

The Patriotism of Peter

A Little Love Story For the Fourth.

By TEMPLE BAILEY.

"O H, my goodness!" said Annette. "I thought you had more patriotism, Peter."

Peter stretched his languid length in the great wicker chair on the other side of the tea table from which Annette dispensed afternoon hospitality in her rose garden.

"Dear girl," he asked, "who can measure patriotism? Because I won't march in a parade with a lot of buff and blue idiots you choose to say that I do not love my country."

"Arnold Adams is not an idiot," Annette interrupted.

Peter's eyes narrowed. "Then Arnold Adams parades, does he, and makes a speech to the accompaniment of appropriate fireworks?"

"He makes his speech in the afternoon," Annette vouchsafed. "Every one seems eager to help me out with my Fourth of July garden party but you."

"Dear girl, I'll come and pass cake and listen to the Declaration, but I can't parade in costume."

"Well, the men all look lovely in their new uniforms," Annette informed him.

"Somehow," said Peter, "a uniform is associated in my mind with service. There are the old regimentals of my great-grandfather, all stained with mud, and the faded blue cape that my father keeps in memory of Gettysburg is blotched with red." He shrugged his shoulders. "But it's too hot this weather to dress up for nothing."

"Nothing—oh!" Annette flung out her hands. "I don't believe you'd fight if there was a war, Peter."

Peter leaned across the table. "Considering my ancestry," he said slowly, "is there any reason you should think that?"

"Modern men haven't any backbone," she taunted.

"Don't go too far," he told her. "My idea of love of country is something deeper than mere shouting for freedom."

"Love of country is courage," she said.

"You mean?" he demanded.

"That I'm disappointed in you, Peter." Her eyes blazed. "I believe you're too lazy to carry a gun."

"Stop!" he thundered and stood up. Annette stood up, too. She slipped from her finger a wonderful hoop of diamonds.

"There," she said, "take it. If you loved me you would see my point of view. It isn't that I want you to wear blue and buff; I want you to show your patriotism."

"Ah—patriotism!" Peter picked up the ring. "If you ever want this again you must ask for it, Annette. I am afraid that otherwise I can never forgive the woman who has called me coward."

"I shall never ask for it!" she blazed as Peter turned on his heel and left her.

When the great day came Annette tried to interest herself in the decorations, the refreshments, in Arnold Adams, who, looking very handsome in his colonial uniform, hung over her, and when he made his speech his eyes were on her.

Annette didn't like his speech. It smacked of artificiality. There was in it so much of stars and stripes and

was crouched in a heap as Adams brought the big machine to a stop.

"Oh, I thought you would be killed, Peter!"

Peter, with the screaming child in his arms, smiled at her. "It was nothing," he said.

"I should have thought you would have been afraid," Annette began.

Peter stiffened. "You seem to think that I am always afraid," he said, and before she could answer he lifted his hat and was gone.

All that evening she watched for her lover, but he did not come. At last she could stand it no longer. She sat down at the lemonade table and talked it over with her most intimate girl friend.

"Lucy," she said, "I've been hateful to Peter. What shall I do?"

"Eat humble pie," advised Lucy. "Peter's worth it."

"I know," Annette admitted, "but I don't know where he is."

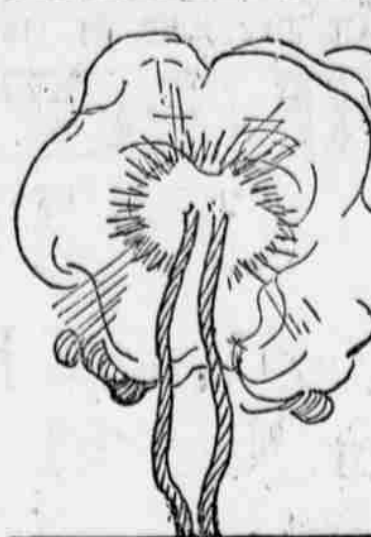
"Wait till he shows up," said Lucy, "and in the meantime we'll make Arnold Adams take us down the river road in his car."

They passed the big canneries, where many Italians were employed; passed, too, the squalid little settlement where in a big open space a crowd of swarthy men and women and children were gathered about a big man in white flannels.

Annette caught her breath. "Why, it's Peter!" she gasped. "Stop a minute and see what he's doing."

As the big motor stood in the shadow of the trees Peter's voice came to them. He was speaking in Italian, and Annette, thanks to three winters in Rome, understood all that he said.

As she listened she felt herself growing smaller and smaller. This was the Peter whom she had accused of lack of patriotism, this man who was speaking so eloquently to these newcomers to his native soil, telling them what it meant to be an American.



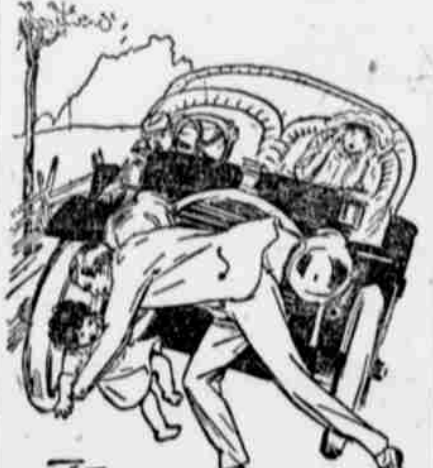
The Occasion

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

HURRAH.

"'Tis drawing nearer.

The day
We celebrate!
And there
Is warning ample.
We won't
Have long to wait.
No need
To tell
The children—
They know it,
I should say—
For what
Have they
Seen doing
But waiting
For the day?
And it
Is an occasion
To stir
The sluggish breast.
The birthday
Of a nation
That seems
To stand the test.
The day
Our sturdy fathers
Rose up
And signed
The pact.
The famous
Declaration
That made
This land
A fact,
So let
The small boy
Holler
And fill the air
With sound;
It's only once
A twelvemonth
The glorious
Day comes round.



IT TOOK ONLY A MOMENT.

THE FOURTH IN HISTORY.

Many Famous Events That Have Happened on Independence Date.

The Fourth of July is peculiarly an American holiday, but in searching history we find some important events that have occurred on this day. The majority are of more than passing interest to citizens of the United States, but a few affected the world. History includes the following:

July 4, 1187—Saladin, the hero of Moslem romances, defeated the crusaders at Tiberias, Holy Land. This led to the capture of Jerusalem and the third crusade.

July 4, 1591—The laws of oppression under which the Huguenots were persecuted revoked by an edict of Henry IV. of France.

July 4, 1594—Nova Zembla was discovered.

July 4, 1648—Indian massacre. The Huron village of St. Joseph was wiped out by the Mohawks. Father Daniel baptized all who desired before he was killed.

July 4, 1653—The meeting of Cromwell's parliament, when Cromwell was crowned "lord protector of England."

July 4, 1776—Declaration of independence. Birth of United States as a nation.

July 4, 1778—Colonel Clarke, American army officer, surprised and captured Kaskaskia and Fort George, Ill.

July 4, 1793—John Quincy Adams' wonderful speech, which marked the commencement of his public life.

July 4, 1804—Nathaniel Hawthorne was born.

July 4, 1817—Erie canal commenced.

July 4, 1820—Semibi-centenary of independence day. Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, ex-presidents and signers of the Declaration of Independence, died. Stephen Foster, author of "The Swannee River," was born.

July 4, 1828—Charles Carroll, only surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence, and cornerstone of the Baltimore and Ohio, the first railway in the United States.

July 4, 1831—Death of James Monroe, third president to die on this date.

July 4, 1846—Americans at Sonoma, Cal., led by Fremont, raised flag of revolution and declared for America, being the first coast town to desert Mexico.

July 4, 1848—Cornerstone of the Washington monument was laid.

July 4, 1850—President Taylor stricken with fatal illness while sitting near Washington monument. Died July 9.

July 4, 1863—Pemberton surrendered Vicksburg to Grant, and General Holmes was defeated at Helena, Ark.

July 4, 1893—Ten million dollar fire at Portland, Me., caused by bricklayers.

July 4, 1870—Election of Prince Hohenzollern to the throne by the provisional government; led to Franco-Prussian war.

July 4, 1874—Eads bridge, costing \$3,000,000, completed at St. Louis.

July 4, 1880—Statue of Liberty formally presented to the United States by France.

July 4, 1894—Hawaiian republic declared after bloodless revolution.

July 4, 1898—News received of Cervera's defeat off Santiago July 3.



"STOP!" HE THUNDERED.

the glory of country, but no depth of earnestness, no deep appeal to the hearts of men.

When he had finished he came down expecting Annette's praise. But she didn't give it. "Can't we get away for a moment from these people?" she said. "I'm so tired of the crowd."

"I'll take you up the road in my car," Adam proposed.

So it came about that fifteen minutes later Peter Van Dorn, sitting on the side, saw far down the curved road a big red car and within it a gentleman in blue and buff splashing through a rose wreathed hat, and something else too. Just below him a little dirty, curly headed child from the Italian settlement near by was digging intently in the dust, right in the path of the car that was coming in the opposite direction.

It took some time for Peter to plunge down the bank to catch up the baby and cross the road. He was safe, but the two in the car had whizzed at his danger. Annette

The Making of the Flag

HOW did we make the flag?
By rule?
By compass and square and line?
With pattern and thread and the sumpster's tool,
To follow the plain design?
Was it only the lore that the draftsman knew
That gave us the red and the white and blue?

How did we make the flag?
Not all
By measuring stitch and seam,
For part of it came from a country call
And part of it is a dream—
Is a vision that led brave souls aright
And gave us the red and the blue and white.

How did we make the flag?
In peace
We fashioned it fold on fold;
In war it was blent with a grim caprice
The drums in their summons rolled.
'Twas the courage alike of the quick and dead
That gave us the blue and the white and red.

How did we make the flag?
'Twas thus
It came to its grace and worth;
Through all that is good in the souls of us
The banner has had its birth.
'Twas the holier strength of the purpose true
That gave us the red and the white and blue.

Thus have we made the flag—
Ah, no!
By colors that will not fade,
By sinuous sweep and by deathless glow,
'Tis us that the flag has made
And it whispers today to each state told state,
'You must hold me high and must keep me great!
—Chicago Tribune.

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