

WEST POINT NOT PLACE OF MONEY VALUES ALONE

Less Than \$20,000,000 Spent On U. S. Military Academy During 118 Years of Existence.

By EYE WITNESS.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. New York, May 22.—Portrait of a 35 senior cadet in the hall of the Memorial hall at West Point. Those commanders won the greatest war ever fought in the western world. They were all West Pointers and three of them mapped out the victorious policies. The supreme component was likewise a West Pointer and as a strategist ranks them all.

Doctor Eliot says that it takes \$20,000 to make a West Point cadet.

Undoubtedly the inference he wishes drawn from his statement is that the price is too high.

Those men and women of the early 60's who believed that no price was too high to pay for the preservation of an undivided republic, probably felt by the time 1865 had brought peace, that \$20,000 apiece was cheap for the making of a Grant, a Sherman and a Sheridan. Money was worth much more than, and \$60,000 probably would have paid for six Grants, Shermans and Sheridans.

Statement of Little Value.

Such a statement as Doctor Eliot makes relative to expenditure at West Point is highly effective in an argument intended for popular consumption, partly because it is easily remembered, but it has little value as an exact statement. Such an estimate is loosely figured. It may include all kinds of overhead and depreciations, and in the case of an institution that has been in existence for over a century, those items are almost beyond calculation—or it may be based solely on the current budget.

It is only, therefore, as carrying general charge of extravagance that Doctor Eliot's statement need be considered here. The large facts that can be presented in reply to it do not give grounds for the suspicion that the United States military academy has ever been the petted darling of the republic.

In its whole history of 118 years, West Point has not spent \$20,000,000 on plant. Last year the academy asked congress for \$7,500,000. It got the millions. The naval academy at Annapolis got more than twice as much.

Sum Small in Comparison.

The sums lavished by states and individuals upon institutions of learning, the survival and expansion of which are of high importance to the nation, but which are not directly factors in the wielding of the arm of national defense, are beyond the most spacious dreams of a West Point superintendent. At the time of men still young, Mr. Rockefeller has given \$50,000,000 to the University of Chicago. Eighteen American colleges are now engaged in a drive for \$20,000,000. If they get half that sum they will still leave West Point wondering whether there is really so much money in the country for purposes of education. Their standards of expenditure behind those austere battlements are, like their life there, Spartan. If there was in this money spinning, money spending land, a spot where money is not the measure of values, is not much in men's thoughts, and is not at all the goal of men's ambition—because they know that by the nature of their profession it cannot be—that place is West Point.

Survival of Roman Virtue.

If it were solely that kind of a place it ought to be honored and emulated. It is a survival of the antique Roman virtue. Physically and spiritually it is rock hewn. In the most actual sense an American living in a distracted time may point to it and say, "There and there alone, waste is a crime and soft living infamous."

These are no fanciful words and they ought to be spoken in a time when West Point's austerity provides a supremely important example for the whole country.

Even the inevitable waste caused by the admission of the wrong boy to the academy is minimized. He is not all lost. By the present policy of the academy, no boy is permitted to resign until he has been five months there. By that time he has learned enough to be a potential emergency asset to the country in the case of war and thus has paid for the money spent on him.

As for the cadet who remains, he receives \$720 a year in salary plus a daily ration, which runs to 68 cents a day. Thus the annual amount spent on him is under \$1,000. Next year, owing to causes which are worldwide and for which the academy cannot be blamed, the ration money will run to \$1.08 a day.

Martial Law Is Declared In Teschen Plebiscite Area

Prague, Czechoslovakia, May 22.—Martial law was declared in the Teschen plebiscite area Wednesday by the international commission.

Bitter feeling has prevailed recently in the district between the Czechoslovak and Polish workmen, and some clashes have been reported.

U. S. to Force Theaters To Pay Amusement Tax

Washington, May 22.—Internal revenue collectors were instructed today to begin a campaign to force the payment of admissions taxes collected by theaters and moving picture houses. Reports to the Treasury department were declared to reveal that probably 5,000 such amusement places had failed to turn in the taxes collected from patrons.

British Schooner Sinks

Boston, May 22.—The British schooner John Wood has been rammed and sunk by the steamer Lake Elsie, which later picked up the crew, according to a wireless message intercepted here early today. The position was not given.

In Tokyo, Japan, more than \$250,000 has been spent for motor fire engines.

Cox Manager Laughs At Suggestions of McAdoo's Nomination

Columbus, O., May 22.—E. H. Moore, democratic national committeeman from Ohio and campaign manager for James M. Cox, today ridiculed the suggestion that W. G. McAdoo will be nominated for president and Governor Cox for vice president at San Francisco. "It would be folly," he said, "for the democrats to select a man whose popularity has never been submitted

to the voters rather than one who is vote tried and ballot tested, who has been three times elected governor of a normal republican and pivotal state. "It is inconceivable that the party would offer to a man who was big enough to have served the people of a great state during six of the most strenuous years in history, the job of inquiring each morning about the state of the president's health.

Hungary to Sign June 4

Paris, May 22.—The peace treaty with Hungary, it was decided by the council of ambassadors today, will be signed in the Grand Trianon palace at Versailles on June 4.

Soldier Bonus Is Immoral, Harvard President Says

Boston, May 22.—Dr. Charles W. Eliot of Harvard university speaking at the New England Red Cross conference denounced the proposed soldiers' bonus bill as "immoral." After condemning what he termed a tendency to put membership into the junior Red Cross on a pecuniary basis as on a parallel with the practice "which seems to prevail in an astonishing degree in American families to make pecuniary payment for services that ought to be performed for love and duty," he added: "And now it is proposed to offer

this same sort of a premium to the national army in the form of a bonus. Could anything be more immoral or suggestive of a wrong attitude toward the duty which every young man owes to his country?"

Money Reserve Dwindles

New York, May 22.—The actual condition of the clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold \$7,690,350 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease of \$21,061,980 from last week. American people have invested approximately \$11,000,000,000 in highways.

Effect of Price Cutting Wave in U. S. Felt in Paris

Paris, May 22.—The American economy campaign has made itself felt in Paris. It was learned today that many buyers who are here on behalf of department stores and firms in the United States have been notified to reduce their proposed purchases. It is said that some of these representatives within the past week or 10 days, have received cable dispatches pointing out that the "over-all" movement in the United States has been a great success and that the

whole country has joined in a movement to reduce the cost of living.

To Launch Largest Warship.

New York, May 22.—The super-dreadnought, Tennessee, one of the largest warships in the world, will be commissioned at the New York navy yards June 3, it was announced here. Six hundred Tennesseans will be included among the ship's crew of 1,420 men.

Class of Chicago "Fats" Take Off 10 Pounds Each

Chicago, May 22.—Seventeen women in Health Commissioner Robertson's reduction class has

closed a month's experiment with an average loss of 10½ pounds. Mrs. Susie Jones, a 45-year-old housewife, who weighed in on April 22 at 224 pounds, tipped the scales at a mere 200½ and led the class with her net loss of 23½ pounds. Other members showed losses of 18, 16, 15, 11, 10 and ranging down to two pounds.

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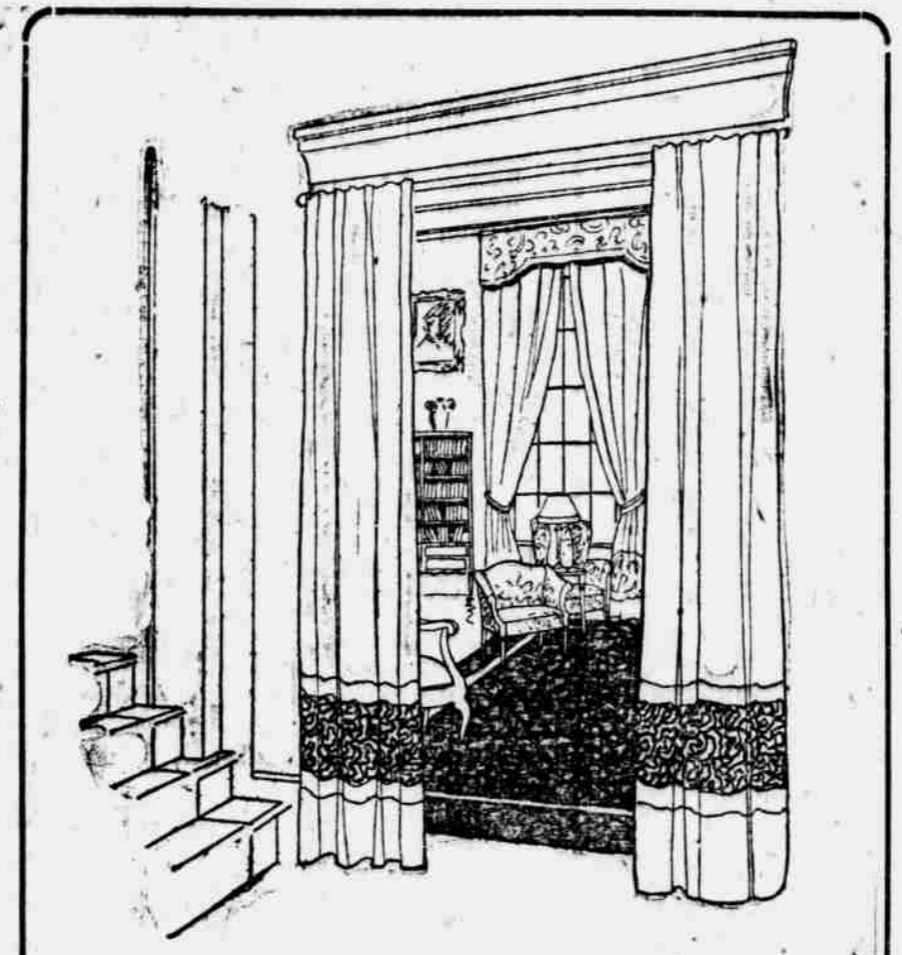
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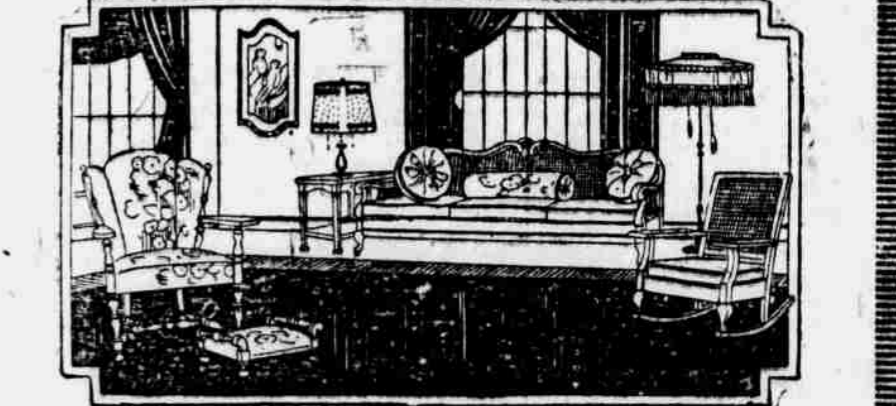
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