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BISCUIT PERFUME

By R. RAY BAKER

At seven o'clock George Henderson's alarm clock rang down the curtain on the dream and his eyes sprang open. The room looked the same as always, and yet there seemed something strange about it. Finally it dawned on him that a perfume from the east was scenting up his surroundings—a perfume of baking biscuits.

The strange thing about it was that in his dream he had been seated at a table about to begin an attack on warm biscuits and maple syrup. The faint sound of an oven door banging shut and the rattling of pans came from the next room.

"The new light housekeepers," George commented, as he crawled from bed and began to dress. "That won't last long. Mrs. Maloney simply won't stand for any baking."

Arriving at his office, George waded into his correspondence, gave instructions to his assistants and clerks, then secluded himself from all calls and gave himself up to day dreams.

Elsie Havers was the cause and the subject of these dreams. George could not forget her, although he had seen her last ten years ago. At first, when he came to Detroit, he had given her scarcely a thought, he was so busy making good in the real estate "game," and besides, his fellow workers were acquainted with a number of attractive city girls, one of whom quite captivated George and allowed him to spend a great deal of time with her and a great deal of money on her; until her former sweetheart, who had been West, came back and married her, and took her to Colorado.

When George recovered from the blow he discovered he had never loved Vivian; it had been simply a case of infatuation. His thoughts naturally reverted to Elsie, and he attempted to renew his neglected correspondence with her. His letters came back unopened, stamped "unclaimed." He wrote to mutual friends and learned that Elsie and her mother had left Harbor Springs and were living in Chicago, although their address was "unobtainable."

"Why not pay the old town a visit, anyhow?" he asked himself after a few moments more of cogitation.

Twelve hours later he stepped off the train at Harbor Springs. As he walked up a bluff his gait increased. Before long he met a farm driver in which he noticed a number of large tin cans.

"Hello," he called. "Wait a minute." The driver applied the brakes, and the machine stopped.

"Well, well," said the driver. "If it ain't George Henderson!"

"Bill Jackson!" George exclaimed, and he extended a hand, which met a firm, warm clasp. "Are you still dealing in maple syrup?"

"You bet. Here's thirty gallons. I'm taking 'em to the store."

"Won't you give me a few more for the store?" asked George, reaching for his pocketbook. "I haven't tasted maple syrup in ten years."

"Nope, I can't sell it." Bill's face was covered with a multitude of grinning wrinkles as he added, "but I'll give you one, for old time's sake, you know. You used to be my best customer."

George thanked him and trudged on with his can of syrup. It was heavy, but it wouldn't be after he found the shedy spot. Soon he came to a four corner. On each of the corners was a house. George paused in front of the smallest.

"Elsie's old home," he sighed. "Wonder who lives there now?"

He mounted the porch. The door was open and only a screen barred his progress. To his astonishment, the same perfume that had assailed him from the interior of the house.

He knocked, and a middle-aged lady, with white hair, bustled to the door. When George saw her he dropped the can of syrup on the porch floor.

"Mrs. Havers!" he almost shouted, wringing her hand.

"Well, well, George. It does seem good to look on your face once more. And what's in that can? Maple syrup? I might have known it. You're just in time for breakfast—and we have biscuits—always do for breakfast—even down in Detroit."

George was walking toward the kitchen. He struck his head through the doorway and his eyes took in a young lady bending before the oven. The girl looked up and their glances met.

"What—what are you doing here?" she faltered, and her eyes found the floor.

"I just dropped in for breakfast. You see, I have maple syrup, and you—you have the biscuits; so I thought we might collaborate."

"Yes," observed Mrs. Havers, as she poured syrup on a biscuit. "we thought it would be nice to spend the summer in the old home—be resorters, like the folks over on the point; so here we are—come just yesterday morning. Yes, we liked Chicago fairly well, but Elsie thought she could get a better position in Detroit, so we moved there only last week. We found a nice place right at the start, but we had to get out—because we just had to have our biscuits, and Mrs. Maloney said the other roomers couldn't stand the smell of them; so we decided to take a vacation, and use up some of the money we had saved, and, as I said before, here we are."

AGE-OLD BUILDING MATERIAL

"Pise," in Use for Many Centuries, is Merely a Simple Form of Concrete.

What is pise? The word, which in its complete form is written pise de terre, betrays a French origin and, from its general appearance, might well suggest some affinity with the world of art. These preliminary impressions, however, will be found misleading. There is nothing peculiarly French in pise dwellings, though they are common enough in some parts of France, and reference to them abounds in French literature of the eighteenth century.

The word itself, traced to its Latin origin, apparently means nothing more than "battered." Perhaps the simplest definition of pise is provided by Pliny the Elder, who calls it "battered between boards," meaning by boards a form such as may be used for concrete in construction work.

The Roman sage adds that it was an old and well-tried system of building and remarks that Hannibal used this material for watch towers on the tops of hills in Spain during his campaign. "Who knows whether it was not also in use when Cheops built his pyramid; for there are prehistoric pise buildings in New Mexico and Arizona which, some say, date back almost to that period?"

Certainly history cannot trace the system to its origin, and the pise dwellings now visible in France, Spain, America, the British colonies and elsewhere may give no complete indication of the extent to which this material was employed in other centuries.

—Exchange.

INDIAN'S TRIBUTE TO MOTHER

Red-Skinned Fighter in World War Proves Worthy Descendant of Race of Chiefs.

Wounded-With-Many-Arrows is an Indian living in South Dakota.

According to an Indian custom, the first thing an Indian mother sees or says after her child is born may be chosen as the infant's name. The night of his birth, in April, 1891, the mother saw a warrior who had been wounded by many arrows; hence the name given to the new-born child. Entering the world war in the armies of the great white father at Washington, the first thought of a race of chiefs was of his mother, whom he named as the beneficiary in his \$10,000 government war risk insurance policy.

The mother's name is Susan-Loves-the-War and she lives at Wapoksa, S. D. She was proud that her son was among the first to respond to the call that Elsie and her mother had left Harbor Springs and were living in Chicago, although their address was "unobtainable."

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GEN. JOHN LE JEUNE



Gen. John A. Le Jeune, who was recently named commander of the United States marine corps.

ALLIES THREATEN TO DRIVE OUT THE TURKS

Versailles.—A threat to drive the Turks from Europe "once and for all" was contained in the allied reply to the Turkish objections to the peace treaty delivered to the Turkish peace delegation. Such action might follow Turkey's refusal to sign the treaty or her failure to give it effect, the reply states.

The time limit for Turkey to make known her decision expires at midnight July 27.

The reply said the Turkish government appears to think its responsibility in the war was less than that of its allies and that Turkey therefore is entitled to lenient treatment, but that the allies could not accept that plea.

The note maintains "Turkey entered the war without a shadow of excuse or provocation" and by closing the straits in the face of the allies Turkey certainly prolonged the war by not less than two years and caused loss to the allies of thousands of lives and thousands of millions of pounds.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

Alaska's great artery of commerce and transportation, the government railroad, will be completed by December 31, 1921.

The Banner Fork Coal corporation in Harlan county, Ky., was purchased by the Ford Motor company of Detroit for \$1,500,000.

The national capital gave a cordial welcome to Governor Cox, democratic presidential nominee, upon his arrival for a conference with President Wilson.

Miss Helen Taft, daughter of ex-President William Howard Taft, was married here to Frederick Johnson Manning, professor in American history at Yale university, New Haven, Conn.

Former Governor Samuel W. McCall of Massachusetts called at the White House and informed President Wilson that he is unable to accept a recess appointment to membership on the federal tariff commission.

A new party, organized at Chicago, the Farmer-Labor party, entered the political field with Parley P. Christensen, Salt Lake City attorney, and Max S. Hayes, editor of a Cleveland labor newspaper, as its nominees for president and vice president, respectively.

Volstead Wins Contest and Nomination Benson, Minn.—The Rev. O. J. Kvale of Benson is disqualified as the republican candidate for congress in the seventh Minnesota district in a decision filed here by District Judge Albert Johnson, who heard the suit contesting Kvale's nomination.

Congressman A. J. Volstead, author of the prohibition enforcement act, who was defeated by Kvale in the June 21 primary, is declared in the decision to be the "duly nominated candidate of the Republican party." Mr. Kvale was endorsed by the non-partisan league.

\$250,000 Timber Sold. Spokane, Wash.—Purchase of nearly 100,000,000 feet of white pine timber on a tract five miles north of Metairie, Wash., for approximately \$250,000 by the Ohio Match company was announced here.

Astoria, Ore., Mayor Resigns. Astoria, Or.—James Bremner submitted his resignation as mayor of Astoria. He gave as his reason that stress of private business made it impossible for him to remain in office.

On a Curve. An Astorian inventor has given a piano a slightly curved keyboard so a player can reach all parts of it with equal effort.

Beginning of Spring. Spring begins when the sun enters the sign of Aries of the zodiac, or the constellation of Pisces, and the exact time of this event varies a little from year to year. The dates of the commencement of the seasons may be stated as about March 21, June 21, September 22 and December 22.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Oregon stands eighth in the list in regard to paid-up membership in the American Legion.

Dr. O. D. Duane's 20-acre cherry orchard near The Dalles this year netted him a profit of \$10,000.

More than 2000 retail buyers are expected in Portland during annual buyers' week, August 9 to 14.

Sheriff Johnson of Hood River county has asked for volunteers to assist him in enforcing speed laws.

Indications are that the commercial apple crop of the state as a whole will be about 60 per cent of last year.

Oregon wheat exported during the year ended June 30, 1920, amounted to 2,876,882 bushels and flour 3,201,115 barrels.

Because it is no longer a necessary organization in the state, Governor Olcott has dissolved the state council of defense.

William Porter, 59, instructor in forging at the Oregon Agricultural college, died Thursday at his home in Corvallis.

The Lane county court has decided not to build a new bridge across the Willamette at Harrisburg for at least two years.

An underground crossing will be built where the Pacific highway crosses the railroad two miles north of Albany.

The Portland Railway, Light and Power company has paid to Clackamas county \$94,000, the first half of its county taxes.

The recently organized Southwestern Oregon Livestock association is planning to hold an annual exposition at Marshfield.

Members of the Oregon State Dental association opened the first session of their 27th annual convention Monday morning in Portland.

Lightning struck and seriously damaged the steeple of the First Presbyterian church in Portland during a heavy electric storm.

Approximately 125,000 applications for motor vehicle drivers' licenses have been received at the offices of the secretary of state.

At the present rate of growth of bank clearings in Portland it is estimated that this year's total will reach the \$2,000,000,000 mark.

Three hundred dollars was appropriated by the city council of Albany to assist in the establishment of a municipal swimming pool.

Harry Shown of Twickenham in Wheeler county was seriously burned while trying to start a crude oil burning engine used in irrigation.

Reverend W. M. Case of Eugene has been elected moderator of the Oregon synod of the Presbyterian church to succeed L. M. Booser of Medford.

One hundred aliens were deported from Oregon in the fiscal year ending June 30, according to the annual report of the bureau of immigration.

Hereafter marriage will not be a bar to election to position as teacher in the Portland public schools, according to a policy established by the school board.

The state board of control now has in transit to the Robert Andrews company of New York a carload of flax fiber and tow for which the state receives \$11,621.50.

The boys' and girls' industrial clubs of Shedd, among which is included the largest boys' Jersey club in the world, will hold their annual industrial fair on September 10.

On the ground that the city of Woodburn has exceeded its limit of indebtedness, A. C. Simmons has brought suit to restrain the city from undertaking certain improvements.

The city of Roseburg has received legal advice that bonds recently authorized by a special election for the sum of \$7000 for an aviation field outside the city limits are invalid.

Salom Cherrians has accepted the proposal of A. H. Lea, secretary of the state fair board, that the Cherrians make Tuesday, September 28, of state fair week, a special booster day.

Exports from the Portland district during the year ended June 30, 1920, were valued at \$40,388,320, while the exports from the Astoria district for the same period were valued at approximately \$7,000,000.

With the harvest of one of the largest cherry crops in the history of the state in full blast, the fruit, rain-split, is a drug on the market and hard to have at any price, according to reports coming from Willamette valley points.

Representing practically every line of business in Portland, a petition bearing the names of more than 300 men and women urging Mayor George L. Baker to announce himself a candidate for re-election, was presented to the mayor.

Franklin D'Olier, national commander of the American Legion, will be a Portland visitor from Saturday, August 7, to 10, according to a communication received from national headquarters by W. B. Follert, state commander of the legion.

The Morrow county wheat harvest is expected to begin in the country north of Lexington and Ione this week. The crop promises a heavy yield. Some fields were slightly injured by the recent hot weather, but the damage is not believed to be great.

A definite decision to proceed with the construction of the proposed Baker natatorium as long as the funds on hand will allow has been reached, and under the superintendency of City Engineer J. W. Peters active work on the excavation for the pool and building has started.

The rates, practices and service of the Bentley Telephone company are to be investigated by the Oregon public service commission on August 2, according to an order issued by the commission. The corporation serves a number of towns in Polk, Lincoln and Yamhill counties.

A defeated candidate of either the republican or democratic party for nomination for office at the primary election cannot accept the nomination of the rival party or become an independent candidate at the general election, according to a legal opinion given by Attorney General Brown.

At the request of the Chamber of Commerce, R. L. Polk & Co. are taking a census of Medford while securing names for a new city directory, checking the federal census recently announced, which, it is generally held in Medford, is a thousand or more short of the city's real population.

The Oregon peach crop has probably never before been so near a failure as this year, according to F. L. Kent, field agent for the bureau of crop estimates, who has just made a thorough canvass of the state. Except in the Ashland and Grants Pass districts the prospect is "no crop this season."

A file of the "Stars and Stripes," the paper published by the American troops in France, has been presented to the Albany public library. It is the gift of Captain C. B. Wynn, for many years a resident of Albany and now of San Bernardino, Cal., who served in France in the quartermaster's department of the army.

Brigadier-General McAlexander, for several years instructor in charge of military training at Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis, and who, as commander of the thirty-eighth infantry won the sobriquet of the "Rock of the Marne," breaking the Hun attack on Paris on July 14, 1918, has been made a Brigadier General in the regular army.

New indictments for alleged sugar profiteering were returned by the federal grand jury in Portland against L. M. Starr, president of the Starr Fruit Products company, and Richard Adams, agent for Parrott & Co., of California. The indictments were brought in because in the other indictments returned recently there were said to be slight errors on the percentage of profit charged.

Establishment of a big Swiss colony in some good farming community of Oregon is contemplated by E. H. Bally, of the Bally Company, Inc., who with eight delegates from Switzerland was in Portland making a survey of the situation. It is proposed to bring to Oregon 100 or more families of the best class of Swiss farmers and provide homes for them in some district which will be suitable to them.

Governor Olcott officially reviewed Oregon military forces at camp Lewis in a great assembly Saturday morning. The governor personally presented awards to winners of camp competitions. The Drake silver trophy was presented to D company of Medford, Captain H. A. Canaday, commander. The company was designated as the most efficient unit at the Oregon camp. The award has not met with general satisfaction among the other companies.

Under the new gubernatorial succession amendment to the state constitution, W. T. Vinton, of McMinnville, president of the Oregon senate, was acting governor of the state while Governor Olcott was at Olympia attending the funeral of Secretary of State I. M. Howell, of Washington. Under the new amendment, the president of the senate, and not the secretary of state, is the governor's successor in event of inability of the latter to act.

The milk distributors of Portland will not pay in excess of \$3.20 a hundredweight for milk, nor will they consent to an increase in the retail price at this time. The Oregon Dairyman's Co-operative league, which will not deliver milk to distributors who refuse to pay the league price, but instead will immediately take steps to secure equipment and deliver milk direct to the consumers of Portland. Out of these two alternatives there promises to develop a pitched battle between distributors, who propose to deliver non-league milk, and the league, which plans to distribute its own milk.

Modern Gold. Great reservoirs in the mountains to store the winter rain and snow would be veritable pots of gold at the end of the California rain-bow.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Maine Liquor Laws. "Maine law" was the name given, in the state of Maine to an act "to prohibit drinking houses and tipping shops." It was passed in May, 1851; received the signature of the governor on June 2 and was first enforced at Bangor on July 4 of the same year. This law was re-enacted, in all its parts, in 1858, and was made more stringent in 1867 and again in 1870. It was so amended in 1872 as to bring cider and wine from grapes grown in the state within the prohibition. In 1884 an amendment was added to the constitution prohibiting forever the sale of intoxicating liquors within the limits of the state. Since 1851 the expression "Maine law" has been used colloquially to denote any state enactment prohibiting the sale of intoxicating drinks.—Boston Globe.

Moro Theater

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