

# SPITE MARRIAGE

by Katherine Haviland Taylor

**SYNOPSIS:** Since the death of her parents, Marsha Moore has lived with her Aunt Gertrude. That bitter spinster has turned Marsha into a hard young woman of the world whose consideration for her innumerable suitors has been exactly nil. But Bob Fouger has proved different; she has taken his ring and gone to call on his mother. All the time Geoffrey Tarleton, the subtle but amusing, has been in the back of her mind. Now she has decided to break off with Bob.

## Chapter 10 BITTER SCENE

"I'M RATHER disappointed," Marsha confessed, "but at least that's new!" She studied Bob. The small chair he had selected seemed entirely inadequate for his bigness. Marsha liked him in it; liked the way he rather disconcerted her aunt's snobbish little drawing room. She liked his bronzed skin; his spiky, unmanageable, sun-bleached hair, and his big, strong hands. "Man's man," he had been called, and he was that and more; and he was a friend to men. He was capable of being a real lover of one woman, and incapable of playing with love; he was realizing it with poignant bitterness and it showed.

I planned. Those were the moments when you had to go somewhere, when I 'bored' you and you said so. How many times have we danced away the time in which I longed to plan?"

"I don't know," she answered honestly, "a good many, I suppose, Bob."

"Well, anyway—" he faltered, "I began to know how it was."

"Do you hate me?" she asked. If he said he hated her it would be easier. But he did not say he hated her. He shook his head.

"I couldn't hate you," he whispered, "I have loved you too well." She saw his lips twitch.

"One thing," he said slowly and after a little pause, "I am going to ask you to do for me."

She waited.

"DON'T let another man kiss you, if you don't care. It isn't quite fair, Marsha. You see, if I had not learned what kissing you means to me, it would be a little easier now. As it is—I'm a serious thirty-five and utterly inexperienced in this sort of play and, well—but I don't want to bother you and I realize I did impose myself most frightfully. You're not alone to blame."

He tried to smile at her then; she couldn't answer his smile.



She had not dreamed he could tremble so. "How did you know?" she asked. "Has your cousin Letitia been whispering sweet nothings of me?" His eyes narrowed. "Do you think," he questioned in turn and with a sternness she had never known from him, "that I would listen to anyone who would say anything that was less than good-of-you?" "I don't suppose you would," she agreed weakly and with shame. She saw him tumble for his cigarette. He lit one with fingers that were unsteady. She had not dreamed that he, so balanced, could tremble as she trembled now. "You haven't answered me," she reminded, "and I want to know how you understood."

## CASHIER OF RENO TAKEN FOR RIDE SAYS ASSISTANT

NEW YORK, July 14.—(AP)—An opinion that Ray J. Frisch, missing cashier of the Riverside bank of Reno, Nev., was "taken for a ride" was given to a federal jury today in the trial of James C. McKay and William J. Graham, Reno gamblers, charged with misuse of the mafia in a scheme to defraud. The statement was made on the stand by Joseph M. Fuetsch, assistant cashier of the bank, during cross examination when counsel for McKay and Graham sought to learn if Frisch told Fuetsch he intended to commit suicide. "He did not," Fuetsch said. "He told me this, that he would rather be dead than get mixed up with this trial and ruin his character. The night he disappeared he was cheerful."

"It was my opinion he was taken for a ride and that's the opinion of everybody in Reno."

"That's your opinion?" repeated Attorney John Taffe of San Francisco.

"Yes, that's my opinion."

Fuetsch had testified the Riverside bank was used by McKay and Graham to arrange for transfers of funds and sales of stocks for persons who later were swindled out of the cash by "con" men, one of whom testified Graham regularly took 15 per cent for police protection and the banking service.

Court Hall is still buying Bartlett's at top prices.

City Warrants Called for Payment. Notice is hereby given that there are funds on hand in the General Fund of the City of Medford for the redemption of Warrants Nos. 2849 to 2884 inc. Interest on the above warrants will cease after July 12, 1934. Dated this 10th day of July, 1934. GUS H. SAMUELS, City Treasurer.

## 20,000 LUMBER MEN JOBLESS AS STRIKE RESULT

SEATTLE, July 14.—(AP)—Twenty thousand men have been thrown out of work in Oregon and Washington logging camps and lumber mills, and production has fallen far below average, largely because of the longshoremen's strike, the West Coast Lumbermen's association reported here today. Closing down of mills and logging camps since the strike has reduced the number of employees from 51,000 to 31,000, the association declared.

"The decrease is due primarily to the effect of the strike, but in part to a seasonal reduction in production and employment which usually occurs at this time of the year," the regular weekly report of the association stated.

"Fifty-eight large tidewater mills which during the week ending May 8 produced 42 per cent of the cut reported by a total of 594 mills, were not operating during the week ending June 30 and are still down. These mills sell more than half of their output in markets requiring water delivery. The docks of practically all these mills are loaded to capacity with lumber which is sold and awaiting shipment. Even after it becomes possible to move this lumber, resumption of production will be slowed until piling space becomes available."

## ACTO STATION NOW OPEN TO PUBLIC

The "Acto" service station, the first of a group to be operated in southern Oregon by the Association of Commercial Truck Owners, was opened Saturday at 207 South Riverside Avenue, occupying a part of the Studebaker Sales and Service location. C. D. Thompson is in charge of the new gas, oil and Brunswick tires headquarters.

Although the Acto station was established particularly for the benefit of commercial truck owners, the general public will also be served. The local Association of Commercial Truck Owners' service station is the twelfth to be completed in Oregon, according to Claude Thompson, vice-president of the organization, whose offices are located at 207 South Riverside. "Thousands of dollars are saved monthly through quantity purchases of gasoline by members of the truck owners' association," Mr. Thompson stated.

## DON CARTER WITH PRUITT'S SERVICE

Don Carter, former owner of Don's Radio Service, is now associated with the service department of Pruitt's Melody Shop, according to Almus Pruitt, who says, "Mr. Carter has built up a fine reputation during the past few years and we feel fortunate in being able to secure his services. We are enlarging our service department to take care of increasing business."

## INTEREST SEEN IN HIGHWAY RULING

PORTLAND, July 14.—(AP)—A charge that construction of the Willson river highway for the purpose of salvaging the salvage of great quantities of fire-damaged timber in Tillamook county would be a "bonanza" to the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, was made at the afternoon meeting of the state highway commission here Thursday by a delegation from Clatsop county. This delegation favored work on the Wolf creek highway, one of the two proposed "short-cuts" to the sea.

## JOHNSON HOPS FOR PORTLAND

OMAHA, Neb., July 14.—(AP)—General Hugh S. Johnson, NRA administrator and his party left here at 3:20 p. m. (central standard time) today, in his special plane en route to Portland, Ore., where he is scheduled to deliver an address tomorrow night. The NRA chief announced, before leaving the municipal airport, that his plane will make stops at North Platte, Neb., and Cheyenne, Wyo., and will remain in Cheyenne tonight if flying conditions west of there are unfavorable. He said he may push on to Salt Lake City tonight.

## FAMILY BAGGAGE



By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

## SMATTER POP—



## TAILSPIN TOMMY—Still Summing up Evidence!



## BE NEWBSTER'S CAREER—They'd Better Obey The Order!



## THE NEBBS—That's That



## BRINGING UP FATHER



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