

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE GIRLS DEFEAT WELLESLEY IN MEASUREMENTS APPROXIMATING VENUS DE MILO'S



Miss Margaret Willetts, of Swarthmore College, is more nearly like the "perfect standard" ascribed to the measurements of the Venus de Milo than any girl student at either her own college or Wellesley. The "Composite Venus" of Swarthmore is closer to the Venus requirements than the "Composite Venus" of Wellesley, which was recently heralded as being as near as is humanly possible to get to the ideal.

And One of Them Is as Nearly Like Standard of Perfection as It Is Possible to Be

Venus de Milo is perfect. Wellesley College's "Composite Venus" approximates the Venus de Milo. But Swarthmore College's "Composite Venus" not only defeats the Wellesley approximation of perfection in the aggregate, but also contains an individual who in weight, height, neck, waist and chest measurements is so nearly like the Venus de Milo measurements as to make the differences infinitesimal and negligible.

The Venus de Milo, as she stands in the Louvre, in fear and trembling lest a bomb from a Zeppelin annihilate her perfections for all time and leave only the pale and spiritless copies in plaster to show what the world may lose, is larger than life. Translated into terms of flesh and blood, her measurements are held to be the matchless standard of femininity, although some consider her a little too short, and thin persons consider her a little too stout.

The total measurements of all the Wellesley girls were taken and added up and divided by the number of girls to get an average. Then Wellesley crowned. Because they had approximated the ideal. The same has been done at Swarthmore, for the average of Swarthmore co-eds' measurements is nearer perfection than the "Composite Venus" of Wellesley.

That is because Swarthmore is nearer Philadelphia than Wellesley. In Philadelphia live the most beautiful girls in the world. The reincarnation of the Venus de Milo lives in Philadelphia. But that is a digression.

In Swarthmore College it is to be found not only a better aggregate Venus, but an almost exact duplication of the Venus de Milo measurements in one person. This young woman is so little different in weight, height, neck, chest and waist measurements from the Venus in the Louvre that the difference is not worth talking about. For instance, the Venus de Milo, were she flesh and blood, would be 5 feet 4 1/2 inches in height, whereas this girl is 5 feet 4 1/2 inches in height, and the difference is less than the thickness of the thinnest dancing pump sole.

To cap the climax, Miss Margaret Willetts, who measures up so well to the Venus standard, actually looks a good deal like Venus in the face. There is not that straight Greek line from top of forehead to tip of nose, but lots of people do not like that sort of perfection; and outside of that Miss Willetts' features are as normal as those of the Venus.

How Venus de Milo and de Swarthmore Compare

Table comparing measurements of Miss Willetts and Venus. Columns include weight, height, neck, chest, waist, and ankles.

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It is natural that normal individual Venus should be more nearly perfect more Venus has reached her senior year, and with distinction. She is a good gymnast, plays hockey, basketball and tennis and swims with unusual ability.

But above all, excellent Venus in a field she never strove to shine in, Miss Willetts is popular with girls. When it comes to good fellowship or whatever the feminine equivalent of good fellowship is, she would be content to fuse and sink her personality into the Composite Venus.

than the average of both Wellesley and Swarthmore, for the average is not the normal—not by a long shot. For example, the average pairs of eyes have to be assisted by spectacles, but the normal pairs of eyes need no spectacles; the average man is weak, but the normal man is strong.

The normal is very rare, and at times does not exist except in theory; but the average is by definition always hanging around, right in the middle of things, trying to drag the normal down to a lower level.

The absolutely astounding fact about the Swarthmore Venus is that she has brains. Not that Swarthmore girls are not far above the average in brains, but no one ever asks of Venus if she has brains.

One asks about the Venus things that are easily ascertainable, for instance, the chest expansion. It must have been very interesting that day they got the marble Venus in the Louvre to expand her chest. How it was done has never been published, but at any rate the marble was not damaged when it took a full inhalation in its marble lungs.

But to get back to brains. The Swarthmore girls rose up and cheered when they learned that their record was better than Wellesley's. Their composite, average measurements are far nearer the Venus measurements in every detail except that of the ankles. In the Wellesley girls' average is three-tenths of an inch nearer the Venus measurement than the Swarthmore girls' average. Venus' being 3 1/2 inches, Wellesley 3.1 and Swarthmore 3.6. But the Swarthmore girls are proud of this defeat, for it is athletic activity that makes ankles larger, and not idleness and lounging about.

The Swarthmore Composite Venus has one absolutely perfect dimension. That is the neck. The Swarthmore neck is the same as the Venus neck—12 1/2 inches. But here are all the figures in inches:

Table with columns: Height, Weight, Neck, Chest, Full, Waist, Ankle. Rows for Venus, Swarthmore Venus, Wellesley Venus, and Swarthmore beats Wellesley.

"Composite Venus" of Quaker College Closer to Ideal Than New England Girls in Nearly Every Way

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HUNT FOR PRETTY GIRL, BELIEVED HELD SLAVE

Pottstown and Vicinity Are Searched for Niece of Brooklyn Merchant

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Henry Telman, a prominent clothing manufacturer of this city, living at 141 Star street, Williamsburg, Brooklyn, yesterday requested the 7th Branch Detective Bureau to make an exhaustive search throughout eastern Pennsylvania for his 15-year-old niece, Rose Commander, a schoolgirl, who mysteriously disappeared with two unknown men on August 23.

To avoid publicity, the family had not complained to the city police, but had employed private detectives, who fruitlessly followed slight clues from many cities and learned nothing of her whereabouts.

The girl is an orphan and lived with Telman and her aged grandmother, Mrs. Commander, who has become dangerously ill since the disappearance. The family received a postal card, soiled and torn, from the girl, dated Pottstown, Pa., in which the girl begged for help, stating she was being held a prisoner, but giving no address or other tangible clue.

Detectives from here are searching in Pottstown and neighborhood. Telman and the detectives believe that she is undoubtedly held by white slavers, as her Government arms-pipe bill today was carried by the Brooklyn Bridge with her age, five feet tall, weighed 110 pounds, dark hair and eyes and when she disappeared she was dressed in white, including shoes and velvet urban.

LODGE BLOCKS TILLMAN'S ARMOR PLATE PLANT BILL

New England Senator Wants Penrose to Speak on Measure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Senator Tillman's attempt to get immediate action on his Government armor-plate bill today was blocked temporarily by Senator Lodge.

Denying any intention to delay consideration of the measure, Lodge said he merely would like to have the bill brought over until Senator Penrose, who was absent, could return to Washington to speak on it. Tillman gave notice he would brook no attempt, or apparent attempt, at delay, and would move to consider the bill over Lodge's objection.

DENTIST WILL AID WOUNDED

Dr. Douglas Webster Sails for France Next Month

Dr. Douglas Webster, a dentist, of 1224 North 2d street, will sail for France, on the steamship Chicago, on March 7. He has been appointed one of the specialists in the American Ambulance Hospital at Neuilly.

Skilled dentists are needed in the hospitals of all the belligerent nations, since their work is a necessary complement to the plastic surgery of workers in the field, which has assumed an unusual importance in a war wherein a great proportion of the wounds are those of the head and face.

Doctor Webster was born in this city 39 years ago. He received his preliminary education in the public schools of Philadelphia and Atlantic City, and was graduated from the old West Jersey Academy at Bridgeton, N. J. He matriculated at the Medico-Chirurgical College, from which institution he was graduated with honors in the Class of 1897, being almost immediately appointed a demonstrator of prosthetic dentistry there, which chair he held for several years.

Found Unconscious in Snow An unconscious man, whom the police say is John J. Brett, 25 years old, of 296 Stolia street, was found lying in the snow at Ruffner street and Hunting Park avenue about 9 o'clock this morning by Policeman Hamilton, of the Ridge and Mifflin avenues station. He was sent to the Women's Homeopathic Hospital. Physicians say the man was overcome by alcoholism and cold.

ENOUGH 'DOPE' NABBED TO 'SOUSE' THREE CITIES

Traveling Bag, Found in Snow, Holds Near-Fortune in Outlawed Drug

James Kane went into his back yard at 1209 Lemon street today and found a russet traveling bag half hidden in the snow. He took it into the house and opened it. Then he sent for the police.

The bag was filled with dark, ominous-looking bottles, filled with pills and powder. Kane thought the powder might be dynamite. He was mistaken, but it was a substance almost as dangerous. The Federal Government doesn't prohibit the sale of dynamite, but it does forbid the sale of morphine.

The bag, innocent looking enough on the outside, contained enough dope to provide a glorious "jamboree" for all the habitues of the New York, Chicago and Philadelphia Tenderloins combined, enough dope to net a small fortune to some peddler operating in defiance of the provisions of the Harrison anti-narcotic act.

About 25 bottles were in the bag. Kane was afraid to open them until District Detectives Titus and Kearse had arrived from the 10th and Huttenwood streets police station. The detectives summoned Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue John Glover. They took the bag and its contents to the home of Dr. Harry Bingham, a chemist, at 11th and Callowhill streets. The four men put the bottles together and decided the bottles contained morphine.

They got out pencil and paper and began a very simple sum in arithmetic. The morphine pills numbered 55,000. Half of the bottles, which were big enough to hold a pint of liquid substance, contained morphine in the powdered form.

There was also a small amount of cocaine, a derivative of morphine, and a small scale, such as is used by chemists and druggists.

The entire outfit, it is estimated, is worth \$500 wholesale. With the high price which morphine is now bringing this would be worth many times that amount to a peddler.

Where the dope came from the police do not know, but they have hope that they will soon find out. The labels were scratched from all the bottles, but several had the name of a New York chemical firm imprinted in the glass. It is the theory of the police that the morphine represents the results of a robbery at some establishment, and that the chief, fearing he was watched, threw the bag over the fence into Kane's yard, hoping that he would be able to get it today.

If the morphine is not claimed, it will be turned over to the Philadelphia Hospital. "It is an ill wind that blows no good, and the city will save some money."

Will Erect \$500,000 Warehouse

Charles J. Webb & Co., wool merchants, Delaware avenue and Walnut street and 115 Chestnut street, have awarded the contract for a new 10-story warehouse to Irwin & Leighton. The new building will be erected in Delaware avenue, between Walnut and Chestnut streets, and will adjoin the present Webb warehouse, at the corner of Delaware avenue and Walnut street.

Little Camden Girl Badly Injured

Mary Wright, 3 years old, of 2621 Federal street, is in a serious condition at the Polyclinic Hospital as a result of being burned yesterday while playing near a stove. Her mother was burned about the hand and face in tearing off part of the child's clothing.

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KILLING OF CHOIR GIRL MIGHT BE LIKE SLAYING OF FIANCEE BY RICHESON

Poisoning of Marian Lambert in Illinois Recalls Death of Avis Linnell in Boston

CASE PUZZLES PROBERS

Student Is Charged With Murder, but Prosecutor Admits He's Uncertain About Guilt

Deaths of Avis Linnell and Miss Lambert Alike

Both choir singers. Both feared disgrace. Both swallowed a deadly drug, thinking it was medicine. Both died of poison. Other woman in each case. Alleged slayer denied guilt when arrested.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Feb. 14.—Whether mysterious death of Marian Lambert was a plot paralleling the death of Miss Avis Linnell, for which the Rev. Clarence Richeson, of Madison, died in the Wisconsin electric chair, or a suicide under strange circumstances, was still unsorted today.

Even the Lake County officials who have preferred a charge of murder against William H. Orpet, University of Wisconsin junior, in connection with Miss Lambert's death, admitted today that they cannot tell.

State's Attorney Dady, though contending that Orpet's arrest was justified, admitted that he is still uncertain.

Efforts may be made to free young Orpet before night. Miss Lambert's mother, it was said, believes Orpet innocent, and has added her plea to that of Orpet's mother.

The Orpets and Lamberts, who are caretakers of adjoining estates of millionaires at Lake Forest, have been friends for many years.

ASSERTS HIS INNOCENCE

Orpet, in his cell at the Lake County Jail, revealed the story of his relations with Miss Lambert, but constantly reiterated that he is innocent of murder. Marian, he said, committed suicide because she thought she was to be publicly disgraced. They had been intimate for several months, he said, though he did not love her and did not believe she loved him.

Authorities today planned to question closely Miss Josephine Davis, a chum of Marian who, Dady said, acted as intermediary between the student and Miss Lambert. Miss Davis, according to Orpet's parents, will give testimony incriminating Miss Lambert in the murder.

Before their activities on the murder theory, the officials pointed today to a strange similarity between the deaths of Miss Lambert and that of Avis Linnell.

Both were choir singers, both feared that they were to be disgraced, and both died of a mysterious poison. It was contended by Prosecutor Dady today that if a murder theory is carried out, the student, Miss Linnell took the poison, believing it medicine, would be strikingly borne out in the Lambert case.

HAD ACCESS TO LABORATORY

Miss Celestia Youker, Orpet's fiancée at De Kalb, is a chemistry instructor at a normal college there. Prosecutor Dady said Orpet had access to her laboratory. The poison which killed Miss Lambert had not been definitely determined today, but authorities said it evidently was a strange combination of cyanide of potassium and sulphuric acid. These chemicals were used in killing garden insects by the elder Lambert and the elder Orpet.

The analogy between the Richeson and Orpet cases as viewed by the police, Dady, was still further emphasized by the presence in each case of "the other woman." In the Richeson case the "other girl" was Miss Violet Edmunds. In the Lambert tragedy, Dady said, Miss Youker might have furnished the motive for Marian's death, as Orpet hoped to marry her.

In their search for the poison which caused Miss Lambert's death officials today encountered a tangle of possibilities. Young Orpet himself had studied chemistry at Madison and had access to the laboratory. Miss Lambert studied chemistry at high school and could have obtained the poison there. The parents of Orpet and of Marian had poisons in their possession, used in horticulture in the gardens of the estates where they are employed.

ALLEGED SLAYER'S FIANCEE ILL; ARREST KEPT FROM HER

Frets, Tosses, Wonders Why "Bill" Orpet Hasn't Written

DE KALB, Ill., Feb. 14.—Celestia Youker fretted and tossed in bed today and wondered why "Bill" Orpet hadn't written her about the junior "prom" up at Madison.

Celestia is the fiancée of William H. Orpet, student held for the murder of Marian Lambert, at Lake Forest. She doesn't know about his arrest. She is ill with heart trouble, too ill to be told of the tragedy, physicians said today.

"But she must be told pretty soon," Dr. T. A. Johnson, her attending physician, said. "She's worrying about a letter, if necessary, after a week or so. But the shock news might be serious."

Boy, Trolley Victim, Will Recover

Oscar Dean, 6 years old, 720 North 3d street, who was struck by a trolley car in front of his home on January 2 and dragged for half a square, is recovering at the Roosevelt Hospital. When the boy was picked up after the accident it was believed he could live only a few hours. His skull was fractured and several ribs broken. He spent most of yesterday singing songs he learned in school.

Preacher Stricken on Way to Church

The Rev. Charles E. Betticher, of Beverly, N. J., was struck with a car at Swanson and Catharine streets yesterday, while on his way to preach in the Old Swedes Church, Swanson street and Washington avenue. He was removed to the Pennsylvania Hospital. No improvement is reported in his condition this morning.

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