

The Secret Battle

Two American Officers Join the German "Council of Five" in Spain, Enter Germany by Submarine from San Sebastian to Kiel and Secure the Plans of the Last Drive on Paris, after the British and French Had Declared it Impossible to Obtain Them.

Von Hindenburg and the German High Command Cleverly Deceived by the Pretended Deserters—A Thrilling Adventure that Leads to the Defeat of the Boche and the Signing of the Armistice—The Story of the Two Mysterious Prisoners Sent from France to the Military Intelligence Staff in Washington in July Last.

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PART IV

SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS

An American major, detailed to penetrate the German lines to secure information in reference to the Enemy's plans for the great drive on Paris, is arrested as "an embezzler and deserter" at Henday, France. He "escapes" and reaches San Sebastian in Spain, where his reputation leads him to be solicited to join the German secret service. He accepts the offer made him and is ordered to first rescue a German prince whom the American army holds under sentence of death as a spy, and then to procure the plans of the Liberty motor.

The prince is "rescued" that the major's position with the German spy system may be made as strong as possible. A captain in the aviation corps, who is an expert on aeroplane motors, is detailed to work with him as "a deserter who has stolen the plans of the Liberty motor."

The captain so confuses the "Group of Five" in San Sebastian that the German prince suggests that the two Americans be sent to Kiel with him on a submarine that the captain may explain the plans to the High Command. This is done and they arrive in Kiel after all are nearly killed and the sub-sea boat destroyed by the explosion of a depth bomb launched from a British destroyer.

The major and captain are kept in Kiel but a short time under the care of a Captain Schmidt, who never loses an opportunity to covertly insult them. They are sent to Coblenz to be questioned by the German High Command. Before they leave, the remark of a German general convinces the major that they are to be murdered as soon as they divulge all they know. The major understands German but has pretended he does not, in this way learning many things that would otherwise have escaped him.

In Coblenz they are quartered in a hotel and are approached by two women living there, whom they suspect are members of the German secret service. They gain the confidence of these women, who tell them the Germans are not sure of them and that they are to be killed after they have given the German general staff all the information they possess.

The officers stick to their story and convince the women that they are really American deserters with a price on their heads. The women report that they are what they claim to be. The next morning they leave Coblenz for General von Hindenburg's headquarters.

CAPTER XV.

PLOT OF THE TWO WOMEN

(Continued from Last Sunday)

"I have solved it for you you, major," cried one of the women. "Listen and do not interrupt, and you will never say that woman's wit is not a match for a man's brain."

"Both of you men are now out-laws. In France there is a price on your heads because you have turned traitors, and, if captured, you will be shot unless you can offer something of great value in exchange for your lives. Here in Germany it is only a question of time before you will be milked dry and then it will be a quiet stab, or a shot in the back and the Rhine. You cannot remain here and you cannot escape into Holland, so your only hope is to return to France through the front."

"Your one problem is to take back with you a sufficient consideration for your pardon. I can supply this. Before you came into our lives we were friendly with two colonels of staff command. They have read the reports of both your interviews with Metz, and at the first opportunity you can all slip over the trenches and cross No Man's Land and surrender. You will be granted a pardon, for the information these two German officers will bring with them will be so valuable that, instead of being chained as deserters, you will be hailed as heroes. What do you think of it?"

It was a wild plan. No one but a woman would have conceived such an idea; but, by its very boldness it held the chances of success. The more the major thought of it, the more it appealed to him.

"If you can fulfill your part of the bargain," he said, "I believe I can do mine, but—you must know your two colonels, for if they should, after

Too Fat?

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Maybe you have nearly worn out body and patience trying to secure satisfactory weight reduction by taking medicines or following rules that were too drastic and inconvenient. Even so, you should not lose hope and imagine that the first opportunity through life a load of burdensome, unhealthy flesh. Here's a very simple, easy-to-follow system of treatment that is known to bring truly remarkable results for others, and it will be easy to prove what it can do for you.

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A BOOST FOR FATHER

A child's prayer has long been celebrated in song and story. There are few so hardened as not to be moved by such prayers, or remember with awe their own lisping of "Now I lay me down to sleep." Children also, in their innocence, sometimes say prayers which are not without their humorous side, and these, too, have been handed down to posterity. In this latter class belongs the following true account of the prayer of a little girl who lives in Los Angeles.

Little Lois was completing her evening prayer at her mother's knee. "Amen," finished Lois, and then without a pause: "Mamma, has the Lord got a bald head like daddy?"

SHIP BY TRUCK IS LATEST PLEA

Modern Commercial Vehicles To Parade Portland Streets Next Monday

Portland to Eugene and Return. May 17th to 21st, 1920.

From the slow rickety ox-drawn wagon to the swift sturdy motor truck seems a long way.

Monday the 17th, at 8:30 a. m. through the main streets of Portland some thirty of these modern commercial vehicles will parade, starting on a demonstration journey of transportation education, and to bring forcibly to the people of Oregon the business economy of good roads, and the wisdom of voting "302—YES."

The motor vehicle and good roads—the motor vehicle came first—are of vital interest to every man, woman and child in the country, for they cut distances and bring the city and country closer together, causing a mutual benefit by allowing each more readily the natural advantages of the other.

Besides this closer social and political contact, there is a business side of the motor truck and good roads. They cut down distances, bring the city market closer to the producer, save time, and greatly enhance farm values.

The modern motor vehicle and good roads came into their own with the boys in France, being next to those brave lads, the greatest factor in winning the war. This is conceded by almost everyone, and especially by the army, the navy and the marines. The motor truck and roads not only brought the fighting men and the supplies up to the front for the army, but they also enabled the "Devil Dogs" and the "Blue Jackets" to jump ashore, get into the fray, and lug their largest naval guns to the front, so effectively.

This is why the army, the navy and the marine corps are interested in the truck caravan, and will be represented therein. The army will have one of the largest portable search lights in the world, in the commercial train, it weighing over two tons, mounted on a special six and a half ton truck. The fifteen million candle power ray will be flashed along the line, announcing in the sky at night the approach of the heavily laden modern country to city short haul train.

The navy will exhibit a perfect

model to scale of the type 312 foot Destroyer, and the marines will entertain in their usual "Peptomist" manner.

The dealers are particularly interested in this up state ship-by-truck-short-haul caravan due to their enthusiasm over the recently organized Oregon Automobile Dealers association, which is affiliated with the national organization.

From the ox-team to the motor truck seems a long way, but it is but a step, for this train of modern wagons will be viewed by many young in spirit Oregon pioneers, the remainders of the advance guard of the civilization who crossed but yesterday with Oregon, spiritually, physically, financially, and progressively, and who own trucks and tractors, appreciate the value of good roads and are urging "302—YES."

"Hi!" yelled the loud-mouthed person at the man chasing his hat down the street. "Why don't you nail it on?"

"That's what I'd do," remarked the halless, "if my head was made of the same material yours is."—Capper's Weekly.

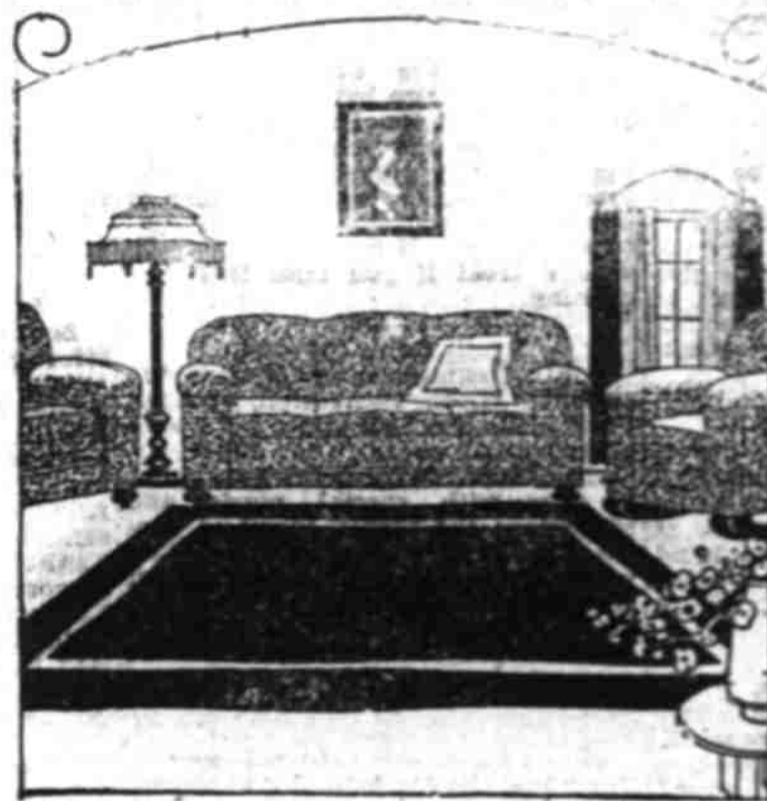
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AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Drama League Players of Portland in 3 one-act plays at Grand Theatre, Friday, May 21st. Benefit Woman's Building at University. Election will be announced.

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