

The Revelations of a Paid Companion

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MRS. ELLWOOD CONFIDES IN RITA

Chapter XXXIX.

So worried had I been over Jim Bond that I had been almost unaware of anything going on about me; save as it had to do with my duties. Rush Millbank had called as usual, but beyond a casual greeting I had not spoken to him for days. Now that Mrs. Ellwood had a nurse I was not so often with her when the doctor came. And I had scarcely seen Mollie.

"What in the world has been the matter with you the last few days?" Mollie asked.

"Even Doctor Millbank has been wondering about you."

"I haven't felt very well," I evaded.

"It was the truth, I had been made nearly ill by my fears of what Jim Bond might do."

"Are you all right now?" she spoke more kindly.

"Perfectly."

"Then help me get dressed, please. Rush is going to take me to visit one of his patients after he sees mother, and I haven't but a few moments to get ready. I'll wear my new coat."

I assisted her, trying to crowd down the resentment I felt. I had been the one Rush Millbank had taken to see his patients, or to wait while he made his calls, until Mollie had made him almost obvious of me. I couldn't blame him, I thought, as she threw the lovely wrap over her shoulders, asking how I liked it. A soft white motoring coat with a smart, close hat to match.

"It is lovely, but you'll scarcely need it. It is so warm."

"We are going somewhere to dine—that is if some old lady or fussy mother doesn't interfere by insisting Rush visit them. He is so terribly conscientious that he would disappoint his own mother rather than a patient."

I watched from the window as they drove away, a feeling of bitterness in my heart. I did not love Rush Millbank, but I liked him immensely. He had shown me more attention than I ever had received from any man, and Mollie had so much. She never lacked for companions, for some one to take her wherever she wished to go. I tried to be sensible about it, no one could blame Rush for preferring Mollie, the lovely, sparkling daughter of the house, to me, the paid companion.

"Did Mollie go with Doctor Millbank?" Mrs. Ellwood asked, as I entered her room.

"Yes, and she looked charming."

I described the new coat and hat. Mrs. Ellwood took almost a childish delight in hearing of such things; Mollie's clothes, the kind of a tie Guy was wearing, all such little details.

"My darling self-willed girl," she said softly. Then:

"I wonder if I am romancing. Rita. But it seems to me that Mollie is beginning to care for Rush Millbank. Her voice, something about the way she speaks to him has made me think she cared."

"I was so afraid it would be Yarry Ward. She never would have been happy with Larry—not for long, but the Doctor is just the kind of a man she needs, strong, firm, yet gentle. What an old match-maker I am," she finished laughing.

"They seemed very happy as they drove away," I replied remembering my vow, no feeling of jealousy should make me cloud even her dreams.

"I would like to live to see her settled—and Guy. I used to think I would be terribly jealous of the girl who took my boy from me, but now it is my daily prayer that he may find the girl he loves and who loves him before I go."

What did she mean? Could it be that she was willing Guy should marry me, that she was asking me to try and care for him? Something in her voice, the expression of her face told me my surmise was right.

I was unable to control a shudder. Not that poor Guy was distasteful to me as the son of my employer, I felt nothing but pity for him! Even all his money could not make him a desirable husband for any girl. Subject to moods of anger over trifles, moody, sulky at times, I could not imagine him as a husband, a constant companion. And—probably I was imagining things—Mrs. Ellwood had been silent for some time, and when she again spoke it was to ask me to read to her.

"What a goose I am," I said aloud as I went to the library to find the book she wanted.

"She probably had no such thought in her mind." Yet even while reading to her the thought persisted. She wanted to be sure her boy would be cared for. His affliction kept him from associating to any extent with his sister's friends. I never had known him to show attention to any girl—and he had shown a fondness for me.

Tomorrow—Rita Gies Barton Her Confidence.

dinner, and to spend the evening, in order that your family and his may become acquainted.

Dear Mrs. Ellsbury: What would you do in a case like this? I went with a boy several months, and gave him one of my rings to wear. We quarreled a few weeks ago, and just recently I saw the ring I gave him on another girl's hand, a girl he has been going with. Should I ask her for it, or what should I do?

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CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF I hereby announce myself a republican candidate for sheriff of Douglas county, at the May primaries. Frank M. Hopkins, Canyonville, Oregon. (Pd. Adv.)

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HIRAM JOHNSON TO VISIT STATE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PENDLETON, Feb. 20.—Hiram Johnson will speak in Pendleton either in April or May, according to the announcement made by his state organizer Sanfield McDonald in this city yesterday afternoon. Mr. McDonald stated that in his opinion Johnson would carry Oregon in the May primary over President Coolidge. The speaking tour in this part of the state was planned by the California senator includes The Dalles, Pendleton, La Grande and Baker.

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SUICIDE PACT IS THEORY OF POLICE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) POTTSTOWN, Pa., Feb. 20.—Authorities investigating the death of Thomas Shenton and James Warmkessel, night students at Wharton School of finance at the University of Pennsylvania, whose bodies with bullet holes through the chests were found yesterday in the local Y. M. C. A. expressed the belief today that the young men had entered a suicide pact and that Warmkessel lost his nerve at the last minute and was shot by Shenton, who then took his own life. The police declared the attempted suicide of Miss Edna High, a school teacher in the Pottstown public schools had no connection with the case of the students although she was acquainted with them both.

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ADVICE TO THE LOVELORN

by MRS. ELLSBURY

(Address all communications to Mrs. Ellsbury, care of News-Review.)

Dear Mrs. Ellsbury: I am going with a certain young man and we have been engaged for about two months. His folks are coming here to visit him, and they are going to stay at the hotel. He is going to take me to meet them, and he has told them that we are engaged. I live at home with my parents. Should I entertain them in any way. I had thought of dinner or something like that, but don't know if they would think I was presuming or not. Can you help me? VALENTINE.

VALENTINE: As you are engaged, and expect to be married, it would be correct for you to have them at

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