

HIGH COURAGE

by Jeanne Bowman

SYNOPSIS: Anne Farnsworth is a devoted wife and mother and her husband's numerous family. Anne has learned that she is not the adopted daughter of the Farnsworths, and that their sudden death does not mean that she will inherit their large estate. Tecla has agreed to help Anne try to establish herself, and as a first step Anne has bobbed her hair, shined her eyes, braided and assumed the Finnish name of Nikki Nielsen. Tecla has bought a great ambition to buy a fishing boat.

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ANNE thought of this later as the afternoon drift. Two stalwart young men, one of whom she remembered as a tow-headed little boy, her own age, the other as an occasional visitor at her home.

Orvi greeted her shyly, quick recognition showing in his eyes. George stomped about the kitchen in his heavy boots, swaggering a little to cover his embarrassment. Then they disappeared to reappear later with hair slick, faces shining with soap and water.

And then came Tecla and Aunt Lissa, from the cannery. Anne looked at the latter with some trepidation. The woman was gaunt, angular, with sharp features. She surveyed Anne with a penetrating gaze, and then she smiled.

From that moment on she had Anne's devotion. Her sharp "Well, Nikki Nielsen," only brought a smile to the girl's face.

"Well, Aunt Lissa," he retorted. "Glad you're here child," greeted the woman, "party tonight." She dumped an armload of parcels on the table, saving one to carry away. "Have to give you a Finnish welcome."

Minna had opened a pasteboard box and from it had extracted a frosted cake with Welcome lettered on in pink candy.

After dinner neighbors dropped in to sample the cake, have coffee and greet, with shy reserve Tecla's brother's daughter. They spoke but little English and Nikki spoke but little Finnish. However their looks were eloquent and when she went to her room that night Anne felt warmed by the unquestioning manner in which she had been accepted as one of them.

After Minna had brushed the new curtains and Tecla had arranged the hot water bottle to her own satisfaction Lissa appeared, the package she had previously carried to her room in her arm. "Brought you the Portland papers," she said in her hard, uncompromising voice. "Might as well know the worst."

Anne thanked her, and after the door had closed behind all of them she turned to the package, ripped it open, and sat with apprehension, eagerness and fear fighting for supremacy. Lissa had said she might as well "know the worst."

SHE turned to the first newspaper. On the front page she found a lay-out of pictures. Her own occupied the center and grouped about it were pictures of Luke, Lucinda, Rob Crocker and Sharlee, all inset in a large photographic reproduction of the Farnsworth's Portland home.

From the top ran a streamer: "Debutante, the loss of parents, fiancé, and fortune." Below this in smaller print, "Judge Kellogg deposes alleged misinterpretation of will." And in yet smaller print, "Servants tell courageous way girl faces triple tragedy."

It seemed queer to sit here, miles from the pictured home, and read of the principals in that story. Familiar faces, familiar names and yet it didn't seem they belonged to her. She read the story, went back and read it over again. Kindness, understanding and fairness in every line.

leave Lee Farnsworth, a brother, in control of the Farnsworth business; leaves the Portland home to Lee Farnsworth and to a sister, Mabel Farley; and leaves Anne Farnsworth an allowance of one hundred dollars a month, to be drawn from the estate.

At the end of five years, a division of the estate will take place, at which time immediate members of the family will receive an equal share.

According to Thomas Farley, brother-in-law of the late Luke Farnsworth, and legal adviser of the Farnsworth family, Anne Farnsworth will not share in this division.

Mr. Farley declares that the girl has never been accepted as either a daughter or adopted daughter of the Luke Farnsworths, that he knows no attempt was made to make her their own.

Mr. Farley says that he was called in during the early hours of the morning to draw up papers for her adoption, but that her mother died before these could be completed and Luke Farnsworth didn't consider it of enough importance to search for relatives of the deceased woman at the time.

Judge Ansel Kellogg, close friend of the family, tells a different story. He insists that the Luke Farnsworths looked upon Anne as their daughter so completely they probably overlooked the fact that others might not take the same view. Kellogg says he believes Luke Farnsworth changed his will at the last moment because of trouble at the time, which he says he believes should be left to a young woman Anne Farnsworth's age to handle.

Other friends of the Luke Farnsworths concur in this view. Asked if this was being kept in context of the will, Judge Kellogg said there would not be, that Miss Farnsworth said without bitterness that the money was Luke Farnsworth's, to do with as he believed best.

A second story brought a start of surprise. Anne glanced at the head line, then hurried to read the story. So Judge Kellogg had run into trouble, and won, in his first round with Tom Farley and Charlott Farnsworth.

Judge Ansel Kellogg, upon trying to take from the Luke Farnsworths, home the personal effects of Anne Farnsworth, popular debutante, now in retirement, was forced to use the services of a lawyer, Elizabeth Harney, until recently housekeeper at the Farnsworth home, that she was being kept from turning the private property of Miss Farnsworth over to druggist, calling the same, Judge Ansel Kellogg, accompanied by an officer, called at the home and forced the goods over to Kellogg.

Expecting such a difficulty, Judge Kellogg yesterday ordered Mr. Harney to list all clothes, furniture, linens and other things, purchased by the Luke Farnsworths for the home their foster daughter expected to occupy as the wife of Robert Crocker. He also procured depositions from sales people who sold many of the items to the Farnsworths and who were ready to swear they had been purchased for Miss Farnsworth.

Judge Kellogg was also prepared to assist Yvonne Cuzson remove trunks from her former mistress's rooms without their being searched by the present inmates of the home.

Anne laid the newspaper down. "Oh I'd much rather have done without them," she whispered. "They'll be like ghosts. There wasn't a thing I hadn't dreamed over. But bless the judge anyway, for fighting for me."

ONE more story remained to be read. Anne looked at it with distant, and yet, as Aunt Lissa had said, she might as well know the worst. She read, and as she read, fresh pain seared the wound Rob Crocker had left in her heart.

Chin up, eyes dry, little Anne Farnsworth, popular debutante, accustomed to love and every luxury, went alone into a new world last night.

According to her maid, Yvonne Cuzson, she was deprived of even the solace of knowing the parents for whom she had so sincerely grieved, were her own. She was taunted by those who might have shielded her as being nameless yet, assured only of the comparatively small allowance she had here-tofore used as pin money, she faced the future bravely.

Only the love and loyalty of the servants who had served her, and her foster parents since her babyhood, was there to help her on her way, for the man to whom she had been engaged until that afternoon was enroute to Chicago, on an unexpected business trip.

AIRWAY TRAFFIC GROWING RAPIDLY

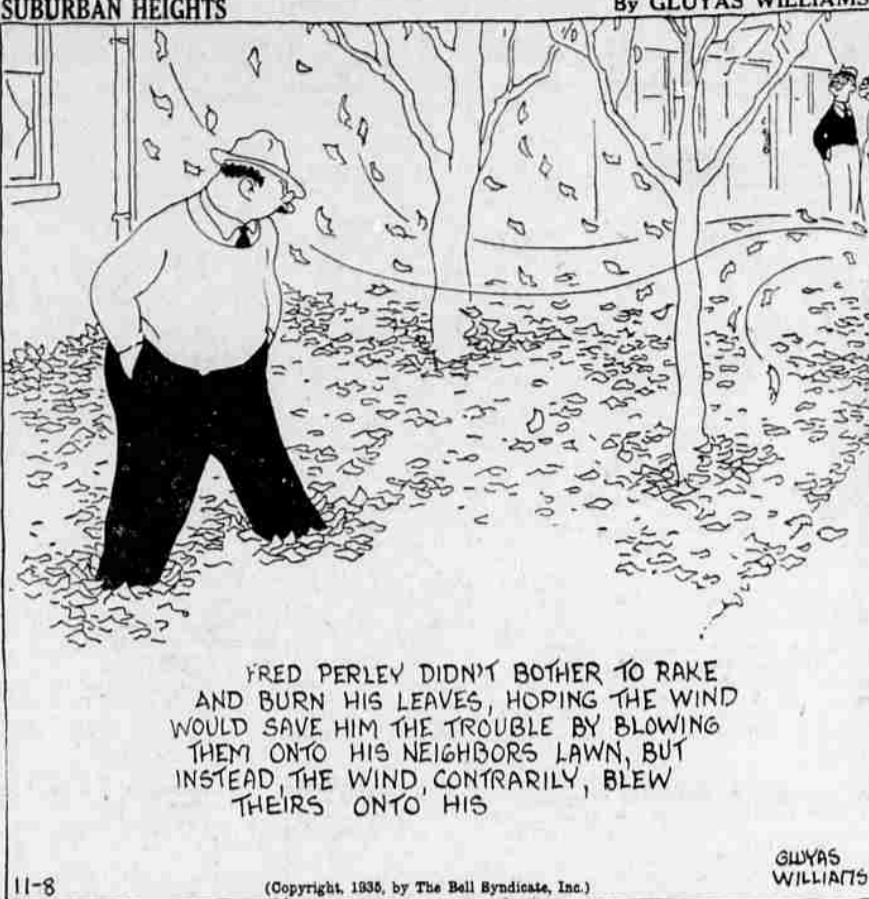
With new schedules placed in effect this month, planes of United Air Lines now are flying approximately 1,250,000 miles a month on United's routes between Medford, British Columbia, California and the east. It was announced Saturday by L. G. Devaney, field manager. This, Devaney said, is a quarter of a million miles more than the company has flown in any previous fall and winter season.

EARTHQUAKE REFUGEES TO ROSEBURG HOSPITAL

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 12.—(AP)—Montana's recent earthquakes caused addition to the Roseburg Veterans' hospital of 40 patients, a physician, a librarian, seven hospital attendants, six nurses and a recreational aide. All came from the damaged Fort Harrison facility at Helena.

SUBURBAN HEIGHTS

EUGENE, Nov. 12.—(AP)—Two post office robbers assaulted J. A. Woodson when he surprised them in the Cresswell office yesterday, took \$15 and his rifle from him, and escaped with 2000 stamped envelopes and 600 postal cards.



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STRANGE AS IT SEEMS—By JOHN HIX

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"Blackbeard," the famous pirate, whose real name was Edward Teach, took particular delight in terrifying his victims by his grotesque appearance. He went to special pains to look like the devil himself when he boarded a prize ship. His best trick was to stick small torches in his ears, so that his appearance on the deck of a merchantman would be accompanied by smoke and flame—and in their excitement his victims often thought the devil had descended upon them.

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Tomorrow: The Mystery Mourner of Dry Tortugas Island.

TAILSPIN TOMMY—El Condor Investigates!



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BEN WEBSTER'S CAREER—The Sheriff's Purchase!



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THE NEBBS—Now Will You Be Good?



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Pioneer Woman Of Roseburg To Reward

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 12.—(AP)—Josephine L. Parrott, 79, the second white child to be born in Roseburg, died at her home here Saturday. She was born in Roseburg August 9, 1856, the daughter of Missouri and Tennessee Parrotts, who came to Oregon from Missouri in 1852. At the age of 16 years she began teaching school in Roseburg, later going to Portland, where she took up the study of medicine. She returned to Roseburg about 30 years ago and made her home here continuously after that time. Surviving are a brother and two sisters residing in Roseburg.

\$935 Gold Brick In Baker Cleanup

BAKER, Ore., Nov. 12.—(AP) A gold brick weighing 183.5 ounces and valued at \$4,935.50, the 20-day yield of the Heened Gold Mining company, was exhibited here. About the same value of concentrates were saved in the flotation cells of the mill during the 20 days.

No Yamhill Damage McMinnville, Ore., Nov. 12.—(AP) Rex Warren, county agent, said he did not believe Yamhill county's grains, fruits and walnuts had been seriously damaged by the recent cold weather.

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SMATER POP—



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PORTLAND, Nov. 12.—(AP)—The river steamer "The Dalles," carrying 200 tons of sacked wheat, inaugurated a new freight service on the Columbia river yesterday by completing its first official two-day round trip between Portland and The Dalles.