

The Girl in the Mirror

By Elizabeth Jordan

CHAPTER XIV

Mr. Shaw Decides to Talk

At the garage he found Burke faithful to his trust and with an alert eye for more five-dollar bills. The proprietor temporarily lost sight of these, however, in his sudden and vivid interest in the new patron's appearance. Laurie answered his questions with a word that definitely checked the further development of curiosity. Then, building over the stove, and warming his feet, he curtly outlined his intentions. He was going to change back into his own clothes, he explained, and he would want his car at five o'clock sharp. This, he intimated, would give Burke a little more than half an hour in which to get his mental processes started again and to have the car ready.

Burke whistled inaudibly. Obviously the joke he had played had not panned out to the young man's taste. Burke was sorry for that. His experience had been that with these young "rounders" generosity went hand in hand with success and its attendant exhilaration; and that when depression set in, as it obviously had done in this instance, a sudden paralysis numbed the open palm.

However, even granting that this was so, he had already been largely overpaid for anything he had done or might still be expected to do. He nodded his response to the young man's instructions, and though he was not a subtle person, he succeeded in conveying at the same time a sense of his sympathy with the natural annoyance of a high-spirited practical joker whose joke had plainly miscarried. Ordinarily his attitude would have amused Devon, but Laurie was far from his sense of humor just now. Still whistling softly, Burke departed, to make a final inspection of the car, leaving Laurie the sole occupant of the cramped and rattled-in corner that

represented the private office. That young man was in the grip of a characteristic Devon rage, and as he rapidly got back into his own clothing his fury mounted until the blood pounded at his temples. He dared not let himself sum up the case against Shaw, though the manner in which he had been kicked out savored strongly of contempt. Evidently Shaw didn't care where he was, so long as he was outside of the house.

Neither dared he sum up the case against Doris, though he could not for a moment banish from his mind the picture of her as she had stood with her back to him and his four assailants. Why had she stood thus? Because she was indifferent to any fate that befell him? Or because she was numbed by her own misery? Crowding forward with these questions was a sick fear for her, alone in that sinister house with four thugs and an old hag whose sole human quality seemed to be a sardonic sense of humor exercised at his, Laurie's, expense.

What might happen to her? What might be happening even now? And what assurance had he that even if he again succeeded in entering the house, a very remote possibility, he could accomplish anything against Shaw and his companions? Oh, if only he had waited and brought Rodney with him! Together, he felt, the two of them could have met and overcome a regiment of men like Shaw and his secretary.

A wild impulse came to him to take Burke with him in his second effort, but an appraising look at that seedy individual checked it. He was convinced that Burke could neither fight nor keep his mouth shut. Owing to his promise to Doris, police help, of course, was out of the question. No, he must go back alone. But this time there would be no semi-ignominious departure. He would either bring Doris away, or he would remain there with her. And if Shaw wanted trouble, he'd get it, and it would be the real thing.

That afternoon, on his first visit to The Cedars, his new instinct of caution had made him leave behind him the little revolver he had brought. He knew his own hot temperament too well to risk carrying it, and he had an arrogant faith in his own physical strength which, as a rule, had been justified. Now, however, he retrieved the weapon, and with a sudden tightening of the lips dropped it into his overcoat pocket.

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Public Sale, Sat. August, 28, commencing 1 p. m. Butler & Ahr's Sale Barn, Decatur, Ind. 25 milk cows of which 10 are Guernseys, 3 of them registered. 300 head Hogs; 200 Breeding Ewes; 4 registered Shropshire Rams. 203-21

Women Just as Good as Men in Business, Says British Business Woman

By Victor W. Knauth. (United Press Staff Correspondent) London (United Press).—Viscountess Rhonda, who is a director in 28 important companies, refuses to believe that women as a whole are either better or worse suited to business than men. She was recently elected president of the Institute of Directors, the first woman to hold the position.

"It is purely an individual matter," she said of women in business. "It is impossible to generalize. There has been a big development recently and signs of a general awakening to the idea of women working side by side with men in business. This is a good thing. I believe, for the commercial world and for the nation as a whole. In a country where business and trade are premier factors you want to recruit the whole of the business ability of the country instead of only half."

Sir John Cockburn, inaugurating Lady Rhonda as president of the Institute of Directors, said that women generally are more even-tempered and more business-like than men.

"They do not rise to such heights of disastrous imagination or sink to such depths of despair, and they are less likely to plunge," he said. Lady Rhonda did not agree with him.

There are now more than two hundred women acting as directors of important business concerns in England, Lady Rhonda said. She is, in her own words, "keen to see women admitted to the stock exchange."

BANNER WHEAT COUNTIES NAMED

Adams County Third Among Best Wheat Producing Counties Of State

Adams county ranked third among all counties of the state in the production of wheat this year, according to a bulletin just issued by the Indiana Grain Dealers' Association. Wells county was tied with Adams county, with an average yield of 30 bushels per acre.

Clinton county was rated as the banner wheat yield county of the state.

with an average yield of 33 bushels per acre. Hendricks county was second with an average yield of 32 bushels per acre.

The total wheat yield of the state has been estimated at 34,650 bushels of spring wheat and 74,000 bushels of winter wheat.

The ten largest wheat producing counties in the state were listed as follows: Clinton, 33; Hendricks, 32; Adams and Wells, 30; Kosciusko, 29; Wabash, 28; Tipton, 28; Grant, 27; Huntington, Whitley and Madison, 25; bushels each. The ten counties producing the smallest average bushels per acre are: Park and Vermillion, 15 each; Putnam, 13; Switzerland, 14; Brown, Marshall Porter and Pike each 16.

Pavement Of Road From Muncie To Bluffton Sought

Hartford City, Aug. 26.—A movement aimed to bring about the paving of State road No. 13, between Muncie and Bluffton, via Hartford City and Montpelier, was launched at the meeting of the Rotary Club, Monday evening when members assembled at the

Rainbow Inn, northwest of the city, for their weekly luncheon.

The fact that Blackford county does not have a single mile of hard surface state road was brought to the attention of the club by W. C. Niece. Mr. Niece stated that other counties were organized and active and were getting paved roads while Blackford county was standing still and getting nothing.

There was an interesting discussion, following which T. M. Parker was instructed to get in touch with the presidents of the Muncie and Bluffton clubs with the idea of interesting these two cities in the movement to bring about the pavement, which would complete the highway from Indianapolis to Fort Wayne.

The support of all citizens and other civic organizations will be solicited if it decides to carry the movement forward. Further action will likely be taken next Monday evening at the Rotary luncheon.

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There also will be several planes on the field to carry passengers, the managers of the field stated today. Refreshments will be served on the grounds and the public is cordially invited to attend the circus.

The Smith brothers are said to be classed with the best aviators of the middle west, and they have an abundance of thrills in store for those who witness the circus.

Stockholder's Meeting Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens Telephone Company, of Decatur, Indiana, will be held at the office of the secretary of said company, in the city of Decatur, Indiana, on

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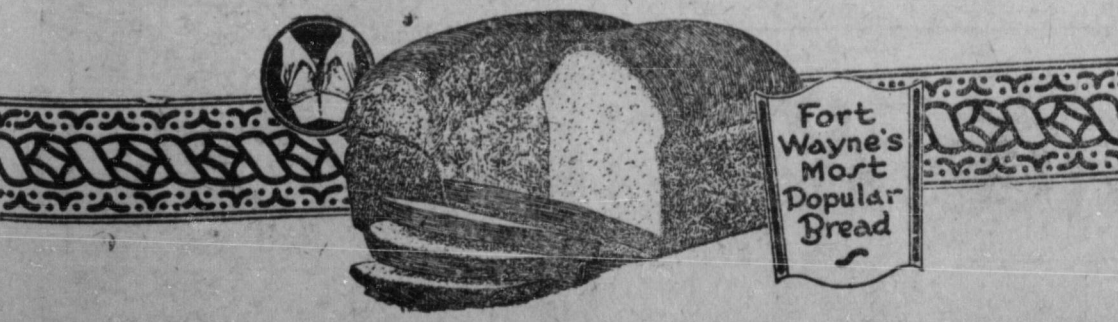
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