

## Notice of District Road Meeting

Pursuant to a petition signed by a legal number of resident freeholders, taxpayers and legal voters of Road District No. 14 of Linn County, Oregon, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the legal voters of Road District No. 14 of Linn County, Oregon, will be held at the hour of two o'clock p. m., on the 24th day of November, 1917, at the School House District No. 71 in said Road District, to determine whether or not said Road District shall vote a special tax of 4 mills upon all the taxable property within said Road District for the improvement of the roads therein as follows, to-wit, grading, graveling, draining and repairing said roads.

By order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1917.

Attest:  
R. M. Russell County Clerk  
D. B. McKnight County Judge  
J. D. Irvine, County Commissioner  
Posted this 22nd day of October by Frank A. Miller, appointed by the Court

## Notice of District Road Meeting

Pursuant to a petition signed by a legal number of resident freeholders, taxpayers and legal voters of Road District No. 25 of Linn County, Oregon, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the legal voters of Road District No. 25 of Linn County, Oregon, will be held at the hour of one o'clock p. m., on the 24th day of November, 1917, at the Jordan Hall in said Road District, to determine whether or not said Road District shall vote a special tax of 24 mills upon all the taxable property within said Road District for the improvement of the roads therein as follows, to-wit, grading, graveling, draining and repairing said roads.

By order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1917.

Attest:  
R. M. Russell County Clerk  
D. B. McKnight County Judge  
J. D. Irvine, County Commissioner  
Posted this 22nd day of October by Mike Bilyeu, appointed by the Court.

## NOTICE OF DISTRICT ROAD MEETING

Pursuant to a petition signed by a legal number of resident freeholders, taxpayers and legal voters of Road District No. 16 of Linn County, Oregon, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the legal voters of Road District No. 16 of Linn County, Oregon, will be held at the hour of one o'clock p. m., on the 24th day of November, 1917, at the I. O. O. F. Hall, Scio, Oregon, in said Road District, to determine whether or not said Road District shall vote a special tax of 5 mills upon all the taxable property within said Road District for the improvement of the roads therein as follows, to-wit, grading, graveling, draining and repairing said roads.

By order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1917.

Attest:  
R. M. Russell County Clerk  
D. B. McKnight County Judge  
J. D. Irvine, County Commissioner  
Posted this 22nd day of October, 1917 by W. A. Gilkey appointed by the Court

## NOTICE OF DISTRICT ROAD MEETING

Pursuant to a petition signed by a legal number of resident freeholders, taxpayers and legal voters of Road District No. 15 of Linn County, Oregon, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the legal voters of Road District No. 15 of Linn County, Oregon, will be held at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., on the 24th day of November, 1917, at the City Hall in said Road District, to determine whether or not said Road District shall vote a special tax of 5 mills upon all the taxable property within said Road District for the improvement of the roads therein as follows, to-wit, grading, graveling, draining and repairing said roads.

By order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1917.

Attest:  
R. M. Russell County Clerk  
D. B. McKnight County Judge  
J. D. Irvine, County Commissioner  
Posted this 22nd day of October, 1917 by J. B. Couey, appointed by the Court

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## NOTICE OF DISTRICT ROAD MEETING

Pursuant to a petition signed by a legal number of resident freeholders, taxpayers and legal voters of Road District No. 33 of Linn County, Oregon, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the legal voters of Road District No. 33 of Linn County, Oregon, will be held at the hour of one o'clock p. m., on the 24th day of November, 1917, at the Munkers School House, in said Road District, to determine whether or not said Road District shall vote a special tax of 5 mills upon all taxable property within said Road District for the improvement of the roads therein as follows, to-wit, grading, graveling, draining and repairing said roads.

By order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1917.

Attest:  
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## Her Own Detective

A Girl Suspect Clears Herself

By ELINOR MARSH

We were a "bunch" of a dozen boys and girls, averaging in age perhaps seventeen years. We were young enough to get up parties on the principle of "Dutch treat" and not old enough for a boy to feel that if he asked one of the girls to go to an amusement he must hire a carriage for the purpose of taking her. We had informal dances in each other's houses and each boy was detailed, as they say in the army, to escort a particular girl to the dance. In this way all the girls were transported without doubling up.

All went well, and we were having a merry time when Roy Stivers, one of the boys who had gone sweet on a girl outside the set, insisted on introducing her among us. We girls were not pleased at the introduction of one we knew nothing about, but we yielded gracefully, and I consented to Roy bringing her to a dance that was to come off at my house.

It is marvelous how a nice, well bred boy will go daft on a girl entirely out of his sphere and in every way beneath him. The moment we girls saw Roy's friend, Sarah Stearns, we knew that a firebrand had been introduced among us. But it is easier to let a person into a social clique than to get him or her out. Roy was one of our nicest fellows, and we did not wish to offend him. Sarah Stearns was not invited again to any of our little dances, but Roy asked her to go with him on excursions, theater parties and the like.

He was the only son of a widow who gave him all the money he wished and, among other luxuries, a splendid motorcar. He was accustomed to take us all out in it between dances when we were holding our informal parties, and also took us on longer rides. Of course we could not object to his inviting Sarah to go on excursions in his car, and while so engaged we endeavored to treat her civilly.

Just before the spring opened Roy invited us all to go to his mother's country place for a week end. Of course Sarah Stearns would be of the party. Roy being at liberty to invite whom he pleased to his own home. Two-thirds of our "bunch" accepted, and Roy took us to our destination in his car. The others would not go on account of Sarah Stearns being of the party.

I wished very much to enjoy the fun, but Eleanor Trevor was my particular girl chum, and she was one who intended to stay away. I persuaded her to go, however, since my pleasure depended on her doing so.

Roy's mother acted as chaperon and did all in her power to make our stay in her house enjoyable. One evening we were dancing when all of a sudden the electric lights ceased to glow, and we were left in total darkness. My friend Eleanor was dancing with Charlie Hunt at the time. Charlie, like Roy, was given everything he wanted, and among other things he possessed a valuable gold watch. Soon after the lights were extinguished there was a tug at his watch chain and, feeling for it, he found it broken. His watch was gone. He was dancing with Eleanor when the darkness came, and of course they ceased to whirl and disengaged themselves. Five minutes later, when the lights continued to glow, they were still standing near each other.

Charlie, not wishing to mar our festivities, said nothing at the time about the loss of the watch, but the matter soon leaked out. An unpleasant feature of the matter was that he was dancing with Eleanor when the lights went out, and the logical inference was that she had relieved him of it. Nevertheless, none of us believed anything of the kind.

Our host was very much troubled. It was evident that there was a thief among us. So far as circumstantial evidence was concerned it pointed to Eleanor Trevor. She knew nothing about Charlie's loss or the position in which she stood until I told her. She was not a person to cringe under such circumstances. With woman's intuition she at once spotted Sarah Stearns as being at the bottom of the trouble. She did not believe that Sarah had stolen the watch for the watch itself, but that she might inculpate Eleanor. Eleanor's theory was that Sarah had seen her dancing with Charlie when the lights had gone out and an opportunity had appeared to her of punishing the girl who she knew was in favor of ostracizing her from our set.

But Eleanor told no one except me of her suspicion, and I confess it seemed to me rather farfetched, though I did not say this to Eleanor.

"I've got a detective problem on my hands," said Eleanor to me, "and I'm especially interested in working it out."

I wish you would give me the cold shoulder and ask the other girls to do the same."

"Why so?" I asked. "There's not one of us that believes for a moment that you are a thief."

"It will put Sarah Stearns off her guard and give me a better chance. If she took the watch—and I am sure she did—she must get rid of it. I'll take all possible pains to see that she doesn't send it away. I shall keep an eye on her all the while and note everything she does."

"I will aid you in that," I said.

The incident occurred on Saturday evening. All day Sunday either Eleanor or I kept watch on Sarah. Sunday afternoon she started with a letter in her hand for the postoffice. I told her that I had written a letter that I wished mailed. She offered to mail it for me. I went to my room for it, and when I came down had my hat and coat on and told her that I would go with her. To that she assented with at least apparent willingness. Whether or no she was going to get rid of the watch, she had no chance to do so, for I did not let her out of my sight for a moment.

Eleanor interfered with her going out later in the evening to take the air on the porch. We all went to bed early, or at least to our rooms. We girls were roomed on the second floor, and each was given a room to herself. Eleanor was in my room till 11 o'clock. She said she expected to be up all night to see that Sarah Stearns did not get rid of the watch, and her watch would not commence till all in the house were supposed to be asleep.

"What are you going to do?" I asked.

"I'm going to stay in the hall."

"Go to bed," I urged. "None of us believes that you are a thief. Besides, you are acting on a theory. You will lose your sleep for nothing."

"I have more chance of success than you think," she said. "Charlie has been very nice to me and has told me certain things about the watch that it is well for me to know."

"Then he knows you are hunting for it?"

"No, what he told me was said casually. But he does not believe I robbed him. At least he says he doesn't."

"But I don't see how any mark on the watch can do you any good except to identify it when you have got it, and you will have to get it before you can identify it."

Eleanor made no reply to this. She simply kissed me good night and went to her room. I was a long while getting to sleep, but when I did I slept till 4 o'clock in the morning, when I was awakened by her. She told me that she had been awake all night and asked me to get up and continue the watch that she might get some sleep. I did as she asked, but it was evident that she had failed, and I believed she was on a wild goose chase.

She was up for an 8 o'clock breakfast and looked quite fresh, considering that she had gone to bed so late. During the day I helped her occasionally in her vigil and again prevented Sarah Stearns from going out alone. This time I could see that she suspected me, though she concealed the fact quite well.

"The party is to break up tomorrow," said Eleanor to me. "We were only invited till Tuesday morning. Either I must get that watch tonight or remain uninvited for the rest of my life."

I assured her that she was not nor ever would be snubbed by any one of us, to which she replied that Sarah Stearns would spread the matter abroad in a way that could not be countered.

Roy took us to drive during the afternoon. Eleanor feigned a headache and remained at home. She charged me to keep my eyes upon Sarah Stearns every moment. I suggested to Eleanor that she was remaining at home that she might search for the missing watch, but she said that would be useless, for if Sarah had left it she had undoubtedly hidden it in a safe place, but she believed Sarah had it with her, and Eleanor relied on me to see that she did not get rid of it during the ride. I did my work, but without results.

That night, when Eleanor and I went to our rooms, as we passed Sarah Stearns' room I saw Eleanor look up at the transom. Then she went with me into my room and took from my closet a bamboo stick with a hook on one end and carried it away to her room. Just before 3 in the morning she came into my room and, holding her watch to my ear, asked me if I could hear it tick. I told her that I could hear it very distinctly. She removed it farther and farther from me, with each removal asking me if I could still hear it tick. When she had taken it some four or five yards from me I could still hear it.

"That will do," she said. "Your ear is far more keen than mine. It is now a few minutes before 3. Come with me."

She led me by the hand through the darkness to Sarah Stearns' door. Then she took the bamboo stick with the hook on the end and, feeling carefully for the transom by means of the hook, pulled it partly open, accomplishing the work without the slightest sound. This done, she put her arms around my knees and lifted me so that my ear was near the transom. She

had held me there perhaps three minutes when I heard what sounded like a far distant chime faintly strike the hour of 3.

"Put me down," I whispered to Eleanor.

"Have you heard anything?" asked Eleanor.

"Yes; a chime."

She lowered me to the floor and, throwing her arms around my neck, gave me a bear hug.

"Now go and awaken some of the girls and bring them here," she said.

I did her bidding and collected every girl in the hall. Then Eleanor turned on the electric light and knocked gently on Sarah's door.

The door was unlocked, and we all went into the room. Eleanor went to the bed and from under a pillow took out the lost watch.

There was a chime strike in it, and Eleanor, knowing this, had based her operations on hearing it. But since the watch was under a pillow no one except with the keenest sense of hearing would have detected it.

The matter was hushed up on Roy's account, but we were no longer troubled with Miss Stearns.



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