Construction on Battleships All Wrong and American

being made against the turret of the American battleship. Experts now declare that the whole construction is a menace to life and to the floating forts, every

one of which cost the nation millions of dollars. According to these criticisms, a boy enlisting in the navy goes forth as to battle, with many chances of death in time of peace.

Indeed, the statement is made, and to the lay mind proved, that our naval contractors are 100 years behind the times

The turrets and magazines of all our battleships are constructed on the principle of the elevator shaft, ammunition hoist running straight up from the handling room beneath the turret.

In case of fire in the upper turret there is nothing except a makeshift shutter to prevent sparks or burning grains of powder from falling into the handling rooms below the magazines. The accident upon the Georgia occurred in that manner, and nothing but the self-sacrificing spirit of American seamen has prevented several of our ships from being destroyed.

This method of construction is peculiar to the United States navy. The sailing ships of Nelson's fleet, 100 years ago, had a powder hatch in the rear of each row of guns on the upper deck, and the powder was passed up from magazines near the bottom of the vessel.

The hatch in the lower deck was means of a two-stage shaft, thus all?

By Frances Gilbreath Ingersoll.

are a dead give-away to your "young man" of your disposition

and temper. Here are some "point-

able him to steer clear of rocks in

arm be plump or "skinny," indi-

cates a temper sharp enough to

take the edge off a file. Its pos-

sessor will be always in a "scrap"

with her neighbors, and her hus

band be continually treated to lib-

"An elbow sharp and a poined

Cross words, two out of every

If there are two or three notice

able bony "protuberances" besides,

she will possess the temper of the

first, but also be a "hustler" to

work. Her husband, as well as her

surroundings, will have to 'stand

around" when she gets her sleeves

The round, smooth, cushiony el-

bow indicates an easy-going, slack.

good-natured, "let-things-slide" tem-

perament. She will let the baby

daub himself with flies and mo-

lasses to "keep him quiet" while

she gossips over the neighbor's

If there be a deep indentation

eral allowances of a rasping tongue

As the old adage puts it:

rolled up for business.

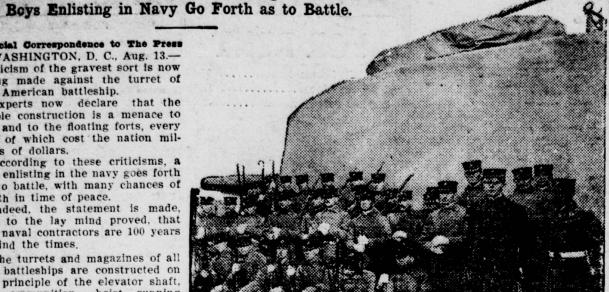
knee,

the matrimonial seas.

for the said young man, to en-

"pointed" elbow, whether the

Cover up your elbows, girls. They



This photograph shows what a turret on a battleship looks like from the outside. This view was taken on the Illinois. The turret is made of solid armored steel and from within are fired the ship's big-

hatch, but was to one side, and if falling into the handling room.

screen of woolen cloth. vogue in every other navy except bureau some two months ago de that of the United States.

All other navies provide for lift-

(1) Pointed-Hot temper.

(4) Deeply indented--Fickle.

wife let him search for one with

indicator as to what she will be.

on lumber which the transcontinen-

LOGGER SHOUIS ANOTHER.

ABERDEEN, Aug. 13.—Lou Smith shot and probably fatally

wounded Ira Machlin in a saloon.

The men were loggers and old ene-

still before they will submit.

en to love of flattery.

not directly beneath the uppermost | preventing any possibility of sparks burning powder fell it was separat- It was only after prolonged and ed from the hatch below by a bitter protest from the line officers of the American navy, and the sac-This is practically the system in rifice of possibly 50 lives, that the

In the light of the Georgia dising powder and shell from the han-dlnig rooms into the turrets by than an inefficient makeshift after

vised the shutter.

will be convenient to ships coming through the Panama canal. Admiral Capps and Admiral Cowles are interested in the location of coaling stations and repair

> fication of any site chosen for a hase. The board will probably exthe question of a coaling station

Special Correspondence to The WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.-

Having finally awakened to the un

prepared condition of the Pacific

coast, in event of hostilities with

Japan or any other power striking

from that direction, the navy de-

partment has appointed a board to

consider available sites for naval

Of this board two members, Ad-

miral W. L. Capps, chief of the

bureau of construction and repair,

general board, are already on their

way, while the third member, Rear Admiral R. C. Hollyday, is to start

As already stated in these dis-

patches, the government is consid-

ering several possible locations on

front for this purpose. San Diego

is a possible location, and secret

negotiations are under way with

Mexico for a permanent lease of

Magdalena bay on the west shore

of Lower California. The board

will also consider strengthening the

base at San Francisco and adding

to its docking facilities.

As chief of the bureau of yards

and docks Admiral Hollyday is

question. He intends to look into

the matter of the failure of the firm

of contractors to complete the Mare

Island dock, which was started sev-

en years ago, and he will look for

available sites for other docks. The

greatest need is for docks which

chiefly concerned with the docking

west in a few days.

and Admiral W. S. Cowles, of the

AUTO FRIGHTENS KAISERIN.



The Ladies' Aid of the German Evangelical church, Northside, will yesterday bought W. E. Morrison's give a lawn social Wednesday eve-third interest in the Cascade block ning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ruehl, E312 Sinto av. Ice cream and cake will be served.

Full Quart 50c Full Pint

DURKIN'S

Also Wall and Sprague

MAY REVOLUTIONIZE GAS - MAKING CITY TO PAY DAMAGE



Special Correspondence to The Press | the feat was accomplished. CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 13.-A

question:

nature, why not produce it artificially?"

Inited States.

The most startling feature of the hance discovery may revolutionize invention is that the material used gas making methods throughout is straw, corncobs, cornstalks and other waste products of the farm.

J. Russell Coutts, a Chicago chemist, was burning stacks of straw in Canadian wheat fields. Noticing the blue haze before the yellow flame, he asked himself the var and Supt. Rice, the success of the new method has been estab-"If this flame can be produced by lished beyond a doubt. It is claimed that from a ton of

straw may be obtained 15,000 feet He went to work with a will, and of gas suitable for heating, lighting

tend its trip to Hawaii to look into TO OPERATE STREET RAILWAYS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.-Af-1 mayor, obediently commanded the er years of litigation, after foster- cable directors to operate their ing the idea through the earthquake road, to which the directors replied. and fire, after protecting from the "The road belongs to the city. Why don't you run it?" greed of public officials and corportions, San Francisco has at last For once in their lives the superaken steps to build, own and opvisors rose to the emergency and erate an electric conduct municipal erate an electric conduct municipal street railway, the first of its kind to be conducted by any city in the o be conducted by any city in the

at an end. They appropriated \$720,-000 in the municipal budget for in-One of the last official acts of the boodling board of supervisors, rendered obedient by the flourishes of the graft prosecutors' "big stick," stalling an electric conduit. Mayor Schmitz, in a felon's cell in the county jail, tried to shut off the action by vetoing the budget item. stalling an electric conduit. Mayor tion by vetoing the budget item, was to appropriate \$720,000 for the was to appropriate \$720,000 for the purpose of remodeling the historic old Geary street cableway into a modern, fully equipped electric retired supplied with motive powers. ailroad, supplied with motive power through an underground conduit

nstead of an overhead trolley. Built in the early days of San Francisco's history, before the elecric trolley was introduced to the transportation world, the Geary street cable railroad has had a checkered career. It was constructand under various managements enpoyed flattering dividends until the onslaught of the electric trolley ines, which paralleled it on both sides and took away much of its patronage. Under the conditions, coupled with the disinclination of o continue operating it under suferance to pay into the municipal

San Francisco has unwittingly adopted a white elephant. The forces of good government and graft government at once locked norns across the cable slot for control of the road. The civicly right-eous apparently scored the first victory by forcing the board of supervisors to appropriate \$350,000 for reconstructing the line into an electric conduit system. This was late in 1905. Plans were drawn, bids, received, the contract let, and everything was in readiness for the work to proceed when along came the arthquake of April 18, 1906, and

large bundles of currency by the popular opposition to an under-

C. E. Loss, the contractor who had undertaken to reconstruct the Geary street road, experienced a peculiar change of heart, and finally threw up the job completely, to return a few months later, supposedly in the interests of Calhoun, with an offer to buy the line for an overhead trolley system. Good citizens protested, but Schmitz and his grasping supervisors were heart and soul in the control of the corporations, and as the last official act of 1906 declared in favor of the

overhead trolley. Before their plans were completed, the street car strike was called and the United Railroads the people of San Francisco walked. Immediately there came a demand that the municipal Geary street

The city council finance commit tee yesterday afternoon recommended that \$900 be appropriate to pay the Spokane Amateur Athletic club for damage done its sewer by a cave in when the city was improving Main avenue to the Monroe street bridge.

Treasurer M. H. Eggleston recommended that the council have the state pay \$950 for paving in front of the new armory building. The last session of the legislature passed this law.

The committee instructed Clerk Fleming to communicate with Dil-on & Hubbard, bond lawyers of New York, and get their price for reporting on the \$400,000 bond is-sue. Treasurer Eggleston informed the committee that this firm's report would go far on the sale of those bonds.

SEATTLE'S PUBLIC MARKET.

Seattle is to have a public mar ket. In this improvement the me tropolis of the state will forge ahead of other cities in the northwest. A public market has been advocated from time to time in Spokane, but nothing is a material way has been done to secure one.

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with no prominent "points," its mies. Machlin is under arrest,

CAN READ GIRL'S CNARACTER ON HER ELBOW BRIEF CITY NEWS shops, as well as the proper forti-J. Oscar ePterson, clerk in Judge Hinkle's court, will leave for his vacation tomorrow. He will camp

near town. H. M. Richardson, Judge E. H Sullivan's clerk, has returned with his family from a vacation spent in

Stevens county. F. C. Collins, traveling passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific lines, is in the city, on business connected with the Soo-Spokane

The Great Western Carnival Co. has been engaged by the Natatorium park management to open Aug. 26 with 3 outdoor and 9 indoor at-

A son was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Quinn, 2506 Gardner avenue. Mrs. Quinn is the daughter of Jessie Shirley, the Auditorium leading lady. (2) Round, cushiony-Easy ge

ern Pacific were derailed about 6 (3) Very slightly pointed-Best o'clock last evening near Spangle. The Palouse local was delayed

William Lindsay, charged with assaulting Jack Reback with a owner is fickle, unstable and narrow-minded. Also jealous and givknife, pleaded not guilty before Justice Hinkle yesterday and his case If this young man wants an ideal was set for Friday, July 16.

Great Northern trains are trans bow slightly pointed, softly rounded ferring at Sandpoint, Idaho, to the at point and daintily curved. Her Northern Pacific and following that 'words" will be pleasantness and line as far east as Helena, Mont. her "ways" those of "peace," and on account of a cave-in of tunnel her 'household" be ordered "wise-No. 10, 150 miles east of Spokane.

Your "girl" may seem all that is The board of public works yesterdesirable now; her elbow is a sure day issued a permit to Louis Michel to construct and conduct a scenic theater out of the old church build-BIG FUND TO FIGHT ROADS. and Monroe street. TACOMA, Aug. 13.-Lumber and

Judge E. H. Sullivan this morn shingle manufacturers of the Pacific Northwest will have a fund of Ruhl, who was confined in the about \$250,000 available to fight the Home of the Good Shepherd, and press dismounted and walked rapallowed her to go to her home. Her idly away. proposed advance in freight rates father put up a \$200 bond for her future good behavior. tal railroads have announced would

go into effect October 1. They de-The State Bank of Uniontown yesterday bought W. E. Morrison's clare that the ablest attorneys in the United States will be engaged to handle the case, and that they on the south side of Riverside avewill fight the railroads to a standnue, between Lincoln and Monroe streets, paking \$25,000. The bank now owns a two-thirds interest.

> The funeral of Paul Westcott fireman, who died yesterday morning at Sacred Heart hospital, following an operation for appendicitis, will be held Wednesday afternoon from Smith & Co.'s. Rev. W. J. Hindley will officiate. Interment will be in Greenwood.

> Judge Sullivan this morning granted a divorce to Elizabeth C. Gardiner from Elmer Gardiner. They married in Rea Oak, Iowa, in 1884 and have 4 children. In 1905, says the complaint, he deserted. A decree was also granted in the case of Mable Runyon, who claimed that Finey Runyon refused to support

SEVEN YEARS' SILENCE.

TOLEDO, Aug. 13.—After living for seven years in the same house with her husband during which time they had no communication, Mrs. Margaret E. Towers brought suit for divorce from Leo F. Tow ers, who lives at 2120 Cherry street and has offices at 415 Superior. On Mrs. Towers' application Judge Brough issued an order restraining Towers from interfering with his wife and from disposing of or en-cumbering any of his property.

POWDER KILLS CHILD. RITZVILLE, Aug. 13.—Powder burns proved fatal to Rudolph Radke, age 10, whose parents live on a farm. With other boys he found loose powder on the railroad grade. They touched a match to it.

TACOMA PREACHER QUITS. TACOMA, Aug. 13 .- For the purpose of regaining his health Rev. A. H. Barnhisel, of the First Presbyterian church, has resigned and taken a position with a real estate company. He expects to work in

THE KAISERIN OF GERMANY BERLIN, Aug. 13.-No more automobiles for the Kaiserin! Ach, du lieber, nein! It all came about through the spattering and sputtering of the royal machine in which the empress was r iding. a purchasable board of city fathers Spit! Spit! Sputter! Sputter! That to dally with a public service coring on the corner of Second avenue was the way the auto went. "Ach, mein lieber, stop! And in spite of the fact that the chauffeur tried to assure her majesty upon his ing modified the sentence of Edith word as a loyal subject that there was absolutely no danger, the em-

25c Half Pint

121 Howard Street

poration which brought them no returns, the franchise of the cable line was allowed to expire in 1903 and was not renewed. The city took nominal possession of the road, but permitted the directors

coffers 5 per cent of the gross reeipts each month.

put an end to the preparations. After the disaster the situation materially changed. Franchises were being freely exchanged for city fathers. In spite of the fact that the Geary street road was the first to resume operations, a hue and cry was raised against the conduit system. Patrick Calhoun for the United Railroaus was bargaining with Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz and Abraham Ruef for an overhead trolley franchise, and with fine Italian hands the three were arraying

ground system.

guiding hand of their convicted

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found all its lines out of operation. The cable way platform men deserted their cars in sympathy and line be operated.

The supervisors, deprived of the