

THE CONFESSION

By GERTRUDE WHITE

Gloria Phelps was modern from the "toppest" hair of her shining red mass of bobbed curls to the soles of the two-color sport sandals on her prettily arched feet.

The newly-made mother had died shortly after she had given Gloria into the father's keeping.

Mr. Phelps was at first inconsolable at losing his one pal; but, when the tiny two-weeks-old Gloria clasped his great finger in her frail little hand, and looked up at him with her mother's eyes, he found he had something very precious to live for.

And it is no wonder that Gloria thought the world was made just for her. At times she was all tenderness and consideration, which "showed her mother peeping out in her"; but these moods were few.

Small wonder that she resented the interference of her father's new secretary. He, one Brandon Cort, had been in their employ only two weeks, when he positively forbade Gloria to intrude upon her father during the hours of 11 to 2.

During the summer of 1922, Mr. Phelps' interests in London took an alarming turn, and it was necessary that he go over there at once.

"Where is my father, Mr. Cort?" "He is out of town, Miss Phelps, and will not return until late tonight."

"Oh, bother! I did so want to see him. Well, you'll just have to cancel our passages, and get new ones for a week from tomorrow."

"Because my two new evening dresses will not be ready until next Thursday, and I shan't leave without them."

"Miss Phelps, I think you are the most selfish, self-centered girl I've ever known. If your father does not leave tomorrow, he will lose a great deal of money and, what is more, the respect and confidence of his men in London. That is not worth satisfying the foolish whim of a girl like you. We sail tomorrow, with or without you."

Gloria's only answer was a loud bang of the door, and the quick patter of heels up the hall.

"Wonder what trump card she has up her sleeve," thought Brandon.

Mr. Phelps took to his stateroom immediately, and Gloria was left to the mercies of Mr. Cort. He proved to be an excellent sailing partner, and saw that Gloria wanted for nothing.

"He really is human, after all," was Gloria's explanation of the change in his manner toward her.

But the fourth day out Gloria became dreadfully ill. Each moment she grew worse, and nothing helped her.

"There, dear, just lie quiet. You probably won't die. Just as many get better as die." (This was a poor way to comfort Gloria, but Mr. Cort had advised Nanette not to baby the sick girl.)

"Nanette," whispered Gloria that evening, "I'd like to see Mr. Cort. Ask him to come in—please."

Five minutes later Brandon was looking at the most pitiful little creature he had ever seen.

"Brandon," she said softly, "I'm going to die. Perhaps you'll get some satisfaction out of seeing me do something I don't want to do. You've just got to know that I've done one big thing during this playful, all-holiday life of mine. I've fallen in love with a real man. I wouldn't ever tell you, but it can't hurt anyone now. Brandon, I love you, and I've got to die."

"You little darling," crooned Brandon. "You can't die now. You mustn't leave me. I love you, too, Gloria, and I want you to live for me."

"Oh, Brandon, I am the happiest girl. And, maybe, for once, I can do something that someone else wants me to do just as much as I want to do it myself."

Brandon left a very happy man; for though he knew that sickness was very alarming, it was seldom fatal.

Community News

By Special Correspondents

CAMAS SWALE

Edgar Williams went to Lowell last Saturday

Miss Bertha Butler had bad luck unday when she sprained arm badly. In the shoulder, which has twice before been pulled out of joint. She will have to carry it in a sling for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Downs and family have rented the Weiss place and will move there soon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Graber and Miss Georgetta Knowels of Cottage Grove, spent Sunday visiting at the Raegler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Huffman and family, of Pleasant Hill, were over Sunday for a visit at the Sutton home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Leidtke visited Thursday in Creswell with their daughter, rs. George Ricketts.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams arrived Saturday night for a visit with their brother here E. E. Williams.

THURSTON NOTES

Roberta Baugh was in Eugene Saturday evening.

Arthur Baugh, from Donna, spent Sunday in Thurston.

Mrs. Brown returned from Reedport last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Shough left Saturday for California.

The returns on the election on the income tax, Tuesday, were, yes 68; no, 3.

Frank Campbell has the diphtheria. Maude and Hazel Edmiston came home from Monmouth on Friday to spend the week-end.

H. E. Pheteplace went to Portland Tuesday, returning on Friday.

Mrs. Lane spent the week-end at Portland.

Perry Pane went to Elmira Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest West motored to Oakland Saturday.

The Thurston High School won both basketball games Friday night. They will play at Pleasant Hill next Friday.

Ethel Harris and mother, are visiting friends and relatives here.

Rev. Olsen, of Eugene, preached here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. McKlin spent Sunday at Roy Edmiston's.

Lilah Rhodes and two daughters spent the week-end at Roy Edmiston's.

Maud Edmiston was unable to return to Monmouth Monday on the account of sickness.

Mildred Price and Norma Matthews of Leaburg, spent the week-end here.

Jack Harbert and Alec Mathews were in from Thurston on Saturday.

Hazel Edmiston was here over the week-end from Normal school.

Biliousness and Constipation.

"For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, helping the system to do its work naturally," writes Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala.



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PLEASANT HILL

The Womans Club of Pleasant Hill held an extra meeting at the home of Mrs. E. B. Tinker Thursday' November 8. In the absence of Miss Belle Wemmer. Mrs. A. J. Higgins vice-president presided. The resignation of Miss Belle Wemmer was read and accepted. It was decided to have a community dinner at the hall on Thanksgiving day, November 29. Everyone is invited to come to this dinner and bring well filled baskets. The newcomers are particularly urged to turn out and get acquainted.

Plans were made for a chicken dinner, to be held at the hall on Jan. 1st at noon. There will be another meeting of the Womans' Club at the hall on Wednesday, November 14. Those attending the meeting were Mesdames Higgins, Kelsay, Shoop, Williams, Jordan, Carr, Morse, Olson, Tinker and Miss Bertha Mannery.

Having completed the grading on the Goshen-Lowell road for the winter, contractor R. L. Ray, left Pleasant Hill last Thursday.

S. Overholser is in Albany helping put in the fall crop on his ranch near that place.

On November 8, Vern W. Matthews

On November 8 Vern W. Matthews, of Dexter, and Miss Rhoda M. Higgins, of Trent, were united in marriage at the office of Wells & Wells, in Eugene. Acting Justice of the Peace, Harold J. Wells, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Carr have purchased three lots in Cottage Grove, where Mr. Carr expects to get work as a carpenter. They expect to be moved before Thanksgiving.

The program and entertainment given in the school house at Enterprise on Saturday night, Nov. 10, showed much work and clever forethought on the part of Mrs. J. A. Phelps and her eleven pupils. The one-room school house was artistically decorated with pumpkins and colored crepe paper on which the pupils had pasted black cats, witches and owls in design. Huge Chrysanthemums, lighted pumpkins and autumn leaves furnished the other decorations. The program was as follows:

Song, America; by all. Dialogue, "Why are we here;" by Caryl Lord, Zelma Palmer, Pearl Albert, Evelyn Phelps.

Song, Columbus; by School. Dialogue, Columbus; by School. Song, October; by School. Dialogue, "Jack Frost;" by Caryl Lord and Robert Phelps. Song, "Autumn;" by Mrs. Tivey, Mrs. Lord.

Encore, "Whippoorwill." Poem, "Shadow March;" by School. Dialogue, "Witch;" Edna Palmer, Zelma Palmer, Robert Phelps Laurence Lord.

Song, "The Goblin Man;" by School. After the program the children conducted four different attractions, fortune telling, picture gallery, seven wonders of the world and airplane ride.

Baskets were then auctioned off. All of the ladies were called behind a screen and as the baskets were auctioned the owner put her nose through a pumpkin mask, thus giving the buyer some small idea as to the owner of the basket. This was cause for much merriment.

After the baskets were auctioned the mothers of children assisting Mrs. Phelps sold coffee, sandwiches, cake ice cream, candy and chances in a Halloween pie. This pie was made in a deep pan having a paper cover. To this was attached a dozen strings. All the strings were pulled at one time and the purchasers found they had anything from a stick of gum to a small pumpkin lantern instead of a piece of pie.

On counting up the proceeds it was learned that the school had cleared above expenses, \$19.38. This is to go to a fund which is to purchase a piano for the school.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Cooper and daughter, Margaret, and Miss Ann Parks motored over from Araco, where Mr. and Mrs. Cooper teach in the High School, and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. Y. Swift.

Archie Simmons, of Santa Barbara, who was called to Eugene by the death of his father, E. J. Simmons, returned home last Wednesday.

Union High School No. 1 will have its first basketball game of the season when they play Thurston on Friday, Nov. 16, at Pleasant Hill.

It was decided at the Sunday School of the Christian church that the Christian Endeavor that the Christian Endeavor take complete charge of the that little children comprise most of the \$35 of the Sunday School treasury in program. It was also voted to apply to the minister's salary.

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