

# REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

## The Story of a Honeymoon

A Wonderful Romance of Married Life Wonderfully Told by ADELE GARRISON

### CHAPTER 600

#### WHY MADGE FACED HER DANGER ALONE

A dozen futile plans rushed through my brain as the terror which had obsessed me at the sight of the saw tip protruding through the bolted closet door of Lillian Underwood's library gradually gave way to a wild impulse to do something to frustrate the plans of the unknown man on the other side of the door.

I thought of stealing to the hall door, opening it and rushing to summon Lillian and Katherine from the trouble below stairs. Then the remembrance of the injunction Lillian had laid upon me to guard the library and open the door to no one save Katherine or herself came back to me. I had a wholesome dread of disobeying any injunction of the woman under whose banner I had enlisted.

It was useless also, I reflected, to ring the bell of the speaking tube to the kitchen. I had heard Lillian's order to Betty to go into the hall and bolt the kitchen door from the other side when Betty had frantically summoned her to the kitchen. The sound of an axe and a hoarse command of

an unknown masculine voice had made me realize that the intruders Lillian feared were trying to enter the house on some pretext or other. I didn't know what might be staged in the kitchen, especially as Lillian had taken with her the small silencer pistol which was never absent from her person now.

#### To Identify Him.

"Why doesn't Lillian call in the police?" I thought. And then I realized that rather than have her usefulness to her country ended by the inevitable publicity, she was facing her danger alone. I could do no less.

No, there was no help anywhere unless I could force myself to find some weapon right in the room with me with which to combat the rapidly completing enterprise of unknown marauder. Without moving from the place where I was standing my eyes searched the room but to no avail. Lillian had taken her small silencer pistol with her. There was nothing else save the small tools of her drawing board, and I was afraid I could do nothing worth while with them.

For there had come into my brain a scheme which I hoped would meet Lillian's approval. It was highly

important that she should be able to ascertain the identity of the man on the other side of the door, who must be a trusted employe of the secret service, or he never could have obtained access to the room on the other side of the closet, the costume room in which were kept the disguises sometimes worn by the women agents of the service. If he knew someone was in the library he would in all probability hurry away and we should never know who he was.

I resolved to wait until he should have sawed through the panel and thrust his hand through to the bolts. Then I must with one swift stroke mark his hand in some way so that the secret service agents in charge of the other house would be able to identify it. I looked longingly at my hat pin, but I knew that it took a certain amount of skill to give this disfiguring blow to his hand that would be needed to make more than a superficial scratch, so I gave the plan up.

#### The Problem Solved.

The rhythmic sliding of the saw went steadily on. He had finished a side of the aperture he meant to make, and had begun working upon the opposite one. I knew that it would be only a question of minutes until he would be able to remove the block of wood and peer into the room. Then, upon sight of me, he would either rush away or enter, overpower me and search the room unhindered.

At the last moment of desperation I chanced to look to the recess of the old fashioned washstand. Lillian was fastidious in the care of her hands, and she had frequently expressed to me her delight in the convenience which enabled her to shut herself up to her drawing behind locked doors and yet have a lavatory at hand for the frequent ablutions she gave her hands. Above the washstand she had installed a cabinet, and behind its doors I knew there were kept all sort of liquids, medicines, cleaning fluids, things Lillian used in her work.

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The "Dial of Ahaz" was probably a flight of curving steps upon which a beam of sunlight fell.

The man at work upon the door I made my way to the cabinet. When it was necessary for me to leave the soft pile of rugs I sank to my knees and crept to the next rug. I held my breath for fear the door of the cabinet would creak, but fortunately it was well oiled, and as I swung it open I saw among the bottles a comparatively large one with the label "carbolic acid".

My heart leaped with triumph as I saw it, then sank again in momentary apprehension that it might be only an empty bottle. But a hasty examination assured me that it was nearly full.

With it, in my hand I crept and walked noiselessly to the closet door and flattened myself against the wall at the side of the door, so that the man at work on the other side would have no inkling of my presence in the room when he should finally finish the aperture he was sawing.

(To be continued)

### Trouble Brewing in Sugar Beet District of Michigan

SAGINAW, Mich., May 21.—Reports were current here tonight that a detachment of state constabulary would be sent into this district to suppress alleged depredations of night riders reported to be engaging in a campaign of intimidation in the sugar beet growing localities.

Some beet growers recently declared a strike against what they considered unfair contracts for their 1920 crop. Houses occupied by beet field workers, it is reported, have been burned and one was destroyed by dynamite.

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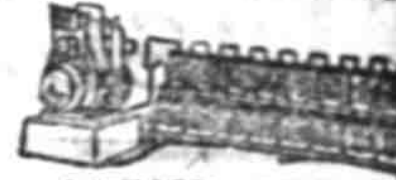
SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—The Standard Oil company will begin gasoline rationing in San Francisco and Northern California tomorrow as a result of the shortage, company officials announced tonight.

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Cotton, Sugar, Corn, Pork and Cereals Caught in Reaction

NEW YORK, May 21.—Influenced by the nation-wide price cutting agitation that is steadily gaining ground, the principal commodity markets of the country continued today to "mark down" quoted values. Cotton, sugar and corn options broke violently here and in Chicago, and cereals and provisions, including pork, also suffered sharp reactions. Significance was attached to the drop in pork prices as marking the first pronounced break in high priced food stuffs.

The stock exchange showed improvement on a sharp recovery of liberty bonds and victory notes.

A large part of today's liquidation in cotton and grains was attributed to the further scaling down of credits by banking institutions here and in other reserve centers, evidently in conformity with the request of the federal reserve board.

In the local cotton market May contracts broke almost 400 points with equally sharp reactions in New Orleans.

Domestic and foreign metal markets quoted lower prices for spot and future deliveries, silver proving the only exception at a slight rise in London. Little business was done here in copper for immediate delivery.

Dealings in liberty bonds and victory notes failed to reach the huge totals of the two preceding days. Virtually all of the liberty issues closed at the day's maximum quotations, gains extending from one to four per cent, the fourth 4 1/2 per cent scoring the greatest advance.

James H. Post, president of the National Sugar refining company declared the government should have purchased the 1919-1920 sugar crop. He expressed opinion that a sugar shortage exists and increased consumption of 1,000,000 tons over the previous year, he said was one of the factors which caused it.

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