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There Was a Man

Who-

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Anne glanced up with a tired little

smile as a woman with many pack-ages paused beside her. "No, it's not occupied," she replied to the other's question: After settling herself in the red plush seat the newcomer glanced curi-

ously at the rapidly moving fingers of her seat-mate. "Making one of those bead bags?"

Anne did not cease manipulating the gayly colored beads. "Yes, I think they are so pretty." "They are beautiful, but I'd never

go to such an immense amount of work for a fad. Better to buy a plain purse and save your eyes. I suppose you work at the Q?" Anne had just had her pass punched and she now looked a bit surprised.

'Oh, it's not for me, I couldn't spare the time. If I work every spare minute it takes me three weeks and," an unconscious sigh of utter fatigue escaped her, "this is the fourth I've made."

A few more questions elicited that Anne had made one for her sister-inlaw, one for Lucy's chum, one for Lucy's daughter, Azalia, and this one she was making for the aunt out West whom Azalia would soon visit. "Azalia thought that her aunt Min would be glad to have a novelty; these purses cost thirty-five dollars ready-made."

The blunt-tongued lady of the many bundles surveyed the flying fingers. "Don't you pay your board?" burst out the words, then, crimsoning at the tactless query to a stranger, sat back. Anne's blue eyes swept the red face composedly. "Of course, but, being brought up to work it is not so hard for me. Lucy, my sister-in-law, never did anything, not even housework, before she married and the responsibility of a house is very hard for her." Anne did not mention that she paid a large share of the house expenses amounting to much more than board, and of the constant work that kept her hurrying when home from the city she made no reference. Anne could have boarded where her friend, Ella, boarded in the city, and eliminated the tiresome trip out to Aurora every night, but she knew that her brother's family needed her money. Of late, however, she had begun to wonder how she had slipped into so strenuous a routine. Quite likely Donald Gordon's chagrin at her refusals to accept his invitations for Sundays"had aroused this feeling, for

her world of dreams had emerged from the status of vague, shadowy hopes into a world that featured Donald's face. His character was so lovable and frank that she had given herself up to the new, bewildering emotions without a thought as to how she would free herself from her self-imposed duties long enough to be properly wooed.

Other girls in the Burlington office admired Donald, and Anne could scarcely believe that it was shabby

********************** Donald had given her his telephone STATE NEWS number at the last minute and had asked her to call up if she had changed her mind about Sunday. Anne had decided to bronch the sub-ject of a dinner invitation to him if Lucy happened to be in a receptive mood. Trying to think out a suitable sentence Anne was suddenly galvanized into awareness. was a lively day at the fish docks. "You must have fallen asleep," said

the conductor anxiously, as the girl plunged down the aisle. Montgomery had just been called, a town that was a station past Aurora. When Anne closed her dripping

umbrella, hours later, she was worn out. Stumbling up the steps, she opened the door with her key, hoping that some dinner had been kept

warm for her. "She's just a nuisance. Think I am going to keep meals hot until this time of night. Fall asleep, indeedand I, with my weak nerves."

"Lots of girls wouldn't have bothered to telephone, Lucy. Anne seems to help a lot about this house." Aghast at the petulant tones of

Lucy, Anne quickly stepped into the room "Nice goings-on. You knew that I

depended upon you to finish my the selfish people, Anne." Azalia piped in pertly: "Anne, I was the principal speaker at a mee hope that bead bag is done. I want ing of the Lions club here Saturday. to mail it."

Anne suddenly drew a long breath.

you, Azalla, how to-" "Not for me, thanks. Think I'd spoil my eyes on those old beads?" "I give you a home and you don't display a bit of consideration for me." Plainly Lucy was contemplating

hers on Saturday nights. That method insured a day of complete leisure for her, Anne trotting about the disorderly house all day Sunday.

in her tired little body. She went into the kitchen and made herself a cup of tea and then tion.

Donald Interrupted with such a glad note in his voice that Anne flushed adorably as she stood in the

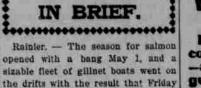
little booth at the corner drug store. "I'd just about decided to resign so that I should not be tempted to run after you any more, Anne. A fellow hates to have his girl turn him down for no reason at all."

When Anne, her heart beating mickly, announced her new plans, her brother looked at her wistfully.

"Don't blame you a bit, Anne. You are free to go and I hope you'll be happy. I—" he had paused, but Anne, of six miles from here. thinking of the shrewish, pretty face of the discontented Lucy, longed to comfort him.

"If you wish-" "But I don't," he broke in, kissing the soft pink cheek, "you've been

slaving long enough. Perhaps, some-time, dear, there'll be a man who-" "There is now," confessed Anne, happily, and fled, blushing.



Salem .- There were five fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending May 1, ac cording to a report prepared by members of the state industrial accident commission.

Eugene.-Lane county post of the American Legion is planning to organize a rifle team at once and regular target practice on the Oregon national guard range south of the city will be held, according to George E. Love, commander of the post.

Salem-Elderly women who have been disappointed in love are not as efficient teachers as married men who have close personal contact with virile boys of 16 in high school, according blouse for me to wear tonight. Of all to E. E. Elliott, director for the state board of vocational education, who was the principal speaker at a meet

Eugene .- Bids are being called by Holding out the partly completed bag she said evenly. "I don't believe I'd better work so hard on the trains 000 gallons capacity on Fairmount the Eugene water board for the conevenings. I'm rather tired. I'll show Heights. This will be the fourth reservoir of the local water system, two being located on Skinner's butte and the third on College hill. The esti- goat, quartered a glandular secretion mated cost of the new one is \$15,000.

Independence. - Four women ware a fit of hysteria, a favorite habit of injured Saturday at the Monmouth Normal school when a "tion of the elevated seats for spi mors at the May day festivities collapsed. Those injured were: Mrs. Dudley T. Tay-Anne slipped away, the discordant injured were: Mrs. Dudley T. Tay-atmosphere stifled her, but there was lor, of Salem; Mrs. J. A. Silverman, a strange sense of relief beating with- of Willamette; Mrs. J. T. DeWitte, and Mrs. M. E. Percival, of Monmouth.

Hood River .-- While the mid-Columdecided, fully, upon the course that she had longed to take, but that she of vivid green were never more beau had refused because of fancied obliga- tiful when seen Sunday between the showers, resulted in a small at-"I am going to board in Chicago tendance for Apple Blossom Sunday. and, if you still wish, Donald, I can dine with you tomorrow..." Motorists from Portland were far fewer than on last.Sunday. The valley expected 5000 visitors. Not more than 1000 were here.

> Dallas.-Efforts to determine the source of the shocks felt here early Sunday by residents of Dallas were unavailing. The shocks occurred shortly after midnight at intervals of half an hour and awoke hundreds of persons and sent them into the streets in the belief that an earthquake had

Medford .- By order of Justice of Peace Roe of Jacksonville, the greater part of the 720 gallons of wine belonging to August Petard, who with his wife lives on a vineyard west of Jacksonville, has been poured out. One barrel and 52 bottles of red wines were ordered held by the court in the custody of the county sheriff, but the

remainder, including 101/2 barrels of



Quest of Youth Fatal.

San Rafael, Cal.-The search for eternal youth claimed a victim Monday, according to the story told by John E. Merton, 26, before he died, to Dr. R. G. Dufficy of this city.

According to Merton's account, he and a brother, his step-father, John Waldo, and a step-brother, James Stephenson, all residents of El Verano, on Easter Sunday sacrificed a they obtained from it and injected the secretion into their own abdomens, endeavoring to follow a method of which they had read. Merton, who had already consulted a physician because, as he said, he felt "jumpy." went to a hospital at Ross Sunday, where, it is said, he was found to be blind. He died next morning,



Praises Old Friends

Salem, Oreg .- "I consider Dr. Pierce's medicines are the very best that can be used by those who are in need of medical aid. When I in need of medical aid. When I was growing I became run-down and suffered with irregularities, but after taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription I got strong and had no more trouble. I have also taken Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Dis-covery and found it an excellent purifier of the blood and for dis-orded stomach. I highly recom-mend both of these medicines of Dr. Pierce's as I have found them good and reliable."-Mrs. Alice D. Myers, 1175 Market St. Obtain now from your neighbor-

Obtain now from your neighbor-hood druggist Dr. Pierce's family



Los Angeles, Cal.-Albert E. Cuth-bert, former evangelist, who sold 75-cent Bibles for \$3.75, is serving a three-price.

month term in the county jail. Cuthbert was said to have built up a mailorder business in Bibles by scanning a newspaper death column each day and mailing a Bible C. O. D. to each bereaved widow whose name ap-Sergt, William Lynch made Informa peared. In pleading guilty to using tion against himself and then paroled the mails to defraue, he explained he himself in his own custody.

Officer Arrests Self Jersey City, N. J .- Placing himself under arrest for reckless driving after

little Anne Meadows whom he singled Natives in Nigeria Get out for attention.

Perhaps the weariness in the blue eyes was caused by Donald's parting speech as' he had unsuccessfully failed to persuade her to spend part of the next day, Sunday, with him in the city.

"I thought I'd meet you at the station and take you to dinner. Then we'd go to the Art institute, take in the concert there and, if you liked, go to the Sunday Evening club in the evening. I'm an usher there and your sent would be assured."

Anne, remembering the hurried, noisy day in the shabby house in Aurora, felt that she was being asked to step straight into a fairy dream, then she had taken herself to task for her selfishness and gently refused.

"I can't see why you cannot be spared on Sunday when you work all week. Is your sister-in-law an invalid?" "No, but she doesn't like work, it

makes her nervous and-"

"Then Anne, won't you invite me to your home? I've never met your brother and I am anxious to do so." Anne, slipping the gay beads on the heavy silk thread, pinkened as

she reached this point in her unhappy reflections. She seemed to see Donald's puzzled gray eyes regarding her from above the brilliant bag. She had put him off evasively. Once her chum Ella had invited herself to Aurora for Sunday and Lucy had been unpleasant, very. Anne, with her eager helpfulness, Anne with her dreams of service, had degenerated into a shabby little drudge who had forged her own chains. Even the bead purses emphasized her futile efforts, for Lucy had seen nothing remarkable in the manufacture of the three bags and had looked superior when Anne had hesitated at the demand that she make another for the woman out West whom she had never seen, "If only they did not all depend upon me so much I might go away and have a bit of leisure. I'd love to

join Ella and have long, cozy eve-nings, but I suppose I'm frightfully selfish to think of such a thing. Donald-" a mist of tears obscured the beads in the none too strong light and Anne fumbled for her handker-

Riches From Evil Spirit

"Life in Southern Nigeria," by P. tions at the Pelton power site on the Amaury Talbot, tells an entrancing Deschutes river completed, the Columstory of the magic, beliefs and curious bia Valley Power company is ready to customs of the strange people who live start construction of the lower plant in this land on the shore of the gulf of

Guinea. Much of the information was gathered from Chief Daniel Henshaw, the and it is planned to have it in operanative political agent for the district, tion by January 1, 1927. The company who for more than 20 years has been intends to construct a dam 140 feet a faithful servant of the government, high to produce 60,000 horsepower. and whose life would form a thrilling record of adventure and hair-breadth

escapes. Riches are obtained by magic. The native goes to some lone spot and calls life of the party. Yet this is the happy

states his desire for wealth, "In return," it is added, "he-the spirit-will ask in how few years you

are ready to become his man. You, on the contrary, bargain for how many years you may live to enjoy a certain sum.

"A devil has never been known to break his part of the compact; but a man so bound dies on the day ar-Salem -ranged and none knows the horror of industry in Marion county as a result his fate." of the announcement Saturday that a

The Ibibio tribe, who number more than a million, believe that each man has a minimum of three souls-the ethereal body, the soul proper and the Perfection Flax Pulling Machine comspirit.

"During sleep," it is stated, "one of Portland organization will finance the the souls is thought often to leave the purchase of these machines at a cost body and wander amid strange lands. of \$2250 each. It was said that the At such times there is danger that it transaction was consummated on a may be trapped by an enemy and kept cash basis, with the result that \$350 from returning." The natives, for this was lopped off the credit quotation. reason, fear dreams .-- London Tit-Bits

He Was Willing

the rent of his room for several months, "Look here," said the landlord, "Fil meet you half way. I am ready to guished, said a statement given out forget half of what you owe!"

the other half."

Advice

"In there any advice which you, as blazes under present weather condisuccessful writer, could give a young tions is practically negligible, said

my boy."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

white wine, was destroyed.

Bend.-With preliminary investigaplanned for that location. Eighteen months will be required in the work,

Portland .- It is rare that \$2-year-old twin sisters, hale and hearty, celebrate

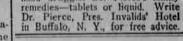
on an evil spirit, and on its appearance experience of two nearly \$2-years-old twin sisters, Mrs. Alice E. Happersett and Mrs. Sarah J. Osburn, who were the guests of honor at a luncheon party tendered them at the residence of Mrs. Osburn's son and daughter-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Osburn, 496 East Eighth street North, Friday

Salem .--- Impetus was given the flax

committee of the Portland Chamber of

Commerce had negotiated with the

pany of Toronto, Canada, whereby the



Pit Apparently Bottomless.

In a volcanic crater in the Sangro de Cristo mountains in San Isabel National forest is an apparently bottomless pit, with black marble sides, in which depth soundings of 1,500 feet have failed to touch bottom.

Freedom.

No slavery can be abolished without a double emancipation, and the their birthdays together and are the master will benefit by freedom more than the freedman,-Huxley.

World More Liberal.

The world is getting more liberal, any way. In the old days heretics were placed on the rack, and now they are placed on the first page.

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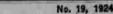
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aspirant?" John D. Guthrie, chief of the publi "Write only on one side of the paper, relations office in the Forest service. John D. Guthrie, chief of the public

An impecunious tenant had not paid

of the outbreaks in the recent forest fire danger period have been extin-

by the United States Forest service. "Right. I'll meet you. I'll forget The low humidity which caused the

epidemic of fires eight days ago has been replaced by normal conditions and the danger of further serious