

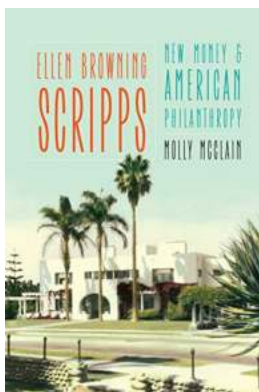
Ellen Browning Scripps: New Money and American Philanthropy

Ellen Browning Scripps, a prominent figure in American philanthropy, made a significant impact on society through her generous contributions. Her story and the new money she acquired allowed her to become one of the most influential philanthropists of her time.

Early Life and Journey to Success

Born on October 18, 1836, in London, Ellen Browning Scripps was one of several children in a modest family. In search of better opportunities, her father moved the family to the United States in 1844. Ellen grew up in Rushville, Illinois, where she developed a strong work ethic from a young age.

After completing her education, Scripps moved to Detroit, Michigan, to work as a teacher. However, her aspirations led her to become a writer and publisher instead. In partnership with her brother, E.W. Scripps, Ellen helped establish the Detroit Evening News in 1873, which marked the beginning of her remarkable journey in the newspaper industry.



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Building a Media Empire

The Detroit Evening News became successful under Ellen's management, laying the foundation for the Scripps media empire. Ellen Browning Scripps went on to invest in and build numerous newspapers, including the Cleveland Penny Press, the San Francisco News, and the Los Angeles Times.

With an acute understanding of the media's power to influence and inform, Scripps brought a fresh perspective and an unwavering commitment to fair reporting. Her dedication to unbiased news coverage earned her the admiration of many and solidified her reputation as a trailblazer in journalism.

Philanthropic Vision

Ellen Browning Scripps was deeply committed to giving back to her community and helping those less fortunate. As her fortune grew, she channeled a significant portion of her wealth into philanthropic endeavors.

Scripps envisioned educational institutions that would promote learning and facilitate the exchange of knowledge. Her contributions played a pivotal role in the establishment of Scripps College in Claremont, California, and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla, California. These institutions continue to thrive today, fostering academic excellence and innovation.

Preserving Nature and Conservation Efforts

Ellen Browning Scripps understood the importance of preserving nature and natural resources. She was an advocate for environmental conservation long before it became common practice.

As an ardent supporter of scientific research, Scripps played a crucial role in founding the Torrey Botanical Club and the American Association of University Women. Moreover, she generously donated funds to various organizations dedicated to protecting wildlife and preserving natural habitats.

A Lasting Legacy

Ellen Browning Scripps left an indelible mark on American philanthropy. Her vast contributions to education, journalism, and conservation continue to benefit society today.

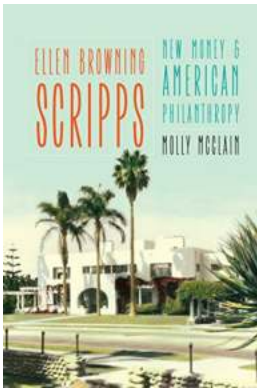
Her steadfast commitment to making the world a better place and her dedication to supporting initiatives that promote equality and knowledge have made her an inspiration to future generations of philanthropists.

In recognition of her significant contributions, Ellen received numerous accolades and honors throughout her life, including the French Legion of Honor. She passed away on August 3, 1932, in La Jolla, California, leaving a lasting legacy as one of America's most prominent and influential philanthropists.

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Ellen Browning Scripps's life story is a testament to the power of philanthropy and the importance of giving back. Her unwavering dedication to education, journalism, and conservation has left an enduring impact on American society.

Through her contributions, Scripps exemplified the potential for new money to drive positive change. Ellen Browning Scripps's philanthropic efforts have truly made a difference, inspiring others to follow in her footsteps and strive for a better future.



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Molly McClain tells the remarkable story of Ellen Browning Scripps (1836–1932), an American newspaperwoman, feminist, suffragist, abolitionist, and social reformer. She used her fortune to support women’s education, the labor movement, and public access to science, the arts, and education.

Born in London, Scripps grew up in rural poverty on the Illinois prairie. She went from rags to riches, living out that cherished American story in which people pull themselves up by their bootstraps with audacity, hard work, and luck. She and her brother, E. W. Scripps, built America’s largest chain of newspapers, linking midwestern industrial cities with booming towns in the West. Less well known today than the papers started by Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst, Scripps newspapers transformed their owners into millionaires almost overnight.

By the 1920s Scripps was worth an estimated \$30 million, most of which she gave away. She established the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla, California, and appeared on the cover of Time magazine after founding Scripps College in Claremont, California. She also provided major financial support to

organizations worldwide that promised to advance democratic principles and public education.

In Ellen Browning Scripps, McClain brings to life an extraordinary woman who played a vital role in the history of women, California, and the American West.

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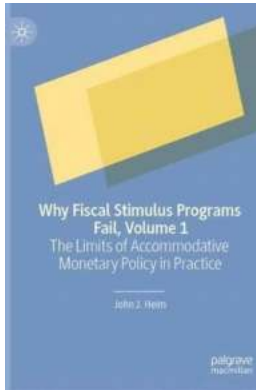
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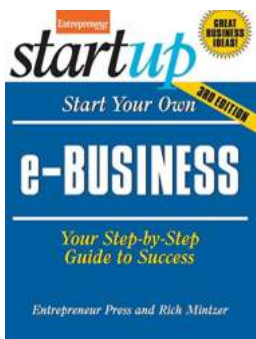
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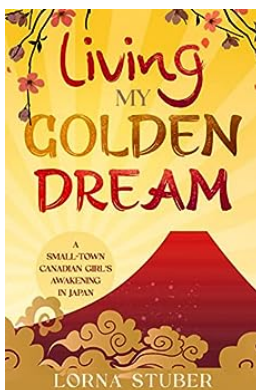
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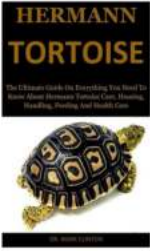
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