MY MARRIAGE PROBLEMS

Adele Garrison's New Phase of

REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

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CHAPTER 385

WHAT MADGE WON MRS. BARKER TO PROMISE

I wasted no time in formalities with Mrs. Barker as I entered the dining-room in search of her, and saw the disapproving frown upon the face which she turned toward me. I took from my face the mask of airy artlessness which I had put on for her benefit, and pocketed it where I could get at it handily when I should encounter the veranda tables. And it was with a mien almost as forbidding as her own that I accosted her.

"May I have three minutes of your time where no one can hear us?" I asked.

She looked at me searchingly for a second, and then, her face clearing, she waved her hand toward a door at the side of the dining-room.

"Come into my own sitting-room," she said. "It is small but it is the only place I can call my own, and no one comes near it unless I say so."

"I could well believe that," I said to myself, as I followed her into an austere, plainly furnished but comfortable little sitting-room, and took the chair to which she motioned me.

"Now," she said, closing the door, and moving a chair opposite mine, "what's on your mind? Thought better of trying to pull the wool over my eyes with that 'best friend' stuff?"

"Something like that," I rejoined promptly, although the bluntness of the attack, coupled with the keen insight it betrayed, startled me. "I am going to lay the exact case before you, and I am sure you will approve of my course."

A Frank Confession.

"Humph," she responded noncommitally. "Go on."

"In the first place," I said briskly, "Miss Foster is not my best friend, nor even a very dear one. But I know her quite well. She has been a guest at my home, and I would stake my life upon the certainty that in this absurd performance there has been nothing really wrong. But I realize as you do, that she has been highly indiscreet, as well as most inconsiderate of me.

"Naturally," I went on, "I do not particularly relish coming up here, either to see her or my husband, whom I blame far more than I do her. But, Mrs. Barker, I have a little boy, and my husband has an old mother. For their sakes, as well as my own, I must silence gossip. Can you tell me any better method with most people than the one I am taking? It doesn't deceive you, of course, but isn't it really the best, after all?"

She looked at me steadily for a long minute.

Mrs. Barker Apologizes.

"It isn't often I'm mistaken in my judgment," she said, and I thought whimsically of Disko Troop, "and when I am I'm ready to acknowledge it. I knew you weren't the fool unsuspecting baby you seemed, but I thought maybe you were trying to gloss over this because you had been cutting up some caper of your own that you wanted your husband to overlook."

I could repress neither a wrathful start nor the flaming of my cheeks at this interpretation of my coming to the rescue of Dicky and Claire Foster.

"You needn't be disturbed," Mrs. Barker said coolly. "I just told you I knew I was mistaken. I believe what you have just told me, and I agree with you that you're taking the best course. And I'll help you all I can, which, I guess, will be by keeping out of your way as much as possible. I'm free to tell you that I don't cotton much to either your husband or Miss Foster, and the less I see of them the less apt I'll be to say things."

"That will be perfectly all right," I answered, glad, indeed, to have found her so tractable. "But may I ask you to set a place for Miss Foster at the table? She will have supper with us."

"Going to exhibit her, are you?" Mrs. Barker gave a short, unpleasant little laugh, then turned to me with contrition written on her face.

"Excuse me," she said awkwardly, and I guessed that she was not much used to asking pardon of anyone. "I'm not usually so badmannered, but the idea of your treating that hussy as though she were something way up in G seems awfully funny and strange to me."

"But, Mrs. Barker," I pleaded, with an honest effort to modify the woman's patent prejudice. "You're wrong about her. She's simply a headstrong and indiscreet girl. She is not in the least in love with my husband, and she has not hurt me except by embarrassing me with this publicity. And we must remember that she is young."

"She's old enough to know better." Mrs. Barker returned uncompromisingly. "But I'll keep my mouth shut, and let her get away in peace, and I'll help you all I can."

(To be continued)

New Books Received This Week at the ATLAS BOOK & STATIONERY CO.

White Indian—Sabin.

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"Bottled carbonated beverages are part of the daily diet of patients in many hospitals," Miss Vera Kendrick, chief dietitian at the Springfield hospital, told members of the Eastern Soda Water Bottlers association at their recent meeting in Springfield, Mass.

"There are several reasons for this use of bottled carbonated beverages in hospital dietary," Miss Kendrick stated, "but the main one is that the manufacturers are careful to see that only the purest and best ingredients go into their beverages and that they are manufactured under sanitary conditions, also that modern scientific investigation and experiment have disproven prejudices once held against 'soda water.' It has been shown that a bottled carbonated beverage is not merely 'sweetened water,' but is a food product having more calories than many foods in common use; and that the gas which puts the bubbles in it is not harmful, but very beneficial to the health."

Miss Kendrick urged the bottlers to keep up the high standard of their products in strict accordance with the United States pure food laws and the advice of the scientists of their national association's research fellowship at Iowa State college. She also commended the national association's Code of Ethics, saying:

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HIPPODROME SHOW AT BLIGH THEATRE

Exceptional Vaudeville Attractions Offered Salem People Today

Featuring in headline positions on the Hippodrome shows at the Bligh theater today, Mme. Verobell and her company in songs and steps of 1925. Mme. Verobell for years has been starred in grand opera and upon her entry into vaudeville has surrounded herself with a capable company of entertainers who will offer one of the best singing and dancing acts to play the Ackerman & Harris circuit in months.

Leon Lang is billed as an exceptional juggler. He is one of the kind who keeps up a rapid-fire of chatter throughout his act and amuses with his comedy.

Ethel Lockhart and Walter Keifer appear in a skit called "A Gem on Skates." They have a program of fancy skating which is said to be unique.

Dick Gardner and Anna Revere have an act which it is claimed provokes a gale of laughter. It is called "The Surprise." Gardner is an eccentric comedian who later appears in some startling dance novelties while Miss Revere sings and acts.

Clifford and Vance in "Bits of Vaudeville" prove to be a sprightly pair of stylish steppers who offer songs, dances and comedy.

"Penrod and Sam" is the feature picture.

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BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Last week of legislature—

Time expires Friday night.

Likely to hold over Saturday; perhaps longer. In that case, the members get no pay for the time after Friday; but the clerks do.

American Legion St. Valentine dance last night was, as The tatesman predicted, the biggest dance ever held in Marion County—and the best. They danced away the soldier monument debt, or nearly so.

Some one suggests that another thing the country needs is direct election of lobbyists.

Have you tried the reindeer meat?

Salem man suggests that the actual necessities of life are four: air, food, water and an alibi.

The three R's are now: Readin', 'ritin' and radio.

Perking up. At this time last year renters of farms were very scarce. Now they are plentiful.

It is said that the Ford plants at Detroit made a profit of $13,000,000 outside of the motor industry. This was all in the reclamation of waste, the sale of by-products from the main business. Henry Ford is right thrifty in his affairs. In case of a power short Henry would even save the air from his tires and use it to run a windmill.

The new head of the American Bankers' Association came to this country not very long ago as an immigrant boy. At that moment there wasn't money enough in his family to start an ambitious peanut stand. But America holds golden opportunities for those who have the spirit and energy to dig them up. They have to be pursued and run to earth. But they are here.

NORTHWEST TO BRING FORDS

A shipment of Ford cars for the Used Car Corner is expected to arrive on the Steamer Northwestern this evening. J. E. Anderson, buyer for the company states that he has made some very good buys in nearly new Fords and is shipping them by boat in order to sell them to the public at the lowest possible price.

REPORT SALE OF 23 AUTOMOBILES

Salem Automobile Company Local Dealers Report Recent Sales

Salem Automobile Co., Star, Flint and Durant distributors at Salem, report the following recent sales: Marinus Schapp, Salem, R9, a Star sport coupe; O. C. Hockett, Valsetz, Or., a Star touring; R. J. Bettencourt, Salem, R3, a Star touring; Harvey Hines, 615½ North Capital, a Star roadster; Dan Scharff, Salem, R7, a Star touring; M. J. Kreutz, Silverton, a Star sport touring; Herman Tasto, Salem, R7, a Star sport touring; T. A. Riling, Mt. Angel, a Star sport coupe; Ball Brothers, Turner, a Star express delivery; John Martin, Dallas, a Star sport touring; Wm. Cook, 265 S. 18th St., a Star sport touring; J. W. Berkey, Woodburn, a Star touring; Fred Bigler, S. 16th St., a Star touring; H. H. Uppendahl, Hubbard, a Durant sport touring; Mrs. J. E. Earle, 1965 N. 5th St., a Star touring; I. H. White, 2190 N. Liberty, a Star sport coupe; W. G. Walling, Salem R6, a Star touring; Wm. Hensell, 1223 Saginaw St., a Star touring; Cleve Shields, Gervais R2, a Star sport touring; Mrs. Winnie Swegel, Salem R7, a Star touring; James McKellop, 475 S. Commercial St., a Star sport coupe; M. O. Tule, 360 N. 20th St., a Star sport touring; Jung Sing, 162½ N. Commercial St., a Star touring.

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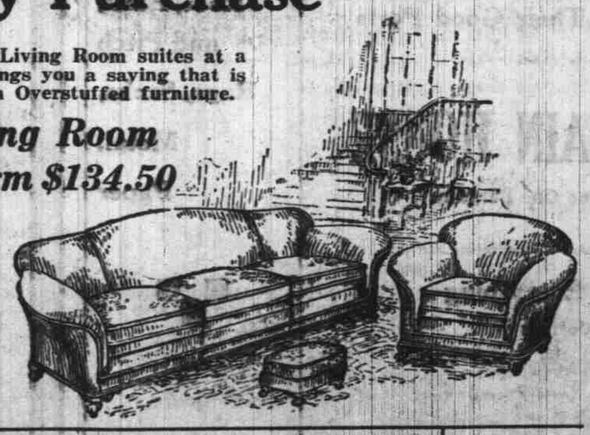

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