

BANK OF ENGLAND ANNOUNCES SECOND CUT IN DISCOUNT

LONDON, Nov. 21.—The bank rate was reduced today from six to five and one-half per cent. Since the discount rate of the United States federal reserve bank recently was lowered, discount rates here have been sliding on the assumption that a lower official minimum would be established. The Bank of England has had difficulty in making the six per cent rate imposed October 21 effective.

With more funds returning from America, the gold drain into

France checked and the international monetary situation eased, the Bank of England was enabled to give traders the benefit of a half per cent reduction. However, its gold stock is at present \$50,000,000 below the level of a year ago.

The money market anticipated today's reduction by discounting bills at low figures and is expecting another reduction of the official minimum rate in the near future, especially if the American federal reserve bank makes a similar move.

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SHORTAGE OF RAIN SERIOUSLY FELT IN WESTERN STATES

(Associated Press Local Wire)
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—Lack of moisture in some parts of the far west is seriously affecting water supplies, curtailing hydro-electric power, interfering with the feeding of livestock and continuing into the winter the forest fire hazards. It was shown in data compiled today by the Associated Press.

Although the autumnal weather is all and more than tourists' bays and chambers of commerce may claim, indications were given

that five states—Washington, Oregon, California, Utah and Nevada—have been affected by the low precipitation.

W. B. Summers, forecaster here for the United States weather bureau, said the dry spell affects the entire west and that "we cannot make any prophecy of rain in the immediate future." He added that there was a disturbance over the Pacific ocean that might bring rains to the coast, but that it was too far away and subject to change of direction to permit an accurate forecast.

"And we can't tell weather from what has gone before," he concluded, "except that in the past we never have gone entirely without rain and snow."

Bitter Cold Forecast
SEATTLE, Nov. 22.—In an interview published by the Seattle Times F. Napier Denton, director of the dominion meteorological observatory at Victoria, B. C., who last spring forecast the abnormal, dry summer and fall in the Pacific Northwest, today suggested that the coming winter the west over, will be as cold, or colder, than last year.

Statistics show that last winter was the coldest in 100 years in northern Europe and Asia. Denton said, "While we hope that the rigors of the coming winter will not be as severe as before his study of meteorological facts pointed to a historical repetition, he said."

LEE HUNT ON STATER'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

OREGON STATE COLLEGE
Corvallis, Nov. 22.—Lee Hunt of Roseburg, sophomore in college at Oregon State, today was named as the Oregon State cross-country team that won the annual meet with the University of Oregon at Eugene last Saturday. This is the fourth consecutive victory for Oregon State.

First place was taken by the university, which was consistently good performance on the part of the Oregon State team as a whole won the victory.

DEMAND FOR BONDS MAY FILL PUBLIC TREASURIES

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Treasury officials in cities, counties and states throughout the country are preparing to end their long vigil on the doorsteps of leading banks.

Banks once more have the well-known sign out for communities in search of loans. For the first time since the beginning of the bull market investors are being advised to purchase bonds.

An examination of several lists of these recommendations discloses a large proportion of municipal, county and state bonds.

Dull safety is coming into fashion with large and small investors and one hears less and less of glittering prospects. November and December might even break some records for bond quotations if the present rate of offerings continues.

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THREE FOOTBALL GAMES IN BIG 10 CIRCLE TOMORROW

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—Big Ten football will close one of its most sensational seasons tomorrow with three inter-league games.

Purdue, rated in September as just a good team, wrecked the dope and won its first Big Ten title, and will close its season against its rival, Indiana, tomorrow at Bloomington.

The only other game involving important position in conference standings will be played at Columbus, O., where Ohio State and Illinois, tied for second place, will meet. Each team has two victories, one defeat and a tie.

At Ann Arbor, Iowa will make its last stand of the season against Michigan's improved Wolverines. Wisconsin and Minnesota will fight out their ancient rivalry at Minneapolis, with nothing at stake except the result of the game.

The big attraction of the day will be at Evanston where Northwestern takes on Notre Dame's great eleven. The Wildcats have not beaten a Rockne team in recent seasons, but always have managed to give the Hunkies plenty of trouble. They hope to be the team that spoils Notre Dame's perfect record. A capacity crowd of 50,000 will witness the struggle.

THOUSAND CHINESE KILLED BY SOVIET BOMBING PLANES

TOKYO, Nov. 22.—Refugees arriving at Kharbin from eastern Manchuria today said 1,000 Chinese troops and civilians seeking protection from air raids in a coal mine at Delator, perished in a Soviet bombing attack.

The report was contained in a telegram from Asahi's Harbin correspondent, who said the bombs dropped by the Soviet planes caused parts of the mine to cave in.

The same authority said Chinese troops had evacuated Manchuria and had retreated in the direction of Delator, in the vicinity of

which Soviet irregulars were said to be active.

Soviet forces were said to have occupied the two Chinese villages, Rier and Argun.

Leaves to See Mother—L. L. Covert, Southern Pacific fireman, of Roseburg, left yesterday for San Diego, Calif., where his mother is reported to be very ill.

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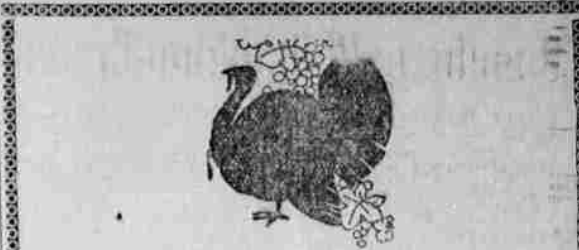


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WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Nathalie Van Slack summoned from Europe by the death of her father, "Happy" Jack Van Slack, wealthy sportsman and society leader, learns from her lawyers that the fortune has been wiped out. Only \$28 and an old abandoned estate, "The Fire," have been left to her. John Sloan, young attorney, is assigned to handle her affairs. Nathalie, with only youth, beauty and social position is further discouraged when a her wealthy aunt, Mrs. Pemberton Swayne, coldly turns her away from her regal Southampton mansion.

Nathalie, in desperation, cashes a check for \$500 at the Waldorf Hotel where her family name is still accepted as the symbol of untold millions. Sloan, unknown to Nathalie, makes good this false check. On a second trip to Southampton, Nathalie is startled when a strange, awfully man calls for her. Fearing the police, she flees the house. After boarding a train she leaves it hastily at a small station when she learns the mysterious man is aboard. Finding herself in Brookville, she visits Treadwell Pound, bank president, who holds the mortgage on "The Fire." Pound secretly desires the estate knowing the new state road will enhance its value considerably. He proposes that she act as hostess to a rich South American who wishes to take over "The Fire" and entertain his wealthy friends. In need of money, Nathalie agrees on one condition, that her identity must be hidden by a mask that she will wear. After telephoning, Pound tells her the condition is accepted. She then calls John Sloan. At dinner with Sloan, who is fast falling in love with the beautiful Nathalie, she informs him of the strange position she will take. He does not mention the check. Next day, Nathalie in Spanish dress, which deceives even Sloan, meets him for the drive out to "The Fire."

They meet her new employer. Nathalie recognizes the South American as Capt. Ramon Stefano, the handsome sportsman and supposed millionaire much sought after by marriageable daughters of Long Island's smart set.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY CHAPTER XI

Sloan decided instantly—and correctly—that the plot in his pocket was superfluous baggage as Stefano came walking toward them with the glare of their headlights full upon him, and the whole aspect of him confident and friendly. For no man on doubtful business bent exposes himself in bright lights until he knows who is behind the lights and what their dispositions may be in respect to him.

"Behold the mysterious land-lord," he laughed as he came close and leaned against the front fender of their car on the side where Nathalie sat. "Ever see him before? Probably have if you care anything about polo. In any event—my card, madam." He produced a pocket flash. "And this to read it by in case you still see me as the man from nowhere."

Sloan noticed at once, and checked it to Stefano's credit, that he did not turn the flash on Nathalie. Having handed it to her, he

saved her her own time to reveal herself and meantime rattled along cheerfully as to his reasons for having set their place of meeting at the gateway of the lonely estate on an autumn night.

"One thought, y' know," he announced in the accent which was the result of his education at Oxford University, "that you'd rather like to see the place first and then me and determine in your own mind as to a preliminary whether or not you care to take it and me on at all. Dismal, isn't it? But we're going to change all that. It's to be the fullest sort of an old spot after some men I'm sending here tomorrow have furnished it up. Oh, but I say—see here, you're simply stunning."

The exclamation broke from him as Nathalie left her place in the car and walked slowly around in front of it in the full flood of the lights.

"Stunning—my word," he repeated and followed it up. "Simply perfect—immense all the way. And the mask—sheer genius. Who could improve it? Promise me here and now you'll stick."

Nathalie bowed and said a few words to him in Spanish. But Stefano laughed merrily.

"Jolly well tried, but you're American. I'm Spanish myself remember, otherwise you'd have me on. But you'll fool all the others absolutely. You've been abroad a lot though—I can tell that—and except to me your act'll ring true. And now get comfy in your car again, and unless you'd rather wait I would first, tell me why you want to do it."

"With pleasure," said Nathalie, and explained her case.

"It's a mixture of money and family, Captain Stefano. That is to say I belong to a somewhat pretentious family but happen to be awfully hard up. For a reason which is neither here nor there just as—if you don't mind—my true name will be neither here nor there. I am anxious to drop out of sight for a space of weeks and if you think you can persuade whatever guests you will have not to pry behind my mask—"

"I'll answer for them," Stefano cut in delightedly. "And at the same time answer for myself. I do say now and pledge you my word on it. Your name's your sacred personal affair and I don't want to know it. But as to your mask—why, it's the crowning touch. I love it!"

"Look here," and he leaned against the fender of their car again. "This affair we're getting together so well on is going to be the biggest luck on earth."

"Yes I'm due to go back to Argentina in late November and everybody I've met on Long Island has been delighted to me, and one day riding by here with a couple of chaps one of them mentioned that the old place was in legal difficulties and could be

rented cheap and it occurred to me that I ought to open it up and have all my friends in for the few weeks before I sailed away. Now, I don't know how it is here, but at home a single man never entertains without a hostess. But my women relatives are all in Argentina. So I spoke to silly old Pound over at Brookville and asked him if he knew of any nice girl."

"He gazed at Nathalie again. "And he produced you—and your mask. My dear girl, though I suppose you've no Latin in you—I do realize that with your looks and grand air and with that mask on you're going to be a success. We'll have the whole island dying of curiosity and my poor house will be famous. We'll be—what is the man in the street's phrase for it?—a knockout."

He glanced at Sloan in his chauffeur's cap. "I call your chauffeur to witness, and let him get tell your people whoever they are, that you'll be utterly safe in my house with your own wing in it and your special couple of servants, they to be selected by you if you prefer it so. Me, I mean to sleep out of the house. When the dancing is over right after each party. I clear out with the other revellers and the house becomes your personal castle. And before you come at all tell as many confidential friends as you like all you like about me, and what you are doing, and where you are, and keep it a secret from me whom you've told. I can give you all sorts of references and credentials."

"I shan't require any," Nathalie cut in. "I know all about you. You're quite well spoken of. I've even met and talked to you before."

"Oh, I dare say," replied Stefano merrily. "and of course I ought to recognize you but with the way you talk I can't. Your tricks of speech and accent are standardized. Can you appear among the dancers and be queen of them by ten tomorrow night?"

"So soon?"

"Absolutely," and Stefano laughed as though he greatly enjoyed the prospect and her surprise. "I am—what is it you Americans say—a fast worker."

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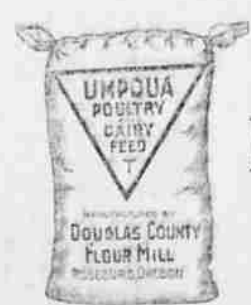
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