TO TRAIN MIDDIES AS AFTER DINNER ORATORS.

Annapolis Now Has Course In Postprandial Speechmaking.

None of the next generation of naval officers will hesitate and stammer when as a battleship's commander he is called upon to thank the delegation which has presented a silver service to the vessel which bears the name of Its state or when replying to the toast "The Navy" or "Sweethearts and Wives," for the course in postprandial oratory which has been established at Annapolls by order of Superintendent Gibbons is expected to turn out a class of fluent and eloquent speakers.

It has been arranged that the first class men in each company will by turns dine separately in the smoking room of Bancroft hall and will be called upon to respond to toasts proposed by a member of the English department. Four subjects will be given in advance, but a midshipman will not know to which one he will be called upon to respond. The dinners with oratorical adjuncts will continue during the term, and it is expected that each midshipman will have at least the work. In about two years more one opportunity to show his ability as an after dinner speaker.

SWIMMER KILLS GIANT EEL.

Hawaiian Champion Chokes Reptile In Fierce Battle.

In a battle with a giant eel ten feet under water, near Honolulu, "Duke" Kahanamoku, world's champion short distance swimmer, had a narrow escape from death. He killed the eel and in doing so lost the index finger from his right hand. He is fearful lest blood poisoning sets in.

Kahanamoku, known as the "Duke of Waikiki," a resort near Honolulu, has been practicing for the Australian championships and with other swimmers was going through his daily exer-

His friends were paddling about and did not notice his disappearance until cries from the shore aroused them. They soon were diving in desperate efforts to locate the champion.

After the "Duke" had been under fully two minutes his companions noticed a furious churning of the water fifty yards from them. Suddenly one of the swimmer's legs shot up from below and was kicked about in the air. indicating that he was struggling to release himself. The leg after one final kick was dragged beneath the surface again.

Just as the swimmers reached him Kahanamoku came to the surface, gasped for breath and sank again. His friends dived, brought him up and dashed for the shore, where he was revived. One of the party got the body of the cel, which the "Duke" had choked to death. It was the largest ever seen in those waters.

TO SUBDUE INDIANS, \$57,000.

This Is Item on Books of Putumayo Rubber Firm.

At a recent session of the Putumayo investigating committee Director Real of the Amazon company and formerly manager of the Bank of Mexico took the stand. He was asked if he had ever noticed that there was an account of \$57,000 which was set aside for the purpose of "reducing the Indians to subjection."

Mr. Real replied, "I never looked into these accounts." The witness denied knowing that the conquest of the Indians had been taken up as part of the business of the company.

In reply to a question as to what he thought a reference to chastisement of the Indians meant the witness replied that he had never thought about it at all. This drew from Chairman Roberts the retort: "That is the fault of it all. Nobody seems to have thought about

COP BARS KAISER'S GUESTS.

Nearly Spoils Emperor's Birthday Celebration at Opera House.

The gala celebration of the kalser's birthday was nearly spoiled at the opera house in Berlin by the obstinacy of a policeman in refusing admittance to the leading actress, Mile. Poppe, whom somehow he suspected of wishing to enter the house through wrongful mo-

The actress was unable to convince the policeman of her identity. Meanwhile the kaiser and his guests were chafing at the delay, and an aid-decamp was sent out to make inquiries. He found the couple in a heated argument at the stage door. Something serious will happen to that policeman.

FEAR OF DEATH KILLS HIM.

Negro Murderer Dies While Awaiting Execution.

Joseph Roberts, a negro elevator runner, sentenced to the electric chair for the murder of Isaac S. Vogel, a jewelry peddler, died of a heart attack in the death house of Sing Sing prison re-

Fear of the electric chair brought on the attack which killed him. Coroner Dunn said Roberts was to have been executed in the week of Feb. 10.

Old Friends Die at Same Hour.

At exactly the same hour one night recently Archibald Little Vail and Abraham Wilcox, old friends and former business men of Middletown. N. Y., died at their homes after years of illness. Each had reached the age of eighty-three. Mr. Wilcox was an officer in the Seventh New York indepeodent battery in the civil war.

WOMAN MAKING INDEX OF 100,000 STARS FOR A CATALOGUE

Astronomer at Harvard Plans to Learn What Objects Are Made Of.

HAT are the stars made of? This is one of the first questions asked by childhood. It was one of the first questions asked in the childhood of the human race. And in a few years it is going to be answered, say sci-

Harvard university, or, more specifically, Miss Annie Cannon of the Harvard observatory, is solving the riddle that has puzzled man through all his millions of ages, solving it by means of a telescope, a prism and a camera. Since October, 1911, she has been at she will finish it, and in something like five years the observatory will publish the results. When Miss Cannon has completed her stupendous task one of the most vital achievements of astronomy, ancient or modern, will have been accomplished. The stars will have been analyzed, numbered and card catalogued!

In two years the stars' secrets will be so well known at Harvard observatory, it is hoped, that when an astronner writes for information about the little pin point of light near the handle tin of the dipper, for instance, or about some other spark that cannot even be seen without a powerful telescope, Harvard observatory will simply turn to its card index. On the card that bears the number of the star in question there will be a few lines of neatly written data telling exactly of what the pin point light is made. There are to be about 100,000 of these cards when the classification is finished. They will include every star that can be seen and photographed through a telescope and

Can See Only About 2,000.

"Perhaps this seems a small number," said Miss Cannon when she had been induced to talk about her work for a little while, "but, although people think they can see millions of stars on a clear night, as a matter of fact the human eye can discern only about 2,000."

In order to give Miss Cannon every possible assistance in her task of analyzing 100,000 stars her department at the Harvard observatory has been reduced to a rigid business basis. When the work was new she could analyze Jan. 1 she had examined about 65,000, which means about two-fifths of the work is completed.

"Harvard is the only place that has Miss Cannon is the only person in the world-man or woman-who can do assemble all the information we can the work so quickly," said Professor possibly obtain-and then draw deduc-Edward C. Pickering, director of the observatory, in speaking about the importance of Miss Cannon's achievement. "The results will have a bear- ed with the Harvard observatory. ing on a great many departments of Tests of her work have shown an astronomy, especially on the speed amazingly high degree of accuracy with which stars move through space. Extraordinary as would be the guess-

*********************** OCEAN TO OCEAN ROAD GETS \$150,000 DONATION

Automobile Company Makes Big Gift In Pledging Support.

With a subscription totaling \$150,000 an automobile company of Toledo recently pledged its support to the ocean to ocean highway. The same pro rata levy which has governed the subscriptions of other manufacturers applies in this case, and the company expresses itself as being enthusiastically in favor of the ocean to ocean highway extending from New York to San Francisco.

Automobile manufacturers the country over are taking keen interest in the highway project at present, and there will be women who will retain it is believed that subscriptions to the fund will come in rapidly. Many manufacturers who were not among the early subscribers to the fund have always been in favor of it, but were compelled to delay definite action until after the first of the year.

JEFFRIES QUITS SMOKING.

Ex-Champion Swears Off Drink Also on \$1,400 Bet.

In Jim Jeffries' saloon recently Barney Oldfield began to banter the exchampion about his ability to leave off the use of liquor and cigarettes. Jeffries became angry and offered to bet any amount that the automobile racer would cover that he could not only keep from drinking for twelve months, but could drop cigarettes.

By bidding against each other they finally had \$2,800 as the stakes which will go to Jeffries next year at this time if he observes the conditions of the wager. If he does not he will lose his own \$1,400 as well as what Oldfield put up.

Some of the bystanders thought that Jeffries made the bet so that he might be forced to get into condition and thus 'come back" as a "white hope," but he laughingly denied this.

She Hopes to Have Little "Sheep of Sky" Ticketed In Two Years.

-----es of a novice as to how Miss Cannon finds out what is in the stars, no guess could be more extraordinary than the

plain scientific fact.

Pictures are taken of the sky, each photograph being taken through a telescope and also through a prism. The prism breaks up the rays of light from each star and thus gives the spectrum of every one. With the photographing Miss Cannon has nothing to do. Her task is to examine the photographic plate through a magnifying glass. To the novice the photographic plate shows merely an indiscriminate sprinkling of tiny horizontal streaks.

Heiroglyphs Deciphered.

Of course the colors of each star's spectrum-so beautiful when seen through telescope and prism-do not show upon the photographic plate. But as it happens the colors are not the important part. Across the horizontal streaks of the spectrum run at intervals tiny vertical lines of greater or less breadth and intensity. It is these lines crossing the spectrum vertically that are the index to the constitution of the star.

These peculiar vertical scratches are the hieroglyphs which, deciphered by such an expert as Miss Cannon, tell of chemicals in the star's composition. They mean hydrogen, calcium, helium, iron, all the elements known to us and as appears from peculiar lines not familiar among those made by earthly chemicals-they mean some element not yet discovered in the earth. It will take about 2,500 photographic plates, 8 by 10 inches, to "cover" the whole sky. Often the plate shows two stars where it was thought only one existed. Many times the camera has caught stars that had never before been catalogued. The most wonderful plate yet taken by the eight inch telescope at either of the Harvard stations -in Cambridge or at Areguipa, Perucontained eventy-five stars in a spot 4 by 5 inches.

Wonderful New World.

"It might seem that examining an hourly average of 200 streaks with vertical lines through them would not be interesting work," says Miss Cannon "I know that if my whole heart were at the rate of 1,000 stars in three not in it such a task would be monyears. Now she analyzes 5,000 stars in strous. But they aren't just streaks to one month, 200 stars an hour. On me-each new spectrum is the gateway to a wonderful new world. In reading these plates world after world opens up under my eyes, territory that has never been explored before. People? I complete material for this work, and don't know. Astronomers can't say, one way or another. We can merely

> Miss Cannon is a Wellesley graduate. For fifteen years she has been connectwhere ins

****** LET WOMEN SMOKE, SAYS NOTED BRITISH BISHOP

Canon of Westminster Thinks They Should Have Privilege.

"If the men find it a pleasure to smoke, why should that pleasure be relegated to the men and not to women?" asks Bishop William Boyd-Carpenter, canon of Westminster, one of England's leading ecclesiastics, who is visiting in Boston,

He believes that a woman should smoke if she wants to. "Smoking among women will sooner or later adjust itself," he says. "There will be always women who will do things above the ordinary to provoke criticism, and their womanly traits and stand for the highest and noblest that there is in life and will not tolerate even smoking as a pleasure."

HAUNTED BY DOG'S CRIES.

Girl Confesses She Set Fire That Burned Barn and Canine.

Julia Schlosser, fifteen years old, employed in the home of Mrs. Anna Schoop, at Monmouth Junction, N. J., has confessed, according to the police, that she started the fire which recently caused \$5,000 damage on the Schoop farm.

Charles Schoop, son of Mrs. Schoop, is credited with having forced her to talk by threatening to see a fortune teller and get a description of the firebug. The girl is alleged to have said that the howls of a pet dog which was burned to death at the time continued to ring in her ears, and that made her more willing to make a statement.

Lightning and Roses in Jersey. Thunder, sharp lightning and heavy downpour of rain that had all the characteristics of an April shower swept Atlantic City recently. Several citizens of Ventuor exhibited roses olucked in front yards.

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GOOD SUMMER RESORT.

The Buy-U-A-Home Realty Company has just listed one of the finest and best-known farms in Wayne county. It is tocated in the heart of the summer boarding business, in Wayne's highlands. The property consists of 325 acres and is well watered both by creeks and springs. A most beautiful natural lake, consisting of 15 acres, is one of the attractive sheets of water in Preston township. Ideal for the location of summer cottages. The farm is 2½ miles from the Lakewood station on the Ontario & Western railroad. the Ontario & Western railroad, three miles from Poyntelle on the same road and two miles from Como. Of the 325 acres 275 are under good state of cultivation, consisting of meadows, plow ground and well-wa-tered pasture fields. The balance are in maple, beech and birch timber. This farm is especially adapted to raising hay and for dairying.

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Situated upon the premises is a laundry, coal and wood house combined, size 20x60 feet. The second floor is equipped for holding entertainments, etc.

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