

Daughter knows she is a lot smarter than ma, but you never hear her ordering the latter out of the kitchen that she may bake pies and cake or attend to broiling the steak.—Springfield News.

Mrs. Coolidge's Guest Did Not Like House

There was just one drawback about the White House, according to Mrs. Calvin Coolidge's fraternity sisters, says the former First Lady in relating one of the amusing incidents of her occupancy of the Mansion.

"About three thousand members of the Pi Beta Phi gathered at the White House to present a painting of me," says Mrs. Coolidge in *The American Magazine*. "The White House at the time was receiving its biennial two coats of paint. For this purpose substantial stagings were at work. At this time they were on the south side and I must admit they did not add to the attractiveness of the place.

"A panorama picture had been taken of the group in the South grounds and we had turned to reenter the house when one woman said to another, 'It's a beautiful house, isn't it?' to which her friend replied, 'Yes, but isn't it too bad that they have to have all those fire escapes?'"

LIBRARY



Transplanting Trees and Shrubs
Farmers' Bulletin No. 1591 on transplanting trees and shrubs has just been received at the Public Library. It will be of help if you are planning to rearrange and beautify your grounds.

Believe It or Not

The Art of Thinking has apparently not yet been read by every resident of Highland Park. After Mrs. Merrill's lecture on Thursday last the quest began anew.

If you are curious to get an ultra-modern point of view about this thing called modern morality and have been recommended to look up Walter Lippman's Preface to *Morals*, you will find it in great demand. But the library will reserve a copy for you and notify you when it is in. This also appeared on Mrs. Merrill's list last Thursday.

Library Mission and Magazines

Save the magazines, let the books burn! "Magazines have become so essential in all branches of research that the librarian of today might well give this order in case of fire," according to Ralph Munn of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh. This is true, of course, because the back files of magazines are harder to replace than books. Periodicals are of value because they furnish the most up-to-date information. This is especially true of scientific material. Then too, a subject may be so new that no books have yet been written on it. The children have been finding in magazines much interesting material on Byrd's explorations at the south pole. Additional information has recently been located on Pewter and Paisley Shawls with the aid of Readers' Guide, the index to periodical literature.

Many people enjoy the reviews either before or after reading a book. The Book Review Digest is an index to book reviews and also gives extracts from them. If you have forgotten whether you saw it in the *National*, the *Atlantic* or the *Yale Review*, or whether it was written by Harry Hansen for *Harpers* "Among the new books," or by William Lyon Phelps for *Scribners* in "As I like it," this index will tell you.

Many of our standard novels first appeared in magazines. A recent call for Kipling's *Brushwood Boy* revealed that another copy was available in *The Century* magazine for 1895 which

the library has stored away in the basement.

One Book a Year

In an idle hour we have often speculated on what a wonderful list would be made if every publisher would concentrate in a given year on achieving a single children's book of outstanding excellence. Next week the department will list 25 of the best new books for children.

Men, Money and Motors. Theodor MacManus and Norman Beasley. The dramatic story of the automobile industry and of the men connected with it; Henry Leland, William Metzger, Henry Ford, William Durant, John and Horace Dodge, Walter Chrysler and others. A book of interest to me everywhere.

Field of Honor

(Donn Byrne)

Completed shortly before Donn Byrne's untimely death last summer. A vivid chronicle of the struggle between Napoleon and Castlereagh skillfully blended with romance. His *Ireland The Rock Whence I was Hewn* has also just been received at the library.

Beethoven the Creator

(Romain Rolland)

The author of *Jean Christophe* begins his first volume of a series of studies of Beethoven with a portrait of the composer in his 30th year and follows the unfolding of his genius through the *Eroica* and the *Appassionata*.

Salt Water Taffy

(June Triplett)

Is Corey Ford suggesting that recent popular autobiography be taken with more than the usual grain of salt? This book will be more appreciated if the other is read first. Ford pulls his salt water humor into a taffy of delicious ridicule. Gladys, the Baby Waterspout is unique. The favorite game while reading is to identify the models of the pictures, all of whom are well-known people.

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