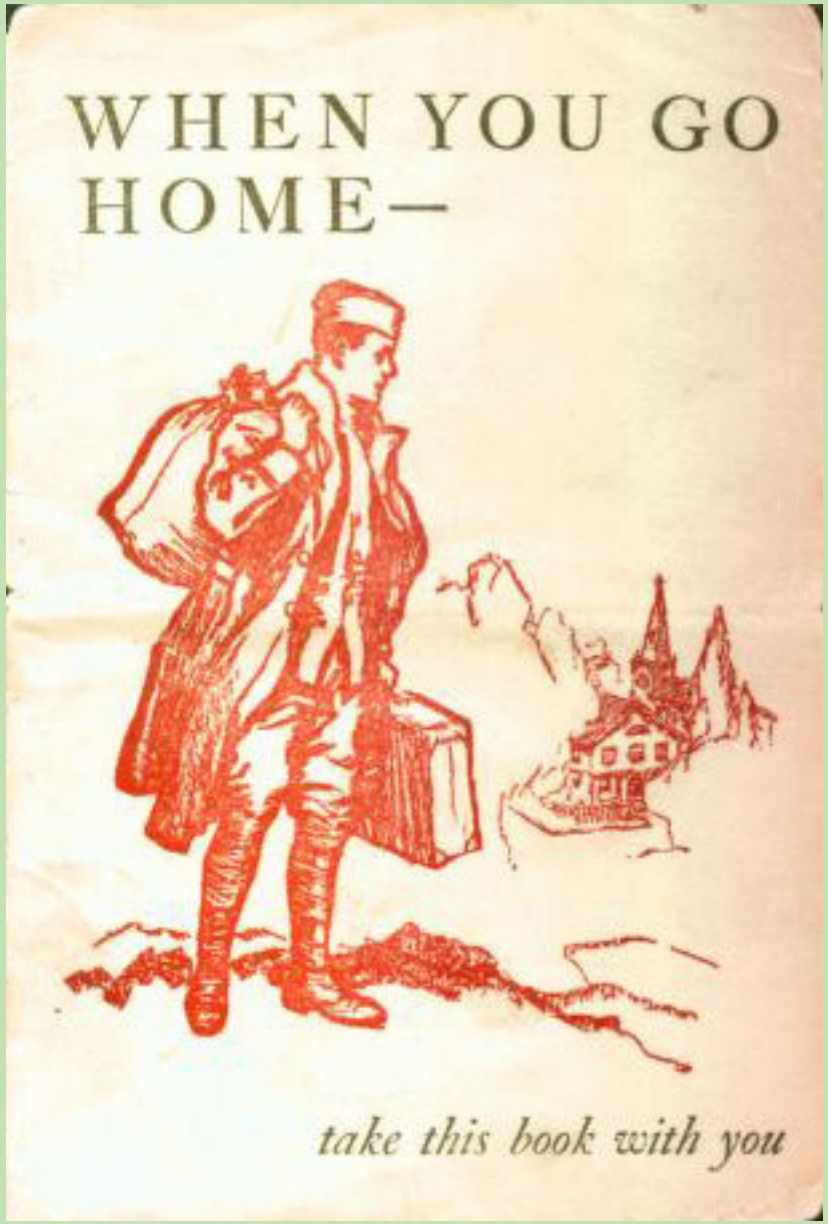
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