

THE NUMBER OF WORKING WIVES IS ON THE INCREASE; MARRIANE GOT NOW A REFUGE

New York, March 12—Marriage no longer is a refuge for the woman who hopes to escape the exacting demands of a job outside the home. Katherine M. Palmer writes in the New York Sun. Yearly the number of wives, from the "Ph. D." variety, who flock about the campuses of colleges and universities, to the industrial home workers, who speak very little English, seeking part or full time employment, increases. And those who know lay the burden of reason on economic stress.

For if these working wives can not be said actually to support their husbands and children (and about 5 per cent of them do just that) at least they find it necessary to supplement the family exchequer in order to keep up a standard of living commensurate with their walk in life.

According to comparative figures for the three previous decades, showing the rapid increase in the employment of married women, it is estimated that the 1930 census will show 3,250,000 wage-earning wives, against a possible 24,000,000 married women, and a 10,500,000 total of working women in the United States.

The "Ph. D." Wives

"There are many women, wives of men who are working for their graduate degrees, who apply to us for full or part time positions," said Clyde R. Miller, director of the bureau of educational service at teachers' college, Columbia University, "and they have increased in numbers and become so well known about the campus of recent years that they are commonly called 'Ph. D.' wives. Many of these have taught before marriage and their husbands frequently are teachers, principals or instructors in colleges, who realize that better positions are open to those who have graduate degrees. They may have been married, for some time and have children, and it is difficult for them to live on the savings which a professional man is able to put aside. For this reason the wives work, either to supplement the meager family budget or to prevent the savings from being used up too quickly."

Even those who had adequately provided for expenditures during the years of study were sometimes surprised by unforeseen expenses which demanded an increased income from some source, Mr. Miller added. Realizing the ultimate advantages if the husbands were permitted to continue study, the wives cheerfully undertook the task of making up deficits.

Extras For Selves

There are still other married women who work to obtain a means of getting extras for themselves and their families during their stay in New York, Mr. Miller explained further.

"With the cost of living as high as it is, it would be necessary for the families of students to take culture in free doses such as that which is offered by the museums, libraries, and the like," he said. "The women see the chances for development, and the income from their work means the difference between bare existence and pleasures which New York holds for those who know how to grasp them."

The "Ph.D." wives are considered an asset to the college by professors and officers of the university, according to Mr. Miller. He said these women often are well trained and have far more intelligence than the flappers who are just out of business school. They are usually good, steady workers, are not jazz crazy, and although the college can not afford to pay large salaries, many of them are willing to take less in order to be near their families. Positions held by these women in the college range from office work and tutoring to assisting in laboratories and research departments.

Workers in Three Classes

Miss Ruth Callum, assistant secretary of the university appointment office, divided the working wives who apply to her into three classes:

"There are those women who are working full time to help their husbands who are studying for a higher degree; part time workers, who are themselves studying along with their husbands, and women living near the university who apply for work in the college in order that they may have extra money to give their children more advantages than they otherwise could afford," she said.

Among the first two classes the wives realize the advantage that will come about through further study and degrees, Miss Callum explained, they are willing to do all kinds of work, but usually get office, tutoring or teaching jobs from the university bureau.

In the last class are those who are not always connected with the college and who want work for many reasons. Some have children who are in school, husbands who are away from home a good deal of the time and who want something to occupy their spare time and incidentally to bring in extra money for private schools,

HEROISM OF EIELSON PLANE SEARCH HOME

Seattle, Washington, March 11—Marion Swenson, Seattle high school girl, come home today from the fur trading vessel Nanuk, icebound since last fall at North Cape, Siberia, near where Carl Ben Eielson and Earl Borland, Arctic flyers, died in an airplane wreck last November 9.

The girl arrived with her father, Olaf Swenson, head of the Swenson Fur Trading Company, on the steamer Alasaka. They boarded the boat at Swenard, Alaska, after flying from the Nanuk to Teller, thence to Nome and Fairbanks, taking a train from Fairbanks to the port of embarkation.

During the long search of the missing flyers, directed largely from the Nanuk as a base of operations, Miss Swenson kept the outside world informed of the progress of the hunt in radio messages dispatched from the icebound ship.

Eielson and Borland were killed when their plane crashed in an Arctic storm last November while on a flight to the Nanuk to remove passengers and furs to the Alaskan mainland. The bodies recently were recovered from the wreckage of Eielson's plane, buried in the ice and snow ninety miles southeast of North Cape and taken to the Nanuk by airplane. On reaching Nome, the bodies will be sent to the United States for burial.

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HOLDOUTS SENDING IN CONTRACTS NOW

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The Brooklyn club still unable to line up Moss, right handed pitcher, and Herman, the Great, near-champion batsman and erratic outfielder. Frank O'Doul and Chuck Klein, the Phillies' biggest hitters, remain outside the breastworks. Burleigh Grimes, of the Pirates has not gone to the Coast with the other battery men.

The Cincinnati club is having trouble with Shortstop Durocher, formerly of the Yankees.

As soon as Col. Jacob Ruppert of the Yankees meets Babe Ruth in Florida, announcement probably will be made that the home-run king has signed an \$80,000 contract.

Goslin and Marberry are the Washington holdouts, while Comiskey, owner of the White Sox continues to dicker with the Great Shires, who wants twice as much as the Old Roman has offered him.

There are two kinds of tenor singers—he kind most people like to hear and the other.

There are times in his life when to appear dumber than he is really is an advantage to a man.

For the record put this down as the winter of many snows.

(Chicago's "Will" won't leave much for the heirs after all the debts are paid.

future savings accounts and small luxuries.

"Then there are the young women who have worked before marriage, do not relish housework and who continue to work from preference, and the older women whose children have grown up and left home and who want some active engagement to fill in their time."

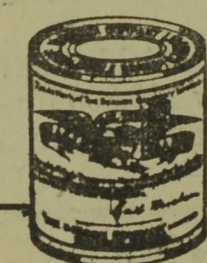


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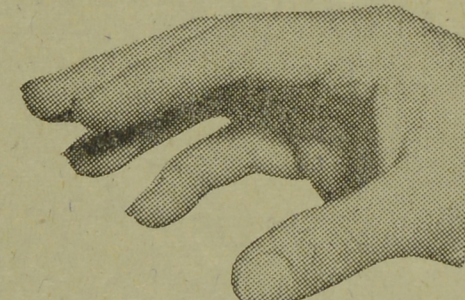
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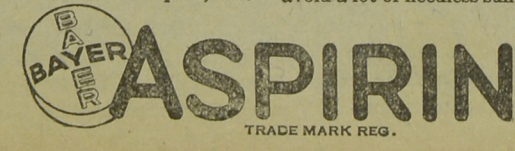
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