THE WOMAN WHO LOVES OUR FIGHTING MEN Why Helen Gould Has a Warm Place in Army and **Navy Hearts**

TETERANS who wore the blue and veterans who wore the gray during the stirring days from 1861 to 1865 are growing pitifully few. How swiftly time wings its way! One is startled, almost, upon recalling that the Spanish-American War, our latest conflict, is now ten years in history.

Because of their experiences in camp and field, the men of '61 and '98 can never lose their interest in the fighting men of today. Whatever appertains to the welfare or advancement of our army and navy finds sympa-

thetic advocates from ocean to ocean.

Few names appeal more strongly to the veterans of two wars, and to the American soldier and sailor of today, than that of Miss Helen Miller Gould. Not only through her wealth, but by personal service she has demonstrated her great interest in the two armed branches of our national defense; she is widely known as the woman who loves our fighting men.

T FORT Leavenworth, Kan., last October, an honor was accorded this woman which was said to be unprecedented in United States history. It was such an honor, indeed, as, in foreign countries, is usually voucheafed only to queens.

The afternoon sun blazed on the polished guns, the bright brass buttons and the uniforms of 300 solders. While a dozen bands played stirring music the soldier boys marched in review, with alert, even steps, tricked out in their finest trappings, their heads erect, every man on the qui vive, eager to make the best showing. All the while, beneath a great new flag, a modest little woman stood, with glistening eyes, watching them intently.

Beside Miss Gould stood the Governor of Kansas, e general commanding the post and a number of her officers, in glittering uniforms. Then a salute as fred, a salute such as greets an important personse when reviewing the fighting men. The woman is e plain dress clapped her hands enthusiastically. Turning right and left during the review she opered a small camera. When it was over she made neval Charles B. Hell stand at at the word of scheme as Charles B. Hell stand at a the word of scheme as the standard of the standard o Beside Miss Gould stood the Governor of Kansas,

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"BEST-LOVED WOMAN"

Years ago-that is, comparatively speaking, for Miss Gould is only about 40 years old-she won the title of the "bast loved woman in the United States." Today she may we!l be called the "best loved woman of the boys in blue."

Wherever a soldier may be stationed, almost, there is some evidence of the thoughtfuiness of the elder daughter of the late Jay Gould. Wherever ships of the navy may sail, even on the farthest seas, the name of Helen Gduld is certain to be spoken of with affection.

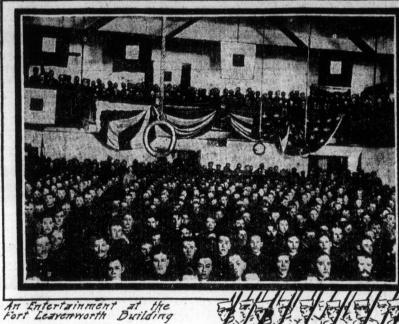
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At Cavite and Olangopo, in the Philippines, and a Sen Juan, in Porto Rico, solidiers and sallors listen to music played by phonographs given them Miss Gould, at the naval stations at Bellionia, they read Storfolk, New to the men personally by Miss Gould. With the far Alaskan north, on the Yukon river, there can a beautiful Y. M. C. A. launch, the name of violating the Bellion Gould.

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Inspired by the example of Miss Gould, Mrs. Russell Sage recently donated \$350,000 for an annex to the naval Y. M. C. A. at Brooklyn and \$25,000 for a house at Fort McKinley in the Philippines, white John D. Rockefeller has given \$300,000 for the naval branch at Norfolk, V. Naws are Mrs. Sage wrote: "One of the



most commendable charitable works that has ever come under my eye is one that Miss Helen Gould may be said to have originated. It is the establishment of a haven for the sailors of the United States Navy—a home where they may really feel at home, one to which they turn with genuine happiness. The said of the sailors of the said of the said



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Perhaps few phases of philanthropic work have done more good than this branch of the Y. M. C. A. Although the primary object is to give religion to the enlisted man, the medium for so doing is to give him home comforts while on shore leave.



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Then Miss Gould gave the money to erect the new building-one of the most splendid edifices of edifices of the saloons—without liquors.

There were given the salors all the amusements gallery, a restaurant, a swimming pool, a roof garden, plano, talking machines and clean, comfortable beds. The building is conducted on the same plan as a hotel. There are about 200 sleeping rooms, and lodging is obtainable by enlisted men for 35 cents a day. Meals are served at certain hours in the restaurant for 25 cents. On holidays great big dinners are served, and on Christmas there is a great turkey feast, when

and he no sooner reached Dover than he told Neille and her ordinary mortal of a husband that, since what was done couldn't be undone, why, a happy New Year to both of them.

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At these headquarters the men are given private lockers, and the accommodations provided greatly surpans those of the cheap hotels and saloons the boy in blue was wont to frequent.

An important feature of the work is the banking system, by which the sailors' money is cared for. This money is placed on interest. Last year the association cared for appeals to the sentimental hearts of the facties more than anything else is the constant thoughtfulness of Helen Gould.

Continually, Miss Gould sends gifts to the army and navy branches. Sometimes they are trifling, but show her regard all the more plainly. For instance, after a recent trip to Palestine, Miss Gould sent Biles, made in the Holy Land and covered with boards made from native cedars, to the various branchas, and pool appeals to the property of the said of the property of the pr

THOROUGHLY PRACTICAL

Miss Gould's undeviable rule of being practical was evidenced when, in 1904, she took a trip through the West to study the needs of the men. In her late father's private car Atlanta she took a spin over 7000 miles, completing it in twenty-three days.

Naturally, a woman so widely known as Miss Gould is the recipient of thousands of letters asking for help. In her charities, however, she carries out business methods as rigid and practical as those of gins letters. She is said to receive the course, and their was the waste paper basket.

In her daily mail are letters from "cranks," some of whom propose marriage, and letters from mothers telling that babies have been named after her. These letters are kept in an album, and today there are more than 200 "Helen Goulds."

In Miss Gould's home, at 579 Fifth avenue. New York, are innumerable souvenirs sent her by soldiers during the Spanish-American War. These are to may the same are the memories in her mind that she can tell the visitor the circumstances concerning each souvenir.

When Helen Gould went to Montauk Point during the war and told Colonel Farwood to draw on her bank account for any amount of money necessary to care for the wounded and sidered in Claba, Porte Rico or the Philippines who did not benefit from her genwas scarcely a man who suffered in Claba, Porte Rico or the Philippines who did not benefit from New York were given the best attention. The industrial school. Because of the financial stringency, Miss Gould was compelled to close these last April. There many children from New York were given the best attention. The industrial school.

When Heart Outweighed the Coronet.

sailors have been in co-operation with the Army and Navy departments."

"Miss Gould was never persuaded to do any act of charity unless with her own eyes and wise judgment she discovered the need." declared one of her private secretaries. Eight years ago, when visiting the navy yard at Brooklyn, the need of a place of refuge and amusement for the sailors was brought to Miss Gould's attention.



70U are here, in this corner of the drawing room, absently regarding the photograph of the rich young American woman that shows her in full dress, wearing the jeweled coronet she acquired by marriage. She's wearing THE east of Shrewsbury, who takes precedence over all the other belted earls of Bandon the head of the mountain the head of the head of the mountain the head of the hea

it because she can afford it and because it seems to her the highest distinction possible in life.

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was obliged to pass through a street flanked by saloon signs. There were legends such as these: "Entertainment Provided," "Amusements Going On." "Money Loaned," "Suits Rented."

In the saloons she saw scores of boys in blue, squandering their money. It was not seldom that the philanthropic young woman saw salors reeling out of the saloons. But she did not blame them. She realised that the men needed recreation. It was not obtainable in the inadequate quarters of the old "club."

But she had refused all of them. Some of her disappointed lovers thought it might be on account of her personal observation of the infelicity of her father and mother, who have been separated for year.

There were other rejected lovers of the Lady Nell titled father's home to leave much happiness in her father and the enjoyed every bit of it until the Christmas holidays, which is the season when the wine of life seems to flow freely in the Einglish soul.

Christmastime the beautiful and patrician Lady Nellie quietly eloped from the home of the premier earl of England and hereditary great senseshal of Ireland. She eloped with a common, ordinary, everyday mortal named Reginald Gore. Not Lord Gore of Viscount Gore or Sir Reginald Gore or even Hon. Reginald Gore—fust lair Reginald Gore—fust large from the continent."

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HE east of Shrewsbury, who takes precedence over all the other belted earls of England—the head of the Taibot family, which is so ancient and honorable that it has passed into a byword with the humorists who satirize lineage—has an only daughter. Her name is Nellie, the Lady Nellie is one of the most beautiful of a conspicuously handsome family. Full red lips, features apicuously handsome family. Full red lips, features that are regular delicate in their modeling, cheeks that are regular to the solution of the words of the solution of t

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It was not long before Louise was divorced by her husband, and not long, too, before Giron had married somebody eise. Then Count Giacciardin of Italy was sued by his wife for divorce because he paid too much suit of the same of the same property of the Countess Montignoso. Then the Countess Montignoso made haste to marry an Italian planist, Enrico Toselli, with whom she has been living, as obscurely as her notoriety will permit, in Florence.

Score one for the dowagers. But the spirit of romance that lives in the hearts of the daughters of nobility counters by citing the bliss of their own English royal Princess Louise, daughter of Quent English royal Princess Louise, daughter of Quent English royal Princess Louise, daughter of Quent English royal Princess had her royal, affectionate way for all the shudderers, and now Mr. Duff, having first been the marquis of Lorne, has come into his inheritance, and bears the title of duke of Fife, and is a devoted husband and a kind father, and the whole are as happy as happy can be.

England is still studying, with cynical concern, the married life of that lovely and brilliant woman