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# WOMAN'S WORLD



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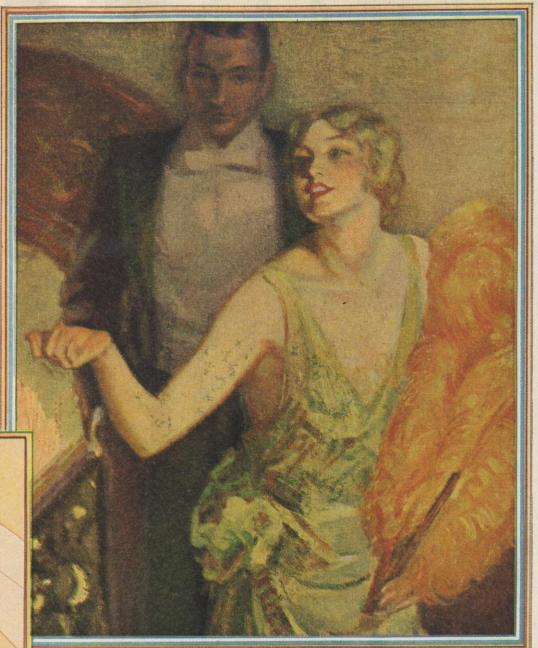
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# Editorial Page

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# "To Him. That Hath-

OING south toward Tate Springs, Tennessee, the Dixie Highway winds like a broad ribbon through the cool shadows of the Cumberland Mountains. Dogwood, magnolias and blackberries in white plume delight the eye with their beauty as they lull the senses with their fra-

grance. High-powered motors from every state of the Union flash and roar along this flawless trail that leads on five hundred miles-a tribute to engineering skill and to the genius of twentieth century civilization.

But, if you are venturesome, swing to the right or left from the smooth highway and a half hour's ride turns back the clock three-quarters of a century or more, for, there at crossroads stores, women mounted on sidesaddle on the backs of rangy, un-kempt mules come with babies in arms to barter their eggs and meager produce for calico and sugar and to take back to their isolated homes the simple

news of the mountain side. It may be lack of opportunity, it may be absence of desire, but the fact remains that the broad stream of modern progress flows within ten miles of their doors, yet these people of the hills, caught in some stagnant backwash of civilization, live and die in ignorance of the times in which they have been cast.

It is a deplorable condition, to be sure, and steps are rapidly being taken to remedy it, yet it isn't nearly so serious as the fact that some of the rest of us on the prosperous farms and in the thriving towns of our progressive Middle West shut our eyes and close our minds to the advantages that surand close our minds to the advantages that surround us. We point proudly to the local library, perhaps, but how many of us within the last year have taken a book from its shelves? We attend the movies, ride in the family car and utilize the devices that science has developed for our convenience, yet we shirk our civic and social obligations, shun policis because it is "sordid," substitute gossip for facts in our conversations and either through indelense in our conversations and, either through indolence or indifference, fail utterly to contribute to, or be substantially benefited by, the intellectual progress of the day.

On whose shoulders, think you, should the burden of censure fall—on the mountaineers whose isolation has precluded the possibility of development, or on those of us who, surrounded with opportunities, fail to measure up to them?

# Little Emissaries of Good Cheer

THE Bureau of Standards says the average life of a dollar bill is less than six months and that the popularity of these little paper emissaries of good cheer has increased tremendously (300 percent, to be exact) in the last fifteen years, necessitating the manufacture each year of one billion new bills at a cost to the government of \$4,000,000.

We can understand the popularity of these shy little strangers all right, but we had no notion they

were so long-lived. With us it has always been a case of "Welcome the coming and speed the parting guest" and we never yet have been able to induce one of these restless visitors to tarry with us long enough to find out definitely how old it actually could get.

It has long been our observation that they had a strong affinity for the butcher, the baker and the garage man and that they were never completely happy until they were safely tucked into his cash register. What becomes of them then we never were able to ascertain. At any rate, may their kind continue to increase and their period of usefulness be without end.

# WORK THAT'S PLAY By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

The big folks walk along the shere And ask us what we're digging for-I with the pail

And shovel that I always bring, And Boots with nearly everything Except his tail.

"You're going down to China, eh?" Some nice old man will often say,

And laugh and grin; And lots of ladies come and stand And watch us both, and watch the sand We're digging in.

And great big boys, who look so old They should know better, ask if gold Is down a ways?

Folks never seem to understand About a boy, and dog, and sand, And summer days.

You know that China's much too far-How foolish all the questions are Of everyone.

So, when they ask me anymore, I tell them what we're digging for-It's just for fun!

I told my mother that, and she Declares it's plain as plain can be: A dog and boy,

And great big men and women, too, Who like the things they have to do,

Find work a joy. She says folks smile at children, yet A lot of people she has met

Who fret all day, Who, if they saw that work is fun, Just twice as soon would get it done, And find it play.

# A Plea for Sincerity

DELIVER us from the poker face, the masked feelings, the false front. Let us not in our worldly wisdom lose the enthusiasms that gave color to the days of childhood and made each fleeting hour a fresh adventure. Let us not affect the air of sophistication or the attitude of boredom that would conventionalize our responses and make us like as legumes. Let us be human, natural, individual, giving of ourselves without stint, and therefore gaining in experience, in friendships, in golden memories, the rarest gifts life has in store.

# Springboards to the Future

"WELL, you've passed the first milestone!" we jokingly said to the little girl next door in commenting on her graduation from grammar school this June.

"Don't say milestone," she replied. "It sounds like tombstone and reminds me of the past instead of the future."

Wisdom from the mouths of babes!

"How would stepping-stone do?" we suggested, slowly recovering from the shock.

"Well, that's going in the right direction," she agreed, "but it hasn't much pep."

Eventually, we discarded even the "stepping-tree" in the stepping-tree with the stepping-

stone" idea for a phrase that has more action and which is more expressive of the spirit of modern youth. It was then mutually agreed that grammar school was not a "milestone" or even a "steppingstone," but a springboard from which was afforded a glorious leap, up and out, into the enchanting mysteries and achievements that the future holds

in store.

These present-day Misses talk a lot about movie stars and dancing parties, but back of it all there is some pretty efficient mental machinery, capable of fearless and independent thought. They have swept aside in a brief decade the hampering conventions of grandmother's day and they set a pace on the tennis court or in the classroom that many of their brothers cannot maintain. The "clinging vine" type of femininity is being relegated to the volumes of romantic verse and in its stead is coming a new and emancipated womanhood which as wives, mothers and helpmeets will add still greater conquests to the future of the race.

# Exorcising Troubles

NEXT time you find things at sixes and sevens and troubles lined three deep across your pathway, put on a comfortable old pair of low-heeled shoes and get out in the open. You'll see women chatting over the back fences, birds singing as they build their nests, fleecy clouds wheeling through an azure sky and a thousand good and substantial reasons for rejoicing that you are alive. Most troubles are imaginary anyway and a good walk in the open will put many of them to flight.

# The Force of Repetition

ONE of the most diabolical forms of torture of medieval days consisted of the ceaseless dropping of water-drop! drop! drop! no more and no on just one spot of the human anatomy. At first the victims laughed at the simplicity and harm-lessness of the procedure. But as the steady, meas-ured dropping continued, hour after hour, day after day, never hurrying the pace, never varying from the same spot, the raw nerves cried out in anguish and each gentle drop seemed to descend with the terrific force of sledge hammer blows. Many suc-cumbed to the torture and others went raving mad.

Curiously enough, in our human relationships it isn't the greatest sorrows or the bitterest disappointments that most frequently work havoc with our lives—the mind and body are equipped some-how to withstand these shocks and strains. But it is the ceaseless repetition of little things, the end-less recurrence of petty, nagging annoyances which we think nothing of at first, but which in the end destroy our mental poise, warp our judgment and sear our very souls with hate.

Alma Boice Holland in her story, "Alimony," in this issue, has admirably illustrated the destructive force of constant repetition and has revealed a domestic situation fraught with the explosive power of dynamite.







"I'm going away!" she said tensely. "I'm going to be married tonight!"

# LOUE IN THE AIR

# By LILLIAN TAFT MAIZE



HE closing of the shining plate glass door behind Mrs. Rutherford Van Dorn seemed to release a spring which propelled her small niece across the hall, to watch with interest the swift and noiselimeters the switt and holse-less departure of the big limousine. When it had passed out of sight down the tree-bordered drive,

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Patsy Blaine retrieved from a corner of her handkerchief a small ball of chewing gum, which she
popped into her mouth with much satisfaction.

Before a long mirror she stopped to pirouette
gravely and to execute a series of facial contortions, then danced airily up the broad stairway to the
landing. Here, where the stairs diverged to right and to
left, she sat down for a moment beneath the great stained
glass window, to admire the red and orange and blue re-

glass window, to admire the red and orange and blue reflections that richly flooded her dress and hands.

It was funny how different the house seemed when Aunt Alice went out. It came alive, sort of, and ready for something nice to happen. Along the upper hall and down the stairs, quick, light feet were flying. That was Shirley, hurrying down to the telephone for one of those long talks from which she always came back with her gray ever shining like stars.

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She stopped now to touch Patsy's cheek with her soft hand. "Why so pensive, Patsy dear?" she asked. "One of the children sick?"

Patsy looked up at her cousin with an appreciative smile. She just loved the way Shirley talked about the dolls, as if they were real babies. "They're all quite well

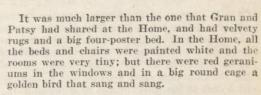


The story of a little girl who put "love in the air" of a big mansion and into the hearts of its occupants. An appealing tale of childhood with a vital message you will long remember

today," she said politely. "I've put them to sleep and I'm on my way to call on Gran."
"Oh, are you really? Well, do give her my love and tell her I'm coming to see her soon."

PATSY giggled and watched the slim young figure admiringly as it went on down the hall. Shirley was simply beautiful when she was happy, as she was just now. Aunt Alice was beautiful, too, but so cold and forbidding in her gloomy black. She still mourned for her husband, Gran said. But that should not turn her into a lovely frozen princess with a sad, sad face that never smiled. Gran mourned Uncle Rutherford, too, because he had been her only son, but she wasn't cold and hard to love.

Patsy scrambled to her feet as she thought of Gran. She backed up the remaining stairs, her eyes on the great window as if retiring from a royal presence, then went skipping to the room Aunt Alice had given Gran.



BEING the only child in the Home had been lots of fun, though just at first Mrs. Malone had not wanted to take her. She had puckered up her mouth in her funny way when she found that Gran expected to bring a little girl with her.

"It's only for a few months," Gran had explained. "Just until Mrs. Van Dorn returns from Then she is going to take Patsy to live with her."

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Europe. Then she is going to take Patsy to live with her."

"And why is she not takin' the two of ye to live with her in that great house?" Mrs. Malone had asked, her face getting pink. "An Old Ladies' Home is no place for the mother-in-law of the likes of her!"

"I prefer it so," Gran had said quietly.
So, with the very last of her money, Gran had paid for her own place in the Home, expecting to stay there as long as she lived. But when Aunt Alice came back, she changed all that. They had been here three months now. She stopped at Gran's door and gave her own special signal, then went in quickly when she heard the answering summons. Gran was rocking and knitting at the open window. She raised her head, with its softly curling white hair, and smiled cheerfully. "There's my sunshine!" she exclaimed. "I'm glad you've come, dear!"

On Gran's dresser were the pictures of Patsy's own father and mother, whom she could not remember at all;

Aunt Alice and Uncle Rutherford; Shirley and her brother Harold. Harold had gone away from home and got married, and cook said the reason he never came to the house was because his mother did not like his wife.

"Is it just because she was a poor girl?" Patsy asked

out of this thought.

Gran looked up in surprise. "Who was poor, dear?"
"Cousin Hal's wife. Cook says if she'd had a rich
father, Aunt Alice would have liked her all right. And she
says some day Aunt Alice's pride is going to have a fall."
Gran looked at her reproachfully, "Don't you remember

that you were not to repeat such things, Patsy? Not to listen to them? You must be loyal to Aunt Alice."

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"All right," Patsy said kindly, "I'll try. Only I wish she was as nice as Shirley. She's queer, Gran! She doesn't even like poetry. I know, because she found my new verse in the hall yesterday and when she gave it back to me, she gave me such a funny look."

"What was the verse?" Gran questioned.

"I'll read it to you." From her pocket Patsy produced a crumpled paper and spread it out on the dresser. "This one's pretty good!" she commented. "I made it up when I was playing with the doll Mrs. Malone gave me."

She removed her gum, placed it in a corner of her hand-

She removed her gum, placed it in a corner of her handkerchief, cleared her throat and read:

"It was awfully jolly out at the Home, With all the old ladies and Mrs. Malone. I think the reason I liked it there Is 'cause there's so much love-in-the-air."

"'Love-in-the-air!' Gran quoted softly. "That's a pretty idea. How did you happen to think of it, darling?" "Why, it's what Mrs. Malone used to say. Don't you remember? SL said that when people that's living together is kind and loving to each other, it's like a flower that does be bleaming and acceptance in the same same and the same bleaming and acceptance." does be blooming, and so sweet it is that everyone that comes to the house knows right away that the flower does be blooming there. And the name of the flower is 'Lovein-the-Air'

GRAN smiled at the brogue that crept into Patsy's voice. "What did Aunt Alice say?" she asked.

"Oh, she just wanted to know if I wrote it, and then she asked did I like it better at the Home than here, and I said I guessed I did."

Gran gasped. "You didn't say that,

Patsy!"
"Yes, I did! She asked me! And then she wanted to know why I didn't like it here, and I told her—" Patsy was having some difficulty with the gum, which refused to part with her handkerchief.
"What did you tell her, dear?" Gran

prompted.
"Why, I just said there wasn't much love-

in-the-air here."
"Oh-h!" said Gran in a shocked tone.
"Well, there isn't!" Patsy maintained stoutly.

"But — think how that must have hurt poor Aunt Alice! And she really does care for us, child."

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Patsy shook her head. "I don't think she cares much. This morning I was in the kitchen when she was telling cook what to get for dinner, and I told her it's your birthday today, and she just said: 'Oh, is that so?' And never ordered a birthday cake, like I hoped she would!"

"We mustn't expect too much!" Gran warned. "We must just be thankful that we are together; when we've been here longer, we'll feel more at home."

"We've been here a long time!" Patsy stated. "I know everybody. Cook and Ambrose and Hetty and Petunia, the wash-lady, and Mr. Dicky, the gardener, and—and Ted."

Gran looked up quickly over her glasses. "Ted?" she repeated.

"Shirley's Ted. He's so nice! I do think it's mean of Aunt Alice not to let her marry him, 'cause cook says they're crazy about each other, and first thing Aunt Alice knows, she'll lose her daughter just like she did her son!

knows, she'll lose her daughter just like she did her son! And cook says—"
"Patsy!" Gran held up a warning finger and Patsy stopped. She kept forgetting that Gran didn't allow her to repeat things the servants said, not even when they were terribly interesting, like Aunt Alice not wanting Hal to marry the girl he loved just because she had to work.

That was queer. Cook worked, and Hetty and Ambrose, and they were nice. Mrs. Malone worked, and she was the nicest person Patsy knew, next to Gran. She was round and jolly, like a lady Santa Claus, had quick, snappy black eyes and glossy black hair, and was so stout that Patsy could not reach around her, try as she might. And as a playfellow, when she had a moment to spare, she was Patsy could not reach around her, try as she hight. And as a playfellow, when she had a moment to spare, she was as good as any little girl Patsy had ever known.

Her eyes on the trees that came tapping at Gran's window, Patsy sighed. There were children in the house

window, Patsy sighed. There were children in the house next door, but she never saw them except when they drove by in their mother's car.

"Lonesome, dear?" Gran asked gently.

"I wish I knew the little girl next door," Patsy said wistfully. "I'd ask her to come over and play with me."

"Why not bring your dollies up here to pay me a visit?" suggested Gran.

Patsy opened her eyes wide and gave a squirm of delight. "A birthday party!" she sparkled. "That's what we'll have! And, Gran, why can't we have it on that darling little porch at the end of this hall?"

Gran hesitated. "Oh, I don't know about that. Aunt

"She never uses it! And anyway, she's gone out. I heard her tell Shirley she's going to the symphony concert, so we can just as well have our party out there! Please, Gran!"

"Very well, dear!" Gran folded her knitting. "But I'll have to have my nap first or I'll disgrace myself by going to sleep right before your dolls!"

PATSY giggled, kissed her grandmother vigorously and flew to the door. There she paused to say: your silver dress, will you, Gran?"

"My best silk dress?

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"But it's your birthday! My dolls and I are going to dress up! Please, Gran!"

"Well, all right!" Gran's eyes twinkled and her gold-rimmed glasses seemed to twinkle, too. "In about an hour then, Baby."

Patsy closed the door and flew to investigate the porch. It was pleasant out there. The gay awnings, willow chairs and green rugs made it cool and inviting. She would set the little table neatly with her dolls' dishes and make tea with water and some cinnamon drops she had in her room.

It was a pretty color but had a funny taste.

Then she gave an excited squeak. The most gorgeous idea had just popped into her head. Why not ask cook to let her have some real tea in real cups, and give Gran a

"And you wouldn't know anyone to invite," reasoned Hetty. "Your grandmother has no friends here, has she?" "Oh, yes!" Patsy supplied the friends with breathless haste. "There's Mrs. Malone and Mrs. Calkins and Miss Liston and—"

Ambrose, lounging in the doorway, gave an explosive laugh. "It's the old ladies down at the Home she's talkin' about!"

"And a good friend they have in Maggie Malone!" cook "And a good friend they have in Maggie Malone!" cook said heartily. "She was tellin' me about them comin' there," she went on in a lowered tone. "The child was to live here, and 'twas to be near to her that the old lady entered the Home. And when herself came back from Europe, she had the two of them come here."

"That was fine!" said Ambrose approvingly.

Cook sniffed. "'Twould never do, I suppose, for a grand lady like her to have her mother-in-law in a Home—anyway, not when the Home happens to be in the same town with her!"

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"We liked it there!" Patsy said earnestly. "Mrs. Malone is sweet!"
"She is that!" agreed cook.

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"Couldn't we have her and just one or two of the other ladies? Couldn't we, Mrs. Flynn?"

Cook looked at Hetty, her pink and white face crinkling into a broad smile. "'Tis a mad thought," she said whimsically, "but Maggie Malone would love it!" She turned to Ambrose, "Why not take the child down and bring Maggie and a few of them back for tea? You can take them all home again when you go to call for herself."

"What'd Mrs. Van Dorn say if she found out?" objected Hetty. "She might fire the lot of us!"

"She'll never know and if she does. I'll

"She'll never know and if she does, I'll take all the blame!" said cook grandly.
"Twould be nothing to be ashamed of, givin' a child and an old lady a bit of pleasure, I'd tell her, and I'd do the same and more for her own girl that she's breakin' the heart of—"
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"Little pitchers!" interrupted Hetty, with a glance at Patsy's interested face.
"Oh, well," cook shrugged, "'twould relieve me mind to tell her, but I'll not have the chance. She's that scared I'm goin' to leave her and go to the Pearsons that she'd not be sayin' much, even if she knew."

Ambrose smiled at Patsy. "Do you want to go now, Miss?"

"I'll have to change my dress, Ambrose! But I'll hurry like everything!"

How she got into her white dress, silk

How she got into her white dress, silk stockings and new little black pumps, Patsy could not have told, but when she flashed back to the kitchen, cook clasped her hands

back to the kitchen, cook clasped her hands together in admiration.

"Look at her!" she clucked. "Like a golden-haired fairy she is! Ambrose is waiting, lamb, and when you come back you can take the old ladies right up to the porch. Hetty's goin' to serve your tea, with some nice little sandwiches that I'll be makin' and a few of these spice cakes that's just out of the oven."

patsy caught cook's plump hand and pressed her cheek gratefully against it. "Oh, Mrs. Flynn!" she whispered. "You're so

sweet!"

Down the tree-lined drive they went, Patsy sitting in state inside, Ambrose outside in his smart green uniform, and at last drew up be-

fore the large white frame building that was the Home. Ambrose went to the door with her, rang the bell, touched his cap and returned to the car, while Patsy stood trembling with excitement, her eyes on the big brass knob.

IT TURNED at last, the door opened and there stood Mrs. Malone, just as round, just as jolly as ever. She looked at Patsy a second before she recognized her.

"It's never you!" she cried, opening her mouth in the funny way that had always made Patsy laugh.

"Oh, it is, it is!" She threw her arms as far around Mrs. Malone as they would go. "Get your hat on quick and tell Miss Liston and Mrs. Calkins and — and Mrs. Taver to come, too! It's Gran's birthday and we're surprising her with a tea!"

"A tea, is it?" Mrs. Malone perked one of her eyebrows up in the oddest way. "A tea, at Mrs. Rutherford Van Dorn's, and mesilf and the old ladies invited?"

"Well, of course Aunt Alice isn't there!" Patsy said in hasty explanation. "I was going to have a dolls' tea for Gran and then we decided, cook and I, to have some of Gran's best 'friends, so Ambrose and I came for you! And please hurry!"

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And please hurry!"

A grin as wide as cook's spread over Mrs. Malone's face. She looked out at Ambrose, sitting as stiff as a wooden soldier in the car; as she looked, his head turned, he winked soberly, then faced front again. That seemed to amuse Mrs. Malone very much. Her face grew quite red and she clapped a hand over her broadening smile. But in a moment she leaned over and gave Patsy a hearty kiss.

"'Tis not only your dear Cran you'll be grapping; this

"Tis not only your dear Gran you'll be surprisin' this day!" she said tenderly. "'Twill be a grand event for the old ladies and mesilf! Wait here, Patsy dear, till I break the good news to them and get them ready. 'Twill not be long."

It seemed long to Patsy as (Continued on page 21)

# ACORNFIELD

By ELIZABETH A. THOMAS

I like a field that runs along Beside an old rail fence; The other side of which there grows A tangled mass of grape and rose, To make a hedge-row dense.

A field all planted in straight lines Of satin-bladed corn, That waves and flutters in the breeze Like pennants windward borne.

And in between the stately rows Gray sunbaked paths lead where The wood a great wide shadow throws; So cool and restful there. I follow down the narrow ways— Each path a tasseled aisle— Until I reach the old rail fence And there I rest a while,

To listen to the whispering corn, Mysterious secrets tell, To every vagrant summer breeze— Nor guards them very well—

I like a field of rustling corn; A grapevine-covered fence;
The perfume of the sweet wild rose
A breeze that from the woodland blows, Beyond the hedge-row dense.

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surprise? She almost fell down the stairs in her anxiety to see cook before she left the kitchen. If she had gone to her room, it would never do to disturb her.

She opened the kitchen door and gave a great sigh of relief. Cook was there, laughing and talking with Hetty, the second-floor maid. Ambrose, the chauffeur, had just come in and the big car was standing on the drive. Something that cook was taking from the oven had a most de-licious smell. She smiled at Patsy and obligingly bent her head with its bobbed red hair to listen to the won-

derful idea.

"Bless its little heart!" she exclaimed. "It's wantin' to surprise the dear old lady with a cup of tea!"

"This is Gran's birthday!" Patsy eagerly explained. "And I thought it would be nice to have our dolls' tea out on that little porch on the second floor. I'm going to put on my white dress and Gran's going to wear her silver dress!"

'Silver?" queried cook.

"Gray silk," interpreted Hetty. "She looks like a queen in it, the old lady, with her pretty curls and her white

Cook nodded. "A lady she is! One of the old-fashioned cook noded. A lady she is: One of the old-fashioned kind, the like of which will all soon be gone, God rest their souls! Sure, you shall have your tea, darlin', you and the grandmother, and a pity it is she couldn't have a few friends instead of just dolls, when it's her birthday and all."

Patsy plumped down onto the nearest chair, her eyes like saucers. "Oh, Mrs. Flynn!" she said prayerfully. "Wouldn't that be wonderful! Could we invite some of Gran's friends?"

Gran's friends?"

Cook laughed. "I guess not, lamb! Perhaps 'twould be best just to have the dolls, after all!"

"But that would be such a lovely surprise for Gran!"

Patsy urged. "She's pretty lonesome, you know!"

"I know, little lady, and I'd help you in a jiffy, but dear knows what the missus would say!"



# ALIMONY

# By ALMA BOICE HOLLAND



HODA HULL sat across the breakfast table from Adam Hull, watching with Adam Hull, watching with a critical satisfaction while the simple little meal disappeared. Critical—because she was trying to find some flaw in this handsome young Adam who belonged—because she could discover ottoss. Rhode liked his piece.

Satisfactionno fault in his perfectness. Rhoda liked his niceness, the care with which he avoided spilling anything upon the prettily embroidered breakfast cloth; she approved his mode of eating with a

thoroughly masculine vigor that betokened a healthful appetite. She began a mental inventory of the visible things she liked about him; the way he brushed his hair, his fresh-shaven face, the bit of talcum powder on the tip of his ear, a general careful grooming. Looking up from his bacon and eggs, Adam caught her eyes upon him and gripped

on the tip of his ear, a general careful grooming. Looking up from his bacon and eggs, Adam caught her eyes upon him and grinned.

"What's the matter, old lady? Did I forget to wash my neck or do you consider a divorce? Either might account for the seriousness of your sweet countenance." Even as he said it, Adam winced and wished it unsaid, for the statement reminded both him and Rhoda that today was the ninth of the month. Alimony day! He passed over the remark hurriedly. "Now, you look as fresh and pretty as a pink this morning, my dear. Please, ma'am, can I have another piece of toast?"

But the dancing light in Rhoda's eyes had faded to a disturbed abstraction. She handed him the toast plate. The ninth! She tried to throw off the sudden feeling of depression which had obsessed her, to answer him gayly: "You can't have more toast until you've devoured every last morsel of that bran. Which do you like better anyhow, little boy, sugar or bran? You pile that healthgiving cereal up with sugar until you can't see what is beneath, then eat off the sugar and leave the bran. You don't treat your diet with the proper respect. The adver-



There were a number of little things for the house that Rhodawanted to buy, but each month Adam's alimony check to his first wife just precluded their purchase. There's dyna-

mite in such a situation. tisements in the magazines all hold the wife responsible

tisements in the magazines all hold the wife responsible if the husband's food values are at fault—but I ask you, what is a home without cooperation or a husband who won't obey?" She procured some extra butter for his toast. "If I eat the bran, will you give me a kiss?" "If you eat the bran, I'll broil you a porterhouse for your dinner." "I'd rather have the kiss." "Silly!" "Satisfied."

"Satisfied."

"Really, Adam, you are a terrible care to me."

"Just so you care—fervently, and in the right direction, Sweet. Come over here. I have something for you."
Rhoda made a demure way around the table. She forced her eyes to sparkle. "What is it?"
"Guess?"

Tickets for Keith's?"

"Not a bad idea. I'll get them as I come home tonight. Guess again?"

RHODA thought feverishly. She was always afraid of guessing the wrong thing and making this big. boyish Adam feel hurt. There was so much that she needed and that the little house needed, but somehow Adam never seemed to hit on just the coveted things.



It was a rather pitiful process, anyhow. Rhoda realized exactly why on the ninth of every month Adam made her some little gift. It was because on that date he must always send the alimony check to Cecelia, that other one, the woman who had first been Adam's wife.

Rhoda had known all the circumstances before she married Adam. They had discussed the situation sanely and sensibly, albeit in an atmosphere warmed and colored by the ardor of their new love. Rhoda had been sure that she wouldn't mind. Adam had made her see so clearly and so indisputably that Cecelia, while not particularly at any fault, had been a mistake. Just a double mistake, an error on Cecelia's part and on Adam's.

at any fault, had been a mistake. Just a double mistake, an error on Cecelia's part and on Adam's. The young wife had been able to disregard this small cloud on the horizon. What matters a small alimony check while one's trousseau is still all new and one's hope chest has comfortably filled a bird's nest of a house and one is in love with a man who can be regarded with a sense of critical satisfaction? The new partnership had been so altogether wonderful and so absorbingly interesting. A bank account in which Adam deposited his money twice a month, one bank book and one check book which they both used, endeavoring to leave a balance at the end of each thirty days.

BUT somehow, in the past two years of the marriage, B that balance had never materialized. Of course, they were paying for the bird's nest; that was something, but were paying for the bird's nest; that was something, but there just simply never seemed to be any money left over for extras. At first, it didn't go so hard, but after a little Rhoda got to playing with the idea of what that alimony check for twenty-five dollars would do in the way of buy-ing the small extras which she needed and never had money to buy. She and Adam had never talked about that twenty-five dollars after the first discussion when Rhoda had voiced the opinion that it wasn't fair for a women who re lower lived with a man to accept his woman who no longer lived with a man to accept his

Adam had agreed that, in his case, it really did not look exactly fair. Admitted that he and Cecelia had made a mistake, lived together less than a year and separated. There had been no child. Cecelia did not need the money, she had an excellent job of her own. But the court had allowed it and neither Adam nor Cecelia in the palpable embarrassment of the divorce proceedings had seen fit to object. So it had gone down in the records and for the rest of his natural life Adam Hull was ordered to pay to Cecelia Hull—restored to the maiden name of Wade—the sum of twenty-five dollars monthly. Small but secure.

"I guess—it's just a matter of—pride, honey," Adam had told Rhoda lightly. "I couldn't beg off after the law had allowed it—and I'd try to pay it, I believe, if I had to starve myself—or you, to do it. That's the way I feel about it. But what is a little matter of twenty-five dollars, dearest, when a man has a million dollars' worth of happiness?"

And Rhoda had thrilled to his pride and his tenderness

happiness?"

And Rhoda had thrilled to his pride and his tenderness and agreed to dismiss the palary sum from her mind and not to think about it again. But that was before she had been able to visualize how very tormenting that notation of twenty-five dollars could look when set down in black ink on white paper—on a stub from the joint check book. That was before Rhoda had a very definite idea of the cost of potatoes per peck or the price of beefsteak per pound. It was before Rhoda had conceived the notion of doing over each one of the rooms in the bird's nest with doing over each one of the rooms in the bird's nest with some definite color scheme and

some definite color scheme and taken to pricing the various allur-ing drapery materials and bits of unpainted furniture and rayon coverlets and organdy pillows and tailored slip covers and unusual lamps and the host of other items lamps and the host of other items so fascinating to the woman deeply interested in a home. And by some torturing twist of fate, it got to appear to Rhoda that what she lacked each month was just about an extra even twenty-five dellars. She grow a little hit-

just about an extra even twenty-five dollars. She grew a little bit-ter with the brooding.

"How could I guess it, Adam?"
she inquired a trifle petulantly
now; sure of only one thing, and
that, that her husband's gift to

that, that her husband's gift to her would not be any one of the many things which she desired at this present time. And it was not.

"Well—how's this for a surprise, sweet picture?" Adam made an extravagant gesture and drew from his inside pocket a little box.

It would be beads. Rhoda knew before the box was opened. And

It would be beads. Rhoda knew before the box was opened. And Rhoda had a whole drawer full of beads up in her tiny dressing table. She played the game.

"Oh, Adam! How lovely! What a perfectly heavenly color."

"Thought you'd like 'em." Adam was the nonchalant successful

male, proud of the success of his venture. "Just the color of your eyes, like blue cornflowers. Now, do I get that kiss?"

AND after Adam had had the kiss and a smile and an endearing pommeling on the back of

his broad topcoat and a neat square parcel which was his lunch, he made his way to

square parcel which was his lunch, he made his way to the banking establishment where, under the general heading of "clerk," might be found the name of one Adam Hull. Rhoda turned to her household tasks. She cleared the table of its soiled dishes which she carried to the diminutive kitchen, shook the embroidered cloth of its toast crumbs and put it back on the table.

Mechanically she put a spoonful of soap chips in the Chinese red ish pan and then as an outlet to her feelings turned the water on too freely, letting it foam and splash into the pan until it obscured the pale yellow lining. Rhoda had been proud of that dish pan and hoped to outfit her whole kitchen with equipment of matching Chinese red. The hardware clerk had quoted her a price of \$23.95 for the entire assortment. Almost twenty-five of \$23.95 for the entire assortment. Almost twenty-five dollars! Rhoda sighed and washed the dishes, put them in the drainer and scalded them. Then she made a gelatine salad for dinner and put it in the ice box.

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The living-room needed considerable straightening this morning. The Beesons had been over for bridge last evening and the card table with its overrunning ash trays still stood desolately in the center of the little room. Adam was smoking too much lately. She must remind him to slow down a bit. Perry Beeson had spilled some of the raspberry syllabub on the card table cover. It was probably stained and it was the only one that Rhoda had. She made a mental note of this, deciding to add an extra cover to the rapidly growing list of needed things that she was keeping.

The center light in the living-room was not very satisfactory. They needed a floor lamp which could be used at the card table when in use and moved over by the phonograph at other times. Smith and Preston's had some unusually good-looking ones last week on sale for \$22.50. Almost twenty-five dollars!

Rhoda moved about with swift deftness, setting the Rhoda moved about with swift deftness, setting the cheerful little room to rights, dusting briefly, lightly; moving a chair a fraction of an inch here, another a fraction of an inch there; and presently stood back and surveyed the completed task and was not satisfied with it. "If I could only have some velour valances for the three windows and enough extra velvet to cover the cushions on the davenport," she sighed. But then, such items as these were always the extras which she never had quite enough meaner to have

money to buy.

Upstairs in the small bedroom the outlook was more Upstairs in the small bedroom the outlook was more pleasing. Cretonne is cheaper than velvet and the cheery aspect would have charmed any discriminating eye. The room was done in gold and blue and had been fairly satisfying until a week ago when Rhoda had seen a perfectly stunning layout in Gardner and Sallow's. Mauve and jade green with just a dash of crimson to give it fire. The mistress of the little bedroom appraised it in distress. Mauve and jade green filled her mind's eye. "It wouldn't cost so much—"

ADAM had a difficult battle with flu. There was one night when an impersonal yet discerning doctor stayed all night; when there was a constant and mysterious preparation of normal salt solution; when stimulants were administered drop by drop all through the night; when a prim white nurse held an unwavering finger on Adam's pulse and Rhoda prayed by the window. Then,

# AFTERGLOWBy EDGAR DANIEL KRAMER

The day died in a flood of crimson flame That bathed the hills in beauty richly rare, And all the world bowed down, and I, too, came To stand in wonder and to worship there.

And then a small voice seemed to question me: "When death shall come and I must gladly go, Will there be one to love my memory? O Lord, shall I, too, leave an afterglow?"

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when the situation had gotten so tense that it seemed nobody could stand it longer, Adam opened his eyes and grinned.

"I know a good one," he whispered to the doctor.
"Quiet!" The physician bent above him, suspecting

"Got to heaven," confided Adam. "Two angels asked me how I arrived," the sick man laughed throatily, "and I told 'em—'flu'."

Everybody laughed, including Rhoda, who found when she wanted to stop that she couldn't, promptly proceeded to have an attack of uncontrollable hysterics—and was put to bed like a baby.

But the next day was a day of blue sky and happiness. "How's everything?" Adam questioned as Rhoda, in the prim nurse's place, fed him mutton broth with a spoon. "Fine," she smiled. "You've been pretty sick, big boy—but you are better now."

"Funny," mused the convalescent Adam, "how quick a body's world can change. You've been working too hard," he accused her abruptly. "You're pale."

"I just don't have my complexion adjusted," she denied him quickly. "I'll be all right—now that you are getting better. I've been a trifle worried about you, my Adam. Don't know why."

"I know why."

"Here—eat the rest of this mutton broth." Everybody laughed, including Rhoda, who found when

"I know why."
"Here—eat the rest of this mutton broth."
"Don't like mutton broth."
"An invalid can't judge. You don't know what you like."
"I like you—Rhoda Hull."

"Then eat your mutton broth—for me."
"Will you give me a kiss?"

"I'll give you the some seven different letters that have come while you were ill." "Don't want letters-they're probably all bills-on account of my extravagant wife. Will you give me that kiss?"
"No, I'm economizing—and I'm starting on kisses."
"All right, then. I don't want to get well. So I won't eat that nasty mutton broth. Take it away."

Rhoda brought the letters and laid them down on the

There's one from the bank, Adam. I thought it might be something important. Perhaps you had better open it —and the rest are not bills. Your wife is not nearly so extravagant as you might believe. However, I do need enough money to pay the butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker—representing the grocer, the gas company and the electric light corporation. This is the ninth and there hells are due towernery."

those bills are due tomorrow."

The ninth—alimony day! Rhoda saw Adam's laughing lips grow sober. Instantly she wished she had not bothered him, had not reminded him of these worldly worries ered him, had not reminded him of these worldly worries so soon after his struggle for life. But—that letter from the bank was probably Adam's salary check. Adam had never been ill before and Rhoda did not know just how such matters were given attention.

Adam tore open the envelope. The familiar yellow slip fell out from between the folds of the letter. Rhoda heaved a little sigh of relief. They were taken ears of anyther.

a little sigh of relief. They were taken care of—anyhow. Adam read the letter, then passed it to her, as he inspected the yellow slip. Rhoda skipped rapidly through the few brief phrases. "Sorry for your illness—trust you are improved—enclosed find check for one-half your salary covering period of disability—best wishes gets."

wishes—etc."

"Oh," g a s p e d Rhoda, "how heartless. You—so sick—and the bank retaining half your salary. Just at a time when you need it badly. Oh, how could they?"

"YOUR wrath becomes you, my lady," teased Adam, although beneath the raillery there was a note of disappointment in his voice. "It isn't often that a feminist undertakes to fight for me. Your cheeks are positively rosy

"But, Adam, surely your services are of sufficient worth that the bank could well afford to pay you your full salary when you are so unfortunate as to be ill. That much—in sympathy!" Rhoda was

indignant.

"Oh, the bank don't in the least appreciate what a wonder-worker your husband is, Mrs. Rhoda Hull. I wish they did view my humble efforts through your partial eyes. But they don't, honey—and business is made up of buying and selling, not of sympathy. I had forgotten it, but I do remember now that one of the old customs is to pay the clerks only half salary when disabled. We'll just have to do the best we can, dear, till I get back on the job again. Maybe you better feed me the rest of that dog-goned mutton broth." Up came Adam's irresistible grin from the momentary depression which had overshadowed him and Rhoda felt her exasperation giv-

ing way under its influence. Later, however, when she went to the little desk where she kept a conscientious file of her accounts, the low spirits returned. For, no matter how she figured, Rhoda

spirits returned. For, no matter how she figured, Rhoda could not make the expense balance up with the cash in hand. Then she started a process of elimination, leaving out the less important things, the things that could wait. Patiently she worked over and over again but with little better result. Adam's illness had brought extraneous expenses—a drug bill, the nurse's services, extra laundry—and only half as much money to cover it all.

The alimony must wait! Rhoda acknowledged this finally with a thrill. Perhaps this would be a good breaking-off point. If it were omitted this month, probably the Cecelia person would not even bother to mention it. If she did inquire and learned that Adam had been ill, terribly ill, then surely she would be reasonable about it. Rhoda's heart sang. Here was a heaven-sent opportunity to throw her old-man-of-the-sea overboard. Adam need not know. She would not tell him till she saw how it worked out. She went over the list happily—Chinese red pots and kettles for the kitchen, velour draperies for the

worked out. She went over the list happily—Chinese red pots and kettles for the kitchen, velour draperies for the living-room, a new lamp, a bedroom of mauve and jade green—all of it in less than six months.

It was not until she went back upstairs again where Adam was that the exaltation of her mood began to wear off. Adam looked so pale and thin against the pillows—he was asleep—and the effects of his illness lay so plain and strong upon him. Rhoda recognized anew with a sudden pang of terror how inexpressibly dear this Adamperson was to her.

He belonged! He was a little how who had made a mis-

He belonged! He was a little boy who had made a mistake for which he must pay, but he belonged to her. And because he did and because she loved him, she must help him to pay. What was it Adam had said about that alimony money: "A matter (Continued on page 23)



She clapped her hands at the spectacle of Molly, jumbo of the elephant herd, locating a peanut in Charmian's hand

# Here Comes the Bandwagon!

By H. L. GATES



IM PIM collapsed against the cage wagon and broke into wild, shrill laughter. Tony and Charmian sprang to him. Charmian's arm went about his neck. The clown brushed his face as if to sweep away a sudden disorder of his wits.

Bounding and swaying through the most grotesque of his arena antics, Pim Pim kept his balance while he crossed the heaving canvas and its prisoners beneath. Ahmed still stood in the arc flare, his tail switching ominously while his soft eyes pierced the surrounding blacknes

"All right, old boy! It's all right now. We'll go home."
Ahmed raised his head and pierced the night with a

jungle roar.

"Good boy, Ahmed, good boy. It's all right now." Pim Pim danced in front of him and turned a handspring. The clown spoke again, repeating his crooning: "It's all right. We'll go home." Then, juggling his little cone of a hat, the clown moved with slow progress, repeating his tumbling antics, toward the yawning cage.

Close to the cage, Tony still shielded Charmian, holding her firmly behind him, fearing to stir lest the lion break from Pim Pim's control. Charmian's nerves gave way and she sank to the tent floor with a little cry. Tony bent to receive the lion's paws if he should spring.

In Ahmed's eyes there seemed to be reproach. He put one paw forward as if he would walk up to the fallen girl. Pim Pim thrust out his arm. Ahmed jumped into his cage and stretched himself lazily on its floor.

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him again.

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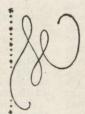
life. The major restrained their stakes with difficulty while they cleared the lot of the enemy. Fredericks rushed to where a handful of his men guarded Blinky Dawson and his sluggers. The Baxter guards had refused grimly to allow a single adversary to stagger to his feet. Bill curtly ordered the prisoners to their feet. Blinky scrambled to his kness. Bill took him he the college and flowed

bled to his knees. Bill took him by the collar and floored

him again.

When the major came up to investigate the group, Bill was sitting astride the prostrate Blinky, stuffing broken bits of cigars into his mouth with elaborate ceremony. Bill looked up. "Got one of my cigars about you, chief? I'm all out."

"Let the skunk go," the major ordered. "There's work to do." Bill got up grudgingly.



we were due to be loaded and on our way into Des Moines within an hour from now."

There was no need for Bill to reply, or question. The side show stands were debris, ripped to shreds. Big top cables hung loose and gaping slashes yawned in tent walls.

On the flank of the "back yard," lit by an improvised gasoline lamp, the major and Bill stood in glum silence. Before them, overturned parade wagons, gilded floats which had been bright bowers for Cinderella, glittering ice floes for the Eskimos, monstrous shining slippers for The Old Lady Who Lived in a Shoe, and forest patches for Little Red Riding Hood, were piled in scarred, splintered heaps.

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"There's fifty thousand dollars there," Bill observed.

"It's not the money, Bill," the major said thickly.

"They're the toys I've played with and built into castles in Spain—it's as if someone had stolen into my nursery and thrown my playthings out the window."

"Let's look at the performers' quarters," Bill suggested.

THE performers' tent had escaped the fiercest of the crowd's panic. Here the lights still burned. Women of the circus family, still in tights and ballet skirts, were busy dressing heads and arms of the men performers who had joined in the circus defense. One called to the major cheerily, "Well, boss, the old maneater saved the show" eater saved the show

The major swung about. "Saved the show?" he repeated

under his breath.

Bill looked up sharply. "Don't you think we can make it? Des Moines, I mean?"
"What's the use, Bill? The boys are all bruised up.

WHILE they made their survey of the tents and lot, the drawn lines in the major's face deepened. Fredericks looked at his watch. The major nodded: "Yes,

They couldn't get the show in shape in less than forty-eight hours. We're due in Des Moines in the morning."

"Couldn't we make it, the jump, tomorrow night? I don't like to see you dodge Des Moines. We never could meet Jewett again."

The major spread his hands, "Maybe we could limp in Monday on crutches, but I haven't the heart to build my parade again. The show's ragged. It broke when the Demons broke. News of tonight's affair will be spread through Des Moines by Jewett like wildfire, would see the show arrive in ruins. We contide the shown." The town We couldn't live

Bill went into the stable tent. As he expected, Florette, still in her fluffy riding costume, which was torn and spattered, was among her stallions, surrounded by her battery of attendants.

The steeds were quiet, strangely so. They munched hay contentedly, nosing the face of their mistress while she scratched them. None but Pete seemed to have suffered a mark from their wild dash into the tent mob. Pete had a mark from their wild dash into the tent mob. Pete had strained a tendon but was submitting quietly to saturation of the bandages his groom had tightly wound about his injured foot under Florette's watchful direction.

Bill watched for a while before
Florette saw him. When his gaze attracted her, she thought there was a bit of sadness in it. She went up to him but waited for

went up to him but waited for

him to speak.
"Old-timer!" was all that he said, but it was enough for the bareback star of so many circus seasons. She threw up her arm so that her hand went around his neck and rested her head against his broad chest. "Wasn't Pete his broad chest. splendid, Bill?"

His hand moved gently over her "Old-timers, hair, smoothing it.

both of you," he murmured.
"Thanks, Bill, for both Pete

"Thanks, Bill, for both Pete and me. I hate you sometimes and I don't like the smell of your cigars, but you're an old-timer, too."

He grinned. From his coat pocket he fished a broken cigar he had forgotten while he had Blinky Dawson down. He thrust it arranged on the history has been done. it around so that it almost brushed Florette's nose. She sprang away from him, furious. "Pardon you," he said, his grin

broadening.

A GROOM delivered the major's order to load the animals and live stock. There was instant bustle through the stable and stock tents, the bosses hunting men who were in shape to get the animals into the cars in the railroad yards.

Florette gave final instructions to her groom, petted each of her stallions' noses, and rejoined Bill. "Shall we be moving during the night?" she asked.

when he told her of the major's decision, tears filled the equestrienne's eyes. "Like Larry Seamon," she whispered. "I never thought I'd see it again."

Pim Pim turned out of Tony's dressing-room, saw Bill and Florette and beckoned to them. . Tony was dressed, as was the clown. Charmian hovered close to Tony's arms but when Pim Pim moved within reach, she caught his hand and held it.

Bill took Pim Pim's hand. He would have liked to say many things, but couldn't. Pim Pim nodded to Tony.
"The Demon thinks it's his fault. If you've got any nice words, spare some for him."

Bill immediately was uneasy. He was not good at giving comfort, and back in his mind was the knowledge that Tony's failure to inject sufficient thrill into his single had Tony's failure to inject sufficient thrill into his single had given Jewett a handle for his club. Florette saved him. "He'll work up again, when he gets the chance," she said. "What's the situation with Des Moines?" Pim Pim asked. "I hear the big top isn't being loaded."

When Bill repeated the news, the clown sagged to a trunk. "That won't be fair to Ahmed," he muttered.

"But the boys couldn't make the repairs in time," Bill reminded him. "At least, that's what the major thinks. He's tired, too."

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Charmian's eyes blazed. "And he is going to let Dave Jewett beat him?'

Bill smiled wanly. "You're getting the spirit of the show quickly, Miss. Anyhow, that was the spirit of the show before tonight."

Charmian bit her lip. She looked at Pim Pim, "Can't you do anything with him? Mr. Perrin's been looking forward to Des Moines."

To the others, the importance she gave to Tony's plans, in the midst of the wreck of Baxter's Big Show, brought ironical reflections. Pim Pim, however, read a message in her glance. "Let's all go to the major," he said. "Maybe we can change his mind. He's got to be fair to Ahmed."

They found the broken major supervising the line-up of the animal wagons. He shook his head to the plea of Pim Pim and Florette. "We couldn't make it," he repeated. "I haven't the heart to go in and fight it out. The show's a wreck." He turned away dejectedly.

"Please, Pim Pim," Charmian pleaded, "ask him if I may speak to him."

THE clown stopped the major and motioned to Charmian. Tony glanced at her wonderingly. She ignored mian. Tony glanced at her wonderingly. She ignored him and faced the show's proprietor.

"I haven't the right to ask you," she said, "but I do—to go to Des Moines. If you will, I shall go up with Tony on Monday." Pim Pim muttered an exclamation. She silenced him. "If I do go up, the Flying Demons will be all right. I promise."

The major half turned away, wordless. Pim Pim's hand caught his sleeve. The owner looked into the clown's face, caught his sieeve. The owner looked into the clown's race, angry at first, then intently. Pim Pim was nodding. "You've got to be fair to Ahmed, boss. He saved the boys tonight. I had a hunch that he would, some day. I've got a hunch on Des Moines. Don't let Jewett say you're a quitter. Go in, and fight."

# High Lights of Preceding Installments

TWELVE years after Seamon Brothers Circus was crushed and the Great La Belle, its star trapeze performer, killed through the treachery of Dave Jewett, owner of the Mammoth, a rival circus, Jewett announced another La Belle, daughter of the first great star.

This second La Belle had from the time of her mother's death been secretly watched over and tutored in trapeze skill by Pim Pim, an old clown, formerly connected with the wrecked Seamon Brothers Circus, but now associated with Baxter's Big Show, a new circus which had risen to dispute the leadership or the Mammoth.

The second La Belle, a girl of eighteen or nineteen, had now become the Mammoth's star performer and it was on her way to the Mammoth's headquarters for the opening of the circus season that she met Tony Perrin. During the course of their growing friendship, Tony confided to her that he was to be starred as a trapeze performer in a team called the "Flying Demons," which the Baxter show was introducing as a new feature. Meanwhile the girl said nothing about her being the Great La Belle.

Meanwhile the girl said nothing about her being the Great La Belle.

As the friendship between Tony and Charmian, for that was the only name by which. Tony knew her, grew, it was decided that they were to be married in the fall. Tony went on to the Baxter headquarters and Charmian, unknown to Tony, took her place as star of the Mammoth's show.

All went well with Tony until Blinky Dawson,

a spy for the Mammoth, tried to bribe Tony into leaving Baxter's show. Failing in that, he secretly bribed Fanchon de Vere, Tony's team mate, to break up the act. This she did at the height of a performance by cleverly slipping through Tony's hands while in mid-air and giving the impression that Tony had dropped her.

Then it was that Pim Pim wired Charmian news of this treachery and told her for the first time that Dave Jewett, owner of the Mammoth, was the cause of her mother's death. Charmian immediately severed her connection with the Mammoth and hastened to Baxter's Big Show, where she persuaded Tony and Baxter, who did not know she was the Great La Belle, to let her try out as Tony's team mate in the show.

Dave Jewett, enraged at the loss of his star performer and believing she would align herself with Baxter's Big Show, instructed his lieutenant, Blinky Dawson, to wreck the Baxter show. Accordingly an army of hired thugs under Blinky's leadership descended on the Baxter outfit on the eve of its departure for Des Moines and, while the evening performance was in progress, rushed in swinging stakes and clubs on the heads of spectators and performers alike. The Baxter people were rapidly being worsted and complete disaster threatenea the show when Pim Pim opened the cage of Ahmed, the lion. The roar of the great beast sent the attackers fleeing in panic and saved the day for the Baxter show.

day, the big top lifted on the Des Moines lot with every pennant flying defiantly.

True, there were many patches scattered over canvas. Some of the wagons in the menagerie were set upon plat-forms because their rolling gear was hopelessly ruined. But the platforms were hung with bunting which added an inordinate splash of color to the gray background of the animal tent.

Throughout Des Moines, word had spread that Baxter's Big Show wasn't coming. Only the Mammoth, the mighty, reliable Mammoth, would arrive. For that very reason, there was greater interest shown when Baxter's did appear, late but proud.

The major went in to inspect the set-up in the big top, empty during parade save for a few scattered workmen. The superintendent of the arena saluted his chief. "Any

instructions for the matinee, sir?"
"Yes," the major replied. "When the parade comes in, get the band leader and the ringmasters together. I want the old entrance staged for the Flying Demons. And, in addition, give them each a line of trumpeters on their march around the hippodrome. Put the animal acts back where they used to be before the Demons broke up, and leave the arena clear for the De-

leave the arena clear for the Demons' act. I want to give them all the showmanship I can, build them up on the entrance and when they go up, so the audience will be dazzled before they ascend."

"I know what you want, sir. I'll see that they get a ballyhoo."

"But mind you: hold a ring-

"But, mind you: hold a ringmaster in every ring and all plat-form chiefs. Have tumblers and horizontalists ready to rush in on your whistle and fill the platforms and rings.'

"You mean if they're not making good?"

"I mean just that. Give them the arena to themselves on the start. If you see they're still miss-

ing, fill it before it's too late."

THE arena superintendent left the big top with the pro-prietor and crossed to the office. When they had passed the side show promenade, where the van-guard of the crowd that soon would people the lot already had gathered, a figure that Bill Fredericks would have instantly recognized as that of Blinky Dawson, despite its khaki blouse and troudespite its knaki blouse and trou-sers and its ground man's cap-bearing the distinguished legend, "Baxter's Big Show," darted out from among the side show tents. With the cap of his Baxter's Big Show uniform drawn over

Big Show uniform drawn over his now wide open eyes, concealing his face from all except a close observer, Blinky walked briskly through the main entrance gates into the main tent. He saluted the gate watchmen as he passed. They nodded carelessly, as to any of the big top gang returning to the performance tent.

Inside, Blinky crossed the menagerie swiftly. The menagerie floor was clear, for the menagerie swirtly. The menagerie noor was clear, for the cage wagons were in parade and there would be no animal men about until the parade returned. When he reached the hippodrome, his sharp, hissing intake of breath signaled his satisfaction. But few of the big top squad were on the floor. No ground bosses were about.

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With the even, unhurried gait of a ground man about his duties, Blinky moved down the hippodrome until he his duties, Blinky moved down the hippodrome until he was abreast of one of the ascension poles of the Flying Demons, not Tony's, but the one Fanchon de Vere had ascended and the one on which Charmian or, as he knew her, the Great La Belle, would mount this afternoon. For Blinky was certain it was Baxter's plan to spring La Belle as a surprise. He could figure no other solution to the mystery of her being on the Baxter lot, rehearsing with the Flying Demon as had been regularly reported to him, yet remaining unannounced to the public. And he was convinced that if La Belle were enlisting under the Baxter banner, he would introduce her at Des Moines.

He swept the arena with a quick glance. If any ground men had noticed him, they had taken him for one of themselves. None was interested in him. From under his blouse he drew a chamois polishing cloth. Nimbly he climbed the pole, helped by its foot rungs. Half way up, safe from a too close scrutiny from the ground, he fell to polishing the shining nickel pole.

Steadily he climbed until he had reached the first stand. Here he paused briefly. Again he examined the arena below. He satisfied himself that the superintendent had not reentered the tent. With a quick, cat-like spring, he leaped to a cable that guyed the suspension rods and pulleys of the high trapeze far up in the dome. When he reached the top of this cable, he fell to polishing the silver suspension rods.

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"Quitter, you say?" The major swung about to Charmian as if he had been struck. "If you get a chance to practice tomorrow and Monday morning, are you sure you will be ready to go up and give me two Demons at Monday's matinee?

"I'll go up, and I'll stay up!"

From his pocket the major jerked a whistle. Its commanding blast brought gang bosses and superintendents rushing from every direction. "We'll load for Des Moines at noon tomorrow," he announced. "We'll go in on special train schedule. Ask the boys who are able to work tonight on repairs to work like hell, for the show and for me. Paint everything. We'll lick the Mammoth yet."

A cheer answered him

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"There she goes, Bill. We're in the laps of the gods."
"And may the gods be good to us and keep us sitting

The major and Bill Fredericks watched the parade leave the Des Moines show grounds. The calliope's strident melodies mellowed in the distance. The stream of newly painted wagons, bumping and creaking to the great dis-comfort of drivers because of broken springs and bandaged axles that were hidden, glittered spick and span to the eyes of spectators and threaded its way into town between unbroken lanes of balloon-flying youngsters and handclapping elders.

The major was physically worn from the strenuous night and exhausting Sunday. He'd got his special train and hoisted the big top. Late, but it was up. His spirit was buoyant again, however, quivering with every ounce of its accustomed fight.

The tent gangs had given him full measure of loyalty. Each lot man had forgotten wounds and worked through the twenty-four hours. Late in the afternoon before, Sun-



Below, their final dressing of rings and platforms finished, the ground men were disappearing, one by one and in pairs, to-ward the mess tent where they would have

ward the mess tent where they would have their lunch in advance of the parade's return. Blinky moved along the cable to which he clung so that the silver ring bolt that attached one of the trapeze cables to a suspension rod was within his reach. He drew a small but sturdy wrench from his blouse pocket and worked swiftly. Then he slid down to the stand below, observed that the arena was clear, and dropped to the ground. His cap pulled down, he walked with a studied nonchalance to the grandstand tiers. With a last look about the tent, he dodged under the grandstand seats and crept beneath the tent walls onto the lot. He got to the street and into a car that waited behind

look about the tent, he dodged under the grandstand seats and crept beneath the tent walls onto the lot. He got to the street and into a car that waited behind the lot, unchallenged.

While the parade moved, triumphant, along its route through the down town streets, Tony was the only one of all those who helped make up the spectacle who was downcast. Beside him, in the most impressive of the show's fleet of cars, Florette smiled happily to the crowds. She, like others of the Baxter family, had caught the major's new and greater confidence, and radiated a renewed eagerness for the real beginning of the tussle with the Mammoth.

But Tony was saddened by this very enthusiasm, this friendly reception by Des Moines people. It was here that he had planned to usher his mother into that part of his life from which he had kept her apart. It was here that he had planned to reveal himself in all the glory of circus stardom, to show her "her boy" acclaimed by cheering thousands, "her boy" gone out from an Iowa village to become one of the heroes of his profession. And he had looked forward to her coming close to the circus with him, his circus, and in the magic of its thrills and glamour to take the circus into the corners of her heart because "her boy" was of it.

Des Moines had come. Here it was, in carnival dress. The show had weathered its storms. But he was on his pedestal no longer. By some inexplicable thrust from behind, he had been toppled over. And Charmian was here: the mysterious, unfathomable Charmian, the miraculous Charmian who loved him, believed in him and had so bravely, willfully, cast herself into the breach to save him.

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WHILE Tony brooded, his vacant eyes WHILE Tony brooded, his vacant eyes gazing out over the eager masses, but unseeing, Charmian nestled on a cushion in the drawing-room of a hotel suite, at the feet of the little Mrs. Perrin. She smiled gayly up into the quaint, excitement-flushed face above her. Already one called the other "daughter," and was called, in return, "mother."

The accommodation from Sharonville, behind the "circus special," had arrived at the Des Moines station after the parade left the Baxter lot. Charmian had just had time to go to the grounds with Tony, see him off in the parade and rush across town to greet the Sharonville train.

She had felt, foolishly, like bursting into tears when she saw the black-silked, shawldraped, tiny fluttering figure of Tony's mother, whose "Lands sakes!" she could almost hear above the station clatter.

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Fright and anxiety already had spread over Mrs. Perrin's face, for she had confidently expected to see Tony's hat waving to her before the train stopped. With that placid acceptance of all things which Charmian had witnessed during her few short bours at Sharpeville. Mrs. Parrin had acceptance of the confidence of th man had witnessed during her few short hours at Sharonville, Mrs. Perrin had ac-cepted her presence as a matter of course as she had her breathless explanation: "Tve come in Tony's place. I'm visiting

with you, too, you know."

Mrs. Perrin's arms had taken her in happily and it had been then, before they were off the station platform, that the first "daughter" and the first "mother" were spoken.

"Tony will come to us at the hotel, where you are to stop with me," Charmian had explained while their cab was threading the traffic. And now they were waiting for him. Charmian was eager for his

ing for him. Charmian was eager for his surprise at finding his mother.

Mrs. Perrin chatted gayly of her last visit to Des Moines, ten years before, and of Tony as he was then. And Charmian told, with all the detail she could put into words, of the birth of her love for Tony, of what it meant to her, of how she hoped the blooming of it would grow into a blossom that would last through all the years, and of her happiness that she, too, was to have a mother. "Do you think I am worthy of him, and of you?" she asked. Eyes that once had been a deep and merry blue looked down into eyes that were chestnut brown. There had been a provoking, confident little smile about Charmian's lips when she asked the ver-

# Here Comes the Bandwagon!

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dict. While the blue eyes, age-dimmed but with many moving ghosts of their old fires, looked down into the brown eyes, the vagrant smile faded. She had made her challenge lightly; instantly she knew she had invoked a verdict that, given, would be for always.

The blue eves traveled slowly. The blue eyes traveled slowly. They rested a little while on the unashamed beauty of a pair of slim legs which, frankly kneecapped, stretched out from the cushions. They came back to the upturned, wistful face and probed the parted lips. A tenuous, furrowed hand, tiny, that seemed to match the mellowness of the blue eyes, crept out and cupped the young head.

Yesterday's lips and tomorrow's met.
Yesterday's whispered, "I give him to you,
dear. Be good to him." Tomorrow's returned, "I shall be."
"Now we shall talk about the circus,"
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"Now we shall talk about the circus," Charmian announced, pulling another cushion under her. "It's circus day in Des Moines, you know. Everyone is excited about it." She seemed not to be looking up, but from the corners of her eyes she watched the face above her closely. Mrs. Perrin's disapproval of the circus showed instantly. "They're wicked." she said. "I can't understand people nowadays."

A golden laugh. Mrs. Perrin was shocked. "You mustn't laugh, my dear. It's really

n mustn't laugh, my dear. It's really bad," she remonstrated earnestly

to think anyone was wicked and be wrong about it. I've tried to teach Tony that he mustn't ever be unfair."

"Then, when Tony comes, shall we tell him, you and I, that we've decided to let him take us to the matinee—early, so we can watch the animals awhile?"

Now, with the proposal come so close.

Now, with the proposal come so close, Mrs. Perrin was aghast before the crumbling within her of a lifelong antagonism. "But they say they have demons!"

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Again Charmian's laugh. She got to her knees and was mischievous. "Let's go see them. We can tell Mr. Simpkin what real demons look like."

The girl's mischief was contagious. It bridged the space between youth and age and swept years aside. Mrs. Perrin trembled, while the ghosts in the blue eyes seemed to come to life and clamor for release. "I remember, when I was a girl, I always had a new beau when the circus came to town. And I'd lose him because I couldn't go."

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The hotel house phone buzzed. Charmian sprang to her feet and took the old lady's tenuous hands. "That's Tony now. Shall we tell him when he comes up—the circus grounds, the animals and the crowds, and the matinee? Maybe we'll find a new beau for you!"

Mrs. Perrin nodded. Charmian sprang to the buzzing phone, "Ask him to come up, please."

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An elevator gate slammed down the cor-

She clapped her hands at the spectacle she chapped her hands at the spectacle of Molly, jumbo of the elephant herd, locating a peanut in Charmian's hand and losing it in the maw of her great mouth. She was frightened when Charmian stood close to Ahmed's cage and put her hand on the man-killer's mane.

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Tony started, his doubts and troubles swooping down upon him, when the arena band swept into the crashing melody that preceded the arena superintendent's whistle to "Get ready." Charmian reassured him with a glance and they moved with the human stream that flowed into the hippodrame.

Charmian had reserved a trio of box seats at the lower rim of the grandstand. She had chosen them carefully when the She had chosen them carefully when the big top went up Sunday afternoon and made sure that they were directly in line with the swings of the Flying Demons. Mrs. Perrin faltered only once. That was when, while they waited for the usher to take their seat checks, she sent a wondering look around the tent and realized the thousands of people who made up the restless, waving sea of faces—bright, shining faces with "picnic" expressions.

"Lands sakes!" she murmured. "Maybe there are folks up there from Sharonville. They'd know me."

"Of course they would," Charmian assured her brazenly, "and they'll go straight to Mr. Simpkin about it."

THE old lady tossed her shoulders. "I don't care," she declared, "I'm going to know whether a circus is wicked. It can't be if my boy and my daughter say not."

Already the grandstand was well filled.

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Mrs. Perrin settled in her seat with a grim determination to be equal to any occasion. She was glad, though, when "neighbors" came in to fill the empty seats in the box. The "neighbors" looked at the little old lady with startled amazement when she bowed to them, as "neighbors" should. Charmian smiled at the newcomers an eloquent smile that conveyed her plea that they must be kindly to the little figure in shawl and black silk. The "neighbors" understood the pretty girl and smiled back at her.

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Mrs. Perrin resumed her excited questioning. "The ringmasters? Who are they? And are they of the circus, too? And the many men in khaki uniforms who seemed to be so aimlessly busy. What are they pottering about?"

The ringmasters, who had stopped in the arena for a last inspection of their particular arenas of command, moved out of sight through the performers' entrance passage. The band struck up a new melody. Tony knew the superintendent's whistle would be warning the performers of the grand promenade. He did not participate in the promenade but must report in the dressing-room, and Charmian must be made up by Florette. And they must have a final talk over cues. He fidgeted uneasily. Charmian bent over his mother.

"We're going to leave you now, Tony and I," she announced. "You mustn't mind, because you'll be quite safe here until we return. We're going out to prepare a surprise for you, something we've planned, Tony and I, that will make you very, very happy."

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It was not very convincing, but Mrs. Perrin turned upon the girl with bright reassurance. "Whatever my children do will be all right. I like surprises. They're like basket parties. I'm always wanting to know what the other people have in their baskets. Run along, but hurry back."

"You won't be worried, when we promise that we'll come back as soon as we can? You'll enjoy—everything?"

Mrs. Perrin was suddenly anxious. "You'll be here when they show their demons?"

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Charmian laughed gayly. "You'll see us before you see the demons." She smiled at a round-faced, genial man who sat in one of the box seats behind. "If we leave our—our mother, you'll watch over her, won't you?"

The genial one grinned to the pretty.

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The genial one grinned to the pretty girl and nodded. "Lands sakes!" Mrs. Perrin demurred. "You mortify me. I'm used to being alone. You two trot out and get my surprise."

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In the reserved seat section, which fronted the grandstand, Blinky Dawson, in a middle tier close to an aisle, half rose to his feet as Tony and Charmian hurried past in the track below. When he was certain of his recognition of the Great La Belle, his breath made a hissing sound between his teeth. When he dropped back into his seat, relaxed, he glanced up into the tent dome, far up, where the silver and nickel of a high trapeze glistened. His intense gaze fastened for a moment on the suspension rod where a great ring bolt held one trapeze cable to its pulley. Then he dropped his eyes to the arena. (Continued in September issue)

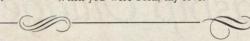


By KATHARINE EGGLESTON ROBERTS

A sunbeam carried a song in its light The pink rose opened her heart to the call, From the deepest blue of the sky.

Caught the sunbeam from above, Down through the mist, It sang till it kissed The dew from a rosebud shy.

And their fragrance rare Filled the golden air When you were born, my love.



"But, mother dear, won't you go to the circus this afternoon, with Tony and me?"

For days, Charmian had planned just that speech. Its opportunity would arrive, she had been confident, and it would have to be said, of course, without many preliminaries. But now, though the suggestion came bravely and lightly, she quaked.

Mrs. Perrin would not be serious about it. She patted the girl's head and shook her own slyly, as if she could understand a little tcasing and wouldn't notice.

"But I mean it," Charmian insisted. "Tve been to circuses, often. And so has Tony. They're just not wicked at all; at least, I don't—we don't—think so. Tony and I have it planned. You must see the elephants while they're taking peanuts from boys who are just like Tony used to be and little girls who are like you were. You must see the camels and the zebras and the hippopotamus and the other aniand the hippopotamus and the other ani-

Breathless in her eagerness to beat down the old lady's consternation before she could give another verdict, Charmian pressed on, snuggling closer to the thin body in the big chair, much as a pleading child: "I even know circus people who like to go to prayer meetings."

"Lands sakes!"

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She had won. In the startled echo of that "Lands sakes!" was the sound of falling battlements. "Yes," she declared, "I know of a circus girl who once heard Mr. Simpkin, at Sharonville, talk to his congregation. And I heard that she remembered what he said, this circus girl, and that she vowed while she listened that she'd never be anything so long as she lived that Mr. Simpkin wouldn't approve. Yet she's with a circus."

"Can it be true?" The old lady's eyes were shining, as if something great and good as well as surprising had come to her. Charmian nodded. She must hurry the promise, before Tony should arrive. "Tony confessed to me—we've confessed a lot to each other, you see—that always he has liked the circus and wished that you would, too, so you and he could go once in a while and be children together. And now there's me. I want you to go—with us. Think of that circus girl who remembers Preacher Simpkin at Sharonville."

Mrs. Perrin was thoughtful. Her head was nodding slowly. "I wouldn't ever want

ridor. Charmian flung her door wide and raited at the threshold. Tony came along the hall. She saw that he was troubled. Its lips were set firmly. She sensed his nood, some new and last moment protest

mood, some new and last moment protest against her risking the trapeze that afternoon. As she reached her hand to him, he began, "Dearest, you just mustn't—!"

She stepped inside so that he must follow her. He stopped dead still at a chuckle that came from across the room. He turned slowly.

AFTER the moment of silence surrendered to their yearning for each other, Tony looked over his mother's head at the merry

looked over his mother's head at the merry Charmian, his accusation of plotting gleaming. Charmian nodded guiltily, pointing an accusing finger at herself and warning him that he must not question his mother's coming until after awhile.

But the unexpectedness of his mother's being in Des Moines after all was as nothing to his bewilderment when, barely drawn away from his arms, she announced decisively: "You children are taking me to the circus this afternoon. If there are any demons there, I want to see them."

He was speechless. Charmian went to his rescue by rehearsing all the arguments she had advanced for his mother's undoing. Mrs. Perrin nodded vigorously and confirmed the process of her downfall, not

doing. Mrs. Perrin nonded vigorously and confirmed the process of her downfall, not regretfully but with almost girlish eagerness. "Won't Eph Perkins scold me, though?" she added with her gay chuckle.

though?" she added with her gay chuckle. Not until they were on the circus grounds and during the intermittent minutes of Mrs. Perrin's amazed absorption in the Lilliputians, the Human Skeleton and the Fire-eating Marvel, did Charmian have opportunity to tell Tony, in brief, whispered sentences, of his altered telegram. "Too bad, isn't it?" she teased, "that you can't even scold me about it now?" now

"But when the show opens, how shall eget away from her?" he demanded.
"I'll manage it," she promised con-

"I'll manage it, fidently. "Good Lord," he exclaimed under his breath. "You'd manage anything, after managing her."
"Even you, when the time comes. Maybe it will, pretty soon," she taunted. Mrs. Perrin announced, "I must see the animals."

# Meditations on Life

By KING SOLOMON

REMEMBER now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

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In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,

And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low;

Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets:

Or ever the silver cord be loosed or the

Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto

as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.
Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity. . . .
The preacher sought to find out acceptable words; and that which was written was upright, even words of truth.
The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shortlead.

blies, which are given from one shepherd.

And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the

# In a Stage Coach

By MARK TWAIN

AFTER supper a woman got in, who lived about fifty miles farther on. Apparently she was not a talkative woman. She would sit there in the gathering twilight and fasten her steadfast eyes on a mosquito rooting into her arm, and slowly she would raise her other hand till she had got his range, and then she would launch a slap at him that would have jolted a cow; and other she would sit and contemplate the corner with transport state. and after that she would sit and contemplate the corpse with tranquil satisfaction—for she never missed her mosquito; she was a dead shot at short range. She never removed a carcass, but left them there for bait. I sat by this grim Sphinx and watched her kill thirty or forty mosquitoes—watched her, and waited for her to say something, but she never did. So I finally opened the conversation myself. I said:

"The mosquitoes are pretty bad, about here, madam."

"Yeu bet"

"You bet."

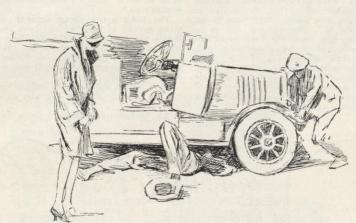
"What did I understand you to say, madam?"

"You BET!" Then she cheered up, and faced around and said:

"Danged if I didn't begin to think you fellers was deef and dumb. I did, b'gosh. Here I've sot, and sot, and sot, a-bustin' muskeeters and wonderin' what was ailin' ye. Fust I thot you was deef and dumb, then I thot you was sick or common the same statement. crazy, or suthin', and then by and by I begin to reckon you was a passel of sickly fools that couldn't think of nothing to say. Where'd ye

come from?"

The Sphinx was a Sphinx no more! The fountains of her great deep were broken up, and she rained the nine parts of speech forty days and forty nights, metaphorically speaking, and buried us under a desolating deluge of trivial gossip that left not a crag or pinnacle of rejoinder projecting above the tossing waste of dislocated grammar and decomposed pronunciation.



# Friendship Village Talks on Life

Gems of Thought and Glints of Humor from Writers Old and New-Quiet Chats and Friendly Cheer on Everyday Life and Its Problems

# Doems the World Loves

LITTLE BY LITTLE

LITTLE by little the time goes by—
Short, if you sing through it, long, if
you sigh.
Little by little—an hour a day,
Gone with the years that have vanished away.
Little by little the race is run;
Trouble and waiting and toil are done!

Trouble and waiting and toil are done!

Little by little the skies grow clear; Little by little the sun comes near; Little by little the days smile out, Gladder and brighter on pain and doubt; Little by little the seed we sow Into a beautiful yield will grow.

Little by little the world grows strong, Fighting the battle of Right and Wrong; Little by little the Wrong gives way—Little by little the Right has sway. Little by little all longing souls Struggle up nearer the shining goals.

Little by little the good in men
Blossoms to beauty, for human ken;
Little by little the angels see
Prophecies better of good to be;
Little by little the God of all
Lifts the world nearer the pleading call.

Unfortunately, the author of these verses is unknown, but the hope and courage and cheer that they possess will endure as a source of inspiration to all mankind.

-THE EDITORS.

# Some Fish Stories

By AESOP OF SAMOS

THAPPENED that a Fisher, after fishing all day, caught only a little fish. "Pray let me go, master," said the Fish. "I am much too small for your eating just now. If you put me back into the river, I shall soon grow, then you can make a fine meal off me."

"Nay, nay, my little Fish," said the Fisher, "I have you now. I may not catch you hereafter." "A little thing in hand is worth more than a great thing in prospect."

thing in prospect."

A FISHER once took his bagpipes to the bank of a river, and played upon them with the hope of making the fish rise; but never a one put his nose out of the water. So he cast his net into the river and soon drew it forth filled with fish. Then he took his bagpipes again, and, as he played, the fish leapt up in the net. "Ah, you dance now when I play," said he. "Yes," said an old Fish: "When you are in a man's power, you must do as he bids you."

ONE fine day, two Crabs came out from their home to take a stroll on the sand. "Child," said the mother, "you are walking very ungracefully. You should accuse the same to my alking to make the same transporter.

gracefully. You should accustom yourself to walking straight for ward without twisting from side to side."

"Pray, mother," said the young one, "do but set the example yourself, and I will follow you." "Example is the best precept."

Aesop was a slave on the island of Samos and lived about 550 B.C.





Other poems on other phases of home and family life will appear in this space from month to month

# Summertime is Vegetable-Soup-time!

With all the cold foods you eat in summer, you need the invigoration of hot, healthful Soup

> Your grocer has, or will get for you, any of the 21 Campbell's Soups listed on

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For a satisfying, convenient meal in summertime—Campbell's Vegetable Soup. Millions of women often make this soup the luncheon or supper—it contains so much and it tastes so good.



With this bouquet and spirits gay
I'm sure to be a winner.
And when we dine, oh how I'll shine
With Campbell's Soup for dinner!

Cambbella Soups

LUNCHEON DINNER SUPPER

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begins to take "grown-up" food the transition, by all means, should be gradual. With the advice of the physician, weaning may be accomplished with minimum disturbance

to Baby, and with least trouble to

Mothers who are careful in this respect will be careful, also, of Baby's sensitive skin. And to prevent chafing and irritation from diapers, and from perspiration particularly in deep folds of the skin, they naturally turn to Mennen Borated Talcum—the modern soothing baby powder.

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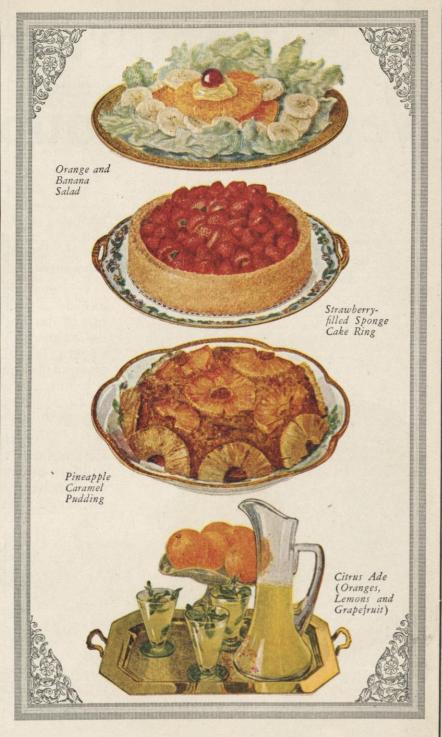
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# American Fruit Dainties

And some timely recipes for their preparation

By Lily Haxworth Wallace

RUITS are delightful and necessary adjuncts to the diet at all times of the year, but at almost no other season are they so grateful to the jaded appetite as during summer's hottest days. Following are some recipes for very tempting dishes:

Orange and Banana Salad

3 seedless oranges
4 bananas
Lettuce
Whipped cream
mayonnaise
Finely chopped nuts
or cherries or
grated orange rind,
optional

mayonnaise

PEEL, slice, thoroughly chill and drain
the oranges; peel, scrape and slice the
bananas. Arrange the orange slices for
individual service on crisp lettuce with the
sliced banana around. Put a spoonful of
whipped cream mayonnaise on top and
garnish, if desired, with the nuts, cherries
or orange rind. Serves six.

Pineapple Caramel Pudding

3 eggs 1 cup granulated

eggs
cup granulated
sugar
cup canned pineapple juice
teaspoon vanilla
cup flour

1 teaspoon baking
powder
teaspoon salt
4 slices canned
pineapple
ty cup brown sugar

BEAT the eggs until very light with the sugar. Add the pineapple juice, vanilla and dry ingredients sifted together and pour into a plain cake pan or mold, which has been generously greased with

butter, the slices of pineapple arranged in it and the brown sugar sprinkled over the fruit. Bake in a moderate oven—350-375 degrees F.—thirty to thirty-five minutes, unmold immediately and serve hot or cold, with or without additional diced canned pineapple with its juice. Serves six.

Strawberry-filled Sponge Cake Ring

ANY sponge cake mixture may be used for this, either a rich or plain variety. Bake in a "Mary Ann" cake pan, this being of such shape that, when baked, the cake turns out with a hollow center. Fill when cold with slightly sweetened strawberries and, if desired, pass cream separately, but do not pour it over the fruit, as it would make the cake soggy.

### Citrus Ade

1 cup sugar
1 cup boiling water
Thinly peeled rind
and juice 4 oranges
Juice 2 grapefruit

Juice 2 lemons
1 quart ginger ale
Fresh mint, optional
1 quart water

Juice 2 grapefruit

Doll. the sugar, water and orange rind together for five minutes. Remove the rind and when the sirup is cold, add it to the fruit juices. Chill, and, just before serving, blend with the ginger ale, also chilled. Serve in a pitcher with cracked ice, putting a sprig of mint, if used, into each glass. Serves eight to ten.

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# American Fruit Dainties

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Molded Gelatine with Mixed Fruits 2 packages prepared 2 cups mixed fruits raspberry jelly 2 pints boiling water

COMBINE the boiling water and jelly powder, stirring until thoroughly dissolved. Set aside to cool and when almost at the setting point, fold in gently the fruit, which may be canned or fresh or a combination of the two. Peaches, cherries, apricots, pineapple and pears are all suitable canned fruits and may be combined with fresh sliced bananas and sections of firm orange. There are excellent canned with fresh sliced bananas and sections of firm orange. There are excellent canned fruit salad combinations which may also be used. Be sure that the canned fruit is thoroughly drained before adding to the jelly; if desired, part or all of the fruit juice from the can may be substituted for part of the boiling water. Turn into a previously wet mold, chill, unmold and serve plain or with light cream.

Be sure that the jelly is almost at the setting point when turned into the mold so fruit will not sink to bottom.

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### Lemon Coconut Ice Box Pudding

% cup fresh butter Grated rind 1 large 1% cups sifted powdered sugar 1 tablespoon lemon o eggs
1 cup toasted coconut
4 bout 2 dozen lady
2 pint heavy cream, figers
3 whipped
4 TIME

LINE a mold with wax paper. Split, trim and cut the lady fingers to fit the mold, using them to line both bottom and sides, remembering that the round end of the lady fingers must be put down in

the mold, as this will be the top when it is inverted.

Cream butter, adding sugar gradually. Beat and add egg yolks, coconut, lemon rind and juice. Fold in whipped cream and egg whites, beaten until stiff. Turn half this mixture into previously prepared mold, imbed in it a layer of lady fingers, cover with remaining filling and top with more lady fingers. Place in refrigerator for twenty-four hours, unmold, lift off the paper and serve garnished with slightly sweetened whipped cream and maraschino or candied cherries. Serves eight.

### Stuffed Peach Salad

Stuffed Peach Salad

1 cream cheese
2 dozen salted almonds
2 teaspoon salt
Dash of paprika

BLEND the cream cheese, almonds (finely minced), salt, paprika and orange rind and form into small balls. If cheese is dry, moisten with spoonful of cream or orange juice. Drain peaches, arrange in nests of lettuce and place a cream cheese ball in the hollow of each peach. Serve with Peach Salad Dressing.

### Peach Salad Dressing

½ cup sirup from tanned peaches 2 egg yolks 1½ tablespoons sugar 4½ tablespoons 2 tabl

SCALD peach sirup, pour it over the yolks of eggs, which have been beaten until light with sugar, salt and paprika. (Continued on page 22)



Mr. Sid Ward, Udverticing Writer, Fils & Company, Philaselphia, R. Dear Sir o saw that ad your wife, ann ward, told you to write and podland clve. ia, Pa ... I don't think much of it. There wasn't a word about Filo. Naptha for baby clothes and, believe me, they take some washing. I've raised five children and I know. It's just wash, wash, wash! I never found a way to make that washing as Easy as reading a book but I did find Felo naptha took the dirt out carier. I suppose that is the "extra help" you talk about - the " good golden Soap and plenty of naptha working together". But what ever you call it if I do say so, my babies had the cleanest, whitest. Tweetest clother I Ever Saw. forgot was how handy Its. Napthe is for cleaning around the house. I never found anything like it for floors and woodwork, yet you say nothing about such uses. Then, too, you talk a lot about greace. That might make son think Feb. naptha is good only for heavy washing. That's not true! If is were I'd never have used it on my babies clother. Jordnes Knows they he dainty and cost Enough. Duce Fils-Rapotha on all my fine linens, too and and I've always said how wonderful tisfor keeping colors bright and fresh. This last hope you appreciate that This letter is in good spiritand meant to be helpful for though I don't know your wife friend of Irls. Naptha Soap.

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Claribel's shadow followed right along after her—the way every good shadow does. And Polly and Peter were on the shadow



Then Claribel took a long, long jump that landed her on a little, low star that wasn't very high in the sky

# A TOUR OF THE SKIES WITH CLARIBEL

Higher and Farther Than "Lindy" Ever Went-Way up to the Man in the Moon! Another Exciting Adventure of Polly and Peter Pom

# By PAUL A. FLORIAN

The Man in the Moon put his head out of the window and asked, "Who's there?"

I'T WAS very, very late, but Polly and Peter Pom just hadn't been able to fall asleep—perhaps the Sandman forgot all about them that night. And they lay in their beds talking about the adventures they had had and the many things they would like to do.

Peter Pom was saying, "What I'd like to do is to go way, way up and touch the moon. That's what I'd like."

And then they heard a soft voice say, "Oh, would you?"

Peter didn't know whose voice it was, but he said bravely, "Yes, I would."

"Then come with me," said the voice, and this time Peter and Polly recognized it—Claribel the cat was talking to them.

ing to them.
"Why, Claribel," exclaimed Polly. "How can you get up to the moon?"

Claribel sat down on the window sill and purred. "The moon is only one jump away from where I've been several times. I can take you there."
"Can you take us tonight?" asked Peter.

"Of course," Claribel answered, and switched her plumy black tail.

"All right, I'm ready," Peter said, and Polly said that she was, too. Then they asked Claribel how it was to be

done and the black cat said:

"There are several ways. Speaking for myself, I don't care to visit the moon. I've heard it's made of green cheese—which means that there are mice there—and of course I don't care to meet any more mice. Of course, I could wait on the top of a tree I know and when the moon rose up behind it, I could jump on it and ride up the sky. But I have a better plan, which I will show you."

### Riding Claribel's Shadow

Claribel leaped down off the window and padded silently out into the garden, with Peter and Polly following after. Now, the moon was already up in the sky and very, very bright, so the children couldn't imagine how Claribel was going to get them up, as she said she would.

"Now," said Claribel, "I'm going to jumn outo one of the lower branches of

yow, said Claribei, 'I'm going to jump onto one of the lower branches of the oak tree. Watch my shadow, Peter.' Peter did as he was asked and found Claribei's shadow stretched dark and soft across the sleeping grass. "Now stand on it, at the farthest end," said the cat. Polly and Peter stood on the shadow at the very farthest end. While they were doing that, Claribel prepared to jump again and she said, "Now, my shadow

follows me wherever I go, and I am going to let you ride on it."

ride on it."

So when Claribel jumped to the top of the tree, the shadow followed right along after—the way every good shadow does, like yours or mine. And Polly and Peter were on the shadow, so that they were right behind the cat.

Then Claribel took a long, long jump that landed her on a little, low star that wasn't very high in the sky. When she jumped, she gave a quick pull to her shadow and pulled it up beside her. "Now," she said, "we'll jump from one star to another until we get to the moon." Which is exactly what she started to do.

# Claribel Loses Her Footing

"It's lucky you have your velvet paws," said Polly when they stopped to rest after several long jumps.

# Boy and Girl Sail on Shadow of Cat to Visit the Man in the Moon

"The moon is not made of green cheese!" With this positive statement of fact, Polly and Peter Pom, the two youthful explorers just returned from a sky-tour, definitely set at rest the old myth regarding the composition of the moon. The sights and experiences of their thrilling journey are graphically described in this new story for Woman's World boys and girls.

"Yes, these stars are very slippery indeed," Claribel

Peter and Polly agreed with her. The stars were like big diamonds, with lights inside. "Two more jumps and we'll be on the big star that has a ring around it," Clari-bel told them, and she licked her velvet paws with her

bright red tongue.
So she jumped, and then jumped again—and there they were on the big bright star with a ring around it. Polly and Peter stood on the edge and looked down and way, way far below they could just see their own little house, with smoke coming out of the chimney and the window open just as they had left it.

"Now you can jump over to the moon," said

Claribel.

"We can't, if you don't," said Polly and Peter.

"But it's very easy. You just spring once, and don't even have to pull

Then Peter had an idea. He whistled twice and shouted

don't even have to pull your shadow after you as I did. Let me show you once more."

And Claribel took a long spring toward a shiny star not far away. But her foot slipped and her velvet claws couldn't hold on to the shiny star, and she fell down and down and down—but of course she didn't get hurt, because a cat never does get hurt when it falls.

But there Polly and Peter were alone up on the big star with the ring around it. And they didn't know what to do.

what to do.

## They Appeal to the Man in the Moon

Then Peter had an idea. He whistled twice and then shouted, "Oh, Mr. Man in the Moon, can you tell us how to get back home? We got lost up here by mistake."

The Man in the Moon put his head out of the window where he generally sits and asked, "Who's there?"

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"Well, well, well," said the Man in the Moon, with a smile that showed his shiny white teeth, that were like little stars. "I'm sailing over that way tonight luckily, and I'll pick you up."

That's exactly want he did. He tool. Polly and Peter inside his house and offered them some chocolate eclairs he had made himself (for he's a very good cook—and a bachelor, you know) and said he would be very glad to stop by their house on his way round the sky, and they could climb in their own window.

"We like it up here very much," Polly said politely, "but I guess we had better be home—they'd miss us so."

So the Man in the Moon stopped right outside their window and they thanked him and climbed back into bed. And next day they told Claribel positively that the moon was not made of green cheese. But moon was not made of green cheese. But still she didn't care to go up there again to find out for herself.

Note: The most wonderful adventure Polly and Peter ever had will be described in full in an early issue of Woman's World. Be sure to watch for it, boys and girls,

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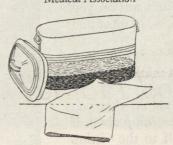
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By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

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How to Prepare Material for Sterilization

RAP the things of each kind in separate packages, using clean muslin or an old piece of clean sheeting as a wrapper, and pin them securely. Place: 1. 3 towels in a package. 2. 1 sheet in a package. 3. 2 nightgowns, with white cotton stockings, in a package. 4. 2 abdominal binders in a package. 5. 6 sanitary pads in a package. 6. 12 sponges made from gauze in a package. 7. 12 cotton pledgets in a package. 8. 1 delivery pad in a package.

Label each package by marking the contents on the wrapper with a lead pencil.

Articles may also be taken to a hospital for sterilization.

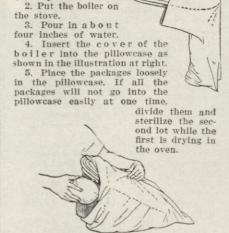
### Care of the Sterilized Material

After sterilizing the packages, place them, unopened, in a clean, freshly ironed pillowcase and in clean paper; label them and put them away in a clean, tight drawer or tight paper box until needed.

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(b) A pillowcase.
2. Put the boiler on



6. Pull the two open ends of the pillowcase on top of the boiler cover and pin

7. Put the pillowcase, containing the packages and cover, into the boiler, placing the cover on top of the boiler through the cloth. The cover will then support the pillowcase, which hangs down into the

pillowcase, which hangs down into the boiler like a sack.

8. Light the fire and boil vigorously for one hour. Then allow the boiler to cool.

9. Take out the pillowcase and its packages and place.

ages and place ages and place in an oven to dry, using a low fire, leaving the door slightly open and being careful not to scorch the materials.

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# What Is a Good Home?

Would You Choose Your Home for a Child?

By Blanche Gardner Spinney

To BE perfectly and brutally frank with yourself, if you were choosing a home for a child from an orphan asylum, would you choose yours?

Is the atmosphere clean and sweet, with plenty of good-humored fun thrown in? No coin on earth costs so little to mint and goes so far in paying life's heavy expenses as "good cheer."

Is the language used elevating and fit for childish ears or often tinged with questionable stories and loose fung?

Is the family spirit warm and generous or narrow and selfish?

Are the members of the family courteous and considerate in their relations toward

and considerate in their relations toward

would the child see a premium put upon snobbery and wealth or true value placed on the qualities that make a real man or

woman?
Would the child find a home in which mother was ever ready to sympathize with childish griefs and woes and share in joys and pleasures or would he find a mother "too busy to bother"?
Would he find a father and mother who continually clouded the family atmosphere with petty bickerings and quarrels?
If so, would you not decide that the child might have a better chance in life if sent elsewhere?

# Parental Obligations

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Parents cannot have too keen a sense of their obligations, for in their hands alone lies the shaping of their children's lives. To care for a child's mind as a skilled gardener cares for a choice garden and see that only the best seeds are planted there, watering, training and tending it with watchful skill, this is the art required in the profession of parenthood. Luther Burbank says: "If you are cultivating a plant, developing it into something finer and nobler, you must love it, not hate it; be gentle with it, not abusive; be firm, never harsh. I give the plants upon which I am at work in a test, whether a single one or a hundred thousand, the best possible environment and not one chance but a hundred chances. So should it be with a child, if you want to develop it in right ways."

We cannot treat a plant tenderly one day and harshly the next; they cannot stand it. Remember that you are training not only for today but for all the future, for all posterity.

No haphazard "fast and loose" methods

for all posterity.

No haphazard "fast and loose No haphazard "fast and loose" methods will avail. Ellen Key, the Swedish Nobel prize winner, says, "For every profession in the world a long and arduous training is required." Why, then, do some parents think they may assume parenthood, the most important profession of all, without any sense of its great obligations? The rearing of a child must be undertaken in a spirit of supreme consecration. So only will the race move onward to its ultimate

a spirit of supreme consecration. So only will the race move onward to its ultimate goal of perfection.

Herbert Spencer says: "The great error made by those who discuss questions of juvenile discipline is in ascribing all the faults and difficulties to the children and none to the parents."

A parent may be just as hard for the child to get along with as the child is for the parent.

the parent.

The most important commandment to parents is, "Know and train yourself."

This cannot be a mere preliminary to successful relations with children, it must continue as long as parents are responsible for the care and training of their children.

"Strength of character may be said to consist of two things, power of will and power of self-restraint." Teach your child the powerful value of self-control. This can best be done by the parents setting him an example of good conduct in this direction.

direction.

If our children see us lose our temper over every small mishap, they will be quick to do likewise when anything goes wrong with them. A sweet reasonableness must pervade the home atmosphere. The child will feel it and respond to it accordingly.

You will find your home more joyous, more peaceful, more harmonious in every

You will find your home more joyous, more peaceful, more harmonious in every way if self-control is practiced by all its members. And the inestimable blessing to a child who grows up in such a home, watched over from infancy by parents whose watchful self-control sets him an example that will become part of his own character and go with him through life, cannot be estimated.

## Maintain Cordial Atmosphere

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Never permit the least antagonism or friction to develop between yourself and your child. It is fatal to your future influence with him. As we know only to well, "Anger produces anger." So, if you allow a petty misdemeanor to arouse your temper, the child will instantly respond with his bad temper and an ugly situation is made much worse. Absolute self-control of the mother acts as an antidote to calm a child who is in a rage or temper.

A calm, low, even-voiced parent has twice the weight in controlling an angry child that a hasty, petulant-voiced one has. In learning self-control the child needs the assistance of both father and mother. When he hears them continually criticizing or finding fault with one another, the power of united appeal is lost.

I once read somewhere this: "We are today what we are because our past has been what it was: what we will be in the

I once read somewhere this: "We are today what we are because our past has been what it was; what we will be in the future depends upon what we now are." Nor is this all. We are now, by our voluntary choosing of this or that line of conduct, forming character and creating spiritual tendencies which shall be transmitted to our descendants; thus we are linked not alone with the past, but with the future

not alone with the past, but with the future.

Is not this an awe-inspiring thought to us parents? Each weakness that we help our child to outgrow, every fault that we aid him to conquer, we not only benefit our child's character, but we are building for all future generations.

Our child's future success and happiness is in our hands. By the high ideals that we kindle in him, by the aspirations and inspirations we arouse, by the habits of right living and the power of self-government we teach him, and the faith of his fathers that we gird him with, we can send him forth in life well equipped to meet its battles.

"Remain thou in this unity of thy life

"Remain thou in this unity of thy life thyself," says Froebel, "or else thou canst not lead thy child therein." The example of self-control that you set for your child will have far-reaching effect in molding his

will have far-reaching effect in molding his character and disposition.

President Dwight once said that "each child should begin his education by selecting the right kind of parents." Not parents with the blazonry of coat of arms and heraldry, but parents with inherited virtues which they will seek to instill in their offspring by the right moral training.

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# Love in the Air

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she wandered about the big sitting-room, though it was nice to see all the familiar pictures and books again, and thrilling to find that Bingo, the canary, had not quite forgotten her. When they at last appeared, dressed in their very best and beaming with delight at the unexpected treat, she hurried them as fast as possible to the waiting car, where Ambrose assisted them to their places.

They all asked so many questions about Gran and the new home in which they were living that the car was rolling up the drive before Patsy had answered half of them. She popped out as soon as Ambrose opened the door, sped into the house ahead of the guests, up the stairs and out onto the porch.

the porch.

There sat Gran, knitting placidly, the silvery gray silk sweeping the floor. Her snowy hair curled softly about her face and her eyes were brightly blue as she looked up to smile at Patsy. "Oh, there you are, darling! How nice you look! Are your dollies all dressed for my birthday party?"

you are, darling! How nice you look! Are your dollies all dressed for my birthday party?"

"Uh-huh!" Patsy gurgled. "They're all dressed. They're coming right up!"

She darted away again, down the stairs; met the group of ladies who had stopped to exclaim and admire below the great window; marshaled them up the stairs and down the hall. They came slowly because of Mrs. Calkins' lame back and Miss Liston's stiff knee. Every now and then, little cackles of excited amusement would break out, to be sternly suppressed by Patsy's warning "Sssssh!"

They stood grouped in the doorway a moment before Gran looked up from her knitting. Then, while her eyes grew wide with wonder, they all joined hands and went circling gayly around her, until Miss Liston's knee gave out and she had to stop.

They were suddenly dignified then, as though ashamed of their hilarity. They shook hands with Gran, wished her a happy birthday and sat stiffly down in the cushioned chairs.

Patsy had whispered in Gran's ear, when she hugged her, that cook had let her have the party. Gran had looked queer for a moment, then she nodded and smiled and began to make the guests feel at home. In no time they were all rocking and chatting away, and Patsy had to laugh as she listened to the buzz of their voices.

THE great moment came when Hetty entered, trim and pretty in her black and white, carrying the big silver tray, and put it on the table right before Gran. Patsy almost burst with pride then, for the ladies were watching Gran so admiringly as her thin, white hands poured the fragrant tea. Hetty passed the cups and Patsy followed with plates of tiny sandwiches and the dainty spice cakes. The ladies ate and talked and laughed, a soft breeze fluttered the gay awnings and for a moment a meadow lark sat on a swaying branch and poured a golden flood of song upon them. It was a beautiful party. Patsy wished it could go on and on, the dear old ladies and Mrs. Malone always there to make Gran laugh and look happy. But already Hetty was removing the tea things and presently she would come to tell the visitors that Ambrose was ready to take them back to the Home. Even now Patsy could hear the sound of the car on the drive.

Leaning over the balcony rail, she looked down, wishing she could tell Ambrose not to hurry. But it was not Ambrose who was standing at the door of the car. It was not Aunt Alice's car. It was a smaller one, a funny checkered car. A lady was (Continued on page 22)

# What Is a Good Home?

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# Love in the Air

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stepping out. Someone to call on Aunt Alice. Patsy leaned farther over to look at the lady and almost lost her balance. For the lady was Aunt Alice. She handed some money to the driver, turned to enter the house.

Patsy drew back and looked with fright-greed executives of the guests. Mrs. Malone was

Patsy drew back and looked with frightened eyes at her guests. Mrs. Malone was telling a story and they were all listening and laughing. Unnoticed, Patsy slipped from the porch, ran to the head of the stairs and stopped to think.

None of them had ever dreamed that Aunt Alice would change her plans. She was supposed to be at the symphony concert all afternoon and Ambrose was to have called for her. Now she would find the old ladies here! That was what Hetty had feared. "She might fire the lot of us!" Hetty had said. Perhaps she was "firing" them this very minute!

A quick scurry down the stairs followed this terrifying thought. She must make Aunt Alice understand that she was the one that was to blame. Cook and Ambrose and Hetty must not be "fired."

Out onto the wide terrace she dashed. Mrs. Van Dorn was just coming in, stately and handsome but looking rather tired. As she saw Patsy rushing toward her, she smiled in a surprised, pleased way. Patsy stood still and stared when she saw that smile.

"Did you come to meet me?" Aunt Alice

smile.

"Did you come to meet me?" Aunt Alice asked.

PATSY nodded speechlessly. She had not PATSY nodded speechlessly. She had not known Aunt Alice could look like that, her somber dark eyes wistful and kind. It made a terrible lump come to Patsy's throat, but she swallowed desperately once or twice, then blurted out: "We're having a party! Upstairs on the porch! W-with tea and sandwiches and cakes! And it's all my fault! And you mustn't 'fire' cook or Ambrose or Hetty, 'cause I'm the one that did it!"

Two uncontrollable tears slipped down

Two uncontrollable tears slipped down her cheeks, Aunt Alice was not smiling now. She would be angry in just a mo-

'It's Gran's birthday," Patsy quavered "It's Gran's birthday," Patsy quavered on, "and I was going to have a dolls' party, and then I—I thought how nice it would be to have some real tea, and—and then I thought how much nicer it would be to have some real people 'stead of just dolls for her birthday, so I—I went and got some of her partic'lar friends, and—and they're up there now!"

Aunt Alice was looking at her in amazement. "Her friends?" she repeated.

"Uh-huh!" Patsy sniffed. "Mrs. Malone and three of the old ladies from the Home."

Home."
"Oh!" said Aunt Alice rather blankly.

"I see!" "And nobody's to blame but me!" Patsy told her again in a tone of tragedy. "I did it for Gran 'cause it's her birthday and she's old and nobody thought about her but me, and—"

She stopped, choked by her tears, but Aunt Alice seemed to know avector Sne stopped, choked by her tears, but Aunt Alice seemed to know exactly what was in her mind, for she said: "And Gran's not very happy and you are not very happy and nobody is very happy—and it's all because there's not much love-in-the-air here. Is that it, Patsy?"

Patsy gulped and hunted for her hand-kerchief.

Aunt Alice's eyes were lifted now to the big house, rested for an instant upon the terrace and the deep, cool garden beyond. And when they came back to Patsy, they (Continued on page 23)

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Quick Fruit Bread

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## Love in the Air

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were blurred with tears. "Once there was a great deal of love-in-the-air here!" she said sadly. "A great deal! I'm sorry it's

with a sharp cry, Patsy flung herself upon her aunt, her arms around the slender dark figure. "Oh, it isn't!" she sobbed. "It isn't!"

There, there!" said Aunt Alice. "You

"It isn't!"

"There, there!" said Aunt Alice. "You mustn't cry!"

"I didn't know!" Patsy wept. "When I wrote that old verse, I didn't know you were so—so sweet!"

Aunt Alice's hand patted the child's shoulder with a shy but comforting touch. "Don't cry any more! Grandmother will see that you have been crying, and it will spoil her birthday."

As Patsy raised her head from the folds of Aunt Alice's dress, she heard a door open and close behind her. It was Shirley, and she was carrying a leather bag in her hand. She was halfway across the terrace before she noticed her mother and Patsy. Then she stopped and stared at them in a frightened way.

Patsy felt the hand on her shoulder tighten its clasp, but Aunt Alice's voice was quiet as she asked: "Where are you going, daughter?"

The girl came toward them rapidly, faced her mother with her head held high. "I'm going away!" she said tensely. "I'm going to be married—tonight!"

The hand on Patsy's shoulder was gripping so hard that it hurt.

"We've a right to live our own lives," Shirley's queer, hushed voice went on. "We'll be poor but that won't matter, because we'll be—together."

AUNT ALICE was trembling all over and with a sudden feeling of pity Patsy

AUNT ALICE was trembling all over and with a sudden feeling of pity, Patsy touched the hand that clung to her. The dark eyes turned from Shirley and looked down at her, stern eyes at first but gradually the hardness seemed to leave them. She nodded, as if in answer to something that Patsy had said.

Shirley had turned away, but looked back as her mother called her name. "Wouldn't it be better," Aunt Alice asked haltingly, "to be—married—here, in your own home? Suppose you—wait, and ask—Ted about it."

A perfect flame of happiness lit in Shir-

—Ted about it."

A perfect flame of happiness lit in Shirley's eyes. "Mother!" she breathed. "Oh, mother! Do you mean it?"

A step sounded on the gravel. It was Ambrose, cap in hand, looking rather sheepish. "Any orders, Mrs. Van Dorn?" he asked.

sheepish. "Any orders, Mrs. Van Dorn?" he asked.

"You may take the ladies back to the Home whenever they are ready to go. That is all, Ambrose."

"Yes'm!" said Ambrose.

He turned away, stiff and straight, but Patsy knew he had seen Aunt Alice's arm around her and that he had not missed the shining joy in Shirley's face.

Aunt Alice was smiling again and holding out to Patsy a square green pasteboard box that dangled from her finger by its cord. "Here's a little gift for grandmother!" she said gently.

Patsy took it with a squeal of joy. "For her birthday?"

her birthday?"

She nodded. "Don't you want to take it up to her?"

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# Alimony

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of pride. He'd pay it if he had to starve

of pride. He'd pay it if he had to starve himself—or her!"

Starve himself—or her. That was the way he felt about it. She was part of him. His pride was her pride. It was one and the same thing. And Adam was of the sensitive type whose pride increases with poverty. Suddenly Rhoda realized that at whatever cost she must protect that self-esteem which was part of her and of Adam. Decency was dull but it was dear. She glowed as she came to this decision. She pulled the covers up a little more snugly across her husband's chest. He stirred sleepily.

"Everything all right, Rhodadear?"

"Everything all right, Rhodadear?"
"Everything all right, old fellow. Go to

sleep."
Rhoda calculated quickly. The little imported clock from the guest-room mantel, the blue luster vase from the living-room, twin silver candlesticks from the dining-room, a piece of fine old pottery from its dignified place under the hall window, some crystal from her wedding presents—these should bring twenty-five dollars. Down in the next square there was a pawn shop which kept open at night . . .

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stead of wasting their time in "culture classes" acquiring a superficial smattering of French, a cursory acquaintance with literature, a daub at art or music where there is no real possibility of artistic talent, they would devote themselves to the fullest possible development of their motherhood in successfully furthering the evolution of their children.

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"Oh, dear, I wish we had mission furniture at our house like you have," wailed

of mother, and the prerogatives and privileges which belong to the noblest vocation in life."

"Oh, dear, I wish we had mission furniture at our house like you have," wailed a small boy disconsolately to his playmate. "I can't even have a birthday party this year because mother's just had our mahogany dining-room table refinished and she says the boys would spill all over it and scratch the legs up with their feet and she's not going to have a hundred-year-old Colonial table ruined by children."

And as I saw the discontented, unhappy face of the small boy, I could picture in my mind the overfussy mother who was just housekeeping rather than home-keeping for her family. Such are the mothers who later in life wring their hands and wail that "John just won't stay at home nights, and such a good home! I just can't understand it."

Good furniture an artistic surroundings are very desirable, but they do not make a good home. In a good home the mother shows an appreciation of the value of social life for her children. She allows their friends to drop in for occasional meals without the fuss of a planned company dinner. An extra plate put down and a cordial welcome are all that is necessary. She plans little festivities for the holidays and surprises for their birthdays. She allows the rugs to be taken up and dancing enjoyed without fear of scratching the hardwood floors.

So, as this mother's daughter grows to girlhood, it is certain she will not be obliged to go dashing madly about from one "thé dansant" to another at questionable restaurants, for she will have the social background of a good home to which she can always invite her friends. You can maintain it in a city flat or simple cottage home as well as in a palace. It is you, Mrs. Mother, who makes or mars that social background of the home for your children.

Are you giving your family a really good home?

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good home?

A parent-teachers' association has recently printed a placard questionnaire that seems to me particularly valuable as an eye-opener of admonition to any parents

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# What Is a Good Home?

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who are careless of their duties toward their most precious possessions—their children. It is as follows:

"Do you encourage your child to have due respect for the teachers and others in authority at the school?

"Do you visit the school to inquire about your child's progress and deportment and to see if you can help the teacher help the child?

"Do you send your child to bed in time.

to see if you can help the teacher help the child?
"Do you send your child to bed in time, so that he will be rested and refreshed for diligent study during the day?
"Do you provide plain, nourishing food for your child and see that he is up in time to enjoy a good nourishing breakfast?
"Do you teach your child to read the papers and to learn from what is best in them, and so encourage an interest in public."

papers and to learn from what is best in them, and so encourage an interest in public affairs?

"Do you avoid gossip in the presence of your children and the discussion of matters in their hearing which might be wrongly interpreted by them?

"Do you interest yourself in your child's sports, amusements and friendships?

"Do you comply with the rules of public health in your home and teach your children to respect them?

"Do you keep in mind the fact that while the school may do much to instill right principles of living, your children will nevertheless be handicapped unless you likewise uphold those ideals through every available opportunity of home instruction?"

I wonder if you have ever felt the need

I wonder if you have ever felt the need of knowing more intimately about the many characteristics of the growing boy or girl which school life reveals to the teacher. You have no way of knowing how association with large groups of young people constantly develops new and very important traits in your child. To most successfully cope with the problems of youth so that the child may receive intelligent and at the same time sympathetic consideration requires the closest kind of cooperation between the school and the home.

If you have not a parent-teacher asso-ciation in your town, try and get enough public-spirited men and women interested to organize one. Do this for the welfare of your children and for the lasting benefit of your community.

# Love in the Air

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Patsy caught her aunt's hand, laid her cheek passionately against it. "Oh, Aunt Alice!" she crooned. "You're so sweet!"
She flashed away, carrying the precious box. At the door she turned to wave, but they were not watching her now. They were going together across the terrace and out to the shadow-dappled garden. Shirley's arm was around her mother. Her little leather bag lay where she had dropped it.

With a happy laugh, Patsy darted up the stairs, her 'heart as light as if wings were carrying her along. She paused for an instant at the door of the porch. Mrs. Malone was finishing another story and all the old ladies were laughing merrily.

Patsy burst in; threw herself upon her grandmother. "Look, Gran!" she exulted. "A birthday present!"

"For me, dear?" Gran asked in astonishment.
"Omen it, Gran! It's for you! Your

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"For me, dear?" Gran asked in astonishment.

"Open it, Gran! It's for you! Your birthday present!"

Encircled by smiling faces, centered with friendly interest upon the gift, Gran untied the green cord with trembling old hands, lifted the cover and drew forth a great bunch of violets, with three tiny rosebuds in the center. While the old ladies cried out with delight, grandmother's eyes were upon the card that accompanied the gift. "'To mother'," she read quaveringly, "'with loving birthday greetings from Alice'."

She looked up, her face radiant. "From my daughter!" she said proudly.

"Look at that, now!" ejaculated Mrs. Malone.

"Look at that, now!" ejaculated Mrs. Malone,
Patsy pressed her cheek against grandmother's. "Oh, Gran!" she whispered.
"Aunt Alice is just sweet!"
From one to another of the little group
her beaming gaze went; came to rest at
last upon the sympathetic face of Mrs.

Malone.
"There's love-in-the-air here, too, Mrs.
Malone!" she said with a deep sigh of
content.
Mrs. Malone nodded in perfect understanding. "Now, ain't that the truth!"
she replied happily.



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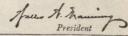
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# The POSTMAN'S WHISTLE PAGE

# A Messenger of Sunshine and Good Cheer by and for Our Subscribers

Cash Prizes Awarded in Fish Recipe and Quilt Design Competitions

NCE again the versatility of Woman's World homemakers has been demonstrated and two notable groups of achievements along widely separated lines are the result. The quilt design competition evoked a variety and beauty of patterns which for originality of treatment entitles them to a place among the choicest creations of Colonial days when this form of handicraft was in flower.

The second competition was for novel and practical ways of preparing fish and, from the number and excellence of the recipes submitted, one would almost think we were a nation of nimrods and that our chief article of diet was fish. But it was merely another proof, as was the quilt competition, of the thoroughness and adaptability

of the women who preside over America's homes.

Following are the names of the winners in both conpetitions. Our congratulations are theirs.—The Editors.

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Mrs. Ole Monson,
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Fish Recipe Prize Winners

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Mrs. J. No. Jacobs, Lowa.

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into lined pie pan and bake until mixture is firm. move from oven and spread with meringue made by beating the whites of 2 eggs until stiff and gradually adding ¼ cup of powdered sugar. Return to oven and brown -Mrs. C. A. R., N. D.

Like a Thousand Years

He was ten years old, and when he slipped out of the house at daylight, he left a note saying he was going

West to fight Indians.

A discouraging combination of forces, hunger, weariness, homesickness and a general change of viewpoint,

### Grape-Mint Ade

2 cups grape juice 2 cups grapefruit juice and

1 quart water 1½ cups sugar Small bunch of mint Cracked ice

Blend all fruit juices and grapefruit pulp, add 1 pint of water, boil the remaining water and mint, sugar, lemon rind. Remove the lemon rind, add sirup to fruit juices. Serve in tall glasses, with cracked ice and sprig of mint.
—Mrs. L. M. T., fex.

### Quack, Quack!

"A little bird told me what kind of a lawyer your father was."

"What did he say?"

"Cheep, cheep."

"Well, a duck told me what kind of a doctor your old man was."

—M. C., Ohio.

### Rolled Jelly Cake

Beat the yolks until light, then add the sugar, 2 table-spoons water and pinch salt; lastly stir in flour, in which 1 tea-spoon baking powder is mixed. Add flour gradually. Bake in long, shallow pan, well greased. Turn out on a damp towel, cover top with jelly and roll up while warm. -Mrs. A. M. S., Pa.

### Graham Fruit Bread

2 cups whole wheat Graham flour 1 cup dried fruit, chopped fine (raisins, prunes, dates, etc.) 1 cup milk 1/4 cup nuts 1/2 cup orange peel

Mix dry ingredients, add melted Mix dry ingredients, add melted shortening, fruits, beaten eggs, milk, sorghum, nuts and orange peel, which has been chopped fine before drying. Bake at 325 degrees F. one hour. This makes one loaf and is best baked in good-sized pan.

—Mrs. A. E., Ill.

### Full Time

Visitor (in factory): "Do you have to work long hours here?"
Workman (happily): "No, only the regulation length, sixty minutes."
—E. A. S., Nebr.

### Rice-Salmon Loaf

2 cups boiled rice 1 can salmon 3 eggs 1 cup rich milk 1 tablespoon but- Salt and pepper

Mix eggs and rice thoroughly. Into a buttered baking dish put first a layer of the rice mixture, seasoning with salt and pepper, seasoning with sait and pepper, and then a layer of salmon, repeating until you have it all in the dish. Over the top put the butter in little pieces. Then pour in the milk and bake in moderate oven.

—L. O., N. D.

# To Cube Pineapple Quickly

Drain off all juice, empty the contents of can into a shallow bowl. With a sharp knife, cut from top to bottom. When you have gone all around like this, you have a neat job and eight slices cubed as easily and as quickly as one.

—A. M. C., Mass.

### Putting Out Fires

To put out a kerosene fire, pour milk over the flames; it will put the fire out at once. Don't pour water on burning fat; smother it with flour or an old blanket.

—Miss A. Z., Iowa.

### Raising Her Bid

Lady: "Little girl, I'll give you a penny for a kiss."
Little Girl: "No, I get more than that for taking castor oil."

—A. P., W. Va.

# Preparing Lettuce

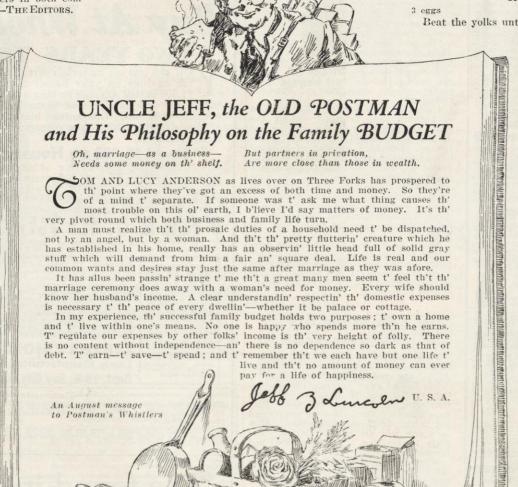
When you wish to separate head lettuce, cut the stem out, leaving head whole. Place under faucet, allowing water to run into cavity made. Leave for a few minutes when leaves can be easily separated without tearing.

—Mrs. W. H. K., Vt.

### To Remove Grass Stains

Rub the article with commercial alcohol. Kerosene will also remove the stains but will turn the spot yellow and it then must be washed well with soap and water, first cold, then hot.

—L. D. R., N. Y.



Pimiento and Apple Sandwiches 1 small can

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She Do, Do She?

Mose: "When mah wife gets kissed, she sho do hollar."

Gawge: "Ah'll say she do."

Mose: "What you say, niggah?"

Gawge: "Ah sayed, do she?"

—G. S., Ohio.

¼ cup sugar 3 tablespoons salad dressing pimientos
5 medium-sized
apples

Chop the pimientos and apples, add the sugar and salad dressing and mix well. Spread between slices of white bread cut in triangles. —Mrs. C. M. H., Tex.

# Expected Too Much

Patient: "Will that anesthetic
make me sick?"

Doctor: "Not a bit."
Patient: "How long will it be before I know anything?"

Doctor: "See here, young man, isn't that asking a good deal of an anesthetic?"

—Mrs. H. S., Ind.

### Raisin Ham Filling

cup sweet cucumber pickles Mayonnaise cup puffed raisins

Run ham, pickles and raisins through the food grinder or chop finely. Add lemon juice and enough mayonnaise to spread easily. Spread between slices of white or dark bread and cut sandwiches in various shapes.

-Mrs. H. E. C., Nebr.

# Pineapple Ice Cream

1 quart can crushed pineapple Juice 2 lemons 1 quart water 1 pint cream 3 cups sugar 1 cup milk

Mix pineapple, water, sugar and lemon juice, and stir until sugar is dissolved. Put into freezer and turn until half frozen; then add 1 pint of cream and 1 cup of milk and finish freezing.

—Mrs. J. W. M., Mo.

### Ripe Currant Pie

Line a pie pan with plain pastry. Brush over with the slightly beaten white of egg. Mash 1 cup freshly gathered ripe currants, add 1 cup sugar, ½ cup water, 2 slightly beaten egg yolks and 1 tablespoon flour. Turn mixture

however, overcame him, and 9:30 p. m. found him return-

however, overcame him, and 9:30 p. m. found him returning to the parental roof.

He had expected the family to receive him with open arms, but nobody seemed even to notice he had come back.

At last, Jiminy, the cat, not being in on the family secret, rubbed affectionately against the prodigal son's legs. In a desperate effort to start the conversational ball rolling, he reached over and patted it and demanded in a strained voice: "Is this the same old cat you had when I went away?"

—J. B. R., Minn.

### Pressed Chicken

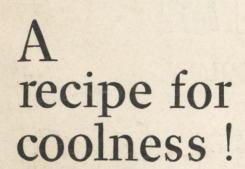
Cook an old fowl until tender, remove meat from bones and season with salt and pepper. Chop fine, cover with broth from meat, add a little chopped celery and place in dish or bowl for pressing. Use a weight to press. When cold, slice and serve on platter garnished with parsley.

—F. A. L., Ill.

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