

SILVIA DREAMS

By AGNES GRAHAM BROGAN

The violin stood in a corner of the shed where shabby sweaters and faded hats of men who worked, hung, near by. This outer kitchen was a place where Silvia pared potatoes in summer time—and dreamed her dreams. Silvia was not a child; stored in her quiet head were also philosophies and happy beliefs. These beliefs she inhaled by faith and effort to bring true. But the summer boarders who checked yearly to Mrs. Haskins' cheery home were unaware of Silvia's wisdom; her dreams had long been a source of general amusement. Mrs. Haskins, good natured and indulgent loved to enlarge upon Silvia's visions. "She sure is an odd piece," Mrs. Haskins would say, "and has been ever since I took her out of the orphanage, six years ago. She was fourteen then, and had known why I fancied that she'd be a help to me, but I did. And Silvia is a great help with all her notions; that's the strange part. They called her Ann, there, for want of a true name, but as soon as Miss Ann comes here she looks at me de-wedded, out of her big black eyes and says: 'From now on, Mrs. Haskins, I am Silvia. I always did want a pretty name, and I guess I've as good a right to choose it as the asylum. Silvia is the kind of name my mother would have chosen.'"

MUSIC THAT IS IMMORTAL

Mendelssohn Needs No Other Memorial Than He Left in His Wonderful Wedding March.

Possibly the most famous march ever written is the wedding march from the "Midsummer Night's Dream" by Felix Mendelssohn. Like the overture to his famous work it is a splendid example of Mendelssohn's astonishing musical fertility. The overture is now one hundred years old and is one of the greatest examples of precocity in any art. Although written by a youth of eighteen, it is one of the great classics of the tone art. The march was not written until later, but its glorious burst of exuberant harmony would make it an all-fascinating musical number even though it were not associated with the joyous occasion of marriage festivals. Mendelssohn's musical mind retained these numbers in wonderful fashion. Once when the score of his famous overture was left in a cab in London and lost, he bitterly repined, "Never mind, I shall make another." After he had completed this immense work it was compared with the instrumental parts and found to be accurate to the last dot, even though Mendelssohn had made it from memory. Why did not Mendelssohn write other famous marches? He wrote others, but none quite so good as the wedding march. His "March of the High Priests" from "Athalia" is built upon the same formal lines and is an altogether beautiful work in classical march form.

AMBITION IS HARD MASTER

Success Means Concentration and a Willingness to Make Sacrifices for Its Attainment.

Ambition is more than a wish; it is desire intensified into determined purpose. All that is needed for the accomplishment of our ambitions is a desire so strong that we will sacrifice whatever may stand in the way of our success. The law of compensation never fails. If we would gain one thing we must give up another. How many people have you known who complain of failure through bad luck, when your own knowledge of them tells you that their downfall came through lack of really trying? They were not willing to forego pleasures or extravagances which interfered with their success. Intense effort comes through intense desire which allows nothing to interfere with its purpose. Life is not much without ambition of some kind and unless one is living with a purpose of some sort he is merely whittling away the time, waiting for the call of the grim reaper. Try to make your ambitions worthy ones, and then concentrate on fulfilling them. Find out not only what you must do to realize them, but also what you must give up. If you desire strongly enough you will accomplish.—Montreal Family Herald.

Forget That "Hate To" Idea.

Are you one of the "I hate to" family? How often one hears people use that phrase. If you are guilty of using it, try to break yourself of the habit. It doesn't reflect a strong, healthy, vigorous mental attitude. It suggests pettiness, querulousness, lack of the "I will" spirit. The way to conquer a disposition to "hate" so many is to cultivate a cheerful, resolute, beneficent frame of mind. If you fill your heart with love of your fellow mortals and are possessed of a consuming desire to be of service in the world, you will have little room left in you for "hating" this, that or the other thing or person. The forceful person, animated by the right motives, starts more sentences with the words "I like to" than with "I hate to." Get this thought into your mind: If you are constantly "hating," the cause lies within yourself.—Forbes Magazine.

Sailing, Lashed to Trees.

Great trains of driftwood, bound for the Arctic, forever sail the Mackenzie river, and the voyager who happens to be going along with this forest debris often presses it into service instead of regarding it as an obstacle. The larger trees which retain their branches can be utilized to make progress against an up-river wind, for these submerged boughs are just as effective as an underwater sail. And there are lots of other advantages. By lashing to a suitable tree the traveler can cook his meals on the way, and if he wants to get forward by night his canoe may be secured to an Arctic-bound tree and he may go serenely to asleep while continuing the journey.

Strange Mistake.

Give me the right word and the right accent and I will move the world. What a dream for a writer! Because written words have their accent, too. Yes! Let me only find the right word! Surely it must be lying somewhere among the wreckage of all the plaints and all the exultations poured out aloud since the first day when hope, the undying, came down to earth. It may be there, close by, disregarded, invisible, quite at hand. But it's no good. I believe there are men who can lay hold of a needle in a pot of hay at the first try. For myself, I have never had such luck.—Joseph Conrad.

The Size of the Bill.

"I thought you told me it was to be a minor operation?" "So it was, my dear sir." "But I could have had a major operation for the sum you've charged me."

NEW ORLEANS OF LONG AGO

Pleasant Picture of Beautiful Southern City in the Days Before the Civil War.

New Orleans at that period was filled with gay, animated, French-speaking throngs, says the Yale Review, telling of the long ago in the Crescent city. Slaves were as numerous as they had been in the old home. The shop windows on Royal and Chartres streets had nothing to fear in comparison with the glittering streets of Saint Pierre. Fashions, luxuries, bonbons, liqueurs, books, pictures and jewelry were displayed with the same sure confidence of purchasers here as there. What is called today the "Vieux Carre" was then the city. It was compactly built with solid brick houses, whose iron-railed balconies with their garlands of fliegree work extended over the banquet; whose courtyards with great gates, then as now wide open, showed the luxuriant tropical foliage of their secluded garden—the lounging place of the gayly turbaned women and the well-dressed servant men of the establishment. Fresh meats, fresh vegetables and fruits were cried every morning in musical patois. At night the theaters, the opera and public halls kept the city awake and alive with their gaiety, while children fell asleep behind the batten windows to the pretty tinkle of the ice cream cart that busily threaded its way in and out of every thoroughfare.

WANTED TO CHEER UP RIVAL

Rossini's List of His Ailments Designed to Comfort Composer Whom He Knew Disliked Him.

When thinking of celebrated musicians who loved a joke, the name of Rossini naturally occurs to us, for he was as fond of one as of his table. Here is an instance. Walking one day with a friend in Paris he met Meyerbeer, who was his only formidable rival at the time, though the two were always courteous to one another. The German, hat in hand, enquired most anxiously after the Italian's health. "Alas," said Rossini, "I am suffering from complete loss of appetite, and when I manage to eat I cannot digest. My lumbar gives me no peace, my heart is weak, and I have difficulty in breathing. My sight is failing, and my memory is going." Meyerbeer expressed himself as deeply grieved, and hoped that when next he had the good fortune of meeting "his dear friend," he might hear a better account of his health, and wished him good-day. When he had gone, Rossini's companion asked him why he had told so many fibs, for he appeared to be in the best of health. "So I am," said he, "but the old man looked so unhappy that I felt impelled to say something to cheer him."—London Times.

Parallel of John Smith Story.

A parallel for the story of Capt. John Smith of Virginia, and Pocahontas, the daughter of the Indian chief, Powhatan, comes from Maoriland. About 1890 Billy Bundy, a Sydney whaler, who afterwards took part in the defense of Ngamotu, on the Taranaki coast, against the Walkato hordes, was captured by hostile Maoris. They tied him to a post while they prepared to turn him into a meal, and the oven was just hot enough when the chief's daughter rushed forward and threw her mat over him. This made him "tapu," and his life was saved. But there is a marked difference in the cases of Smith and Bundy. The Indians didn't propose to eat Smith, and Bundy married the girl, an act for which Smith lacked the courage.

The Life in Arizona.

A lot of these here Easterners and Big Town folks stop at Salome—not because they are crazy over the town—but they have to have gas for their machines—and after giving the town the once over (it doesn't take two looks to see it all), some of them remark: "Lord, what a place to live." I often wonder what they mean. While they are doing this, some Old Timer, whose entire wardrobe never did consist of more than a three-piece suit—pants, shoes and shirt—will stick his head up over the greasewood and sagebrush and after taking a quick squint (even one makes him blush) at the latest ladies' styles, exclaims to his burro: "My God, did you see that?"—Salome (Ariz.) Sun.

Oldest House in Scotland.

Dunrobin Castle, can be claimed, according to the London Daily Express, as the oldest inhabited house in North Britain, having been erected by a thane of Sutherland in the Eleventh century. Much of the present mansion is modern, a feature being the creation of complete suites named after notable members or connections of the Sutherland family. One set is named the Cromarty rooms, because in 1746 the earl of Cromarty, a reckless Jacobite leader, was there captured and only saved from being beheaded on Tower Hill by the efforts of his wife, the clever "Bonnie Belle" Gordon.

Business is Picking Up.

"Rastus," said the judge, sternly, "you are found guilty of having stolen two chickens from Mr. Robinson's coop last week. The fine will be \$5." Smiling complacently, Rastus approached the clerk of the court and laid a \$10-bill on the desk. "Yassuh judge," he said, "so Ah gives you 10 bucks which will pay you up to and includin' nex' Sattidy night."—American Legion Weekly.

REDEDICATION OF OLD FORT AT KINGS VALLEY

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witnesses. "When I arrived in Kings Valley, Ore., 1862, being 18 years of age, Fort Hoskins was then occupied with soldiers. It was located within a short distance of the present town of Hoskins. There was no other fort of that name in Oregon to my knowledge. When I returned three years later the soldiers had gone and the barracks had been sold. I rented the hospital from Rowland Chambers, who had purchased it, and with my father and brother occupied it for a year. It has now been remodeled and is occupied by E. O. Frantz. One of the officers' houses was purchased by a Mr. Van Bibber. It was common talk that Phil Sheridan had been located at Fort Hoskins before the Civil War broke out."

W. J. Henderson of Corvallis says in a signed statement that he came to Oregon in 1853, and settled at Keys Hill, six miles from Fort Hoskins, in the latter '50s. He was then 23 years of age and knows that the fort was located on the Luckiamute river in Benton county, near the present town of Hoskins. Though he did not meet Sheridan, it was the talk of the neighborhood that he was stationed there late in the '50s.

This statement is by H. E. Henkle of Philomath: "When I was a young man I visited Fort Hoskins in 1859 and saw the soldiers drilling and know the fort was there. I also saw them bring the Indians through Corvallis—nearly 2000 of them—to the Siletz reservation. I did not meet Phil Sheridan but I heard Joseph Kellum say he saw him in Corvallis buying oats for the farmers. I saw Captain Augur many times. Then Captain Smith came and took charge, and in 1865, Captain Lfollet. I was a soldier in Captain Lfollet's company, the First Oregon. The old Fort Hoskins and Fort Yamhill were abandoned when our company was discharged, June 30, 1866."

Thomas H. Cooper writes that he came to Oregon in '52, and to Benton county the next year, and settled in Kings Valley, two miles from Fort Hoskins. He sold much of his garden truck and farm produce to the garrison. He says he knows the site was the site selected for the ceremonies. Phil Sheridan frequently visited their home, bought vegetables and proved himself an enthusiastic buttermilk toper. As a boy he was impressed with Sheridan's small foot, long mustache, sturdy look and active movements.

Mrs. Julia A. Allen of Corvallis witnesses that she came to Kings Valley, where her parents settled, in 1852. Her step-father's name was Sebastian Richers. They lived within five miles of Fort Hoskins, which they frequently visited, and she certifies that the fort was located on a hill within half a mile from the present town of Hoskins. She has lived in that locality until one-half year ago and has never heard a neighbor raise a question regarding the site. Phil Sheridan frequently came to her house and the homes of other pioneers to purchase hay and to make calls.

ST. PAUL FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE CO.

Table with financial data for St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Co. including Capital, Income, Disbursements, Assets, and Liabilities.

DALLAS MERCHANT ACQUIRES PORTLAND BUSINESS PROPERTY

C. L. Order, owner of two large mercantile establishments at Dallas, has acquired at Portland a six-story office building. The Portland Journal says:

"The Concord building, located at the southwest corner of Second and Stark streets, was transferred Friday afternoon to C. L. Crider of Dallas for town and county property and securities representing an aggregate value of approximately \$150,000. The Concord building is a six-story brick structure covering 50x95 feet of ground space and is used exclusively for office purposes. It was erected about 25 years ago by the Ladd estate company and was purchased in January by B. D. Sigler, D. B. Mackie and H. V. Leonard. Property received in trade for the Concord building included a store building and several pieces of residential property at Dallas, besides a quantity of commercial property. The value placed on the building was not announced but it was stated that the income from the rentals represents a good return on an investment of \$150,000."

That section of the Oregon coast between Neskewin, in Tillamook county, and the Siletz river, in Lincoln county, inaccessible save for hikers, is to be provided with a road, which will be a section of the Roosevelt highway. Final agreement on this was had at a meeting of the state highway commission in Portland. The Tillamook end has been disposed of, but Lincoln county officials explained that they had no bond money for the northern end, up to the Tillamook county line. It will cost above \$500,000 to construct the road and of this cost Lincoln county will contribute \$120,000. The rest is to be provided by the state and the United States forest bureau. The work is to be on a continuing basis until completed.

After adopting several resolutions of importance, some of which caused spirited debate, the State Federation of Women's clubs adjourned at Tillamook. The more important resolutions adopted were: The attacks on the millage system for the state's institutions of higher learning should be frowned upon; commending Will H. Hays, high commissioner of motor pictures, for his attitude toward clear movies; indorsing the bill which proposes to give independent citizenship to immigrant women; protesting against the removal of tuberculosis patients among ex-service men from parts of Oregon to other states, and indorsing a proposed bill to remove property qualifications for the purpose of voting at school bond elections.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING. Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 29, of Polk County, State of Oregon, that the ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING of said district will be held at public school building; to begin at the hour of 8 o'clock P. M., on the third Monday of June, being the 19th day of June, A. D. 1922.

This meeting is called for the purpose of electing one director and clerk and the transaction of business usual at such meeting. Dated this 29th day of May, 1922. C. G. IRVINE, District Clerk. D. E. FLETCHER, Chairman Board of Directors. J2-3t.

The London & Lancashire Indemnity Co. of America

Table with financial data for The London & Lancashire Indemnity Co. of America including Capital, Income, Disbursements, Assets, and Liabilities.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Moore Getty, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the state of Oregon for Polk County, and that, Monday, the 12th day of June, 1922, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the Court room of the said court in the city of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof. Dated and first published April 12th, 1922.

George E. Harmon Administrator of the estate of Moore Getty, deceased. B. F. Swope, attorney. m12-5t

Notice That Certain Street Improvement Bonds Will Be Paid.

Notice is hereby given that there are sufficient funds in the Street Improvement Fund of the City of Independence, Oregon, to take up for payment and cancellation Bonds Nos. 29, 30, 31, 32, bearing date July 1, 1914.

That on July 1, 1922, said bond will be taken up and cancelled and paid in full, principal and interest to said date and thereafter will cease to bear interest. Dated May 22, 1922. C. W. IRVINE, City Treasurer. m26-5t.

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