

ST. MARGARET'S BAYMISS CHADWICK BREAKS RECORD

At three o'clock in the morning, 17-year-old Shirley May France of Massachusetts starts on her race to be twelfth woman to swim the English Channel. A brave attempt, but it is doomed to failure. At three minutes past four in the afternoon, watchers near South Foreland Point see thirty-one-year-old Florence Chadwick and a record-breaking swim just thirteen hours twenty-three minutes after she left Cap Gris Nez. She took seventy-one minutes less than Gertrude Ederle in 1926. Only five miles from the English coast, Shirley had to be pulled from the water, crying hysterically. In a state of collapse she is rushed ashore for warmth and rest. It is Shirley's second failure - but she got two miles closer than last year, when she had to be heaved out seven miles from the coast of Kent.