

HOLIDAY HOUSE IS MECCA OF WOMEN

SITUATED IN COLORADO

Idea of Chicago Woman for Benefit of Self-Supporting; Hundreds Helped; More Room Needed

Some fifteen years ago a Chicago woman conceived the idea of establishing a lodge for self-supporting women and girls of Chicago, where they could go each vacation period and enjoy a few weeks' rest, and where they would have a real change of environment. To this end she founded an association known as Holiday House association. She gave to the association nearly a half block of ground in the picturesque city of Boulder, Colorado, a few miles out of Denver.

Here the mountains come down and merge into the plain, which stretches far below, affording a wonderful view. A large house or lodge was built on the ground with funds supplied by those who joined the association, and later a camp about twelve miles farther up in the mountains in an abandoned mining town called Gold Hill, was acquired by the association. Establishing themselves in a cabin called "Casey's Table d'Hote," which was once the lodging place of Eugene Field when he was compelled to go out west in search of health, the association, with their two lodges, has cared for over four thousand working women and girls of Chicago since its establishment.

Many Turned Away
Last summer over one hundred girls were turned away from these lodges because of insufficient accommodations. Plans are now being made to put up an additional bungalow at Boulder and during the past summer the capacity of the Gold Hill camp was increased to accommodate one hundred additional guests.

Every self-supporting woman or girl in Chicago is eligible to go to these lodges. Upon payment of \$10 a "block" is given which permits the holder to spend one week at the lodge, with board and room. Plenty of wholesome food is provided and with the pure mountain air and the glorious mountain scenery, the hikes and the fishing and riding parties, the worn nerves of the visitors are soon restored.

Teachers Need Rest
"All are welcome," said Mrs. Sherwood, a slender gray haired lady who really mothers her flock; "girls from the factories, offices, stores, schools, teachers, officials, all are treated alike. We find that school teachers are the ones mostly in need of rest, and while the average visitor stays two weeks, it takes at least a month for the teacher to get the necessary benefit and to go back home completely rejuvenated."

Mrs. John B. Sherwood of Chicago, the well known lecturer on art, was the originator of the plan, which was backed by the Altrua club, now no longer in existence. Miss Emma Tracy has been of invaluable assistance in operating the two lodges and in giving unstintingly of her time in their management.

WORLD OVER BILLION YEARS OLD, BELIEF

Scientist Declares Elements No Longer Immutable; Evidence of Earth's Age

A new conception of physics has entirely changed the thinking of the scientific world during the past 25 years, asserts Robert A. Millikan, director of the Norman Bridge Laboratory of Physics, in the November Scribner's Magazine. As a result, there is no longer any argument about the chronology of Bishop Usher, which fixed the age of the world at 6,000 years. It is nearer two billion, according to the noted physicist.

"The dogma of the immutable elements is gone, forever gone," asserts Dr. Millikan. "It went with the discovery of radioactivity, one aspect of the idea of the electrical constitution of matter."

"In that discovery even the physical world changed in our thinking overnight in its fundamental elements from a fixed, changeless, static, dead thing to a changing, evolving, dynamic, living organism, and today we can measure the life period of a considerable number of the elements and tell with definiteness into what they transform themselves for the next stage of their existence. This discovery changed completely, and at once, our whole time scale. Less than a hundred years ago it could be a matter of serious debate whether the world were not in fact about six thousand years old, as Archbishop Usher's chronology made it. Within the past few months there has been completed by Mr. C. W. Davis, of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, the analysis of a sample of uranium oxide from the Black Hills, which has been existing in its present state long enough to transform 16.42 per cent of itself into lead.

"Since the time required for the formation of the observed percentage of lead to uranium is 1,667,000,000 years, the evidence is excellent that the strata of rock from which this uranium came have been lying there in substantially their present condition for the foregoing enormous period of time. This reading of geological time in millions and billions of years furnishes us with a new conception of the majesty of creation."

FEDERAL HIGHWAYS CLEAR ACROSS U. S.

By Next Summer Motorist Will Find Them at Least Numbered All Way

By next summer the motorist starting out from New York will be guided by a federal highway number all the way to San Francisco, and the driver starting from Duluth will find a Federal Highway number that will guide him to Miami. This is the forecast of the highway department of the Chicago Motor club.

A bulletin issued by the club says: "Federal highways properly numbered from coast to coast and from Canadian border to the gulf will soon mark the map of the United States like the lines on a football gridiron. These new Federal highway numbers are now rapidly supplanting many of the State highway numbers. Indiana has already renumbered all its State highways and the Federal highways carry the Federal numbers. Wisconsin will number its Federal highways within a few weeks. Indiana, Ohio, and Iowa have prepared maps showing the location of the new Federal highways."

"For the present, Illinois will use state route numbers, as the law does not now permit a change to the Federal numbers. It is certain, however, that when the situation of the Federal highways in Illinois is determined, Federal highway numbers will be added to the present state markings. No action will be taken until after the meeting of state highway commissioners at Pinhurst, North Carolina, November 9. Following this meeting a highway map of the United States will be prepared which should be ready for distribution about November 15.

The general sentiment in the political world is that the government should be run with rigid economy, but that all worthy projects that anyone wants should be put through.

CLEANING HOUSE NOW REGULAR JOB

Is No Longer Spring and Fall Frenzy, According to Bureau Plan

If the home has been regularly and systematically cared for, the old-fashioned strenuous period of upheaval which our mothers called "spring" or "fall" cleaning is no longer necessary. Even in the cleanest homes, however, the changes of the season necessitate certain changes in the details of housework, and some rearrangement of one's furnishings and storage places, says government bureau bulletin.

In going through one's home, the object should be not only to make everything spick and span for the time being, but to make such changes as will help it to remain so with the least possible daily or weekly work. Much of the dirt that gets into the house is blown or tracked in. Remove dirt regularly from window sills, porches, steps, and walks to keep it from being blown into the house. Screens covered with cheesecloth will stop much dust and soot at windows and doors. Concrete walks will reduce the amount of dirt carried in on shoes. Provide mats and scrapers to help still further. A place just inside the entrance where muddy boots and coats may be left is a great help.

Lessen the number of dust collecting places. Furnish waste baskets, ash trays, and receptacles for burnt matches in every room, and above all, train the members of your family to help by leaving things where they belong and in good condition. Take dirt and rubbish away and dispose of it permanently when you have finished cleaning any given part of the house and make your motto "to keep clean rather than clean up."

They are still discussing who started the World War, but it does not take any argument to find out who is paying for it.

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