

## *If Women Ran the World*

DURING a broadcast Ronald Colman asked Carole Lombard what kind of world she thought it would be if women ran it. Miss Lombard said:

"I'll tell you what would happen. If women ran this world it would be a better world, if you really want to know. It wouldn't be such a sorry mess of a world. It wouldn't be the kind of world that bombs kids in the streets and taxes their parents to pay for the bombs. It wouldn't be a world where people starve with a surplus of stuff to eat all around 'em. It'd be a cleaner place, a saner place, and a finer place. Because why? Because women are realists. They wouldn't permit slums and filth and disease and poverty, because those things cost everybody money. Do you know what causes war and poverty? All right, I'll tell you. Male stupidity, male sentiment, and male greed. Women are greedy too, but they know how to get what they want. They don't let stupid sentimental considerations get in their way. They wouldn't start a war to get new trade, or raw materials, or a swelled head, when they know darned well they'll wind up headless and bankrupt. It all comes down to this: Men are children, women are realists. Take it or leave it, gents, take it or leave it."—*Adapted from "The Circle" program, National Broadcasting Company.*