The GIRL in the MIRROR

STORY FROM THE START

Laurie Devon, a gay young

chap somewhat inclined to wild-ness, has recently succeeded as a playwright. His wealthy sis-ter Barbara, who has helped him to succeed, has just been marto succeed, has just been married and is going to Japan, leaving Laurie on his own. Epstein
and Bangs, his theatrical partners, have promised Barbara to
keep an eye on Laurie. They
scold him for his laziness of late,
and he retor's that he seeks adventure. From his window in
New York he sees the reflection
of a beautiful girl in a mirror
in the house opposite. From the in the house opposite. From the elevator boy in the girl's house Laurie learns the girl's name is Mayo. Again in the mirror's re-flection he sees her with a re-volver and fears she means to commit suicide. He rushes into her apartment, and, winning her her apartment, and, winning her confidence, induces her to lunch with him, though she warns him of danger. At lunch she admits there is a mystery in her life. She says also that her funds are almost exhausted, but refuses fiatly Laurie's offer of financial beip. As a stranger enters the restaurant, the girl mutters "He has found me." Upon learning that the man has no claim on her, Laurie warns no claim on her, Laurie warns the stranger not to molest the girl, whose name, Laurie learns, is Doris. To Louise Ordway, his invalid sister-in-law, Laurie ad-mits his interest in Doris.

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"Bob didn't know," she said. "If he had felt the least suspicion he wouldn't have gone so far, or for so long. I thought I had three or four

Laurie bent and kissed her cheek. "I'm coming in every day," he said,

and abruptly left the room. In the lower hall he stopped to take in the full real realization of what he had discovered. Louise, superb, arrogant, beautiful Louise, was really III, desperately III. A feeling of remorse mingled with his sense of shock. He had believed her a sort of nervous hypochondriac. He had so resented her excessive demands on Barbara that it was only since he had seen much of her in this last month that he had been able whole-

heartedly to like and admire her. As he stood silent, he become conscious of another presence-an august, impressive one, familiar in the past but veiled now, as it were, in a midst of human emotion. It was Jepson, the butier. He coughed humbly. "Hexcuse me, sir," he faltered. "But Mrs. Hordway h'ain't quite so

Laurie nodded. "I noticed it today," he admitted.

well lately, sir. 'Ave you hobserved

"She's losin' strength very fast, sir. Hall of us 'as seen it. Cook says don't eat nothing. And Susanne and the nurse says it's 'ard work to get 'er from the bed to 'er chair-" Laurie checked these revelations.

"Has the doctor been here today?" "Yessir, two of 'em 'ave been 'ere. Doctor Speyer comes hevery day. This morning 'e brought Doctor Hames again. Hit's very hupsetting. sir, with 'er brother away and hall." differently. "All my friends do." the man was genuinely anxious.

Laurie tried to reassure him. "She may be better in a day or two," he said, more buoyantly than he he asked, as he lit a match. "But I'll come in every day. anything goes wrong, call me up immediately. Leave a message if I'm

"Yessir. Thank you, sir." Jepson was pathetically grateful and relieved. He had the English servant's characteristic need of sanction and author-

When Laurie reached his rooms he Jepson, he was feeling rather over- ing her. whelmed by his responsibilities. It was a relief to hear Sonya's deep, hetter tell me the whole story.

colorful voice. "Didn't know you were here till just new," he told her. "I'm coming to see you in the morning. I want to talk to you about a lot of things." "Including Mrs. Ordway?" suggest-

ed Sonya. "Yes. You saw her today. You noticed-

"Of course. Samuel is to be operated on tomorrow. I'll send him back to Devon House with his mother in a few days, as soon as he can safely travel, and I shall stay right here." "That's splendid of you!"

"It's what Barbara and Mr. Warren I think, though she would never sug-

"I'm sure it is."

a nervous hand. To a youth of twen- ties than these, Laurie told himself. ty-four it is a somewhat overpowering experience to discover that destiny name. is especially busy over the affairs of two women for whom he has assumed a definite responsibility. As he two ago he had rather liked that voice and its owner, a gay, irresponsible, good-hearted little creature who pranced in the front row of an uptown pony ballet. Now he listened to it with keen distaste.

"Hello, Laurie." it twittered. "Is that you? This is Billie. Listen. I self into my life." gotta plan. A bunch of us is goin' out to Gedney to supper tonight. We're goin' to leave right after the show. Are you on?"

Laurie got rid of the fair Billie. He did it courteously but very firmly. A one else. Is that clear?" rather unusual degree of firmness was acute unwillingness and very linger or anything like that?"

Bangs was not at home, to divert his chum's mind with his robust conversation. As he dressed for his call or two, you have refused to be seriinexperienced.

But were they really contrasts? On down under?" the one side were Louise, dying, and

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foolish little butterflies, enjoying their brief hour in the secret garden of life, eternally chattering about "good times," playing they were happy, perhaps even thinking they were happy. but infinitely more tragic figures than Louise and Doris. Yet a week ago he had thought they amused him!

Pondering on these and other large problems, he absently removed the bloom from three fresh white ties,

CHAPTER VII

Griggs Gets an Order. At eight o'clock Laurie found Dorls sitting under the shade of a reading-

lamp in her studio, deep in the pages of a sophisticated French novel and corridor. He spoke incredulously. radiating an almost oppressive atmosphere of well-being. Subconsciously, he resented this. His mood was keyed to tragedy. But

he returned her balf-serious, balfmodest heap of bank-notes of small all my present trouble." denominations that lay on the table, catching the room's high lights. Fol- listen. lowing his glance, Doris nodded com-

"I left them there for you to see," she remarked.

"Did the kind gentleman under the three balls give you all that?" "He did. Count it."

Laurie frowned. "Don't be so arrogant about your wealth. It's fleeting. Any copy-book

will tell you so." She opened a small drawer in the table, swept the bills into it, and casually closed it. Laurie stared.

"Are you going to leave it there? Just like that?"

She looked patient. "Why not?"

"I begin to understand why you are ometimes financially cramped."

He took the bills, smoothed them out flat, rolled back the rug to the edge of the table, laid the money under it, and carefully replaced the rug.

"That's the place to put it," he observed, with satisfaction. "No one connected with a studio ever lifts a rug. Bangs and I used to throw our money under the furniture, and pick it up as we needed it; but others sometimes reached it first. This way is better. How lovely you look!" he added. As he spoke he comfortably seated himself on the other side of the reading-lamp, and moved the lamp to a point where it would not obstruct his view of her.

She did look lovely. She had put on an evening gown, very simply made, but rich in the Oriental coloring she loved. She was like Louise in that. Laurie's thoughts swung to the latter's sick-room, and his brilliant young face grew somber. The girl lounging in the big chair observed the sudden change in his expression. She pushed a box of cigarettes toward him.

"Smoke if you like," she said, in-He caught the phrase. Then she had friends!

"Including Herbert Ransome Shaw?"

"Don't include him among my And here's my telephone number. If friends! But—he was here this afternoon.

"He was!" In his rising interest Laurie nearly let the match go out. "What did he want?" "To warn me to have nothing to do

with you." "I like his infernal cheek!"

Laurie lit the cigarette and puffed at it savagely. Then, rising, he drew hers. called Sonya on the telephone. Like his chair forward and sat down fac-

"See here," he said quietly, "you'd She will be a tower of strength, She's a Russian, and one of the best women I know."

She listened with a slight smile. "What's her name?

great pal of my sister's and an allround good sort. I'd like to bring her

"No." She spoke now with the curtwould wish. And Mrs. Ordway, too, ness of the morning. "In no circum-

stances," she added, decisively, "But-why?" He was dazed. If ever a knight Laurie hung up the receiver with errant worked under greater difficul-

> he'd like to know the poor chap's "I have no wish to meet Miss Or-

leneff." "But she's an ideal person for you turned from the instrument its bell to know, experienced, sympathetic, again compelled his attention. He and understanding. She did a lot for took up the receiver, and the voice of my sister last year. I must tell you a girl came to his ear. A week or all about that sometime. She could

do more for you-" "Mr. Devon!" The finality of her tone brought him up short. "We must understand each other."

"I should like nothing better." He, too, was suddenly formal. "This morning you projected your-

"Literally," he cordially agreed. "I am grateful to you for what you dld and what you wish to do. But I will not meet any more strangers. I

will not meet Miss Orleneff, or any "Oh, perfectly!" Laurie sighed. "Of necessary, for Miss Billie was not course you're a crowned head," he used to having her invitations refused. mused aloud. "I had forgotten. She accepted the phenomenon with Would you like my head on a charger,

She studied him thoughtfully, "Almost from the first," she said, "and except for an occasional minute on Doris, the sharp contrasts of life ous. That interests me. Why is it? ting willow posts, which took root and Old batteries discarded by garages struck Laurie with the peculiar force Aren't you willing to realize that with which they hit the young and the there are real troubles in the world, along the route native characters and lon and a good cell or two found in

"Of course," He was serious now Dorls, seemingly eager to die. On He had begun to realize that fully. the other were Billie and her friends- | "It's my unfortunate manner, I sup- tion of popular beliefs.-Platt.

pose," he defended himself. "Tve never taken anything seriously for very long. It's hard to form the habit, all of a sudden." You will have to take me seri-

He made a large gesture of accept-

"All right," he promised. "That brings us back to where we were. Tell me the truth. If there's anything in it that really menaces you, you'll find me serious enough."

Before answering, she rose and opened the studio door, on which, he observed with approval, a strong new lock and an inside bolt had already been placed. He saw her peer up and down the hall. Then she closed and bolted the door, and returned to her chair. The precaution brought before him a mental vision of Herbert Ransome Shaw prowling about the dim "Are you really afraid of that

"I have good reason to be," she said quietly. She sat down in her chair again, rested her elbows on the table mocking smile with one as enigmatic, and her chin in her hands, in the shook hands with grave formality, pose already so familiar to him, and and surveyed with mild interest a added quietly, "He is the source of She stopped and turned her head to

> "Do you hear anything moving in the hall?" she asked, almost in a whisper.

"No. Shall I look?" She shook her head. "Don't unbolt the door."

"You're nervous. I'm sure there's nothing there. Please go on," he urged. "Our little friend Bertie-" Seeing her expression, he stopped "Forgive me," he said, hum-"But the plain truth is, it's awbly. fully hard for me to take that fellow seriously. Oh, I know he's venomous," he conceded, "but I can't help feeling that he hasn't as much power, over you as you think he has."

He realized that she was listening. but not to him. "There is some one outside that

loor!" she whispered. Laurie leaped to the door as noiseessly as a cat, unbolted it, and flung open. The hall was empty. had an instantaneous impression that something as silent as a moving shadow had vanished around the staircase at the far end, but when he reached the spot he saw nothing save the descending iron spirals of successive stairways. He returned to his companion, smiling reassuringly.

"It's our nerves," he said. "In a few minutes more I shall be worrying about Bertle, myself."

Bolt the door again," she directed. He obeyed. She went on as if there had been no interruption to their talk. "It isn't what he is," she admitted. 'He himself is nothing, as you say. It's what is back of him that-that frightens me! Why don't you smoke?" she interrupted herself to ask.

Laurie automatically selected and lit another cigarette. "I know what's going to be back of Bertie pretty soon," he darkly predicted. "Whoever he is, and whatever he is doing, he has a big joit coming

to him, and it's coming fast. He laid down the cigarette and turned to her with his most charming expression, a wonderfully sweet smile, half shy, wholly boyish. Before this look, any one who loved Laurence Devon was helpless.

"Come." he said gently, "tell me the whole story. You know it's not curiosity that makes me ask. But how can I help you when I'm working

in the dark?" As she hesitated, his brilliant eyes so softened now, continued to hold

"And I want to help you," he added. "I want that privilege more than I want anything else in the world." I For a long moment she sat still, as can't help you much if I'm kept in the if considering his words, her eyes on dark. But if you'll let me into things her hands, folded in her lap. The -And before I forget it," he inter- strange, deep flush he had noticed rupted himself to interject, "I want to once before again stained her face. bring a friend of mine to call on you. At last she straightened up with a quick movement, throwing back her shoulders as if to take on again some burden they had almost cast off.

"I am sorry to seem so mysterious," she said, "and so unresponsive. "Miss Orleneff, Sonya Orleneff, a I will tell you this much, and it is more than I ought to say. In the situation we are in I am in his power, in tomorrow afternoon. Will five be horribly so. He can crush me at any time he chooses."

"Then why doesn't he?"

The gentleness of her caller's voice softened the brusqueness of his words. "Because-" She stopped again. For the first time she had become embarrassed and self-conscious. She made her climax in a rush; "Lately he insists that he has fallen in love with me!" .

Laurie uttered an ejaculation.. was not a pretty one, but it nicely fitted the emergency. "He has hoped that to save myself,

and others, I will marry him, the contemptible, crawling snake!" The listener was impressed by her comparison. Certainly there wa

something ophidian about Shaw. He himself had noticed it. "Then, for the time being, you're really safe?; he suggested, "No. His patience is exhausted

He is beginning to realize that I'd

rather die."

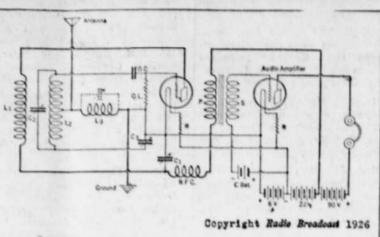
Laurie gets the idea that the police ought to be notified, but Doris warns him that would spoil everything.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Long Trail of Trees

A tree trail, 500 miles long. stretches across the bleak Alaskan hills as a tribute to the native's ingenuity. The trail was made by setgrew into trees. Every now and then terrible troubles, that the bravest go | English words denote distances from | each. various camps and villages.





A Two-Tube Short-Wave Receiver.

Of all the receivers submitted for | proximately 0.0002 mfd. and 0.00015 the judges' approval in the Radio mfd. respectively. C2 should prefer Broadcast Megazine \$500 contest for ably be of the straight frequency-line a short-wave receiver that would not type, and should have low minimum radiate, not a single one of them could capacity. The balancing condenser,

meet this latter requirement. C3, is a midget condenser of about 0.00003-mfd, capacity. Once set, this About fifteen receivers were selectlatter may be left alone, and is not ed for consideration out of all those considered a main control, entered in the contest. Exhaustive tests conducted at 2 GY, the experi-Our next consideration concerns the mental short-wave station of Radio colls. In the diagram, L1 is a fixed Broadcast, showed that all of the retickler coll coupled to the tuning inceivers submitted by contestants did ductance, L2, while the antenna coll, radiate. To determine those which L3, which is shown with an optional radiated the least, the following tests tuning condenser dotted across it, is were made: At station 2 GY a standmounted as far from the other colls ard Reinartz receiver is in use. By as possible. It is recommended that keying the plate circuit of this retwo binding posts be arranged on a ceiver, code was transmitted to another receiver in the office of Radio may be connected to them and yet Broadcast, some 400 yards away. be located outside the receiver some two feet or so away. The center-Later, when a microphone was placed in the ground lead of the Reinartz, tapped coll, L2, is a space-wound one speech was readily understandable at with a 3-inch diameter. For the smaller colls, No. 16 d. c. c. wire is the office. The contest receivers were compared to this set. Those which raused, while No. 18 d. c. c. is recomdiated as badly were at once elimmended for the larger ones. The tickinated. It soon became apparent that ler colls are wound on 2-inch diamnot one of the surviving group of the eter cardboard forms, these forms becontest receivers satisfied the coning removed after the coll has been dtions of the contest. With the permade rigid with a coating of collodion. L3 consists of from 5 up to mission of the judges, Boyd Phelps, 30 turns, and may be wound in the same manner as L2. The following Prof. L. A. Hazeltine, Zeh Bouck, G. C. Furness, Arthur H. Lynch, Edgar H. Fellx, Dr. Lawrence Dunn, Prof. J. tables gives the turn numbers for H. Morecroft and Dr. A. Hoyt Taylor, the various frequency bands: and the designers of the receivers which came nearest to satisfying the conditions, it was decided to award \$100 to the designer of the receiver which radiated the least and which was, at the same time, sensitive. The receiver chosen for the \$100 award was designed by Frank C. Jones, operator of 6ACF, of Berkeley, Calif., FZ

ple of the Wheatstone bridge is in-The Condensers

and is shown in the schematic dia-

gram. In this receiver radiation is

practically eliminated if due care is

taken in making the final balance ad-

justments. There is nothing startling-

ly new about it except that the princi-

corporated.

In the article in Radio Broadcast Magazine, photographs are given so that the would-be constructor may approximate the layout of the original, ideas in this matter. The two vari- and should have a capacity of approxable condensers, C1 and C2, are of ap- | imately 0.0001 mfd.

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Turns for Frequency Bands.

By virtue of the fact that the diameter of the tickler coll is less than that of the coll it is coupled to, the former is mounted concentrically within the latter, and is held there with thick thread.

The r. f. choke coll may be purchased or one may be wound on a %-inch form, honeycomb fashion, with but, as Mr. Jones points out, most 50 turns of fine wire. The grid conamateurs will wish to use their own denser should be the best obtainable,

Largest Radio Audience Hears Mary Lewis Sing



The largest radio audience that has

yet listened to any singer heard all cells connected together. A com-Mary Lewis, famous soprano of the bination of the two is cells in series Metropolitan opera, when she broad- and then the two groups connected in

Discarded Automobile Batteries Used in Radio

There are many old auto parts which the ingenious radio experimenter finds of value for his radio needs. And they are of especial interest because so frequently they are available without cost.

Probably the storage battery is the automobile item most attractive for a prospective radio economist. A battery that is pretty well worn and which will not turn the starter over on a chilly morning usually will light radlo tubes for a long time. Then very often one or two old batteries will be on hand and, by filling each cell with distilled water and placing on charge for 15 hours or so, one can test with the hydrometer and pick out three cells that are in good shape. can often be resurrected in this fash-

homemade wooden box fitted with History is, after all, a crystalliza- a strap handle, and the cells connect- and 100 at less.

cast simultaneously from 46 stations

throughout the country. The occasion was the annual radio Industries banquet held in connection with the New York radio show, at which Miss Lewis was the headliner, singing through the courtesy of A. Atwater Kent.

More than 15,000,000 people heard Miss Lewis sing on this occasion, It has been estimated. Thus the little choir girl who, a few years ago, sang to the congregation in the Methodist church at Little Rock, Ark., was heard over the radio by an audience that would fill to overflowing all the churches in the country belonging to that large denomination.

Miss Lewis has had an interesting career, having started as a choir singer and then, graduating from the Follies, studied in Europe and came back to America as the recipient of as great attention as was perhaps ever given a grand opera star.

Ways of Connecting Dry Cells for Radio

There are three ways of connecting up dry cells—series, parallel and a combination of both, series-parallel, When a series connection is desired, the center contact of one dry cell is connected to the outer one of the next cell and the center of that to the outer of the next, etc. When a parallel connection is desired, the inner terminais of all cells are connected together and then the outer connections of

useful radio battery. If the old auto battery is a 12-volt

unit, as on some cars, three of the best cells can be lifted out and combined into a good 6-volt buttery. Although the cells are smaller than found in the ordinary 6-volt auto battery, for radio service the small cells can easily supply the needed amount of current up to perhaps two amperes.

ed together properly to make up a

Sweden Widens Radio Use

An extensive system of radio bea cons and submarine signaling devices that would cover the entire Swedish coast is being planned, according to advices to the Department of Commerce. The chain of stations would greatly decrease the danger from fogs in waters on the Swedish coasts.

Use Long Wave Lengths Long radio wave lengths are sor times used in Europe. Of the 137 Eu-The good cells can be combined in ropean radio broadcast stations, 28 operute at wave lengths over 600 meters

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mays, "I was ill for four months
before I took your medicine. I
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Mesmerism Does

Away With Pain The theory of suggestion has re-

mesmerism, The method used in this peculiar form of painless dentistry is to place the patient in a chair and put before him an optician's test card. The sufferer is invited to gaze steadily at a particular letter on the card, after which he must close his eyes and try to fix in his mind a picture of the

cently cropped up in quite a new form,

It is now claimed that the pain of

dental extractions can be allayed by

After several attempts he will be able to do this satisfactorily and actually hold both color and outline in his brain to the exclusion of other thoughts and feelings. When this state of complete mental subjection has been reached it is possible for the dentist to introduce the forceps without fear of causing pain.

Proverb in Dispute

"A great deal can be said on both sides of any question," remarked the ready-made philosopher. "I don't see where you got any such idea," rejoined Mr. Meekton. have just had an argument with Hen-

rietta."-Washington Star.

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