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THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 21, 1917.

A Story of Married Life REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

By Adele Garrison

How Mrs. Underwood Met Dicky.

The crackling of the logs in Lillian Underwood's library grate was the only sound to be heard for many minutes after she had told me of the little daughter who had been so cruelly shot away from her life.

With her elbow resting on the arm of her chair, her chin cupped in her hand, her whole body leaning toward the warmth of the fire, she sat gazing into the leaping flames as if she were trying to read in them the riddle of the future.

I patiently waited on her mood. That she would open her heart to me further I knew, but I did not wish to disturb her with either word or movement.

"I knew you would be like this," she said at last. "Almost any other woman would have gone off on an emotional tangent over this story of mine, especially when it so concerned herself. But you know enough to keep still when you see a situation that no words can help. It's a rare gift, my dear. Cherish it."

My face flushed with pleasure at her words of praise, but my only answer was a low, sincere, "Thank you," at which she nodded and fell silent again.

"I might as well begin at the beginning," there was a note in her voice that all at once made me see the long years of suffering which had been hers. "Only the beginning is so commonplace that it lacks interest. It is the record of a very mediocre stenographer with aspirations."

That she was speaking of herself her tone told me, but I was genuinely surprised. Mrs. Underwood was the last woman in the world one would picture as holding down a stenographer's position.

They Met in Paris.

"I can't remember when I didn't have in the back of my brain the idea of learning to draw," she went on. "But it took years and years of uphill work and saving to get a chance. I was an orphan, with nobody to care whether I lived or died, and nothing but my own efforts to depend on. But I stuck to it, working in the daytime and studying evenings and holidays till at last I began to get a foothold, and then when I had enough put by to risk it I went to Paris."

Her voice was as matter of fact as if she were describing a visit to the family butcher shop. But I visualized the busy, plucky years with their reward of Paris as if I had been a spectator of them.

"Of course, by the time I got there I was almost old enough to be the mother, or, at least, the elder sister of most of the boys and girls I met, and I had learned life and experience in a good, hard school. Some of the youngsters got the habit of coming to me with all their troubles, fancied or real. I made some staunch friends in those days, but never a stauncher, truer one than Dicky Graham."

I started in surprise. Dicky had told

me of his studies in Paris, and of the gay, careless time he spent there, but he had never mentioned Mrs. Underwood as having been one of his circle. As I thought of it, I remembered that Dicky, aside from praising Mrs. Underwood as a "bully good scout," and characterizing her as one of his oldest friends, had said very little about her to me.

Mrs. Underwood saw the movement. She turned and put her hand on mine, smiling half-humorously, half-tenderly.

"Tell me, dear girl, when you were teaching those history classes, did any of your boy pupils fall in love with you?"

I answered her with an embarrassed little laugh. Her question called to memories of shy glances, gifts of flowers and fruit, boyish confidences—all the things which fall to the lot of any teacher of boys.

"Well, then, you will understand me when I tell you that in the studio days in Paris Dicky imagined himself quite in love with me."

There was something in her tone and manner which took all the sting out of her words for me. All the jealousy and real concern which I had spent on this old attachment of my husband for Mrs. Underwood vanished as I listened to her. She might have been Dicky's mother, speaking of his early and invidious fondness for green apples.

"I shall always be proud of the way I managed Dicky that time." Her voice still held the amused maternal note. "It's so easy for an older woman to spoil a boy's life in a case like that if she's despicable enough to do it. But you see, I was genuinely fond of Dicky, and yet not the least bit in love with him, and I was able, without his guessing it, to keep the management of the affair in my own hands. So when he woke up, as boys always do, to the absurdity of the idea, there was nothing in his recollections of me to spoil our friendship."

"For Offense and Defense."

"Then there came the early days of my struggle to get a foothold in New York in my line. There were thousands of others like me. Six or seven of the strugglers had been my friends in Paris. We formed a sort of circle, 'for offense and defense,' Dicky called it; settled down near each other, and for months we worked and played and starved together. When one of us sold anything we all feasted while it lasted. I tell you, my dear, those were strenuous times but they had a zest of their own."

I saw more of the picture she was revealing than she thought I did. I could guess that the one who most often sold anything was the woman who was so early telling me the story of those early hardships. I knew that the dominant member of that little group of strugglers, the one who heartened them all, the one who would unhesitatingly go hungry herself if she thought a comrade needed it, was Lillian Underwood.

ther, Dr. Irene Kester, for a few days.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS

Returns from Roseburg

Mrs. Fred Hinson and Mrs. Nina McPherson returned Wednesday morning from the Women of Woodcraft convention which was held in Roseburg this week. Mrs. McPherson was given the honor of being elected district manager at the next district convention. Plans are being laid to hold the convention at Eugene next year.

Returns from Spokane.

Rev. H. C. Ethell returned Tuesday night from Spokane where he had been attending the district assembly of the Church of Nazarenes.

Red Cross at Thurston.

Tuesday evening about fifteen people from here attended a Red Cross meeting held at Thurston. Mr. Davis of Eugene spoke, also Rev. Chris Jensen, of the Christian church. There was a quartet composed of Mrs. J. E. Richmond, Mrs. J. C. Holbrook, O. B. Kessey and Rev. Jensen. Prof. Kirk had charge of the meeting.

Go to Waterville.

Mrs. Mary Lancaster of Astoria, president of the Rebekah assembly, of Oregon and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Walker, Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. J. P. Fry, Mrs. Hannah Hill and Mrs. Sillis Gay, paid the Waterville lodge a visit Tuesday night. They report a delightful time. Mrs. Lancaster paid the Eugene lodge a visit Wednesday evening.

Return from Newport.

Mrs. Ed Collins and little son, Edgar, returned from Newport Tuesday afternoon, where Mrs. Collins has been for her health, for several weeks. She is feeling quite a bit better.

Here from Albany.

H. C. Burton of Albany, arrived Tuesday afternoon to attend to business and attended the W. O. W. lodge that evening. He went on to Camp Creek en route to his home Wednesday morning.

Motor Down from Portland.

A. J. Perkins and Frank Whitman of Portland, former residents of this city, motored down from Portland Tuesday evening in Mr. Perkins' new Cole S. Mr. Perkins will remain here for at least a week.

Down from Portland.

Mrs. Kate Jarvis and little daughter, Betty Jane, of Portland, arrived last evening to visit at the home of her mo-

LANE COUNTY NEWS

JUNCTION CITY

(By Staff Correspondence)

Junction City, Or., June 21.—Junction City is fast gaining her quota of Red Cross funds. The last report of progress with some of the captains yet to report, showed the subscription well over \$600, Tuesday evening.

Louis Van Orman of Portland was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Mrs. M. R. Wagner and daughter, Miss Gladys Wagner, left this city this morning for Wisconsin where they will spend the summer visiting with relatives and friends in various parts of that state.

A number of Junction people headed by A. L. Swartz are arranging a fishing trip and will leave Friday to be gone from two to three weeks.

Miss Lee Fortmiller of Albany is a guest at the home of her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. N. L. Lee.

Peter Johnson, an aged resident of this vicinity who died the 18th, was buried Wednesday, his remains being taken from the Danish Lutheran church to the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Today, Thursday, the bands are playing and the streets are well filled with the enthusiastic Odd Fellows picnickers. It is estimated that before the day is

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over there will be at least 2500 Odd Fellows and Rebekahs register from neighboring lodges.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Miller of Cottage Grove were the guests of various friends in the city yesterday.

Bert Roese, who has been visiting the Wagner-Thom families here, left Wednesday for Seattle where he will take a position for the government.

Our local constable is occupying a good part of his time hunting among the unemployed who pass through or loaf in the city for the slackers who can't produce the little green certificate. Some have produced their proof, there are still a few to be interviewed.

A certain man in the city of Junction who has one of the best paying stores here, wants to go to war so badly that he offers his business at a sacrifice to anyone who will take it over. This is not an advertisement but to commend a good and true patriot, who will sacrifice all he has to aid his country.

William Carroll, family and friends motored down to Junction from Eugene Wednesday for a short visit with friends here.

Everyone you meet here, wears that "Red Cross smile" evidence of a "cheerful giver." And that's what they are.

FRANKLIN

(By Staff Correspondence)

Franklin, Or., June 21.—Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Bryant motored to Junction Friday with their little daughter who was poisoned quite badly with poison oak. They went to consult a physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Beck took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Bryant Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McClellan accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Alward Smith and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Stingley motored to Junction Sunday evening to hear the Red Cross lectures.

Rev. A. C. Bates delivered a very good sermon Sunday on "Slackers," and the

Red Cross work.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith and children, B. F. Smith and Clive Smith took Sunday dinner with Mrs. D. C. Lemley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mounds of Alvadore were Franklin visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bryant and daughter Nina were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Allen and children motored to Wendling Saturday for a two days' visit with Mrs. Allen's brother, Dude Dorsey.

Mrs. S. J. Bryant went to Harpole Sunday to visit Mrs. J. A. Richardson for several days. Mrs. Lena Pope of Blachly is also a guest of Mrs. Richardson.

John Allen and Miller Sorenson returned home Saturday from a week's fishing below Lake Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Butler motored to Elmira Sunday afternoon and into Junction Sunday evening to attend the Red Cross mass meeting. Mrs. Earl Ivie accompanied them.

Mrs. Victor Ivie and children were guests of Mrs. Norman Purkerson the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Chess Kirk motored out from Eugene Saturday, returning home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kirk accom-

panied them for a week's visit.

R. S. Mosely and daughter, Frances motored to Eugene one day last week to shop.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Milliron motored to Eugene Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wood and son Harvey who have been visiting relatives here accompanied them to Eugene.

Oscar Edwards of Salem was a week-end visitor in Franklin.

The Christian Endeavor society will give an ice-cream social on the church grounds next Friday evening. Many of the Star Orchestra. Every one welcome.

J. E. Allen had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse last week.

Friday were Mrs. Nancy Wood and Mrs. Wood of Eugene, Mrs. D. C. Lemley and Mrs. Kate Roseberry of Junction.

Mrs. D. C. Lemley visited relatives at South Franklin the first of the week.

Mrs. Earl Ivie was a Eugene visitor one day last week. She is working in the interests of the Red Cross society.

Mrs. M. D. Allen received a telegram from Washington Saturday evening announcing the death of her sister, Sarah Ramo, formerly a resident of

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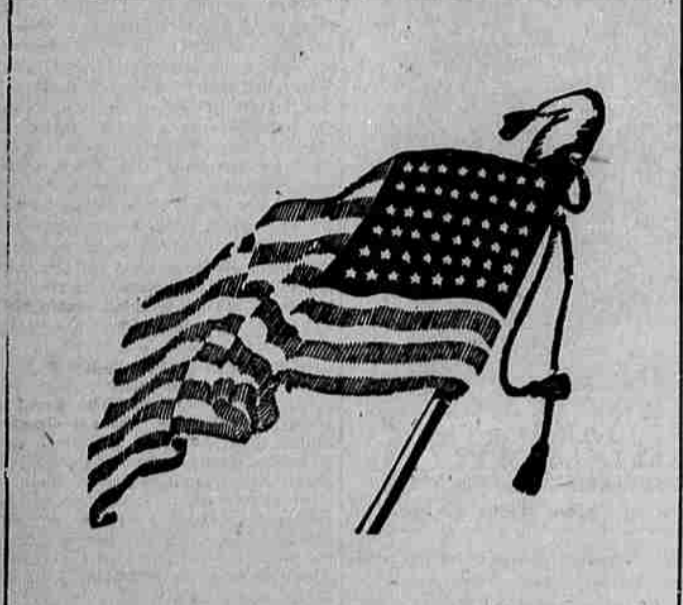
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CONTROL FOOD PRICES

ALTHOUGH we may not question the loyalty of Senators Gore, Reed and Smith, who are so bitterly opposing the passage of a measure giving the president and Herbert Hoover power to control the prices of foodstuffs and prevent speculation, there is room to doubt the wisdom of their action and their motives are subject to some criticism.

The United States is facing the problem of feeding the world and at the same time working no hardship on the people of our own country. That there are thousands of unprincipled men and corporations ready to take advantage of a situation has already been proved. They simply fatten on the misfortunes of others. To protect the nation there must be something done that will make it impossible for the speculator to make more than a legitimate profit. There is no desire on the part of the administration to prevent the producer from reaping the rewards of his labors. The farmer is entitled to a fair profit, and the government is willing to see that he is given a clear field by removing the speculator.

Protection of the consumer is of importance because a large majority of the people of this country will be engaged in other lines of work than farming and these must be given a chance to live and live decently. The speculator is a parasite that we can easily get along without for gambling in food products at this time is a crime that we must control, either now or take the consequences later on.

Reports from Washington indicate that the obstructionists are hearing from home, and the sooner the people let their representatives know how they feel about the matter, the quicker we are going to settle down to business in the right way.

WHAT WE ARE FIGHTING

THE emperor of Germany in a letter to the late emperor of Austria at the opening of hostilities in Europe, said:

"My heart is rent with grief, but it is absolutely necessary to deliver everything up to blood and fire, sparing neither men, women nor children, neither old or young, and leave not a tree standing nor a root intact. By this system of terror—the only one applicable to a nation so debased as the French—it is certain that the war will be ended within two months; whereas if we give way to humanitarian considerations, the war may last for years. However much it may pain me, I shall have recourse to the former of these two systems, which will prevent much bloodshed, although appearances might lead one to suppose the contrary."

A few days ago the same emperor penned the following lines to the deposed king of Greece:

"I have heard with wrath of the infamous outrage committed by our common enemies and upon you and your dynasty. I assure you that your deprivation can only be temporary. The mailed fist of Germany, with further aid from Almighty God, will restore you to your throne, of which no man by right can rob you. The armies of Germany and Germany's allies will wreak vengeance on those who have dared so insolently to lay their criminal hands on you. We hope to welcome you in Germany at the earliest opportunity. A thousand cordial greetings from your

—William."

After reading these epistles it is easy to understand what we are fighting for and why the United States through its president has notified the world that autocracy must be driven from the face of the earth. Little Belgium was the first to be delivered up to blood and fire; its men, women and children were not spared and its landscape marred by ruthless hands. Serbia, Poland, Montenegro and Rumania and parts of France have suffered and plans were made to invade the United States. Nothing was to be left that opposed the kaiser's will. It is in the interest of humanity that we are fighting. It is in the interests of humanity that we are giving our young men and our money and we will not be content until wrongs have in a measure been righted and the future of the people of the earth safeguarded.

For humanity's sake subscribe to the Red Cross fund. Do it today. If a solicitor fails to call on you, fill out the blank in another part of the paper, and send it with the cash to either of the Eugene banks or The Guard. You will be given due credit.