

There has been marked progress in the United States and in England more conspicuously in the higher education of women. But a severe criticism is uttered by Miss Marion Talbot, dean of women in the University of Chicago, as to existing methods. One of her propositions is that too many girls go to college openly and avowedly with the purpose of having a "good time." They seem to regard the years that should be devoted to serious study and thoughtful training for the work of their lives merely as an interval of enjoyment, a prelude to a long term of penal servitude. Doubtless much of this attitude may be attributed to an undue presentation of the gay and social side of college life, says Washington Post. The girl at home and in the preparatory school is taught by friends and sometimes by instructors to look forward to merriment rather than to serious work in libraries, laboratories and classrooms. The campus and the tearoom and the undergraduate societies are all allurements rather than incentives to ambition. It need not sadden the gaiety of youth to learn that life is not wholly made up of flowers and bonbons. There is bread to be made as well as cake. Not all husbands are princes as to income, however optimistic the view of their character. The girl, no more than the boy, should be permitted to drift through college. There should be a definite aim supplemented with propulsive power, either through innate incentive or carefully appropriate discipline.

The race for the honor of owning the most formidable battleship in the world goes to the slowest instead of the swiftest in the contest. The United States improved on the British Dreadnaughts by a center line arrangement of the turrets, and this caused the Britons to reconsider their plans. The Italian navy department has now produced a battleship which combines the twin gun turret, the triple gun turret and the center line arrangement, thus providing a broadside of 13 twelve-inch guns and forward-aft fire with five. This will give the naval constructors of the world a fresh problem in the multiplication and adjustment of turrets for the effective location of guns with respect to broadside and fore-and-aft delivery of missiles.

The utilization of the old ram Katahdin for a target, off the Indian Head proving grounds, serves to call attention to the fact that like the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, the Katahdin was to revolutionize coast defense. Rear Admiral Daniel Ammen had a struggle in getting congress to make appropriations for her construction, as did Lieutenant Zalkinski for that of the Vesuvius, but those who opposed them may have been right, after all. If all the money that has been mistakenly spent in naval development could be recovered, somebody could build a navy without drawing upon any other account.

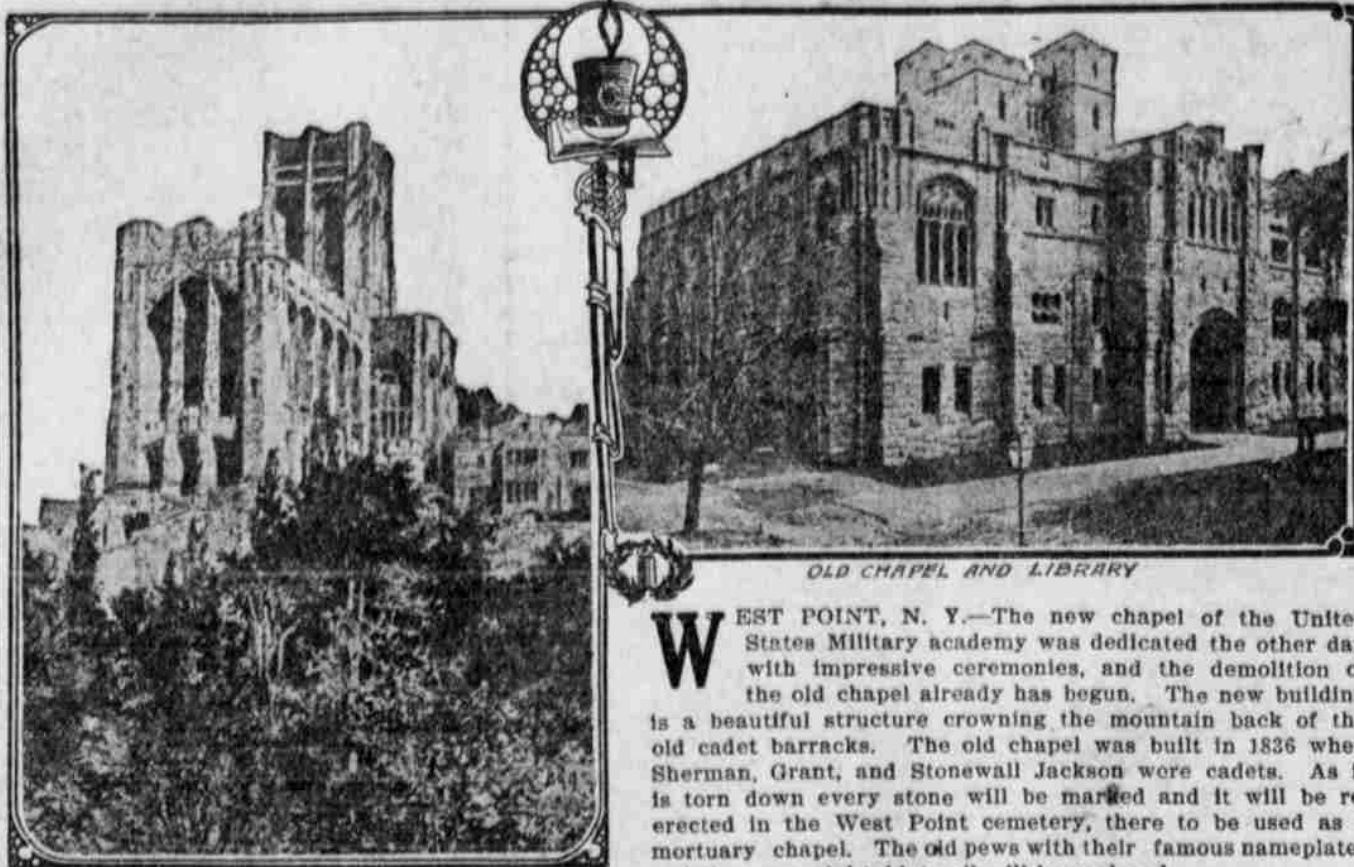
Lieutenant Shackleton, who planted the British flag within a short distance of the south pole, declared in his Chicago lecture that he believes a tract of at least four million square miles in Antarctica is underlaid with coal deposits which possibly may be workable, in which event they would contribute tremendously toward the indefinite prolongation of the world's supply of fuel. Coal mining in the colder regions of the earth may eventually contribute to the fuel supply. Alaska, which was once considered a land of ice and nothing else, is rich with coal of a high grade, and mines are being worked on the archipelago of Spitzbergen.

Indications are that the United States drydock Dewey, which sunk in Subig bay, Philippine islands, will be raised and in service in a short time. Undoubtedly there will be a thorough investigation into the cause or causes of the accident. The immense structure, which was built in this country and towed for thousands of miles to the present location, the whole proceeding involving enormous expense, is too valuable a piece of property to be handled carelessly. There have been intimations that alien employes or foreign spys might have brought about the mishap, but as yet there is no tangible evidence to support such a theory.

The "Mad Mullah" continues his wild career in Somaliland, and as a result of the outbreak it is said 800 tribesmen against whom his fanatical wrath has been directed have been slaughtered. This bloody-minded disturber has shown himself a menace to civilization in that quarter, and doubtless the outcome will be a combined effort to suppress him.

Pottawatomie Indians ask Chicago to give them the lake front. Why not? They might better it.

NEW CHAPEL AT WEST POINT IS DEDICATED



THE NEW CHAPEL

OLD CHAPEL AND LIBRARY

WEST POINT, N. Y.—The new chapel of the United States Military academy was dedicated the other day with impressive ceremonies, and the demolition of the old chapel already has begun. The new building is a beautiful structure crowning the mountain back of the old cadet barracks. The old chapel was built in 1836 when Sherman, Grant, and Stonewall Jackson were cadets. As it is torn down every stone will be marked and it will be re-erected in the West Point cemetery, there to be used as a mortuary chapel. The old pews with their famous nameplates and the memorial tablets all will be replaced.

GUIANA SNOW PEAKS

Dutch Expedition Finds High Range of Mountains on Island.

Existence of Glittering Ice-Clad Summits Prove to Be Fact—Other Explorers Hitherto Unable to Penetrate Wilderness.

The Hague.—Until recently none of the many exploring expeditions sent out by England, Germany and Holland had ever succeeded in penetrating into the heart of New Guiana, the great island which is partitioned among the three nations. Swamps, forests and many other difficulties stood in the way, to say nothing of the natives, who were reputed to be savages devoted to head-hunting and cannibalism.

Some progress, however, was made. The courses of several rivers were determined and the existence of a lofty range of mountains was verified. The goal of several Dutch expeditions had been the Orange range, the highest peak of which had been named Wilhelmina, and considerable information about it had been obtained. Several of the explorers claimed to have seen snow-covered summits, but about this there was a difference of opinion, some saying that the whiteness might be due to chalky formations of rock.

Last year Professor Lorentz and a small party of Netherlanders set out to reach these mountains which had seemed so elusive. The professor was familiar with the coast regions and the language of the natives, and he also had the assistance of the government. Following a river into the interior, the party succeeded in reaching a high table land never before visited by white men, but the snowy range of mountains could not be seen on account of the proximity of the foothills.

Feeling sure that they were proceeding in the right direction, the party pushed on in spite of innumerable difficulties and at last saw the glittering goal of their journey in the far distance. One of the peaks they discovered was christened Juliana. Though most of the members of the expedition were suffering from fever contracted in the jungles, they continued on, leaving all unnecessary articles behind and establishing supply depots for the return trip. The doctor in the party was too exhausted to proceed and had to be left at one of the depots with some natives.

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Doctor Lorentz, J. Van Nouhuys and four natives made the final dash and succeeded in reaching the glaciers and fields of eternal snow on the summit of Mount Wilhelmina, more than 15,000 feet above sea level. Several photographs were taken at the highest point and the Dutch flag was planted. Then a hurried return was made. In the course of which Doctor Lorentz sustained a bad fall. He was internally injured and his companions had to remain with him all night in an exposed spot on the mountain while a terrible storm of wind and snow raged about them.

Other mishaps occurred on the return trip and the members of the expedition would have died from starvation if a relief party had not reached them at the last moment. When they finally reached Alkmaar, the government coast station, they were welcomed with flags and triumphal arches as heroes who had suffered and accomplished much in the service of science.

Cat Stops Church Concert

Pussy Gets Entangled in Pipes of Organ and Instrument Goes Dumb—Finally Released.

Jersey City, N. J.—A black cat born in a church got tangled up in the stops and pipes of the organ the other night and a feature of a concert given there by the Young Women's Christian association had to be scratched. Rev. Paul A. Meury lent his church, the Second Dutch Reformed, in Summit avenue, for the entertainment, and promised to have his organist, Mrs. Prue Robinson, play selections on the \$7,000 organ. The organ music was advertised as a feature.

The church was crowded when Mrs. Robinson went to the organ. The electric blower was set in motion, but the organist couldn't produce any notes. The church engineer examined the electrical apparatus and reported it in good order. Mr. Meury and the engineer then climbed up among the pipes and heard a cat meowing. They discovered the church cat, which was born in the edifice a few months ago,

WOMAN'S HOME A SMALL ARK

Chickens, Dogs, Ducks, Pigs and Goats in Three Rooms Gets Woman into Police Court.

New York.—Outside of having 30 chickens, ten ducks, five pigs, four dogs and two goats concealed about her three-room house in the Rocky Hill road, at Bayside, Queens county, Mrs. Annie Curke hasn't a single pet to keep her company. When brought before Judge O'Keefe in special sessions court at Jamaica, charged with permitting the chickens to peregrinate about the property of her neighbors, it developed that she was conducting an ark.

Evidence showed that the ducks occupied the attic, the dogs one of the rooms on the first floor, while the pigs have a front room and bath directly under the place where there would be a bay window if there were one. The goats occupy a cottage near by and the chickens are not particular where they sleep.

Judge O'Keefe suspended sentence when Mrs. Curke charged that the complaint was made by a land booming concern. She promised to keep her chickens on a leash, but she may hear from the department of health, as a transcript of the testimony was obtained for its use.

SMUGGLE IN MANY DIAMONDS

Importers' Protective Union Declares Foreigners, Not Tourists, Worst Offenders.

New York.—About \$10,000,000 worth of diamonds are smuggled into the United States annually, according to a statement issued by the Importers' Protective union, which has just offered to pay rewards of \$2,500 and up for information leading to the arrest of offenders.

"An inspection of the returns of sales made by the large exporters in Paris, Vienna, Berlin and London shows that the amount of smuggling is enormous," declared the association's statement. "A good many of the precious stones pass the customs lines in the possession of members of steamships' crews, while at the smaller ports of entry, where there are not such expert appraisers as in New York, the government is cheated of a considerable sum of money by undervaluation.

"The amount of smuggling by tourists is, of course, harder to estimate than even the professional smuggling. But it has been said that more has got through in the past without paying duty than ever was declared.

"But the really big smuggling—carefully organized and cleverly executed—is done by foreigners. Hollanders from Amsterdam come over here and travel about the country selling the stones to small jewelers. They offer them at 7 or 8 per cent. reduction on the regular price, and no questions are asked."

LOST IN NEW YORK

Thousands of Disappearances Reported to Police Annually.

Esther Maude Mearson's Case Resembles in Many Respects That of Ruth Wheeler Who Was Murdered.

New York.—Exhaustive search by the police in every nook and corner of New York failed to reveal the slightest trace of Esther Maude Mearson, aged sixteen, who mysteriously disappeared after starting out to seek work as a stenographer.

The case resembles in many respects that of Ruth Wheeler, who also sought employment as a stenographer and went to the rooms of Albert Wolter, where she was murdered and her body burned and put into a sack. It is another of the many strange disappearances of a great city's daily life.

In fact, the parents of Esther Mearson, having in mind the sad fate of Ruth when their own daughter went in search of employment, cautioned her against going to private residences for work or answering post card requests for help as did Ruth Wheeler. Esther, an unusually attractive girl, well proportioned and large for her age, was also warned to be careful of her conduct while in the presence of strange men.

It was Lyon Mearson, brother of the missing girl, who first notified the police of her disappearance. Lyon, a graduate of the New York law school, is employed in the office of a large law firm. Joseph Mearson, the girl's father, is a retired jewelry and dry goods salesman. There are seven children in the family. They live at 107 East One Hundred and Twenty-third street.

Esther left school two years ago and became a pupil in the Hebrew Technical Institute, where she took a special course. Upon leaving the In-



ESTHER MEARSON

stitute she took up the study of stenography at her home and before long became proficient in it. While it was not necessary for her to seek employment, the girl did not wish to be idle.

Mrs. Mearson was the only member of the family to talk with Esther Monday morning, when the girl was preparing to continue her quest of a position. The girl was more confident than ever she would find a place where there would be a chance of advancement. She told her mother that was the kind of a position she was trying for.

"I will be home as soon as I can, mother," said Esther, as she kissed her parent goodby. "I will be glad if I find the place I am looking for because I need something to occupy my mind."

A woman describing herself as Mrs. J. F. Kennedy went to see Mrs. Mearson and told her that she was pretty sure that she had seen Esther on Third avenue near One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. Mrs. Kennedy said she saw a middle-aged man in the neighborhood of fifty, say, accost the girl, calling her "miss." The girl, Mrs. Kennedy says, stopped and the two were still talking when Mrs. Kennedy went on about her own affairs.

Thousands of such cases come to the notice of the Gotham police every year. Some of the disappearing persons return after they have been away a short time and the public hears nothing more of them. Others never are found and go down in the annals of the police department as unexplained mysteries.

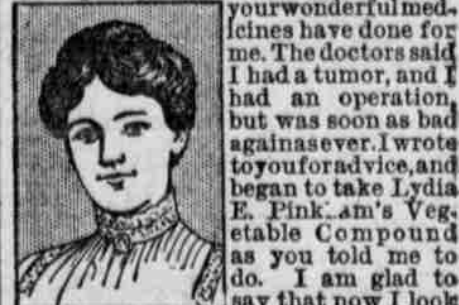
Fires French Cook.
London.—The new queen is so thoroughly British in her culinary tastes that she is reported to have dismissed King Edward's French chef, M. Menager, who for years has been the monarch of the royal kitchen. Queen Mary is said to have decided to employ only British labor when possible.

Paint Makes Cows Ugly.
Washington, Pa.—A diet of paint was fatal to three registered Jersey cows belonging to Scenery hill farmers and a fourth is expected to die. A can of paint was thrown into the pasture which, after they ate it, caused them to run about the field and try to gore each other.

TUMOR OF YEARS GROWTH

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INCOMPETENT.



Mrs. Hare—Old Snail got his boy a position last week and he only held it one day.
Mr. Hare—What was it?
Mrs. Hare—A messenger boy.

Degrees of Misery.
Two young ladies were talking the other day about a third who had just become engaged to a widower who plays the cornet and has four children. "What could be worse," exclaimed one, "than four children and a cornet?" "Nothing," said the other, "excepting, perhaps, six children and a trombone."

Dangerous Job.
Kind Lady—Here is a rhubarb pie, my poor man. How did you get that wound on your arm? Tired Tim—I was a lookout, mum. Kind Lady—Ah, a lookout on a steamer and there was a collision? Tired Tim—No, mum, a lookout for a second-story man an' de watchman winged me, mum.

A Serious Blunder.
"Yes," said the drug clerk, "I am called up occasionally to compound prescriptions at night."
"Isn't a man apt to make mistakes working in semi-darkness?"
"You bet he is. I took a plugged quarter once."

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Maud—Do you believe in palmistry?
Ethel—In a way. I've known it to work splendid as a starter when the young man was shy.

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