

REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

The Story of a Honeymoon

A Wonderful Romance of Married Life Wonderfully Told by
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CHAPTER 628.

WHY WILLIAM WORRIED ABOUT MADGE'S SAFETY.

Me an' Pete would-a been enuff fer that peddler feller when he cotched holt of me," observed William, regretfully, "if he hadn't pulled a gun on me. Y' kiant do much agin a gun."

"That's very true, William," I answered, seeing that he was waiting for an answer of some sort.

"Trust thing y' know," returned William. "First thing he done was t' pint the gun at my head."

"Call that dog off me this minit," he says, kickin' at Pete, who was tryin' t' git a holt on him, "if y' don't want a bullet through yer head an' his."

"Of course there was nuthin' else I do, so I made Pete lie down. Then he took a piece of rope from his

pocket, an' made me tie Pete fast t' a tree, him a-lookin' over th' knots t' see they was all right.

"Now, my lad, I'll attend t' yer case," he says. "Y' think y' know me, but I'm goin' to give y' jest a taste o' what ye'll git if y' ever snitch on me or try t' find out anythin' about me."

"I tell ye, Miss Gramie, my blood begun t' git pritty cold about that time. An' his puttin' a piece of cloth in my mouth t' gag me didn't help my feelin's any."

"Then he took a sharp knife outer his pocket, an' he gashed my old head in several places, long, straight cuts. He laughed when he done it, an' he says:

"I think I heard the lady call yer William, so I'll jest make yer initial on ye."

Bravely Optimistic.

"Then he stood off an' looked at me. 'I'll giv' ye one final knock for good luck,' he says, kickin' me. 'It'll make y' go ter sleep a minit or two, an' I'll be real kind to ye. I'll take th' gag out of yer mouth so when y' wakes up y' kin yell all y' wants. But don't y' tell any body what I looks like or ye'll git wuss than this.'

"Then he up wit his gun an' he smashes me over th' head wit th' butt end of it, but he does it kind of careful like. I'll bet he knows jest how much t' give a man so it'll knock him stiff, but won't hurt him bad. Sure enough, I didn't know nuthin' more for quite a spell, an' when I did wake up th' gag was gone an' so was th' man. Then I untied Pete an' come home."

"For a moment or two I was too horrified at William's recital of the cold-blooded, horrible cruelties he had undergone to speak. The blood must have left my face, for I hazily heard William exclaim concernedly:

"Sit down, Miss Gramie, quick. Yer white as a sheet. I didn't mean t' scare ye. That's nuthin' t' be 'fraid of now. I hain't hurt much, an' both them devils is gone. They won't be back for quite a spell, an' will we be ready fer 'em when they comes back? Well, I guess we will."

William's anxiety and his brave optimism made my super-sensitive nerves appear pitifully weak. I smiled

at him and made my voice calm and strong.

"Trust Me."

"I'm all right, William," I said, "and I never can thank you enough for your bravery today. Now one thing about this is most important. Are you sure neither Miss Draper nor the man with her know you overheard that address?"

"Sure as ye're born, they don't know nuthin' 'bout it, Miss Gramie," William said earnestly. "They neither of 'em dreamed me an' Pete was on t'other side of th' bank. No, I tell ye, th' man was half a mile away from that thar bank when he heard me an' Pete in th' bushes an' jumped out on to us."

"I'm so glad, William," I said, "for getting that address is a most important thing. Now I want you to rest until you feel strong enough to come into the house for your supper. And remember to stick to your story that a falling tree grazed your head. I shall probably go to the city in an hour or two, and Miss Agatha will no doubt question you. Don't let her see your head."

"You kin count on me, Miss Gramie," William said, and his poor, twisted old face shone with the joy of needed service which was his. "I'll be mum as an oyster. But don't y' run into no danger, Miss Gramie," he went on anxiously. "Don't y' think ye'd better tke me along?"

I had a swift mental vision of arriving at Lillian's under the escort of poor old William, and had hard work not to smile at the old chap. But I answered him with the gravity his offer deserved.

"Thank you, William, but I shall be very careful, and there's no danger for me in the city. Besides, I'm depending on you to guard the house here."

"Jest trust everythin' t' me an' Pete," he returned, proudly, and I went slowly into the house, revolving the problem of how I could plausibly get into the city within the next hour or two.

For I knew it was imperative that Lillian should have immediately the address of the spy who had posed as an Italian peddler and whose attempt to enter her library through the secret entrance had only been foiled by my pouring acid over his hand.

(To be continued.)

Ex-Senator Burton of Ohio is a candidate for the toga of Senator Harding after March 4, 1921. Burton served one term in the upper branch of Congress and made an excellent record. Being a Presbyterian he no doubt believes in the doctrine of election.

EVIDENCE EATEN BY DAVIES WHEN BEING QUIZZED

Litigant on Witness Stand Swallows Bit of Paper Containing Signature

DOCTOR GETS IT AGAIN

Emetic Administered Immediately Brings Exhibit Back to Light of Day

B. F. Davies, who has been much in the limelight in recent days through litigation growing out of domestic infelicity, while on the witness stand yesterday, swallowed evidence that threatened to go against him. This was the signature on a note which he surreptitiously tore from the note when it was given him for identification during cross-examination. A physician was called, who administered an emetic and Davies heaved up the paper along with other things.

"They are trying to job me," he told Sheriff Needham as he chewed and swallowed the paper.

This unusual episode in court annals terminated the case of Davies vs. Pruitt, in Judge Bingham's court. The case had been pending for some time, but the authorities were never able to get the note, which Mrs. B. F. Davies, or Eleta Pruitt, the wife of Davies, claimed was forged. It did not come into the hands of the authorities because it was Davies' chief evidence in his case against his wife, and consequently kept it in his possession until last Friday morning when it came into the possession of Constable De Long.

Barred From Mailing Letters.

After coming before the police court last Friday, Davies claimed that he had some papers at the Bligh hotel which might be essential in his case, and requested Mr. De Long to accompany him to the hotel. He obtained some papers, together with a sealed envelope containing the alleged forged note, and expressed a desire to mail the envelope. The officer who had him in custody informed him that he was still in the custody of the court and could not mail any letter without the consent of the court, and the letter was submitted to his possession. Thus came

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the note into the possession of the authorities.

Davies claims that prior to his marriage to Eleta Pruitt, she signed a note in his behalf, giving a time claim for security. This the wife and defendant claims was a forgery of her signature. She asserts that during their brief wedded life her husband has repeatedly sought her signature on a note for \$1500. Repeatedly, she says, she has refused because no suitable motive was presented by her husband, save that of artful swindling. She further asserts that her refusal to yield to his intimidations was the motive for his several alleged assaults upon her and which finally caused their separation.

Yesterday when called to the stand in his own behalf, Davies sought to destroy his own evidence. The note, his chief evidence and the basis of his case, was handed to him by the cross-examining attorney, who asked "Is this the note?"

Tries to Fool Officers. He received the note and turned towards the light and held it up for inspection of the water markings, and after a short pause, replied: "No, that is not the note. The water markings are not similar to the original."

Whereupon the attorney asked: "Is that the note you brought action on?"

Davies said it was, and while the attorney was continuing his cross-questioning, he was in the act of tearing a corner of the note with the signature. This the sheriff noted, and before he could get to the witness stand, the part of the note containing the signature had been swallowed.

Dr. Roy Byrd was called into the office and administered an hypodermic injection into Davies' arm. He heaved up the bit of paper. The note is now in the possession of the sheriff and he believes that he has an incriminating piece of evidence.

Olcott Determined to Nab Schwartz in Oregon

Charles Johnson Post, New York newspaperman and son of Louis Post, assistant secretary of labor, has informed Governor Olcott by telegraph, that Milton Schwartz, alleged degenerate, left New York for Portland June 17, accompanied by his mother, Addie Schwartz, and his uncle, Max G. Cohen, and that upon arrival in Portland it was the intention to take Schwartz to a farm owned by another uncle.

Schwartz attacked a 7-year-old daughter of Charles Johnson Post, was haled before a court and the action dismissed when the court was informed he would be taken to Oregon.

This action aroused the wrath of Governor Olcott, who advised District Attorney Evans of Portland to apprehend Schwartz and have him examined as to sanity. The governor said yesterday he would follow up this course, if Schwartz can be found regardless of where he is taken after he arrives in this state.

A telegram sent by Governor Olcott to the commission of charities in New York, asking full information in the case, brought no reply, although it is said this official had the case taken into court. Mr. Post's telegram today, says New York sentiment is not in sympathy with sending degenerates elsewhere.

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GASOLINE TAX NETS THOUSANDS

Koser's Figures Show Returns to State from Law Enacted in 1919

Since February 26, 1919, the date on which the law requiring a tax of 1 cent a gallon on gasoline and 1/2 cent a gallon on distillate sold in Oregon, became effective, the total tax collected up to May 31 this year amounts to \$198,928.72, says a statement made yesterday by Sam A. Koser, secretary of state. This means that \$6,906,297 gallons of gasoline and \$5,973,153 gallons of distillate have been sold in the state since the law became effective.

"The first year's experience," said Mr. Koser, "shows that over 36,454,000 gallons of gasoline and 5,269,000 gallons of distillate were sold, on which the tax amounted to \$290,912.22. Comparing the sales of March, April and May, 1919, with the sales during the same months in the year 1920, we find that in 1919 a total of 7,637,114 gallons of gasoline and 1,492,111 gallons of distillate, as against 2,813,751 gallons of gasoline and 704,565 gallons of distillate in 1920 were sold. The tax on the sales during these months in 1919 amounted to \$83,828.72, and in 1920, to \$108,016.50, or a gain in the year 1920 over 1919 of \$24,187.78. In the event this ratio is maintained during the balance of the year, the sales of motor vehicle fuel for the period embraced between March 1, 1920 and March 1, 1921, the tax on the sales should aggregate \$500,000,000."

"Up to the month of June, 1920, the gasoline consumed in the state has been sold and distributed by the Standard, Associated, Union and Shell Oil companies. On account of the shortage, however, and to meet local demands, importations for sale and distribution in the state have been made by a number of motor vehicle dealers and associations, which will assume the responsibility

for the tax and remit the same to the secretary of state, as the law requires. As this tax is levied on the secretary of state by the various dealers in motor vehicle fuel, it is immediately converted into the state treasury for the credit of the state highway fund, and is expended by the state highway commission for the purposes of road construction and road improvement throughout the state, as other monies in that fund."

First Band Concert Is Stated for This Evening

The first band concert of the season will take place in Wilson park tonight at 8 o'clock. The concert will continue throughout the season twice each week, being held on Tuesday and Friday evenings.

The program announced for tonight by Director Oscar Steelhammer follows:

- March, "Constitution"..... Morse
- Selection, "Wang"..... Morse
- Waltz, "Wedding of the Winds"..... Hall
- (a) Venetian Moon..... Goldberg
- (b) When Irish Eyes are Smiling..... Hall
- (c) Russian Rag..... Cobb
- Vocal solo..... Mrs. Halile Parrish Durdall
- Fantasia from "Les Huguenots"..... Meyer
- Serenade, "Love in Idleness"..... Serenade
- Overture, "Kamawha"..... Barnhouse
- March, "Front Section"..... Chambers
- The Star Spangled Banner.....

Elliott Is Elected to Succeed Mr. Van Dalsem

The state board of vocational education has elected E. E. Elliott of Corvallis to succeed Newton Van Dalsem as state director of vocational education. Mr. Van Dalsem resigned some time ago. Mr. Elliott will assume the duties July 1. He is superintendent of vocational agriculture at Oregon Agricultural college and will continue in that position together with the new position. His headquarters will be in Salem.

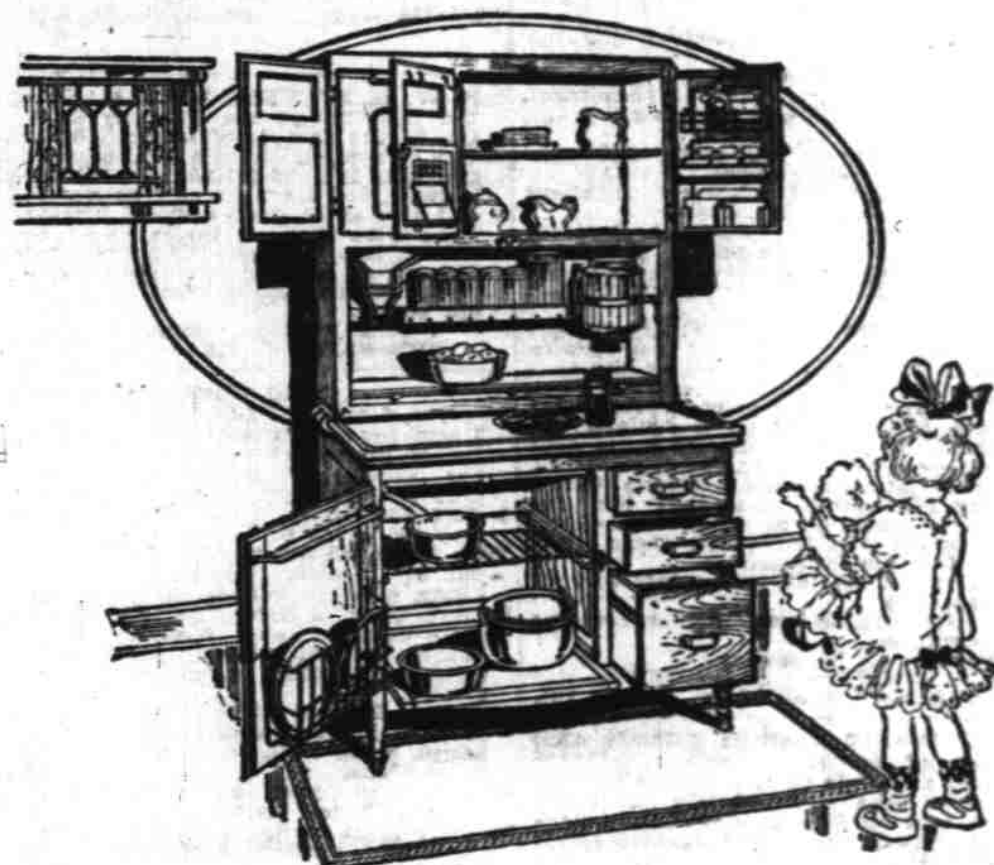
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