

Pyramus and Thisbe

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"OH, DEAR! How I wish I could take a ride!" Sarinesca sighed stormily.

"Well, why don't you?" Aunt Susan asked placidly. "Lady Jane Gray isn't working—exercise 'd be better for her than standing stilled all day."

"Ugh! All she's fit for is crowbait! I wouldn't be seen on her," Sarinesca flung back.

"Of course, if you want to show off—"

"I don't! Only—not to be a scare-crow!" Sara broke in, tears running over her rosy cheeks.

"It comes of being an honest man's daughter. Don't forget that!" Aunt Susan said, head up, eyes flashing. "Too honest to try standing from under a load of security debts your grandfather had put on him. I'd be proud—remembering a thing like that."

"I—can't! I'm young," Sara sobbed; "nineteen—and I've never had—anything."

Aunt Susan swallowed something hard in her throat. She loved this quicksilver child dearly, for all she had found her a trial all the ten years she had cherished her. "Susan, keep her safe. She's all that's left me," her brother had said when he bade them good-by. Three months had stripped him of everything. His wife, his twin sons, their grandparents—all had been instantly killed in a motor accident, leaving him a burden of debts and grief that ought to have crushed him utterly. Terribly shaken, he had somehow lived through it, keeping his head unbowed. "I shall come back—living or dead," were his last words.

A motor horn sounded impatiently outside. Sara darted to find out its meaning. In a minute she was back, white, breathless, saying brokenly: "I can't believe it—but—but my Great-niece Julian has come to take me away—for good."

"You are willing to go with him," Aunt Susan shot at her, "after he has waited so long?"

Sara nodded. "You won't blame me, after you see their car—and my aunt's clothes!"

"But you are—your mother's daughter," Susan said with a hard breath. "Be sure I won't lay a straw in the way of your going. Only—when your father comes—"

"He won't ever come! He must be dead," Sara cried, flinging herself upon her aunt's breast.

"He will come—living or dead," Susan interrupted; "and he will know I did all I could for you."

Sara went quickly, but not before Aunt Susan had spoken with the rich kin. They were of the fairest surface, eagerly gracious, insisting that shortly she must come and pay them a long visit, but she distrusted them.

Sara wrote daily all through the first week, then the letters slackened, but Aunt Susan did not wonder. One of the letters made Aunt Susan start violently—it mentioned the name of the man whose treachery had caused her brother's ruin. He had been youngish then—say thirty-five. At forty-five Sarinesca would tempt him mightily, with her fresh untouchedness, her elfin charm. But when Jim, her brother, came back the next day, joy drove all else from her mind for a week. Aged, weather-beaten, smiling rarely, speaking little, he seemed content to bathe himself in her devotion. Sara's absence grieved him, but not bitterly. "She is young—and starved for pleasure," he said. "Let her take her fill." Sister Susan asked no questions, it was enough for her to have him back, alive and sound. "You shall hear everything—after I am rested," he had said at first coming.

A month from his coming they sat in June moonlight. Suddenly across the narrow lawn came running figures—man and woman—hand in hand and panting for breath. Ten yards off the girl called tremulously: "Oh, Aunt Susan, Aunt Susan! I've come back home! If it is my home still."

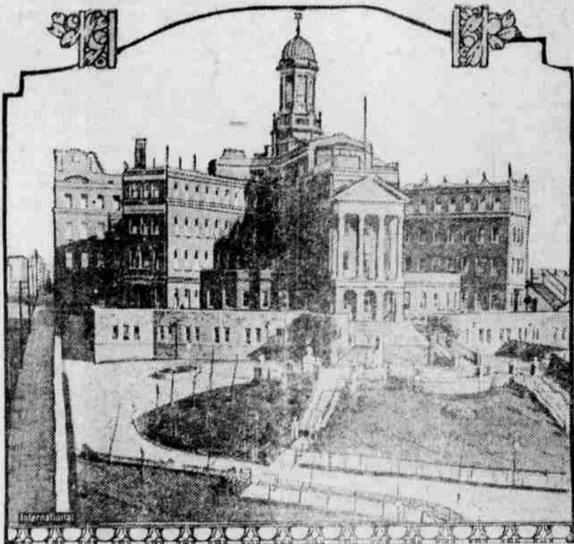
"Your home always," Aunt Susan said shakily. "Enough that you are here—you need not tell why?"

"But I must!" Sara cried, dropping the man's hand. "You see—I married—or else I couldn't ever have got away." Then all in a huddle came the whole story. Those in authority had tried to coax her into marrying Judge Tanner. When she had refused flatly, they had locked her up, telling her marriage was the door to freedom. But young Deering, the private secretary, had come to her help—it had been love at first sight between them—he had got a license and a magistrate, with them scrambled up a ladder to her barred window—they had joined hands through the bars, been duly married, and got away under threat of the law. "And I came straight to you—I shall never go away again," Sara said, lifting her head a little. All through the recital it had been buried in her aunt's lap. As her eye caught her father's face, she flung herself upon his breast.

A long minute of silence—then Jim had to explain a bit. Uncle Julian and Judge Tanner, it appeared, had found out that he was coming home—enormously rich—due in two months hence their haste. He had beaten them thanks to young Deering, who was his close friend, set to spy upon the pair. "And you did even better than I hoped Billy," said Mr. James Graham joyously. "I meant to have you for a son-in-law all along, but didn't dream you youngsters would get the drop on me."

"All's well that ends well," Billy answered—and none grieved him.

Novel Home for the Aged Is Opened



Above is shown the New Daughters of Jacob million-dollar free home for the aged at Findlay avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, New York City, which has just been opened. It is the only building in the country constructed in the shape of an eight-pointed star. The building was planned in this unusual shape in order that all the rooms would be on the outside. Each has a large window affording plenty of sunlight and fresh air.

Mrs. Jules S. Bache



Recent portrait of Mrs. Jules S. Bache, wife of a New York banker whom the collector of the port there has assessed \$20,000 for failure to declare, as dutiable, clothing and jewelry valued at \$18,000 which she brought from Europe. Mrs. Bache had made no attempt to conceal the goods, taking the stand that she had the right to bring personal belongings into the country free because she was a resident of Paris for eleven months in the year, having kept up a home there since 1900.

Henry Dayton, the American vice-consul at Belgrade, Jugoslavia, was shot and seriously wounded at his home by a young woman, who afterwards committed suicide.

Interrupted telephone and telegraph communication, more than 2000 broken poles in Nebraska and Iowa, and delayed trains through the west central states were the results of the first snow and sleet storm of the winter. Nebraska and Iowa were hardest hit.

Filipino Pass Bill Vetted by Wood Manila. — The independence fund vetoed by Governor General Leonard Wood, was passed by the legislature complete except for the \$50,000 yearly expenses asked for Filipino delegates presenting independence petitions to the United States. Failure of the \$50,000 appropriation to pass means that the independence press-bureau will be closed, it was said.

Coolidge Signs Bill Giving Bonus Fund Washington, D. C.—President Coolidge Saturday signed the deficiency bill providing \$126,000,000 for administration and initial payments under the soldiers' bonus act and carrying out the recommendations of the reclamation fact finding commission. TO BLESS AMERICANS

Moscow.—The annual ceremony of the Armenian church, known as the "Blessing of the Americans," will take place at Erivan, Caucasian Russia, next month. The ceremony is an expression of gratitude for help which the United States has extended to Armenia through the Near East Relief during the past few years.

TURKEY DINNER IN PALESTINE Jerusalem.—A gift of 200 live turkeys has just been received by the Near East Relief from an Armenian farmer in Egypt. The birds are to provide Christmas dinners for 1,200 Armenian children in orphanages here.

GOV. CHRISTIANSON



Theodore Christianson, republican, who was elected governor of Minnesota.

Trim Lines Distinguish Latest in Tailored Suits



That French axiom which says "there is nothing so beautiful as care" is confirmed by the tailored suit. Be it ever so quiet as to color and plain as to finish, its trim and flattening lines and impeccable tailoring are its most important assets. One of this season's aristocrats is pictured here, in beige tulle, with double-breasted coat and plain, straight skirt.

MICKIE SAYS—

EVEN IF EVERYBODY IN TOWN BOUGHT AT YOUR STORE, MR. MERCHANT, IT WOULD PAY YOU TO KEEP ON ADVERTISING, BECAUSE 'THEY'S STRANGERS MOVIN' TO TOWN CONTINUALLY, BESIDES 'TH' KIDS THAT GROW UP 'N BECOME NEW TRADE



Boardman Locals and Personals

CECIL NEWS

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all readers of the Cecil Items. If at any time the writer of Cecil News has offended anyone by any of the items, we apologize right now and let us start her new year in "Peace on Earth Good Will Towards Men".

Jack Hynd of Butterfly Flats accompanied by his nieces Misses Annie C. and Minnie H. Love of Cecil were county seat visitors on Saturday.

Charlie Wright left on the local on Saturday for his home in Spokane after spending a few days visiting his friend J. W. Osborn at Fairview.

Alek Wilson and two of his nephews returned to their homes at Boardman on Saturday after calling on all their old friends around Cecil.

Leon Logan of Four Mile made a short stay in Cecil on Saturday to visit his old friend Peter Bauernfiend who recently returned from Ritter.

Wild Palumater of Windyook, and W. A. Thomas of Dotheboys hill were doing business in Cecil on Saturday. They went on to Tione to learn the late news of that vicinity.

Mrs. H. J. Streeter spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hardesty at Morgan also visiting her uncle E. B. Burton who is lying very ill at the home of Mr. Hardesty.

Mrs. W. H. Chandler of Willowcreek ranch was calling on Miss Annie C. Hynd on Sunday. We are glad to report Miss Hynd recovering from her recent illness.

Oral Henriksen of the Moore ranch out near Heppner and Clifford Henriksen of Pendleton were visitors at Butterfly Flats on Sunday.

Peter Bauernfiend, Cecil's right hand man, was doing business in Heppner during the week and declares he won't leave Cecil for another twelve months as he was caught in the midst of the severe weather which has been visiting Heppner lately.

Earl Morgan of Broadacres, was in Cecil Thursday, also Roy E. Stend of Seldomsen, Elvin Miller of Highview and Dick Logan and Harvey Smith of Four Mile.

W. Furrans who has been working for Krebs Bros. at the Last Camp, for several months left on Friday to spend his vacation with friends in Tione.

Mrs. L. L. Funk arrived from Wasco on Tuesday accompanied by her daughter Geraldine who was taken ill while visiting friends there. We are glad to see her able to be out again.

W. V. Pedro of Ewing returned to his home during the week, after attending to business matters in various places for several days.

Tom Crabtree who has been visiting his brother J. E. Crabtree left on the local Tuesday for his home in Marshfield.

Mrs. W. Sexton left on Friday for La Grande to spend the holidays in that section with friends.

Miss Violet Hynd teacher in Iona district is spending her vacation at home here, as is Jack Hynd a student at Heppner high.

J. J. McEntire of Killarney was an Arlington visitor on Friday. Peter Farley of Heppner was calling at Killarney on Saturday.

Jim Furlong of Heppner arrived in Cecil on Sunday and will work for Krebs Bros. this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lowe and two daughters Annie and Minnie H. and H. Krebs all of Cecil spent Sunday at Rose Lawn, Sand Hollow as the guests of W. G. Hynd and Miss Hynd. A severe cold spell has hit Cecil since December 11th. Friday was the coldest day of the week, being 12 below and Dec. 20th at noon it dropped to two below. Snow began to fall on Friday afternoon.

WILLOWS NEWS

Christmas Tree at Rhea School—New Heater for School Bus—Cold Weather Strikes Suddenly

Zennett Logan of Boardman was a caller on the Creek on Monday. C. C. Clark who is engaged in taking the Agricultural census for the Government in five precincts was a business caller in our midst Monday.

Mrs. Jennie Seogins and daughter Mrs. Ernest Taylor and family of Arlington, also Billy Linhoff, spent Sunday with their old time neighbor and friend Mrs. M. V. Logan and family. Miss Agnes Warner of Arlington spent Sunday with her friend Miss Helen Farley.

Billy Linhoff and Miss Ruth Taylor called at the Sharrard home on last Sunday.

Mrs. J. F. Deos went to Arlington on the school bus, to attend the Basketball game on last Saturday. Mrs. M. Farley and Wm Doherty also were passengers on the bus to see the game. James and Dick Logan of Cecil have been busy the past week hauling old ties from the Junction to their home on Four Mile. Mr. and Mrs. Switzer were Arlington visitors last week.

Will Gill has left Boardman district temporarily and is herding sheep for Pete Farley on the McIntire ranch at Willow Creek.

Lambing season has commenced on the project. The McNamee herd has 40 young lambs and the Marshall herd about 50.

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. W. H. Mefford entertained Mrs. Robt. Wilson at dinner and during the afternoon about 30 matrons called and presented Mrs. Wilson with many gifts.

With the snow, the jack rabbits are making their appearance in great numbers. They are already beginning to do a good deal of damage to hay stacks and orchards. Now is the time to either put out poison or have drives, are you ready? Lets go.

S. H. Boardman has had installed in his home, this week, a two stage amplifying radio set.

Ed Martin who is herder of the Pete Slavin band of sheep, is spending a two weeks vacation in Heppner. Joe Kern is herding in his absence.

S. L. Beck who has been drilling for artesian water on the Frank Otto farm, has had to stop because of the cold weather. He has gone down 45 feet.

Tom Brady was over from Willow Creek this week and visited at the Marshall home.

Mrs. Oscar Kosar returned on Saturday from Hermiston where she was called by the sudden death of Mrs. Arthur Peterson. Mr. Peterson left on Friday with his wife and five of the six children for their old home in Kansas. Little Illene is in the hospital at Pendleton with pneumonia. Mrs. Kosar has returned to Pendleton to be with the little girl who is reported as very low. Everett is staying with the Kiltz family during her absence.

The Misses Hixson and Aldrich and Mrs. Joyce Willis entertained the 3 teachers from the D. O. Drop Inn Wednesday evening at the Ballenger home. This was in the nature of a farewell for Mrs. Degenroffer who has sent in her resignation. Mah Jong and 500 made the evening hours fly by and the guests thoroughly enjoyed the delightful time.

The Misses Alice Aldrich and Barbara Hixson were shoppers in Pendleton on Saturday.

Guy Lee and wife stopped in Boardman Saturday on their way to Perrydale Oregon where they will spend the winter with home folks.

The C. E. Pie social which was planned for last Friday was attended by a very small crowd and it is possible that another will be given in the future. It was such a bad night they few had the courage to venture out. A splendid program had been in the plans but only a part was given. The pies auctioned off brought good prices.

N. A. Macomber and family plan to leave Wednesday for Pilot Rock to spend the Xmas with Mrs. Macomber's people.

Mrs. William Davis left Saturday for her home in Portland after a few days visit at the Ralph Davis home. Dorothy Boardman came Saturday from Salem to spend the holiday with home folks.

J. C. Ballenger and wife leave on Wednesday for Wasco where they are to visit at the Murchie home over the holidays. Mr. Murchie who has been quite ill is slowly convalescing. Maxine Ballenger has been with her grand parents since Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Faler left on Saturday for Portland to spend the holidays. They will go to Seaside for Xmas Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davis of Spokane came last week and are staying at the Faler ranch until their return. Mrs. Davis is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Inaus.

The cold snap has brought lots of grief to Boardman housekeepers in the way of frozen water pipes and car radiators. We have had such balmy weather that it seems a hardship to have a few days of snowy and cold weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howell of Parkdale and V. Keyes and wife are all expected home to spend Xmas at the Royal Rands home. Mrs. Joyce Willis left on Tuesday for her home in Tillamook to spend the holiday vacation.

Oregon's School Bill Appeal Is Set. Washington, D. C. — Oregon's appeal in the case involving its compulsory public school law will be argued February 24.

Senate Ratifies Three Rum Treaties. Washington, D. C.—Treaties for the suppression of liquor smuggling with the Netherlands, France and Canada were ratified by the senate.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Doctor Clarke of the Clarke-Stram Optical Company, wishes all of his friends and patients a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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Make Merry Your Christmas,

and Happy Your New Year.

The editors, the entire force and the office ent, sincerely wish all and everyone of our readers a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

After all, we can all to a large degree measure our own happiness on Christmas day and dish out for our portion just about any amount of joy and prosperity in 1925 as we desire.

You know, often what makes one discontented would bring forth thanksgiving in the heart of another. Some people acquire a store of peace and joy out of every day work a day world. Others needs must seek the unusual for satisfaction.

Live your own life in the way of your hearts' desire, which is your God given right; but grant the same privilege to your friends.

Serve your fellowman and observe the established obligations of society, even as do the wolves and geese and savages, else pay the penalty of violation and expect the same conduct of all people.

Have the common sense and judgment to wisely balance these contradictory philosophies so that He who brought "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men", shall not have lived in vain. THE CURREY PRINTING CO. George Huntington Currey, Olive M. Currey.

Of all the Christmas presents good old Santa could bring, we venture the snow storm heads the list for all of the small boys who own sleds.

"Shades of Midnight Stars"! Who could have imagined when twenty years ago we hitched up the high stepping bays to the new sleigh and made the two miles into town to do our last minute shopping, that we would one day be setting out a la motor car, for Grandmothers some 50, 100 or 200 miles distant, on the day before Christmas. Yet this week there are hundreds of such cars on the highways, bound for home and the good old fashioned family Christmas tree.

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