## Salem Market Quotations Corn Prospects

(Buying Prices)
(The prices below supplied by a local grower and indicative of the daily market prices paid to growers by Salem buyers but are not guaranteed by The States Cantaloupes, erate \_\_ Watermelons, lb. \_\_\_ 3.25 VEGETASLES (Buying Prices) .04 .05 .25 .01 % .25 Lettuce, local
Oniona, 50 lbs.
Green onions, dos.
Radishes, doz.

Peas, local, lb.
Peppers, green, Calif.
Parsley
Potatoes, local ewt., No. 1...
50 lb. bags
New Potatoes Calif. ewt.
Spinach, Seattle, box
Turnips, dos.
Souach, dos. Tomatoes, Dalles, lug ..... (Price paid by Independent Packing plant to grower)

Walnuta-Pranquettes, fancy, 12c me dium, 10c; small 8c; orchard run, 8 to 10c. Walnut meats, 25 to 30c lb. Filberts-Barcelonas, large 12 4c; fan cy 11 4c; bables, 11c; orchard run 11c (Co op Prices to Grower) Walnuts-Price range, depending upor way nuts run in 14 different grades 11 & 12c. Duchilly 1 cent higher.

WOOL AND MOHAIR (Buying Prices)
Wool, medium, ib. Coarse, ib.
Lambs, ib.
Mohair, ib'
EGGS AND POULTRY Pullets Colored frys Butterfat, first quality.
Butterfat, second quality
Butterfat, premium
Leghorn hens, over 3 ½ lbs Leghorn hens, under 3 1/2 lbs ...... Leghorn fryers, 1½ ibs.
Leghorn fryers, undersize, market
Colored tryers 2.3 ibs.
Colored springs, 3 ibs. and up....
Colored bens Stags
Stags
Old Roosters
No. 2 grades 5c per bound less.
EGGS Grade A large, doz ..... 

CHAPTER XVIII

she, could be at this club nightly

as though to make amends. His card | ble!"

in waxed beauty under her ear.

But before the evening was over,

Now, as she sat in the club eating

the orchids she was hating, but

The head waiter, Diaz, came round the corner of the palms.

"Madame la Marquise, the door-

keeper informs me there is a gentle-

man to see you. Here is his card. I

informed him that you can not be

Before even glancing at the card,

"Send him in, Diaz," she said.

A somewhat shamefaced Brock

"It's awfully decent of you receiv-

ing me, Toni. I know I must have

night, though I don't remember the

"Sit down." Her voice was tone-

"How did you happen to come

"I've been making the rounds for

doubted he would tell the truth.

disturbed, but he still waits."

Toni sensed that it was Brock.

Best to have it out now.

Brock Milbank.

"I'll see him."

half of it, honest!"

suddenly, and all."

she removed them. It was as though

Grade B raw 4 per cent milk, Salem Co-op basic pool price \$1.76. Co-op Grade A butterfat price \$1.72.

(Milk based on semi-monthly butterfat average.) Distributor price, \$2.82. Butterfat, No. 1, 23c; No. 2, 21c; premium, 24 1/4 c. A grade print, 28 1/4 c; B grade 27 1/2c; quarters 29 1/4c

Sows				5.	50 to	5.75
Beef	COWE			5.	00 to	5.25
Bulla		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		5	50 to	6.00
Heite	F8.			5.0	00 to	5.50
Top	ent					7.50
Dairy	type	cows		3.	50 to	4.25
Diess	GRA	TN F	A VAL	ND S	EED	3
When						
	bu.	No.	1 recl	anea.		.75
Uats.	grey	No.	1 recl	anea.		28.00
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Wats, Wh	grey ite barle;	No.	1 reck	22 00	) to	.75 28.00 25.00 24.00
Wats, Wh Feed Clove	grey ite barle; hay,	No.	1 rech	22 00 12 00	) to	.75 28.00 25.00 24.00 13.00
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## Gardeners' Mart

PORTLAND, Ore., July 19 .- (AP)-(USDA)-Produce price changes: Apples — Washington Transparents, standard boxes, loose, 1.00-1.15; Graven-steins, 1.50-1.65, face and fill; Calif. Gravensteins, 1.65-1.75.

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Apricots—Oregon, Washington, 15-lb.
flats, Blenkins, Moorparks, loose, 40-45c;
faced, 45-50c; less apple boxes; ripes
40c; Yakimas, 90-1.00.

Artichokes—Calif., 2.00 per box.

Asparagus—Oregon, Washington, 30lb. crate, No. 1 bunched 2.50-2.75; strings

LSO 1.50. Avocados—Calif. Fuertes, all sizes

1.45-1.70; others, 1.05-1.25.

Bananas—per bunch. 5c per lb.; handeut off or small lots, 6c. Beans-Oregon, reen 5-6c; wax, 4% 5c; Kentucky, 6-7c; giants, 6-6%c. Cabbage—Oregon, round heads, mostly 75-90c; No. 2, 60-75c. Carrots—20-22 ½c. Cantaloupes—Calif. crates, jumbos, 36-45s, 2.35-2.65; jumbo 27s, 2.50-2.60; standard 45s, 2.25-2.50; Turlock jumbo, 26,45c, 2,25-2.50; turlock jumbo, 26,45c, 2,25-2.50; turlock jumbo, 26,45c, 2,25-2.50; turlock jumbo, 26,45c, 2,25-2.50; turlock jumbo, 25,45c, 2,25c, 2,50c, turlock jumbo, 25,45c, 2,25c, 2,50c, turlock jumbo, 25,45c, 2,55c, 2,55

36-45s, 2.25-2.50; standard 45s, 2.25-2.50. Casaba—Calif., 2 4-2 4c per lb. Cauliflower — Local, 9-11s, 85c-1.00; Ng. 2, 60-65c. Cherries — Oregon, Washington Lamberts, 5-6c; pie 3-4c. Celery-Oregon Utah, 1.50-1.60; white, 1.65-1.75; hearts, Utah, 85c-1.00; white, Citrus Fruit-Grapefruit, Arizona 2.00-

2.50; choice, 1.75-1.85; lettuce crates, 2.00-2.25; Florida, 3.25-3.75; Calif, 2.00-Lemons-Fancy, all sizes, 5.00-5.50; Choice, 4.75.
Limes—Calif., flats, 150s, 2.50; display cartons, 90c, dozens 20-25c.
Oranges—Valencias, large 3.75-4.00; small to medium, 2.25-2.75.
Grand Island, Corn—Oregon, crate, Grand Island, 40-45c; others 30-40c. Cucumbers—Oregon hothouse, 50c-1.50 per box of 2½ to 4 doz.; Oregon flats, 35-45c 35-45c.
Egg Plant—Calif., lugs, 1.15-1.25; 6-7c
per lb.; local flats, 1.00-1.25.
Figs—Calif. flats, 1.00-1.25.
Garlic—Local, 5-6c per lb.; Calif. new

crop, 10c per lb.
Grapes—Calif. seedless, 2.35-2.50 lug.
Honeydews—Calif., 9-11s, 1.25-1.35.

There Is Always Tomorrow

By May Christie

# Looming Large

Market Falls Upon News of big Incoming Crop, Wheat Follows

CHICAGO, July 19 .- (AP)-Prospects of a large new corn crop plus a record-breaking carryover from the previous harvest discouraged support today and prices fell more than a cent to the lowest levels since 1934. Wheat declined in sympathy.

Earlier in the session wheat prices advanced % cent, aided by Canadian crop deterioration reports and strength at Liverpool. Winnipeg, however, failed to reflect much concern over the crop damage, prices there declining as much as % cent and closing unchanged to 1/2 off. Wheat on the board of trade

closed \%-% lower, July 66\%, September 66%-%. The upturn at Liverpool, where opening prices were 1-1 % up, was the first in about a week and reflected strength in north American

markets yesterday. Canadian weekly summary said deterioration had been caused by a week of high temperatures and little rain, and added that the crop still was threatened by grass-

FROM SOUTHERN OREGON MACLEAY-Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eckengren have as house guests Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mundt, Mrs. Eckengren's parents, from Rose-

Lettuce—Local, dry pack, 3 or 4 dos., best 85c-1.00; peor as low as 60c; Washington topped, 1.00-1.10.

Mushrooms—Cultivated 1 lb. cartons, 30-35c; ½-lb. cartons, 17-18c.
Nectarines—Calif., 65-75c.
Onions—Calif. reds, 85c-1.00; Wash. yellows, 50-lb. sacks, 60-75c.
Peaches—Calif flats, St. Johns and Elbertas, 75-85c; Oregon Rochester, early Crawfords, flats 60-75c.
Peas—Oregon Telephones, 4-5c per lb.; fancy, 6-6½c; coast, 25 lb. boxes, 1.40-1.50. Peppers-Calif. lugs 1.15-1.25; Oregon

Peppers—Calif. lugs 1.15-1.25; Oregon flats, 85c-1.00
Plums—Calif., Santa Rosa, 4-basket crates, 1.10-1.15; Washington California Beauties, 15-lb boxes, 50-75c.
Potatoes—Oregon Russets, No. 1, 100-lb. sacks, 2.00-2.25; new stock Washington Cobblers, US No. 1, 100 lb. sacks, 1.40-1.50; Long Whites, 1.65-1.75; US No. 2, 50-lb. sacks, 60-70c; Calif. Long Whites, US No. 1, 100 lb. sacks 1.90-2.00. Rhubarb—Oregon, apple box, 146 lb. Rhubarb-Oregon, apple box, 11/2 c lb. Spinach-Local, orange boxes, 85c-1.00. Squash-Zucchini, Scallops, 85-45c;

Squash—Zucchini, Scallops, 85-45c;
d. Crooknecks, Danish, large crates, 2.252.35; flats, 85c-1.00.
Strawberries—Oregon best, 24-basket
crate, 2.25-2.50; loganberries, 85c-1.00;
raspberries 1.40-1.55; blackcaps, 1.751.85; currants 1.60-1.75; boysenberries
75-80c; youngberries 65-75c.
Tomatoes—Oregon hothouse, 7-14c per
lb.; field grown 1.00-1.10; Calif. wrapped
2.5-lb. lugs, 1.50-1.75; unwrapped, 1.251.35.
Watermelons—Calif. 1.75-2.00 per cwt.

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## Quotations at Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., July 19 .- (AP)-1 blended wheat flour, 4.70-5.00; soft wheat Dairy produce prices: Butter: Extras 25; standards 23% 49s, 4.95 bbl. prime firsts 22½; firsts 21½; butterfat 23½-24.
Eggs: Large extras 22; large standards 20; medium extras 20c; medium

Cheese-Triplets 13c: loaf, 14c. Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., July 19.—(AP)—Country Mesta—Selling price to retailers: Country killed hogs, best butchers, under 160 lbs., 10 ½c lb.; vealers, 13c lb.; light and thin, 10-11c lb.; heavy, 9-10c lb.; large, spring lambs, 14-15c lb.; yearling lambs, 10-12c lb.; ewes, 5-7c lb.; cutter cows, 8½ 9c lb.; canner cows, 8-8½ c lb.; bulls, 10-½-11c lb.

Live Poultry—Buying prices: Leghorn broilers, 12½ 13c lb.; colored springs, 2 lbs. and over, 13-14c lb.; Leghorn hens, over 3½ lbs. 13-14c; under 3½ lbs. 13c lb.; colored hens to 5 lbs., 15c lb.; over 5 lbs., 15c lb.; No. 2 grade, 5c lb. less.

Turkeys—Selling prices: Dressed hens, 17-18c lb.; toms, 15-16c lb. B uy in g prices: Hens, 15-16c lb.; toms, 14-15c lb.

Potatoes—Yakima Gems, (—): cental; local, 1.00; Deschutes Gems, 1.85 cental; Klamath Falls, No. 1, Gems, 1.15-1.25 cwt
New Potatoes—California Whites, No. 1 2.00 per cwt; Kennewick, 1.75; local Whites, 75c-1.00 for orange box.
Onions—Walla Walla, 75-85c; yellow 80-85c per 50 lb. sack.

Wool — Willamette valley, 1939 clip, nominal mad 25c lb.; coarse and braids.

Wool — Willamette valley, 1939 clip, nominal med 25c lb.; coarse and braids, 25-26c lb.; 6 months fleece, 22-24c lb.; eastern Ore., 20-23% c lb. Hay—Selling price to retailers: Alfalfa, No. 1, 16.00 ton; cat vetch, 12.00 ton; clover, 11.00 ton; timothy, eastern Ore, 19.00; do valley, 14.00 ton, Portland, Hops—1938 Clusters, 25c lb, Fuggles, Mohairs—Nominal, 1920, 11.

Mohair—Nominal, 1939 clip, 30c lb. Cascara Bark—Buying price 1939 peel, Sagar—Berry and fruit, 100s, 5.00; bale 5 15; beet 4.95. Domestic Flour—Selling price, city de-livery, 1 to 25 bbl. lots: Family patent, 49s, 5.70-6.35; bakers' hard wheat, net, 4.00 5.45; Bakers' bluestem, 4.70-5.00;

## Stocks and Bonds

STOCK AVERAGES Compiled by The Associated Press 30 15 15 6 Indus Rails Util Stor Net Chg. ..... D .7 Wednesday .. 70.3 Previous day 71.0 D .4 88.9 D .5 Month ago .... 67.6 Year ago .... 72.4 1939 high ... 77.0 1939 low .... 58.8 15.7 83.7 BOND AVERAGES

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4.40-4.45; graham, 49s, 4.50; whole wheat

**Portland Grain** 

PORTLAND, Ore., July 19.—(AP)—
Wheat: Open High Low Close
July 70 70 70 70
Sept. 69½ 69½ 69½ 69½
Cash Grain: Oats, No. 2-88 lb white,
24.00. Barley, No. 2-45 lb. BW, 21.00.
Corn, No. 2, EY shipments, 25.00. No. 1
flax 1.67½.
Cash Wheat Bid: Soft white 70; western white 69½; western red 68. Hard red winter ordinary 67½; 11 per cent 67½; 12 per cent 69; 13 per cent 70; 14 per cent 71; hard white-Baart ordinary 70; 12 per cent 71; 13 per cent 74; 14 per cent 75.
Today's Car Receipts: Wheat 26; flour

### Portland Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., July 19.—(AP)— USDA)—Hogs: Receipts, salable 300. 

Steers, good, 900-1100 lbs..\$ 8.25@ 9.35 do medium 750-1100 lbs... 8.25@ 9.35 do med 1100-1300 lbs... 6.50@ 8.25 do com 750-1100 lbs.... 6.00@ 7.25 do good 900-1100 lbs.... 8.50@ 9.00 do medium 1100-1300 lbs 7.00@ 8.75

do sausage gd, all wts...
do cut-com, all wts...
do cut-com, all wts...
do cut-com, all wts...
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do cull, all weights 4.00@ 5.00
do cull, all weights 5.00@ 5.00
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Common 5.25@ 5.75 Yearling wethers, medium 4.00@ 4.50 Ewes, good-choice 2.25@ 8.25 Common-medium 2.25@ 8.25 Start Spud Digging

### Wool in Boston

BOSTON, July 19 .- (AP)-(USDA)were bringing mostly around 68 cents, scoured basis, for good French combing lengths; 64-66 cents for average to short 62.7 French combing lengths and round 70 ing mostly 31 to 32½ cents, in the grease, 64.0 cents scoured basis for lots comprising delivered to users, while a few of the bulk staple and good French combing lengths. Country packed mixed 3½ and 30 to 30½ cents, delivered.

## Aircrafts Rise

## Leaders Fail to Rally

Today's Car Receipts: Wheat 26; flour down fractions to around a point 16; corn 4; hay 3; millfeed 3. While offerings were at no time

persistent there was much cashing of profits won in the sharp rises of Monday and Tuesday and volume for the third straight day was higher than Wall street's theoretical break even point of 1,000,000

shares, reaching 1,022,300. The Associated Press average of 60 stocks fell .5 of a point at 49.6. European Markets Dip

Declines in London, Paris and Amsterdam before the New York session started foreshadowed the opening dip here which was fairly wide in reasonably fast trading which soon slackened. In the meantime, however, some commission houses reported buying orders from abroad especially London.

do medium 1100-1300 lbs 7.00@ 8.75
Heifers, med, 500-900 lbs 6.75@ 7.75
do med 500-900 lbs 6.00@ 7.25
Cows, good, all weights 5.25@ 5.75
do med, all wts 6.00@ 6.50
do canner (low cut) all wt 8.00@ 3.50
Bulls (ydgs. exc.) beef, gd 6.00@ 6.50
do specific news events were assigned as the reason for the drop, but it was said reports of the administration's attitude that war in Europe had not been yet avoided with certainty was an excuse for 7.75 No specific news events were aswith certainty was an excuse for some traders to avoid fresh com-Business news, in the opinion of

4.00 5.00 many Wall streeters, continued 

UNIONVALE-Potato digging

for market with a full crew of local people employed was started at the U.S. Alderman farm Mon-Boston Wool houses were receiving a fairly active demand today for several kinds of domestic wools at strong prices.

Fine territory wools in original bags grower in this locality.

## Closing Quotations

Callahan Z-L .. 1 Johns Manville . 79 1/2 Union Carbide . 8378

Calumet Hec... 5% Kennecott .... 36 United Aircraft. 38%

Canadian Pacific 41/8 Libbey-O-Ford . 53 United Airlines . 123/8

J I Case ..... 77 Lig & Myers B. . 108 US Rubber .... 4638

Caterpil Tractor 45 Loew's ...... 45 % US Steel ..... 5014

Celanese ..... 24 % Monty Ward ... 54 % Walworth .... 512

Certain-Teed .. 7% Nash Kelvinator 6% Western Union . 25%

Ches & Ohio . . . 35 % National Biscuit 27 % White Motors . 9 12 Chrysler . . . 81 % National Cash . 20 Woolworth . . . 48 18

NEW YORK, July 19-(A)-Today's closing prices: Above Market | NEW YORK, July 19-(P)-Today's closing prices:

Al Chem & Dye. 170 | Coml Solvent .. 10% Natl Dairy Prod 17%;

Allied Stores .. 9% Comwith & Sou. 1% National Dist .. 26% Allied Stores .. 9 1/4 Comwith & Sou. 1 1/2 National Dist .. 26 1/2 American Can . 97 1/2 Consol Edison . 32 1/4 Natl Power & Lt 8 Am For Power. 21/2 Consolidated Oil 71/2 Northern Pacific 91/2 Am Power & Lt. 4% Corn Products.. 60 Packard Motors. 3% Am Rad Std San 12% Curtiss Wright . 5% J C Penney .... 94 Am Roll Mills.. 15 % Douglas Aircraft 72 % Phillips Petrol . 36 % Am Smelt & Ref 47 Du Pont de N. . 157 1/2 Press Steel Car. 8 7/8 Am Tel & Tel. . 165 1/2 Elec Power & Lt 8 1/8 Pub Service NJ. 38 7/8 Am Tobacco ... 84 1/2 Erie RR ..... 1 % Pullman ..... 28 7 Am Water Wks. 10% General Electric 37% Safeway Stores . 44 Anaconda .... 26% General Foods . 47% Sears Roebuck . 79% Armour Ill .... 4 General Motors. 47 % Shell Union .... 11 Atchison ..... 29 % Goodyear Tire . 30 % Sou Cal Edison . 27 % Barnsdall .... 1414 Great Northern. 26 Southern Pacific 1418 Balt & Ohio ... 51/4 Hudson Motors . 6 Standard Brands 678 Bendix Avia ... 25% Illinois Central . 13 Stand Oil Calif . 2614 Bethlehem Steel 60% Insp Copper ... 12 1/2 Stand Oil NJ ... 43 Boeing Air . . . . 24 % Int Harvester . . 57 % Studebaker . . . 7 % Borge Warner . 26 Int Nickel Can . . 49 ½ Sup Oil . . . . . . 2 Budd Mfg .... 51/2 Int Paper & P Pf 34 1/2 Timk Roll Bear 461/2 Calif Pack .... 19% Int Tel & Tel... 6% Trans-America . 578

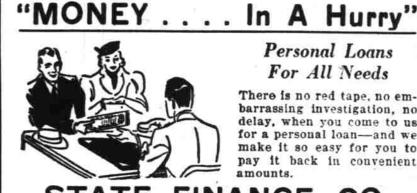
## Spiders, Weather

PORTLAND, July 19-(AP)-An agricultural survey reported to- Oregon, California and Washingday red spiders and dry weather damaged the Willamette valley the Yakima country.

Prices for some September contracts were reported 20 and 22 cents a pound but there will be Hurt Valley Hops little spot turnover because production in large yards has al-ready been committeed.

Preliminary estimates placed ton output at 190,000 bales. Some growers, who will receive acreage harvest limitations in a few days. tity at 150,000 bales.

## hop prospects last month. A slight predicted the hop control board decrease was also predicted for might set the marketable quan-



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Girls Will Be Girls

## By CLIFF STERRETT

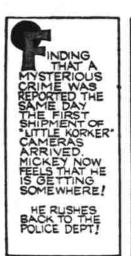




MICKEY MOUSE

An Unlucky Number

By WALT DISNEY



WHAT TH' DICKENS-









LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY

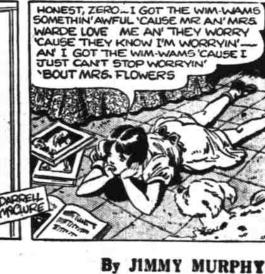
A "Gentleman" Peddles His Wares

By BRANDON WALSH









TOOTS AND CASPER

Class for the Family Album

YOU SEE, WE NEVER HAD A PICTURE TAKEN WHEN











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## But, of course, it was her money! That was what hurt. "We quarreled. She's mighty hard to get along with, Toni. Not half as sweet as you were. Gosh, I've been trembling from head to foot. "You Things were too stirred up in

San Francisco, the gossip and all. So I beat it to New York." "Just as I did," Toni thought, ironically. "But our manner of meeting our humiliations was somewhat different, that's all. Brock gets drunk, while I wear out shoe leather, unting. Now when I've landed

something good, he comes here to spoil it! But he shan't! I won't let him!"

Brock was talking again. As Toni watched his pallid face, his near-set eyes that avoided looking directly at her for more than a brief moment at a time, it came to her with complete wonderment how she had ever been so blind as to think she loved of the normal of the normal course, to the nightlub owner. She thanked Heaven that he was sober, and would have the presence of mind to presume to no old friendship in the past.

"Your premises are charming," Brock said in his most agreeable manner to Niklas, who was bowing suavely. "I was just saying that any reason, is there, why I shouldn't

been so blind as to think she loved this weakling.

"I asked the clerk at my hotel about the livellest spot in town. You wouldn't blame me, Toni, if you knew what a time I've passed ahrough. Among others he told me

suavely. "I was just saying that I would like to join the club. May I tender my subscription?"

Niklas naturally complied. Toni was thankful that he was immediately called away.

But it was disturbing to know together, he continued: "There isn't any reason, is there, why I shouldn't get a cut-in?"

Blackmail?—she wondered. His silence at a price?

(To Be Continued)

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"To what end?" he was thinking dropped in." "How," she inquired icily, "did fronically. Yes, the probabilities were that she would be included in you get past the doorman? Only dered. the haul. No girl as intelligent as members are admitted."

without knowing its true character. back to him as he grinned: "Oh, I Or was she the unsuspecting tool pushed in with the crowd. There of Niklas? No, that was impossible. was only one empty table. I headed But the next day he sent her a for it."

think we'd make a good team here good team?"

After a moment's indecision, she in New York? Eh, what?" had worn the orchids. They curled "I do not." Color flooded her face. Had his effrontery no limit?

mad. And I like your new blond something sinister lurked beneath hair. Your jaunt has improved you, Jaunt? Her grief, humiliation, her dinner, it was not the donor of endless search for work, loneliness

-a jaunt! "A penny for your thoughts." "I was thinking what an astonishing cad you are," Toni answered in Here I am. What are we going to

a level voice. "Oh, come, now. I know I acted in a beastly fashion, but I'd been nagged to death about our engagement, for you know my dad has been pretty badly pinched financially, though not as badly as your father. Still and all, I was fond of you, old girl."

"You certainly had a charming way of showing it."
"You don't think I wanted to marry Jessica, do you?"-in an injured tone. "And you can surely understand how I couldn't face you, made a nuisance of myself last Toni, to tell you I had to marry her because of our mutual changed finances. You and I couldn't live on

sentiment, could we?" "You mean you were too cowardly to face me? To tell me that money here last night?" she demanded. She meant so much more to you than" asked the question, even though she -her lip curled-"what you call love?"
"Don't rub it in, old girl. I'm not

a bit of a smack in the eye out West, sidered it the correct thing to marry y'understand. Jessica leaving me so Jessica." Jessica? Dragging her name in this conversation was pure torture was in atrocious taste. He meant to Toni. Yet, even so, she wanted to that he had really cared for Jessica? know the reasons for his jilting her. "What on earth do you mean?"

"You're not such a child that you don't understand! Come, come. dare to tell me that you Jessicawhile you were engaged to be mar-

ried to me-" He said quickly, alarmed at median than the motion: "Don't take it so hard, them beautifully."

"How so?" But she knew what He said quickly, alarmed at her Toni. You know-" What would have happened be-tween them had not Niklas ap-

peared at that moment, Toni was

silence at a price?
(To Be Continued)

of this club, and so last night I that Brock was going to be a member of the club. What was his motive?—she won-She was soon to know.

He leaned over the table toward Some of his old swagger came her, and said ingratiatingly: "I'm hoping, Toni, that you're going to let bygones be bygones, that we're going to be good friends. And why not? Aren't we more or less up magnificent spray of white orchids, She thought ironically: "My ta- against it-in the same boat? Believe it or not-and I admit I've been with a line of apology in French, and his good wishes, lay in the big square box awaiting her arrival at the club.

"I was clean bowled over when I a cad—I've a mighty soft spot in my heart for you, and I always shall. Don't you think we'd be a the club.

A good team? Was this a renewed marriage offer?-she wondered. A sick feeling swept over her-part of the old pain, and a "Gosh, you look lovely when you're kind of nausea at his effrontery.

She stared at him silently. "Ladies must live, you know," he said lightly, "and so must unlucky chaps like me who find themselves minus the needful! I was let out of the firm in San Francisco, you see. Jessica's done the fading-out

Here I am. What are we going to do about it?" "You mean," said Toni with dry lips, "that gentlemen must live-in the style they've been accustomed

flecked eyes. "A bit crude, aren't you? You wouldn't have said a thing like that three months ago, even though there was some truth to it. Toni, you've-well, hardened.' She said swiftly, vehemently:

A bold look came into his brown

"Thank Heaven for that!" He bit his lip, for the moment nonplused. Then: "I'm afraid I'm responsible for the change. Am I, Toni? Egad! If I'd known how things would turn out—the mess they'd be—wild horses wouldn't have dragged me to the altar with that woman." "Let's leave her name out of this,

"I've been making the rounds for the past week, ever since I hit the city." He grinned sheepishly. "Had derstand when I tell you I conmits she made a play for me?"

"Don't rub it in, old girl. I'm not as bad as you imagine. You'll understand to hear of it, naturally. Toni, admits she made a play for me?" His caddishness was so apparent that the old pain seemed to slip forever from her at that moment. It was as though she were talking with a stranger.

"What with my people's nagging,

as I said before, and-" She lifted a hand to silence him. "Oh, I know I'm no good, but if you knew what I've gone through, you'd forgive me." A pause. He changed his tack. "You're in a far better position

was coming.
"That clever tarradiddle about being a French aristocrat. The marquise line! The whole town's talk-