

FAMOUS GERMAN SIEGE GUNS INVENTED BY AN AMERICAN

The mighty siege guns which the Germans have employed with such deadly effect against the Belgian and French fortresses were first constructed in Chicago and tested by the U. S. government at Sandy Hook. Louis Gathmann, at one time connected with the Northwestern University, is the inventor of what is known as the Gathman gun and shell.

When the United States tested these shells it was found that there was great danger that the gun after it had been used a dozen times, would explode because of its terrific power.

The shells are about 4 feet long and 18 inches in diameter, carrying nearly a barrel of guncotton or nitroglycerine.

CAP' STREETER'S "IN AGAIN"

Old Cap' Streeter is in again. This time it is because a real estate agent sold a girl some of the land which the Cap' claims on the lake front.

The real estate agent, Charles D. Rolland, with offices in the Bush Temple, is under arrest. He claims to own the land which he sold to Anna Hooker, 2110 N. Cullom av., for \$285.

The property came into his hands as fees for legal services rendered the Cap' some time ago, he says. Cap' Streeter says not, and it was he that advised the girl to swear out the warrant.

CARELESS OF HIM

A Birmingham man, on receiving his doctor's bill, hurried to the doctor's office and protested:

"What does this mean, doc? Besides the stipulated fee for my wife's operation you have charged me \$100 extra for instruments!"

"Yes, I know," said the doctor. "That's for a very valuable saw that I found I had left in your wife after her operation."

TEACHERS PLAN TO FIGHT THAT "MOTHER" RULE

New York, Oct. 13.—In order to fight the board of education in its ruling against expectant-mother-teachers, a local teacher who is about to give birth to a child will remain on duty until compelled to retire. Her name is being kept a secret, but it is stated by Miss Henrietta Rodman, vice president of the league for the civic service women, that the woman is 27 years old, a graduate of the teachers' college and the daughter of a Methodist minister.

TERRIBLE BLUNDER

"What's the matter?" a colleague asked of the advertising manager, says the Topeka Journal.

"Matter enough! The fools have placed Mme. Coprano's testimonial for a cold cure on the same page with the announcement that she had a sore throat and couldn't sing."

HAD EXPERIENCE



He—Yes, I told your father I could support you in the way you had been accustomed to, and that I would marry you at all costs.

She—Did he manifest anger or concern?

He—No; only sympathy.