

The Voice of Love

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(AP Measurements)

CHAPTER 11

History spun the geography globe with a restless movement of her hand. Looking around the large, sunlit classroom with its new desks, big blackboards and beautiful colored maps, she found herself envying Grace Taylor, and the jostling words: "Principal's pet!" rose to her lips. But she didn't utter them. That which shattered a girl's peace of mind, that which constricted her throat, tied her nerves into knots, kept her sleepless although her burning eyes and aching head yearned for the balm of slumber, was something too serious to be joked about.

Then Grace appeared at last, slim and lovely in her tweed suit, her golden hair warm-toned in the sunshine. Ruth smiled at her and happily turned her mind to other things.

"Any luck?"

"None," Grace perched on a corner of the desk. "Mr. Quince was apologetic in his pompous way, but the school he announced, was in no position to sanction such an outing. There were questions. Suppose the boat sank? Suppose a child fell overboard and drowned? Or suppose a few of them got a bad case of sunburn?"

"Suppose?"

Grace shrugged. "I dare say he's right, though. Just a picnic on the beach will have to do, I'm afraid."

"They'll be disappointed," Ruth reflected aloud. "The little brats really worked. I was so proud of Johnny Smith in particular!"

"Still."

Ruth nodded. She drew on her white gloves, picked her handbag from the desk and walked with Grace down the long, silent hall to the exit of Building Two. Completing only her second year at the school, she still found it a novelty, in June, to be able to hear birds singing on the lawn and to be able to walk anywhere along the asphalt paths without fear of being run down by some boy on a bicycle. She shook her head.

"Feel a year older?"

"A year richer. How about you?"

"The same. Are we sentimentalists, Grace, or are children really as wonderful as we think they are?"

"They're grand!" said Grace firmly. "A person's lucky if her work throws her into contact with children. They're so quick, so lively, so bright! And all their illusions are still intact!"

Ruth interrupted. Her mind was a grasshopper sort of mind. It couldn't remain in one place very long this afternoon. It had to hop from here to there if only to keep from dwelling on Dan, the impact Dan had upon her life.

"I'll be back next year," she said flatly, dismissing the subject. "That's to say, if the campaign this summer leaves me with energy enough to teach."

There was much that Grace could have told her about that. Interested in ascertaining the chances Ephraim Carlisle had to be elected mayor, Grace Taylor had undertaken a private poll. Each of her friends had been asked: "Luchetti or Carlisle, a community hospital, or the old

system." Three out of four had snapped: "Luchetti. At least he has sense enough to recognize there's a limit to the spending people can do." But Grace was a kind, understanding creature who never in her life had added agony to agony. She didn't now. "It'll be an interesting summer, no doubt. I'm staying in Golden City, incidentally." She paused. Then a beautiful flush crept up her cheeks all the way to her cute, rounded forehead. "I'll have to get the new house in order, you see."

Grace made a light of it. "Oh, Yelbert and I decided we might as well battle in our own home as here at the school. We thought we'd give marriage a whirl."

Ruth swallowed. She felt half-suffocated, and had to inhale deeply several times. All the waiting over? The pain, the horrible pain of not knowing, at an end? "How wonderful! You must let me give you a shower."

"You goose!" chorused forthrightly Grace Taylor, "why do you suppose you're the first to be told?"

Questions rose to Ruth's confused, milling mind. When had Grace decided? How had she finally found the courage to make the plunge? Would she continue to teach? Did she think it wise to repress all her hopes for happiness in the hands of a human being?

But a door banged shut in the Administration Building. "Hi!" hailed Yelbert Quince. He came toward them with his long strides, the cut of his trousers flapping about his bristly moving ankles. Meeting Grace's glowing purple eyes, she discovered Grace wouldn't be annoyed if she were to be left alone with Mr. Quince. "I'll give you a ring," she whispered to Grace, then whisked and went quickly to her Ford.

A rueful grin greeted her. "It took you a long time," complained Bob O'Brien. "I thought you'd never come out."

While she stared, goggle-eyed, he opened the door and reached for her hand. Before she could recover her wits he pulled her into the car and had the engine purring under the hood. "Thought," he explained, "that it was time I had a look at you."

This, she thought, is being ridiculous.

She met his gaze coolly. "I happened to be busy. Bob. In the event you haven't been reading the papers, the hotel's doing a rushing business."

"Oh, I read the papers from time to time. You mustn't think that farmers don't take an interest in the world. By the way, congratulate your father for me, will you?"

He ignored the road that led to Golden City. He struck east through the county seat of Belfast to Highway 1. Presently they were in among the hills, taking the side road down through Peterman's Canyon. There they found mid-summer temperatures.

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7:00 Noon News	News	Paul Harvey	Top Trades	Spider	News
7:15 Pop. Tenn.	Come Get It	Neon Edition	Jack Owens	Spider	Mary Laena
7:30 Soapbox	Ann Gett	Jack Owens	Gay 90's	Spider	Mary Laena
7:45	Ann Gett	Jack Owens	Garden Gide	Spider	Mary Laena
8:00	Hilltop	Kay West	Kirkwood	Spider	Mary Laena
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7:00 Country Ed	News	News	News	News	News
7:15 Johnny Williams	News	News	News	News	News
7:30 K. Manning	News	News	News	News	News
7:45	News	News	News	News	News
8:00 Old Songs	News	News	News	News	News
8:15 Old Songs	News	News	News	News	News
8:30 Old Songs	News	News	News	News	News
8:45 Old Songs	News	News	News	News	News
9:00 News	News	News	News	News	News
9:15 Music Box	News	News	News	News	News
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Pratum—Both Pratum Methodist and Methodist churches have been doing remodeling and redecorating the church basements.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gun-

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Dined
- Oriental cart
- Distant prefix
- Negative
- Lazar
- Be under obligation
- Kind of spice
- Great Lake
- By
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DOWN

- Existed
- Bronze in the sun
- Cheap apartment house
- Vegetable organism
- Flow back
- Having an offense
- Member of
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Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

1. English queen
2. Extended journey
3. Gives the fight to
4. Malt liquor
5. Entertained royally

6. News organization
7. Becloud
8. Have being
9. Front
10. Windmill
11. Anarchists
12. Cry of a cat
13. Place of worship
14. Swindler
15. Goddess of peace
16. Promontory
17. Salvation
18. Poisonous snake
19. Snug room
20. Salt peter
21. Fine linen fabric
22. Spider's trap
23. Not so old
24. At present
25. Not this
26. Interpret
27. archaic
28. Very black
29. Fresh-water
30. Poppy
31. Moist
32. Compas
33. point
34. Equally
35. Concentrate