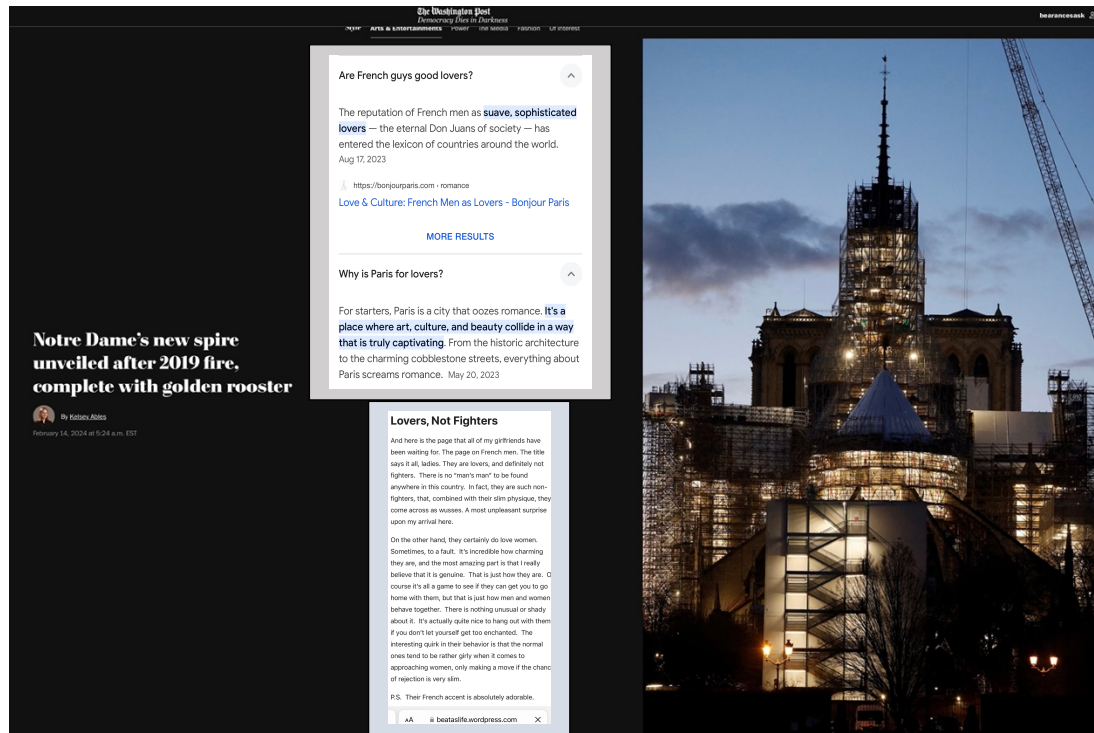


Notre Dame's new spire unveiled after 2019 fire, complete with golden rooster

“Lovers, Not Fighters”? *Mais non! L'Amour, oui, mais nous sommes aussi les coqs!*



Notre Dame and its new spire on Monday in Paris. (Joshua Maiz/NY/Getty Images)



Laurent Ulrich, the archbishop of Paris, places relics inside the golden rooster during its blessing on Dec. 16. (Thomas Samson/AFP/Getty Images)



Isabelle Marquette, a curator at the Cité de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine, places a glass panel over Notre Dame's old rooster on Dec. 15. (Thibault Camus/AP)



A crane lifts the new rooster to the top of the rebuilt spire on Dec. 16. (Michel Euler/AP)

Now, I ask you, what kind of country has a rooster for a national symbol, and puts it on top of its greatest cathedral? The “mighty fighting cock” is still just a chicken fit for the pot! No wonder France succumbed to the German eagle so quickly! This should get some Gallic danders up! (How’s my Grade 10 French? *Affreux?*)

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