

OFFICERS WORRIED

Indications Are That Many Army Men Will Lose Jobs.

YOUNGSTERS IN SPECIAL DANCER

Men of High Rank Nettled by Lack of Appreciation for Defense Work—Military Men Want Country to Keep Big Fighting Force.

These are anxious days for the officers of the Regular Army, says a Washington dispatch. The lads who pollihed the swivel chairs in Washington during the war, and likewise the men who led battalions, regiments, and even divisions into the face of the enemy with no visible evidence of fear and trembling to-day are listening nervously for any sort of a tip as to what congress intends to do about the military forces of the United States.

The younger officers are frankly anxious about their jobs, and they will tell earnestly how unjust it would be to ruin the career of one who has spent four of the best years of his life in such a place as West Point, only to be ruled out at a time when he seems to be in a fair way to realize upon his investment of weary weeks endured under the scourge of ruthless discipline.

Officers of higher rank will give you a lengthy disquisition upon the unsoundness of a policy which permits a nation to run from one extreme to the other in the matter of national defense and will quote you long figures to show how much more inexpensive the World War would have been if the government hadn't made such errors more recently. They cite the recommendations of various chiefs of staff of illustrious fame to prove that 250,000—or is it 150,000—men are the irreducible minimum necessary for the safety of the United States, and then they inquire anxiously whether Anthony of Kansas or Herrick of Oklahoma has said anything further in congress recently about reducing the army to 60,000 men.

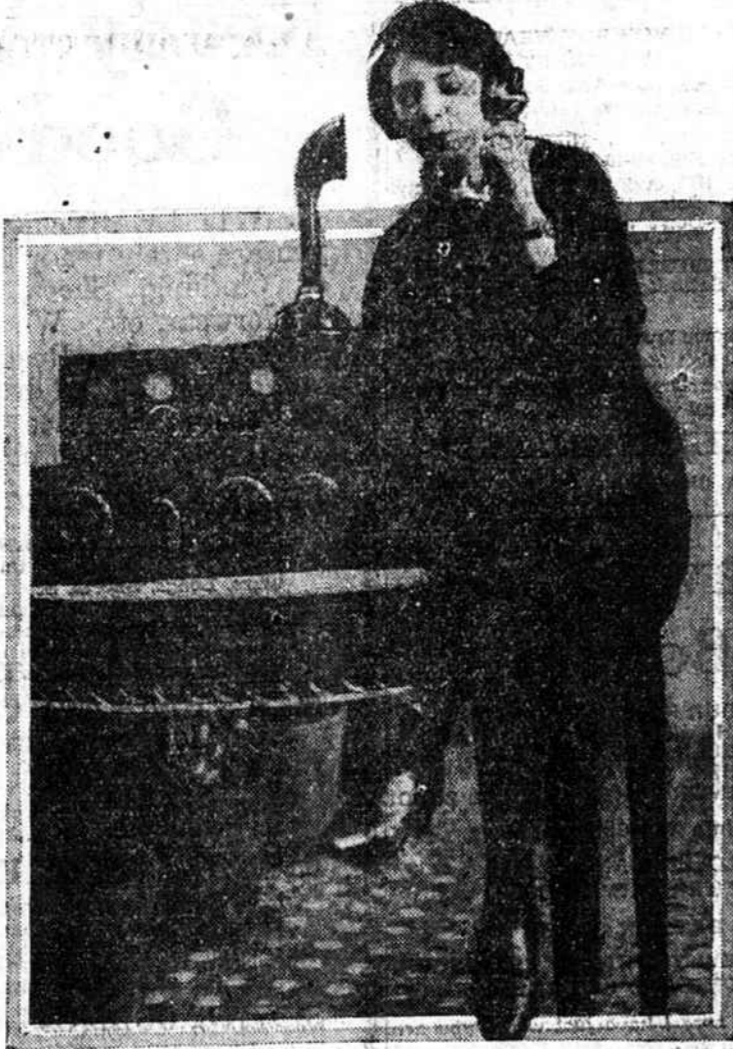
From Secretary of War Weeks on down the army is frankly worried. The higher authorities realize that, like the demand for reform, the demand for national defense comes in waves but they are fearful that in the hysteria for education of armament the country will lose much of the valuable ground it gained by the experiences of the World War.

The following quotations from the lecture recently delivered at the Army War College by Colonel John McA. Palmer and published to the army in an official bulletin, will show what the opinion of military experts on the subject is: "It has been the practice of the United States upon the outbreak of war to expand a small professional peace establishment into a great non-professional war army. These expansions have always been perfected without any perpetuity of doctrine or organization, through which the experience generated in one expansion could be utilized in the next. Or, to put it another way, at certain crises in our history, with a vast expenditure of treasure and human energy, we have erected a great war organization and then have demolished that organization after the emergency, without any provision for making that expenditure a permanent national investment. After being forced to militarize a whole generation we have taken no precaution to make the sacrifices of that generation a heritage of experience for the next generation that may be called upon to bear the stress of war."

"At the outbreak of the Civil war we had no national military system, and such military knowledge as we had was concentrated in a limited number of trained soldiers, most of them in the regular army, with a few others in civil life who had served in the Mexican war. It suddenly became the mission of these men, without preconceived plans, to impart that knowledge to vast citizen armies. Their visual experience had been limited generally to company and battalion units. I think it is fair to say that only one leader showed any conception of the practical business of troop leading in 1861. This was Stonewall Jackson, and it is interesting to remember that he had left the piddling routine of the old army shortly after the Mexican war with the deliberate object of seeking an opportunity to study military art."

"By the end of the war we were the greatest military power on earth. We had developed a powerful military organization. We had leaders and staff officers indoctrinated with the latest conceptions of strategy and tactics. Our supply officers had overcome the difficulties of Sherman's advance to Atlanta. We had a General Staff in fact, though not in name. "Remained Great Power "Even after the demobilization of the army we remained for a time a great military power. For a few years our armies were still potentially in being, prepared if necessary for a speedy recall to the colors. This was fully recognized by the world that in 1867 a mere hint sufficed to cause a withdrawal of the French armies from Mexico. A little later, however, the great war organization had melted away. Its officers and professional soldiers went back to the problem of the company and the battalion, with no arrangement for transmitting their lore and experience to their younger brothers and sons. Commanders and staff officers who had practiced great

NOW THEY MAKE LOVE VIA RADIOPHONE.



The radiophone can be used for innumerable purposes. But the latest one put to use is that of making love over the ethereal waves. Despite the fact that there may be several persons "listening in," Miss Gladys Wyrville does not seem the least bit fazed as she sent a kiss to her sweetheart in Pittsburg.

war at Gettysburg and Chickamauga returned to civil life, or went back to the petty routine of the frontier post, without any means of bequeathing their priceless heritage. From being leaders of the people in a great national crisis our American professional soldiers passed again into an isolated caste, without vital contact with the body of the nation. It is some such state of affairs as that pictured by Colonel Palmer that serious-minded officers of the army have in mind today when they note the tendency of congress to cut down appropriations for the war department. No doubt the element of selfishness enters into the consideration in a few places, but in a majority of cases the thinking men of the regular army believe that the policy which now apparently has a dominating position is "penny wise and pound foolish."

WON WITH CAVALRY

Yankee Officers' Report on Allenby's Operations. Cavalry won the war, at least so much of the world conflict as was fought out in Palestine, according to Lieut. Col. Edward Davis, United States Army, who has just returned to Washington to present to the general staff his observations on more than six years' service with the armies of other nations. Before the entry of the United States in the World War, and afterward, Colonel Davis served with the force of Great Britain, France, Russia, Italy, Serbia and Greece. According to Colonel Davis, his most valuable experience was with the British cavalry during the Jerusalem campaign.

In both the Jerusalem and Damascus campaigns, Colonel Davis said, the master stroke was delivered by the cavalry. He described several of the mounted charges made by General Allenby's forces, and explained that the most striking results were attained by those swift and unexpected blows at enemy infantry and artillery groups. "After the British had reached what looked like a stalemate on the Gaza

BEGINS HER CAMPAIGN.



Mrs. E. T. Cotnam of Little Rock, Ark., is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Senator. She is the first woman in the State to make a bid for that office. She is a noted suffragist and has orated in thirty-five States of the Union.

Beersheba life," Colonel Davis said, "it was decided to employ cavalry in a final effort to pierce the Turkish defenses. The British strategists decided cavalry could operate best against one end of the line, and a mounted squadron was sent to "bite off" an end of the intrenchments that had resisted every effort to capture. "Within an hour the cavalry had effected contact with the Turks and then began a process that might best be described as "rolling up" that thin line that so long had resisted every effort at assault. The operation was a complete success, and the entire line was in British control within ten hours."

GIRLS AND THE MOVIES

Congresswoman Alice Robertson Gives Advice.

The end of the rainbow trail to happiness is found in your own home town, according to Miss Alice M. Robertson, gray-haired congresswoman from Oklahoma. It is the simple philosophy of "Miss Alice" that "happiness is contentment" and "contentment can only be found by making the best of what you have." These were her observations when her attention was called to the recent scandals in the movie world on the Pacific coast involving young girls who sought happiness and fame on the silver screen, far from the protecting influences of home life. To these screen-dazzled girls, she says: "Stay home and be content."

The congresswoman is satisfied that the movie-producing world will be much cleaner after the present scandals have died away. "Usually Clears Atmosphere. "A thunderstorm usually clears the atmosphere and rids it of disease and germs," she said in her quaint mild way. "This disruption in the movie world will only clean it of the worst characters. I think it will bring a higher standard of morality among the people who have become idols and teachers of practically the whole human race."

Miss Alice declared that girls who sought happiness in the movie world failed to find it. "Newspapers say these stars are drug addicts," she observed. "You don't take drugs when you're happy. They are used only when the soul is depressed, and you see some short road to happiness. It is pitiful, too, for the awakening only dissolves all the beautiful dreams that come from drugs and makes their surroundings more sordid and unhappy in contrast."

Miss Alice is admittedly old-fashioned. She said it was the duty of every father and mother to "want their children to live clean lives." "Should Censor in Home." "Mothers and fathers today seem to lose sight of this," she added. "I'm old-fashioned. I believe the movies should be censored in the home. You can't reform a nation by law. If mothers teach their children to desire clean things the movies will be compelled to abandon indecent things."

To girls who are dazzled by movie careers she gave this solemn warning: "I know some sweet little girls who went to the coast to enter the movie colony," she said. "They came back unsuccessful because they wouldn't pay the price. Some may succeed without paying, but these girls were asked to sell their souls for a chance to act. "Girls ignore advice, but I'll tell them, anyway, to stay home and be content. Happiness is contentment and contentment can only be found by making the best of what you have. Girls you'll find happiness chiefly in your own home town."

—There are two kinds of men—very busy men who will serve you now and men who have little to do and will attend to your case next week.

Aunt Beulah's Jewels

By MALCOLM BROWN

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Bright, questioning eyes; eager, welcoming lips; a fair, expectant face, met Alan Wayne as he returned to his modest home in Grantham after a four days' journey.

They had been married only a year, and if you had asked the townspeople regarding them they would have pronounced them the happiest couple in the district. To many this was a marvel, however, for while Alan was a practical, sensible young man of modest ambitions, Jessie had been known as a bright, restless butterfly of a girl. Her strong love for Alan, however, was the balance wheel that saved her.

"Oh, Alan!" exclaimed Jessie in her pretty, impetuous way as she led him into the cozy little parlor, her loving arms about him—"what news, dear?" "The very best, to my way of thinking," replied Alan, cheerily. "You know Uncle Dallas is going abroad to die. He called all the relatives to give away what he would have willed to them."

"Yes, yes; you told me; and he gave you?" "A pretty house with five acres of land in Linden. Think of it! Are you not delighted?"

"Yes, of course," declared Jessie, hurriedly, "but tell me—those beautiful dresses that once belonged to Aunt Beulah?"

"I fancy they were given to her sister," explained Alan. "You see, she had the closest claim." "Oh, dear! They might have sent me some of that rare old lace. How I would have valued it! Or one of those diamond rings—there were so many of them," pouted Jessie in real disappointment.

Many a time later she thought of the dresses and the diamonds. Late the night of his return Alan went up to the attic and unlocked an old chest containing some of his books and private papers. He drew from his pocket a long, flat case, burrowed down into the chest and buried it far out of sight.

Alan grew wiser, indeed, as time went on. When the first golden-haired cherub, little Alice, came into the family fold, it seemed as though it changed the fond mother and she magically.

Two years later baby Ernest joined the happy circle. These were the best years of living for Jessie and Alan. The husband held only an ordinary position, but they had no house rent to pay and Jessie jealously guarded the income.

"You are getting to be a grasping, hoarding miser," laughed Alan one day. "Nearly twelve hundred dollars in bank and you save the pennies as though they were gold dollars."

"For the sake of the children, dear," explained Mrs. Wayne. "Oh, how glad I am I gave up all my old, vain, extravagant notions!"

Alan was doubly glad. But then came a terrible disaster. It was announced by Alan coming home one noon to find Jessie waiting for him with a bloodless face and shattered nerves.

"Alan!" she gasped. "We are ruined!"

"The bank—oh, Alan, all our savings gone! The Grantham bank has failed!"

A relative had brought the direful news, soon verified. It was a dismal scene as Alice and Ernest came into the house, with their mother on the verge of collapse.

"Don't worry, dear mother," said gentle Alice. "I can earn the rest of my education."

"And any ambitious fellow can work his way through college," declared Ernest bravely. "Where is your father?" inquired Mrs. Wayne suddenly, noticing the absence of her husband.

"I am coming, dear," announced Alan in a cheery tone, re-entering the room. "I have been upstairs overhauling that old chest of mine to find something I hid there sixteen years ago."

He held in his hand the case he had secreted that eventful night when he had returned from his visit to his uncle.

"And now, Jessie," he said, "I want you to compose that excitable mind of yours while I tell you the story of a loving husband who was afraid that if he catered to the lively fancies of an inexperienced wife, it might lead to extravagance and domestic ruin."

And then and there he told it. Aside from the house and lot, his good uncle had quietly handed him a case containing the jewels belonging to dead Aunt Beulah. Jessie was the only bride in the family, he had explained, and she should have them. Then Alan opened the dusty, time-worn case to reveal gems that blazed forth a richness way up into the thousands.

For a moment Jessie stood transfixed, fascinated, her eyes sparkling with a woman's natural delight over the radiant gems. Then she realized what they meant. Their treasured savings, the price of an education, had vanished, but what a sure replacement!

She turned from the glittering display, her arms extended towards husband, daughter and son.

"Oh, they are grand!" she sobbed out in gladsome joy, "but here are my real jewels!"

FLAPPERS DEFENDED

Woman Judge Says She Thinks That They Are Adorable.

"Well, as for the flapper, I adore her. And speaking of bobbed hair—it is the greatest boon of the age."

Judge Mary O'Toole, of the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia, the first woman to be appointed to that office by the president, was talking, relates the New York American. Judge O'Toole sat back in her chair and, metaphorically speaking, sent a few bits in the direction of Judge Gibbs, of New York, who declared the other day that the demand of women for furs and diamonds was driving their husbands to crime and bankruptcy.

"Nonsense," said Judge Mary, answering Judge Gibbs. "I don't know this New York judge or what experiences he may have had, but he generalizes, and that's not fair."

It is true, no doubt, that many wives drive their husbands to bankruptcy by their demands but no man was ever made to commit a crime by a woman. He would have committed it anyway if there hadn't been a woman in the case.

"In big cities like New York there is too much 'keeping up with the Jones' spirit, and people live for the neighbors instead of for themselves, but even in those cities the women who drive their husbands to the bankruptcy courts or the suicide route by their desire to have more expensive furs and a larger collection of jewels than Mrs. Smith of their set are in the minority."

"Men and women who come into courts represent only a minority of the people of the world, and why hold them up as an example to show that the world is going to the dogs."

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"The reason for unhappiness in many cases is the failure of the man to give his wife an allowance. He tells her to charge whatever she needs. Charge accounts are dangerous. The man who tells his wife to charge usually finds ground to accuse her of extravagance. If she had a set allowance she would keep within it."

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