

The Girl in the Mirror

By Elizabeth Jordan

Bangs nodded. "That's agreed. You're too good a boomerang for little Rodney."

"For my part," continued Laurie, "I promise to get to work on the new play, beginning next Monday."

"You will?" The two men almost shouted.

"I will. I've got to stand by Louise for the next two or three months, and we'll write the play while I'm doing it. Then, whether America enters the war this spring or not, I'm going to France. But we'll talk over all that later. Are you off?"

He ushered them to the door. "And it's all right, boy?" Epstein asked wistfully. "You know how well we meant. You ain't got no hard feelings about this?"

"Not one," Laurie wrung his hand. Then, with an arm across Rodney's shoulders, he gave him a bearish hug. "I'll see you a little later," he promised.

Rodney suddenly looked self-conscious. "Perhaps then you'll give me a chance to tell you some news," he suggested, with a mixture of triumph and embarrassment. Epstein's knowing grin enlightened Laurie.

"Sonya?" he asked eagerly. "Yep. Great, isn't it?" Laurie stared at him.

"By Jove, you have been busy!" he conceded. "Between manufacturing a frame-up for me, and winning a wife, you must have put in a fairly full week even for you." His arm tightened round his chum's shoulders. "I'm delighted, old man," he ended, seriously. "Sonya is the salt of the earth. Tell her she has my blessing."

When he re-entered the room he found Doris standing in its center, waiting for him. Something in her pose reminded him of their first moments together in that familiar setting. She had carried off the original scene very well. Indeed, she had carried off very well most of the scenes she had been given.

"Laurie—" Her voice trembled. "You have forgiven the others. Can't you forgive me?"

"There's nothing to forgive," he quietly told her. "You saw a chance and you took it. In the same conditions, I suppose any other girl would have done the same thing. It's quite all right, and I wish you the best luck in the world. We'll try to make the new play worthy of you."

"You're not going to forgive me?" she cried. "And—I don't blame you!"

"I'm not," he said. "I'm not going to be the ball-and-chain type of husband."

"I know. But there are reasons within the reason." She twisted the button thoughtfully. "It's because you're the real actor in the family. When I remember what you did to the three of us in that murder scene, and so quietly and naturally, without any heroics—"

She broke off. "There are seven million things about you that I love," she ended, "but the one I think I love the best of all is this: even in your biggest moments, Laurie darling, you never, never 'emote'!"

CHAPTER XVIII

"What About Laurie?"

From the New York Sun, January 7, 1919: "Among the patients on the hospital ship Comfort, which arrived yesterday with nine hundred wounded soldiers on board, was Captain Laurence Devon, of the American flying forces in France."

"Captain Devon is an American 'ace,' with eleven air victories officially to his credit. He was awarded the French Croix de Guerre and the American Distinguished Service medal for extraordinary heroism on August 9, 1918, when he went to the assistance of a French aviator who was fighting four Fokker planes. In the combat the four German machines were downed and their pilots killed. The Frenchman was badly hurt but eventually recovered."

"Captain Devon is well known in American social and professional life. He is the only son of the late Horace Devon, of DeWondale, Ohio, and the brother-in-law of Robert J. Warren, of New York. Before the war he was a successful playwright. Just before sailing for France last year, he married Miss Doris Mayo, daughter of the late General Frederick Mayo, of Richmond, Virginia. On reaching his New York home today he will see for the first time his infant son, Rodney Jacob Devon."

[THE END.]

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Recluse Leaves \$200,000 Estate to His Housekeeper

Logansport, Ind., Sept. 8.—(United Press)—The \$200,000 estate of Thomas Spry, recluse, was left today to his housekeeper, whom he had married two weeks ago as he lay slowly dying from cancer.

Physician Commits Suicide.

Clayton, Ind., Sept. 8.—(United Press)—Motive for the suicide of Dr. Thomas O'Brien, Clayton physician, remained unknown today. O'Brien made death doubly certain by drinking poison and then slashing his throat.

Get the Habit—Trade at Home, It Pays

"Music Box Revue" To Appear At Fort Wayne

What is pleasing news to the theatregoers of this vicinity is the announcement that in the future the big theatrical attractions will be played at the beautiful Shrine auditorium in place of the Majestic Theatre in Fort Wayne.

Frank A. Biemer, for years connected with the Majestic, will be in charge of the theatrical attractions at the Shrine Auditorium, and he advises that, due to the large seating capacity of the Shrine Auditorium, the theatregoers of Decatur will always have the opportunity of getting choice seat reservations.

The first attraction at the Shrine Auditorium will be on next Sunday and Monday nights when the Music Box Revue will come to Fort Wayne for two evening performances, only.

With beauty, talent, uproars of laughter and pretty music, Irving Berlin's fourth "Music Box Revue," will be found one of the welcome entertainments to be seen this season. The revue is said to team with originality and plenty of good, honest fun. The song list is numerous and includes "Tell Her in the Springtime," "Tokio Blues," "In the Shade of a Sheltering Tree," "Rock-a-Bye," "The Call of the South" and "Come Back to Little Old New York."

HAS LIVESTOCK FEEDING EXHIBIT

County Agent Has Exhibit At Office Showing Best Weights For Fat Hogs

The best average weights at which to sell Indiana's fat hogs on the market when economy of feed required to produce 100 pounds of gain, shipping, endurance and market demands are considered are approximately 195 to 230 pounds, writes J. W. Schwab, of the Purdue University Extension Staff in regard to an exhibit on live stock feeding recently placed in the office of County Agent L. M. Busche.

The economy with which pigs of different weights will convert feeds into pork has been determined by many hundreds of pigs. The first 100 pounds of growth or from birth to 100 pounds required 304 pounds of feed, the second 100 pounds 359 pounds of feed the fourth 100 pounds 470 pounds of feed and fifth 100 pounds 510 pounds of feed. It will be noted that the first 200 pounds of growth are produced very economically when feed requirement is considered. As the hogs grow heavier, an increasing amount of feed is required to grow a pound of gain.

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Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 8.—(United Press)—A new record for consumption of gasoline in Indiana was established during the month of July, according to Archie N. Bobbitt, state gasoline tax collector.

Motorists of the state paid \$947,185.84 into state coffers during August when tax collections for July were

made. A total of 31,599,712 gallons were consumed during the month.

Bobbitt predicted the collections next month would total 1,000,000. Collections for August, last year, were \$553,685.74 which shows an increase this year of \$393,500.74.

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