

Marian Gordon

by JEANNE HOWMAN

SYNOPSIS: Lon Good, Marian's husband, will not believe his wife when she tells him that his employer, McSwain, the contractor, is a crook. He doubts her when she tells him she had proof and that the proof was stolen through Lon's own stupidity. Lon also will not see that Silver Hondon, McSwain's daughter, is in league with her father. And when Lon tells Marian that the McSwains and Silver want them to spend Sunday at the McSwain house.

Chapter 22
LILITH AGAIN

MARIAN was making a salad when Lon spoke. With careful hand she arranged the curled leaves of a lettuce heart on the rim of the dish, placed wheels of tomatoes in a circle, centered them with the heart of an artichoke and topped it with anchovies.

"McSwain?" she repeated. "I'd rather not go, Lon," she answered as though it were of no great concern. "Doctor Al and Anne are coming out to dinner you know."

"That's right," he answered and watched her ladle dressing over the salad. "Al says he wants to buy a place here as soon as I get started. You'd like having Anne for a neighbor wouldn't you?"

"A neighbor?" she looked up. What a blessing a neighbor like Anne would be at a time like this. "Yes, I'd love to have Anne near, she's so... so practical," she said.

"Practical women are nice, but I'd rather have you for a wife," was Lon's astonishing answer, then, "lan," he began in a troubled voice, "would you mind if I left you alone in the morning and played a round of golf? Blaine, Wylie, McSwain and myself?"

"Of... of course not," she answered, and hoped he hadn't noticed her hesitation. "I think it would be fine."

"You're a good sport, lan," he commented, relief in his voice.

"So are you, lan," she answered, "I appreciate your not insisting that I go."

During dinner they discussed the prune crop, and Lon agreed to let Waki take charge, and when they had finished he spoke of the next day, Saturday. "My first pay check, lan," he said, "the first one I ever received from anyone excepting Carroth. I think we should celebrate, what would you like to do?"

"A dinner and dance somewhere... I know, the Alameda, it has a nice cosmopolitan air; always a lot of foreign aviators around, and a good orchestra."

"And you'll wear that gold dress?" "Yes, and have my hair done in the afternoon, and my nails and..."

"I can cash my pay check with Murphy at the gas station before we leave; too bad this is Doc's Saturday night on duty, or we'd call them to join us. How about Jackson and his girl?"

Jackson and his girl were delighted, and Marian, who had thought her honeymoon was definitely over, found Lon his old love as they dined and danced the evening away.

IT WAS long after midnight when they reached home, and Marian slid into bed, happy that it was Lon and not herself facing a golf date in the morning. Several times when the sun had found its way into the bedroom she felt she should awaken and hasten him on his way but she was too blissfully sleepy. And when she did awaken she found he had gone.

At first she was alarmed, then chanced to look at the clock on the dresser. It was ten o'clock. The four some was supposed to tee off at ten. She counted the hours which lay ahead, a crowded Sunday course would mean that Lon couldn't reach home before two-thirty. The Steeles would arrive for dinner at three, giving Lon time to shower and change.

Afternoon Marian dressed, went into the patio, and curled up on the swing seat, a new novel in her hand. She sat a moment enjoying the quiet. In the kitchen rice-crisped chickens were bubbling gently in a Dutch oven, salad and dessert were in the refrigerator, vegetables, ready to be cooked, reposed in cold water. In one end of the studio room the table was ready for guests.

She thumbed the pages idly, thought of the piles of books she had read prior to meeting Lon, she had scarcely glanced at once since then. The clock inside chimed one, one-thirty, two, two-thirty. She came back with a start to the world about her, left the book on the seat and hurried into the kitchen. Lon should

be coming; he had the key to the store-house on his key ring, and she wanted some pecans for the nut bowls.

There, the sound of a motor. She looked at Hero. He was standing listening but with no sign of recognizing the motor. A moment later the Steele's black coupe came into view.

"Where's the head of the house?" inquired Doctor Albert, when the greetings were over.

"He played golf at Diablo this morning. Should have been here by two-thirty at the latest." A tiny frown creased Marian's forehead.

They waited a few moments, and then the doctor suggested he telephone the club. "Might have been late getting off," he said, "and one thing a man can't do is desert his foursome."

He called the club house and learned the McSwain had left promptly at two o'clock.

"McSwain," repeated Anne, "isn't that Silver Hondon's father?"

"Yes," answered Marian. She knew Anne was giving her a searching look and hastened to explain. "Lon's working for him," and at Steele's wonder at Lon working for anyone but himself, explained that Lon's inheritance had been held up and he had been obliged to work somewhere.

"Speaking of your good friends the McSwains and the Hondons," said Anne with gentle sarcasm, "I have some news you might enjoy."

EGGS, TOMATOES HURLED AT MEET ON U. C. CAMPUS

BERKELEY, Calif., Nov. 6. — (AP) — Students and professors alike were splattered with eggs and tomatoes used for ammunition to disrupt a meeting Monday of University of California students protesting suspension of five University of California at Los Angeles undergraduates for "radicalism."

Scuffling developed in the crowd of more than 2000 students, most of them apparently curious bystanders, and several blows were struck. One student was cut over the eye.

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Message Circle Tues. night. Hotel Grand, Edith Monahan.

MILK CONTROL ACT UPHELD IN N. YORK

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6. — (AP) — For the second time, the supreme court today upheld the New York milk control act—legislation intended to aid recovery.

The case was brought by the Hegeman Farms Corporation of New York City, which contended the act, depriving it of constitutional rights.

The corporation purchased milk from producers throughout the state. It contended the spread between the price which the state milk control board had fixed at which it must purchase and sell milk was not sufficient to give it a fair return on the value of its property used in its milk business.

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SERVICES ATTRACT AT FIRST BAPTIST

The Burke evangelistic party held two large and interesting services at the First Baptist church Sunday.

The chorus choir sang anthems at both services.

The subject in the morning was "Prayer." Rev. Henry E. Burke quoted the old saying, "Tell me your thoughts and I will tell you your life."

He said: "Tell me your prayers and I will tell you your life."

"In public service, pray as short as possible. When you ask for everything, you expect nothing and get nothing."

"In private, pray till you have the assurance that you have the answer. Position does not change the prayer if your heart is right."

There will be services every evening except Saturday.

Children's booster meetings are at 4 o'clock, and Young People's council and adult prayer service at 7 o'clock. Evangelistic services at 7:30.

Escapes Mud Bank
VICTORIA, Nov. 6. — (AP) — The Japanese freighter Nichiro Maru, which dragged its anchor and grounded on a mudbank off Port Alberni, B. C., was pulled off at 11:30 a. m. (Pacific standard time) today, reports to provincial headquarters here said.

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THE DAY AFTER ERNIE PLUMER RAKED ALL THE LEAVES OFF HIS LAWN, HE FOUND ON RETURNING HOME THAT FRED PERLEY HAD TOLD THE PLUMER CHILDREN THEY COULD HAVE ALL THE LEAVES OFF HIS LAWN TO PLAY IN IF THEY CARED TO RAKE THEM UP AND CART THEM OVER TO THEIR PLACE

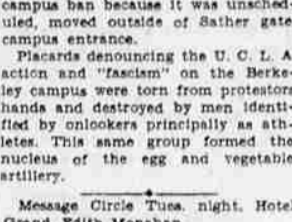
WASHINGTON SHAFT IN SOUND CONDITION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6. — (UP) — The Washington monument — foremost landmark of the nation's capital — has taken a bad beating from wind, sun and lightning, but still is sound, engineers reported today.

The monument is surrounded by scaffolding to enable workmen to replace several large marble blocks which have cracked under the assault of the weather. When the repairs are made, the monument will be ready for 100 years of wear and tear.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6. — (AP) — Brigadier General Alfred W. Bjornstad, U. S. A., retired, who held the distinguished service cross and other awards for his world war service, died here last night.

GAME GOERS URGED TO TELEPHONE S. P.

Persons who plan to take advantage of the low rates offered by Southern Pacific Lines to Portland for the Oregon-Oregon State football game Saturday, are urged to telephone the local depot and inform the agent, according to A. S. Rosenbaum.

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