Alice Roosevelt, daughter of president Teddy Roosevelt, was known as a rule-breaker in an era when women were under great pressure to conform. Once, a White House visitor commented on Alice’s frequent interruptions to the Oval Office, often using her freedom of speech to offer political advice. The exhausted president commented to his friend, author Owen Wister, after her third interruption to their conversation, “I can either run the country or I can attend to Alice, but I cannot possibly do both.” Due to her bold and outspoken public persona, Alice served as a peace envoy to east Asia and the Carribean during the 1900s. During Woodrow Wilson’s 1919 campaign for the League of Nations, Alice, although no longer living in the White House, used her freedom of speech to campaign publicly against the League. The proposed League of Nations was eventually defeated.