



The GIRL in the MIRROR

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When those four men, headed by Shaw, had entered that upper room, Doris had not been surprised. She had expected them. Moreover, she had not been really afraid. Instead, she had worn a look of flaming anger and of sudden resolution. She had stepped forward as if to speak. Her very lips had been parted for speech.

Then, Shaw had looked at her, and slowly she had turned away and stood staring out of the window, her back to the room and its tableau. In short, with one glance of his veiled, protruding eyes, Shaw had conquered her, and Laurie himself had seen, what no one could have made him believe, her instantaneous and complete submission.

It was this revelation which had added the smoke barrage of doubt to the situation, clouding his faculties and temporarily stifling his faith. In the face of this, how could he still trust? Yet he had promised to trust, to believe, "whatever happened." Those had been his own words, and she had wept and told him he was "wonderful!"

The deep breath he had drawn ended in a sigh. He was fighting more than one storm, and in this instant he felt an indescribable weariness of soul and body. But not for a second did he hesitate in the course he had decided on. Later, when Doris was safe, perhaps things would clear up. For the moment there was one thing, and one alone, to be done.

The trees around the house made the approach under their cover a fairly easy one. However, he moved slowly, missing no precaution. He hardly believed the zeal of the Italians would keep them out in the storm, but they might have rigged up some sort of shelter, or, more probably, they might be doing sentry work at some of those dark windows.

Clinging close to the trees, he skirted the house, then approached it from the rear, and slipped along the side of the building, hugging the wall. As he noiselessly moved he listened, but no sound came from inside. When he reached the front right wing he stopped, and looking up, verified his swift impressions of the afternoon.

A wide veranda swung around the front and side of this wing, supported by substantial pillars, up any one of which he knew he could climb like a cat. The roof of the veranda opened on the low French front windows of the upstairs sitting-room. There was no question that within a few moments he himself could enter that sitting-room.

Again he looked around, and listened. There was no sound or motion, save those caused by the storm. The next instant he was climbing the pillar toward the dimly lighted window. The ascent was not so easy as he had pictured it. To his chagrin, he made several unsuccessful efforts before he finally drew himself over the top of the veranda roof, and lying flat in the snow, slowly recovered the breath exhausted by his efforts.

Lying thus, and stretching out an arm, he could almost touch the nearest window with his fingers, almost, but not quite. Still lying flat, he dragged himself a yard farther. His head was now in line with the window, but the close-drawn shade shut out all but the suggestion of the inner light. He hesitated a moment, then, very cautiously, tapped on the frosty pane.

There was no response. He tapped again, and then a third time, twice in succession and more compellingly. This time he thought he heard a movement in the room, but he was not sure.

He waited a moment, then softly signaled again. There was no question now about the movement in the room. He heard it distinctly, heard it approach the window, heard it cease, then saw the curtain slowly drawn. The face of Doris looked out, at first vaguely, as if she had fancied the noise some manifestation of the storm. But in the next instant she glanced down, saw him, and obviously checked an exclamation. In another moment

she had opened the window, and without straightening up he had slipped across the sill.

Neither spoke. Laurie was looking about the room, reassuringly empty, save for those two. He closed the window, drew the shade, and became conscious that she held his hand and was drawing him urgently toward the fire. At the same time she answered his unasked question.

"They're all down in the kitchen, I think. Listen!"

She opened the door leading to the hall, and, going out, leaned over the stair-rail.

"Yes, they're still there," she reported when she came back. "All but one of the Italians. They're eating now, and after that I think they're planning to leave."

"Where's the bag?"

"Waiting on them."

She spoke detachedly, almost dully. As in the morning, she was not surprised; but tonight there was in her manner a suggestion of repressed excitement which it had not held before. "Have you a heavy coat?" he asked her.

"Yes."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

"Garter Bandit" Makes A Break For Liberty

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 28.—(United Press.)—Mrs. Alice King, 17, "garter bandit" was back in the detention home here today after a sensational break for liberty.

She slipped through iron bars that were barely six inches apart, climbed an eighteen-foot wall and fled but was caught by a passerby who took up the chase.

The woman was arrested charged with stealing a pair of initialed garters from a downtown store.

Man Killed On State Road Near Portland

V. R. Newland, 47, of Lawrenceville, Illinois, was fatally injured in an auto accident on State road 21, near Deerfield, south of Portland, about 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The Newland car skidded in loose gravel and ran into a ditch when the driver, D. O. Newland, a son of the man who was killed, swerved his car to avoid striking another machine at a cross-road. Mr. Newland was pinned beneath the car and was dead when removed from the wreckage. The family consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Newland, a son and a daughter, were returning to their home after spending their annual vacation at Crooked Lake. None of the other members of the party were seriously injured.

Prohibition Czars To Hold Conference Sept. 20

Washington, August 28.—(United Press.)—A congress of the nation's prohibition enforcement czars was called today by Assistant Secretary of Treasury Andrews, who returned from his vacation and summoned all dry administrators to meet in the capital September 20. It is the first conference in the history of prohibition.

The administrators will be put through an extensive course in dry law enforcement and procedure, he said.

Elks To Hold State Convention Next Week

Elkhart, Ind., Aug. 28.—(United Press.)—Members of the Elks lodge of Elkhart today were making preparations to entertain a host of visiting members of the order during the state convention next week.

It is estimated that eight thousand or more persons will attend the convention.

New Bridges Completed On Lumberlost Trail

Two new bridges on the Lumberlost Trail, state road 21, about one mile north of Berne, have been completed. The one farther north has been opened for traffic, but the other one will not be opened for another week yet. Both bridges were constructed of reinforced concrete and have a clearance of 24 feet. The old bridges were built of steel and were too narrow to permit two cars to pass.

RUDY'S BROTHER TO MISS FUNERAL

Valentino's Body To Be Held So That Brother May View It, However

New York, Aug. 28.—(United Press.)—When Rudolph Valentino is buried Monday with all the solemn dignity of one of the Catholic Church's most impressive services, his brother, Alberto Guglielmo, will be far out to sea, too late in his race to New York to attend the funeral.

The health department, however, granted permission today for the body to be kept 48 hours after the funeral.

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- Monroe State Bank
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Better and Better

so Alberto, when he arrives from Paris on the Homeric Wednesday, will be able to see his brother before he is laid away.

S. George Ullman, who was the screen star's manager, obtained permission to keep the body on condition that the coffin be sealed and no one allowed to see it except Alberto.

Arrangements for the funeral were completed today. Only a few friends of the actor will accompany the body from the funeral parlor to St. Malachy's, the "Actors' church".

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Under the new schedule trains will be run every hour instead of every two hours and faster running time will be made, officials of the road state. The cities served by the new electrically operated line are Hammond, Ind., East Chicago, Ind., Gary, Ind., and South Bend.

Harold Hunt of Van Wert, Ohio, will spend Sunday here with friends.

Notice

The offices of Charles & Charles, Chiropractors, will be closed from August 24 to August 29, both inclusive. Will be back on the job Monday, August 30.

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