

FIVE OF FAMILY KILLED WITH GAS; MAN IS MISSING

HAMILTON, Ohio, Oct. 24.—Charles King, Sr., a 36-year-old barber, was hunted today to explain the death of his wife, and four of his children and the illness of another child.

Robert, 14; Leon, 12, and Keith, 5, were found dead from inhaling gas by neighbors who broke open the door of the unoccupied two-story home of the Kings yesterday.

Paul, 10, died in a hospital and his mother early today. It was feared that Charles, Jr., 6, would not live.

King disappeared, leaving an enigmatic note which said three Goldwater, Ohio, men "caused me to do this." He did not explain this statement and the only inkling of a motive was the information that the barber owed money to one of the trio. A note was due Monday and King had promised to pay it Tuesday, according to Goldwater investigators. The King family came here about six months ago from that village.

King had not returned to his barber shop since Saturday night. Yesterday, neighbors smelled gas emanating from his home and forced an entrance. The five children and their mother were found in beds and the father had been off a gas pipe. Coroner Edward C.

ARRIVAL OF COLLECTOR SAVES MAN FROM DEATH

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 24.—The timely arrival of a laundry collector saved the life of William Herman, 75, here today. The collector knocked at the door and receiving no response entered the home where the aged man resided alone. He found Herman sitting in a chair and the room filled with gas. The man had forgotten to touch a match to a gas burner over which he was boiling water, police said.

Cook said he believed King removed the cap while his family slept. In the family automobile, the coroner found one of King's suits of clothes and a partly-emptied bottle of liquor.

King will be charged with murder if found, the coroner said.

Storm clouds banking up in the west.

"You're not worrying about the weather," Eddie said, despondently. "What was the matter with that young lady who came here to see me? Why didn't you like her?"

"Ah ain't sed nary word agin her."

"Your face is a foot long! A person would think that I had been getting away with murder or something around this house— from the way you're acting. I couldn't help it, could I?"

Eddie heard his own voice rising almost in anger. "Strange... I tell you I couldn't help it."

The black face seemed incapable of changing expression. "Tain't none of my business, sub."

"As long as I stay here and you keep working for me anything that happens around here concerns you—and don't you forget it! I won't have you blaming me for things I can't help."

"Ah don't blame you, sub."

"What's the matter with you then?"

The old, yellowed eyes rolled slightly. "Whut kin Ah say, sub? Ah's jes' an old Nigger. From de time I was a little boy Ah ain't knowed no othah home. I been hoping, Mistah Regan, dat yo' would git yo'self married and set de down. Yo' kin count on me foh de rest of mah days—but you can't marry no quality lady if yo' has ladies like dat one today coming down de place. Yo' good name is bound to run down hill."

(To be continued tomorrow.)

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O. S. C. PREPARING FOR HOMECOMING

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, Oct. 24.—Tomorrow will mark the beginning of another homecoming—the time when old grads and former students come back to their alma mater to celebrate. The homecoming football game with University of Idaho, the high light of the week end, together with various other attractions, are expected to draw a record crowd.

The game with Idaho Saturday is expected to be a tough one. Both teams suffered defeat in games last Saturday with the result that both are determined to come out on top this Saturday.

Coach Paul J. Schissler has had several tough breaks this week in making matters worse for him. One was the declaring of Babe Peterson, star halfback, ineligible by the conference faculty committee. This has necessitated change in the whole backfield lineup.

U. OF O. GRID PLAYER APPENDICITIS VICTIM

(Associated Press Licensed Wire)

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 24.—Eric Forsta, Astoria, center on the University of Oregon football team, was taken to the university infirmary today following an attack of appendicitis.

His condition, although not serious, probably will keep him from the Oregon-University of Washington game Saturday. The Oregon team goes to Seattle tonight.

Forsta was rated as the first string center since the injury to George Stadlerman which will keep the powerful center out of the game for the remainder of the season.

W. W. GAGE, SHERIFF OF COOS COUNTY, PASSES

COQUILLE, Ore., Oct. 24.—William Washington Gage, a resident for more than 40 years, and a public official of Coos county during the greater part of that time and serving more terms than any other one man as sheriff, died at his home in this city today, after a week's illness, caused from the shock of being struck by a heavy stepladder. He was born in Dallas, Polk county, June 15, 1850, and settled in Coos county, in the Allegany district, in 1888. He was first elected sheriff in June, 1894, by a margin of 17 votes, being the popular candidate.

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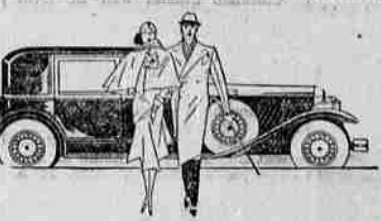
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Blue Blood And Red

by ROBERT TERRY SHANNON

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Eddie Regan, once a member of a New York gang, has broken away and gone to Virginia, where he befriends Penfield Paradise, who dies and leaves all his possessions to Eddie. Eddie had been in love with Bernice Veressi, "gang girl," but all thought of her is lost when he meets and falls in love with Marian Thorndike. Marian is engaged to Tom Freeman. Freeman and Eddie dislike each other, and Eddie, discouraged, goes to Richmond, where he meets Mike Arno, a former member of the gang, who tries to persuade him to return to New York and Bernice. Eddie refuses and returns to his home. He goes to dinner at the Thorndike home, and Mr. Thorndike questions him as to his past. Bernice Veressi comes to Eddie's home and informs him she has come to stay. He tells her it is impossible, and she agrees to leave. He is escorting her back to the village when he comes face to face with Marian and her father.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

CHAPTER XII.

"If you were a friend of mine," he reminded her, "you'd let me work out my problems in my own way. It's a lot easier for you to be a sweetheart than it is to be a friend, isn't it?"

"I suppose so," Bernice admitted. "I'm trying to forget for a minute that I love you and look at it like a friend. I am your kind of a girl—even if you don't know it now. You're my kind of a man. We speak the same kind of language. What do I care whether we marry or not? I could make you happy and you could make me happy. Do you think I'm crazy?"

"I think you're mistaken, that's all."

"To me it's as plain as day that you are the mistaken one."

Her eyes pleaded.

"You're in trouble but you don't know it. I'm not going to run out on you—I'm going to stick around and see what I can do even if it does hurt your feelings a little bit."

"I suppose you're going to explain all that to the people in the hotel?"

Bernice shrugged her shoulders in her slightly foreign manner. "At the hotel I'll say I'm just taking a vacation in the country. Maybe I can hire a car and drive around in the afternoons."

"How long do you expect to keep this up?"

Again she shrugged.

"I'll live on the other side of us, out the truth, the real truth."

Eddie knew with all his heart that he could tell her the entire truth then; that she could stay forever; but his love was irrevocably Marian Thorndike's.

There was nothing more he could say, nothing more he could do.

Returning home he was filled with dismal forebodings and the black face of old Toke, too, was sombre with deep instinctive misgivings.

He went into the house and sat motionless a long time trying to solve the most difficult problem his life so far had encountered. It was characteristic of the old Negro that he asked no questions of Eddie. Silently he placed the dinner on the broad mahogany table, and lit the candles in their silver sticks.

Sitting alone in the spacious dining room at the board large enough to accommodate a whole family, Eddie looked at the empty chairs beside him and shook his head. Somewhere there was a shadowy doubt began to grow in his mind as to his position. Was it possible, after all, that he was out of place here?

Maybe she was right—maybe it was hopeless to rebuild his life in correspondence with the lives of these people down here. Their viewpoint, traditions, customs, that his neighbors had been absorbing from birth—tricks of thought and conduct that no outsider, perhaps, could ever quite master.

It was easy, natural, for him to look at life with New York's eyes, but everybody around him would have a different slant at things. Even Marian—where their viewpoints, really, at all similar? Even if she married him—the odds were

against him—would they be happy after the first thrills wore off?

Bernice had said it would be a prolonged battle with Marian trying to make him over into her idea of what a man should be.

The sudden thought came to Eddie that, in fact, Marian had already attempted something of the kind. She had spoken of her disapproval of his ambition, his standing. He had worked until his hands were blistered, and she had likened him only to an illiterate laborer.

Somewhere he sensed a lack of worth in him, but she had not been able to point out any specific path of progress. Merely, she had expressed dissatisfaction, had made him skeptical of himself.

There was no solution for that sort of thing. It wouldn't get any place. Had not this been, already, the sowing of the first seeds of unhappiness? What sort of harvest could they expect to reap?

Toke, with his lugubrious face, came into the room and began removing dishes from the table. Somehow, it seemed to Eddie, there was a stubborn silence about the old negro that was akin to sullenness. He had a feeling that Toke, too, was beginning to disapprove of him. Even an old black man, unable to read or write, was able to sense something basically wrong. . . . was able to detect the chord of disharmony that Bernice Veressi had struck.

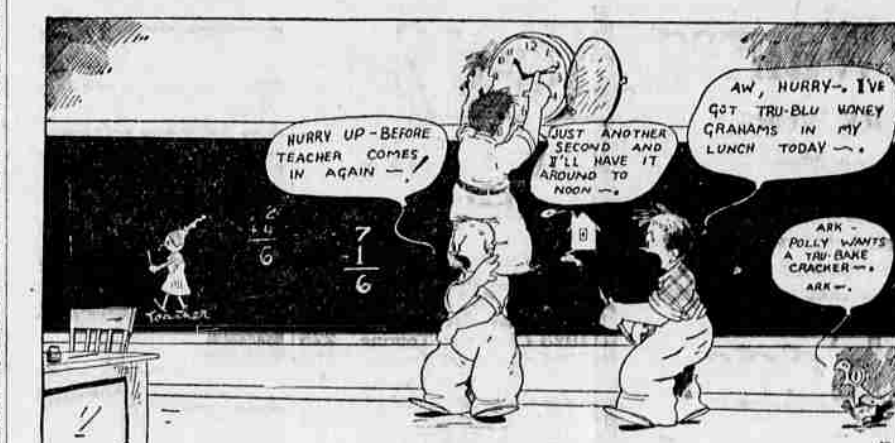
"What's the matter with you, Toke?" Eddie demanded, impatiently.

"Nuffin', sub."

"Don't hand me that—you are sulking. What's on your mind?"

Toke paused, stood awkwardly with a plate in his hand.

"Ah jes' feels unhappy today, sub. 'Tis de weathah, mebbe."



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