

# The Woman's Page

## Thieves Stole U. S. Monument

Famous Washington Monument "Snatched" And Held 4 Years Despite Courts, Congress.

Gazing upon the giant statue of the Washington Monument at the National Capitol, who would suppose that any gang could steal it! Yet, a gang stole it once—though it was comparatively a little fellow then, only 150 feet high. The thieves not only stole it, but held it for four years despite Congress, the courts and the army and navy of the United States. The period was from February 22, 1855 to February 22, 1859.

Indeed, the Washington Monument is one of the oddest monuments on this erratic globe and has behind it an odd history. It has been said that it was built upside down and inside out. It has "tuberculosis" and it "breathes." When the sun shines hottest on its exterior, rain sometimes falls inside so heavily that the attendants have to wear raincoats and rubbers. Writers are collecting the facts concerning these matters for the American Guide, the Government's forthcoming 5-volume travel handbook.

An act for the erection of a memorial to George Washington was

passed by the Congress that existed under the Articles of Confederation on August 7, 1783. A memorial of some sort might have been put up when the Federal City was laid out in 1791, but President Washington objected to have a memorial erected for him while he was still alive.

Not until 1833, long after the First President had been gathered to his fathers, was an organization formed among patriotic citizens to carry out the purposes of the Act of 1783. This body took the name of Washington National Monument Association. Its first president was John Marshall, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. After three years of preliminaries, it began collecting a dollar each from sympathizers in the hope of obtaining a million dollars to erect a monument, the design for which was completed by Robert Mills, in 1836. In 1848, the Association was reorganized with the President of the United States as its president ex-officio. Thereafter, the country's Chief Executive always held this position in the Association.

By 1848, enough money had been collected to start building. The original plans for the Monument provided for an Egyptian shaft to rise 700 feet. A circular Greek temple, 250 feet in diameter and 200 feet high, was to surround the Babylonian conic base. Above the main entrance, a quadriga would have presented a colossal figure of Washington, clad in a Roman toga, standing in a chariot driven by an Etruscan Victory and drawn by Arabian horses. The temple feature was abandoned before the work began and for it was substituted a plain shaft on a stepped pyramidal base. Other alterations of design were introduced as the work proceeded until the present shaft emerged from the confusion in 1879, after the masonry was up 174 feet, with the help of studies made of obelisks in Egypt by George P. Marsh, our Minister to Italy. Thus the design for the monument did not finally crystallize until 43 years after the first design had been accepted, and 31 years after building operations had begun. The most astonishing thing is that the proportions of the monument are architecturally sound.

### TWINS VALEDICTORIANS, SISTERS SALUTATORIANS

This remarkable story is sent from Marion, Crittenden county: When it came to honors, the sister combinations of the Mattoon high school were impossible to beat.

Making identical grades through the four years' work Pauline and Cherline James, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles James, were declared co-valedictorians, while Pauline and Bessie Spurrier, daughters of the Rev. B. F. Spurrier and Mrs. Spurrier and Mrs. Spurrier also with the same scholastic record for the four years, as co-salutatorians of the 1936 graduating class.

### 103-YEAR-OLD MOTHER PRAYS FOR LIFE OF SON

Felice Meloche, of Windsor, Ont., 103 years old, couldn't go to the hospital to see her boy, Joseph, 83, who has both his legs broken, but in her bedroom at home she prayed to Le Bon Dieu to spare her "baby."

He isn't old enough to take care of himself yet, she says. Joseph was injured when a horse fell on him while he was working in his blacksmith shop.

**SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL**  
The Greco-Roman cycle of Shakespeare's plays will be presented during the Pasadena Community Playhouse's annual Midsummer Shakespeare Festival this year. The seven plays for the seven-week series are: "Troilus and Cressida," "Timon of Athens," "Pericles, Prince of Tyre," "Coriolanus," "Julius Caesar," "Anthony and Cleopatra," and "Cymbeline."

## Social & and Personal

### Fried First Doughnut



NEW YORK . . . Major Helen Purviance (above), of the Salvation Army, is credited with "frying the first doughnut in France" for our doughboys during the World War. She is now dean of women at the Army Training College here and was given a party last week.

### Double Wedding

In a double ceremony Miss Mary Frances Bostick and the Rev. W. O. Vaught, Jr., of Kansas City, and Miss Anita Florence Vaught and the Rev. Sibley C. Burnett of Jackson, Tenn., will be married at 5 p.m. Friday, June 26, in the chapel of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Miss Bostick is the daughter of Dr. W. M. Bostick and Mrs. Bostick, of Louisville. Miss Vaught is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Vaught, of Utica, Miss.

Dr. Bostick will perform the ceremony for his daughter and Mr. Vaught. Immediately following the Rev. W. O. Vaught, Jr., will perform the ceremony for his sister, Miss Vaught and Mr. Burnett. These ministers will be assisted by the Rev. Dr. John R. Sampson, president of the seminary, and members of the faculty will serve as ushers. Both bridegrooms are graduates of the seminary. Miss Bostick was a teacher in the public schools of Winona, Miss. Mr. Vaught is State Baptist student secretary for Missouri. Miss Vaught was teacher in home economics in the high school in Clarksdale, Miss. Mr. Burnett is registrar at Union University, Jackson, Tenn.

The above announcement from Sunday's Courier-Journal which carried pictures of the prospective brides, is of interest here where Miss Vaught and her brother, Rev. J. O. Vaught, Jr., have been the frequent guests of relatives. Their parents were former Harrodsburg residents. The young minister was pastor of the Baptist church at Saivisa for sometime, resigning that charge to take up his position in Kansas City.

### Week End Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Board, Louisville; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Board, Cincinnati, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Board. Miss Frances Board accompanied her uncle and aunt to Cincinnati for a visit.

### Visitors From Chicago

Mrs. O. L. Moore and Mrs. Clara Havemeier, of Chicago, visited relatives in Harrodsburg last week and while here were with Mrs. Moore's aunt, Miss Minnie VanArsdall.

### At Morgan House

Miss Mary Kindred and Miss Alza Burdette, of Lexington, are with Mr. and Mrs. Hunter VanDiver at the Morgan House. They are in charge of the beauty parlor at the Jane Bertram Shop.

### Invited To Wedding

Friends here received invitations to the wedding last night at Barboursville, of Miss Eleanor Randolph.

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### House Party At Lake

Mr. Jack Finnell entertained the following at a week end party at the Allin lodge on Herrington Lake: Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Dewese, Mr. and Mrs. Graves McKinney, Miss M. M. White, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Larrey, all of Lexington.

### Guests At Aspen Hall

Mr. James Poston, Misses Effie Bess and Martha Poston, of Louisville, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Brown at their home, Aspen Hall. Miss Martha Poston is remaining for a longer visit.

### Return Home Today

Dr. John W. Carpenter left Monday to join Mrs. Carpenter, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dickinson, Malden, West Va., and they will return home today.

Miss Mae Curtsinger and Mr. Geo. Allen have returned from a visit with her brother, Mr. J. P. Curtsinger, and Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Guthrie, of Harlan. They enjoyed a trip to the Blue Ridge Mountains in Virginia while in Harlan. (Continued on another page)



### A GARDEN HYMN

I never knew Thee, Lord, until  
My garden brought us face to face,  
Revealed Thy gracious miracle  
Of Sun and Seed in little space.  
Since I have seen Thy alchemy  
Change earth-brown bulbs to living gold  
Of daffodils, eternity  
Has seemed a simple truth to hold.  
The incense breath of mignonette  
Has summoned me to vespers, too,  
And may I never more forget  
To lift my heart, as panies do.  
No dim cathedral is so still  
As twilight in this holy place;  
I never knew Thee, Lord, until  
My garden brought us face to face.  
Mollie Haley,

For this year's young graduate  
with nothing immediate in view,  
keeping a pair of white flannels clean  
is a career of a kind.—(Ashland, Ky., Independent)

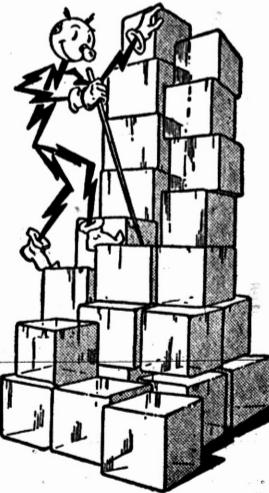
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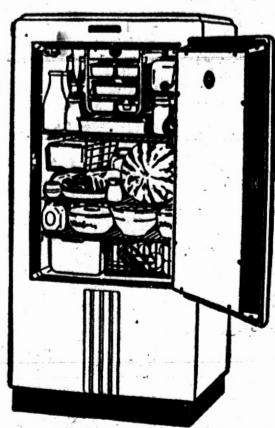
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