

A SWEETHEART AT THIRTY

The Story of a Woman's Transformation

BY MARION RUBINCAM

Chapter 93
HIS EVIDENCE

When Bud, with his hand on the Bible, took the solemn sounding oath to tell "the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth," Mr. Mills walked forward and began arranging his papers on a long table below the platform and desks.

"Now, George Pearson," he began quietly, "tell the whole story of what happened from the time you left the office of Meade and Judson."

His voice was reassuring, and it evidently gave Bud a little needed comforting. For the poor lad was obviously frightened and worried. I never knew before that the human voice could be so important. If I had disliked Mr. Mills because of his stone-cold eyes, I liked him now for the way he could talk. Good doctors have this quality, and clergymen.

"Every morning about 11 o'clock I leave the office and start out on a routine of errands," Bud began. I had heard this part of the story before—the various duties, morning and afternoon, which fell to Bud to accomplish.

"That day," he went on, after describing his usual work, "I was going up Wall street, just as I always do, and not thinking anything would happen—"

"Did you stop to talk to any friends?" Mr. Mills cut in.

"No, sir," Bud replied.

That startled me. I knew he had met Pete, and had stopped to talk with him. I supposed he denied it now, either because he forgot, or because he did not like to involve Pete any more deeply than he was already, or because he thought acknowledging this talk with Pete would look bad for him.

But it worried me because, after all, he had sworn to tell all the truth—and this was a denial of a fact. Then I was even more worried, for at once the lawyer on the opposing side began to take rapid notes.

What I wondered, did that mean? I looked at Francis, but his face was very impulsive and I could make nothing from its expression.

The case went on, Mr. Mills asking questions occasionally, and helping Bud on with the story. It was one we knew already by heart and its recital did not take long. At the end, Mr. Mills sat down, and the other man, also a lawyer, began what I believed was the cross-questioning.

"You were walking near the curb of the pavement?" he asked.

"Yes, sir," Bud answered.

"Do you normally walk near the curb of the pavement?"

"Why, I don't know. Perhaps I do. I never noticed." Now, what a silly question this was, I thought. What difference could it make whether a man walked on the edge of the pavement or along the middle of it?

But the lawyer persisted with the

Heart Problems

Dear Mrs. Thompson: (1)—I am a girl 17 years of age. Do you think it proper for girl my age to have boy friends every two weeks when other boys and girls, who are older would be with us. (2)—Is it proper to accept an expensive box of candy from a boy friend the first time he calls on you. (3)—Is it proper to ask a boy in, after reaching home at 11 o'clock on a cold night. B. E. B. Winchester.

(1)—It is right if your mother does not object. (2)—Yes. (3)—Yes, if your mother is home, otherwise not.

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am a girl 17 years of age and I want to know if it would be wrong for me to go with a boy 15 years of age. He is a very nice boy and looks and acts much older than he really is. My mother objects to my going with one so young.

CURLS.

If your mother objects you should obey her.

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am a boy of 16 and would like to know if it is proper to be with a girl three nights out of a week and stay till 1 o'clock.

B. E. C.

You should not call so many times and stay as late as you do.

George O'Byrne, Former Oxford Resident, Dies in Florida; Funeral Friday

OXFORD, O., Feb. 2.—George Hamilton O'Byrne, aged 72 years, a former resident of this village, died yesterday in a hospital at Bradenton, Fla., where he was spending the winter. He was for years a traveling salesman for the Cincinnati Casket company. The body will be brought here, and the funeral will be held Friday at the home of his sister, Miss Anna O'Byrne, Burial at Springfield, Ind., nine miles west of here.

Gibbons Delivers Lecture.

Herbert Adams Gibbons, of New York, delivered a lecture in Miami university auditorium last evening on "The Aftermath of the War." He appeared under the auspices of the union lyceum course, comprising the three educational institutions of the town.

Father and Son Banquet.

The Lutheran church at Rarrettown, five miles east of here, will hold a father and son banquet Friday evening. After an oyster supper two addresses are to be made—one by Rev. J. Clarence Waltz, of Louisville, Ky., on "Brotherhood," the other by Rev. Walter C. Davis, of Indianapolis, Ind., on "Christian Education."

Two Plays Given.

The junior class of the village high school will give two plays in the school auditorium tomorrow evening. They will present "The Scheme That Failed," and "Not a Man in the House."

Miami To Meet Wittenberg.

Miami University's basketball team is doing some hard practice this week in preparation for its meeting with Wittenberg college, Ohio conference champions, at Springfield Friday evening. Miami's next game here will be on Saturday evening with Heidelberg university of Tiffin.

PLAN TO OBSERVE MONROE DOCTRINE ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Representatives of various organizations associated with the Slugrave institution in the celebration of the centenary of the landing of the Pilgrim fathers, appointed a preliminary committee at a meeting here to celebrate in 1923-24 the one hundredth anniversary of the Monroe doctrine. Col. Charles S. Bryan was elected chairman of a committee on organization.

AN AMERICAN BEAUTY



Paul Helleu's etching of Miss Kathlene Martyn.

The above portrait is an etching of Miss Kathlene Martyn by Paul Helleu French artist who has gained renown for his sketches of beautiful women. Miss Martyn is classed as one of the noted beauties of two continents. This portrait will be shown at the Helleu exhibit in New York city soon.

Burns From Gas Explosion Fatal to New Lisbon Man

HAGERSTOWN, Ind., Feb. 2.—

Funeral services for Cash Shock, of New Lisbon, who died Sunday from burns received in a gas explosion at his home, were to have been held at New Lisbon, Tuesday.

The accident occurred Saturday evening. Mr. Shock had struck a match in one room of his home, which had been filled with gas from a leaky

main. The explosion moved the house off its foundation and shattered doors and windows.

Shock is survived by a widow and five children. Mrs. Sarah Hardman, a half sister, of Hagerstown, also survives.

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TALES OF ADVENTURE ARE POPULAR WITH ARMY OF OCCUPATION

(By Associated Press)

COBLENZ, Feb. 2.—Tales of adventure in the American West are the favorite reading matter of the American forces in Germany and Zane Grey is the most popular author.

Strangely enough, Julius Caesar runs a close second with the doughboys, who are very keen about translations of Caesar's Gallic Wars. This is due to Caesar's activities in the Rhine Valley and the ruins of a bridge he built across the Rhine, which lifts Caesar's work out of the schoolbook class and makes it a guidebook that carries the Americans back nearly 2,000 years.

Rhine Legends Popular.

Books which describe the legends centering about the Rhine are also popular, especially with the soldiers who are musically inclined and attend the Wagnerian performances given by the various German grand opera companies which play in Cologne, Coblenz, Wiesbaden and the other cities near the Rhine frequented by soldiers on leave.

All story magazines which specialize in adventures are more popular with the American soldiers than any other periodicals and the American Library Association has been unable to supply the demand for publications of this sort.

With the assistance of the Young Men's Christian Association, which aids in the distribution of reading material in the American area, Miss Sears has had years of training in financial circles and it is her opinion that inability in revealing to men bankers their lack of business training is one cause for the large number of women who own no bank account.

Many Books Circulated.

The American Library Association has about 30,000 books available for Americans, French, Belgians and English residents of the occupied area and has also circulated many books by mail to Americans living in other parts of Germany. Three hundred copies each of 36 American weekly and monthly publications, in addition to a large number of newspapers, have been taken by the organization and

AS ADVISER SHE INSTRUCTS WOMEN IN BANK MATTERS

EX-SENATOR GIVES \$100,000

TO CAPITAL ART GALLERY
WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—A gift of \$100,000 to the Corcoran art gallery by ex-Senator William A. Clark of Montana was announced Monday by the board of trustees. Through the income derived from it, the gift will perpetuate the "William A. Clark prizes" heretofore given by him at intervals coincident with the biennial exhibitions of contemporary American oil paintings.

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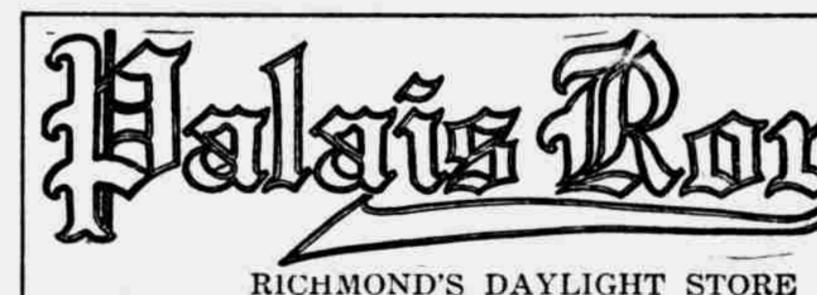
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