

Casual Slaughters

By VIRGINIA HANSON

YESTERDAY, Immerman, the waiter, seems agitated at the table conversation. After lunch, Felicia drives to Chicago to do some shopping and Kay goes to the Post Exchange. Immerman is there buying a regimental insignia like the one connected with the first robbery.

Chapter Five One Paying Guest

I WANTED to tell Adam the incident but two second lieutenants found me first and established themselves firmly and dutifully at my side, addressing their attentions so obviously to the major's girl that I felt about eighty percent of my time was spent in listening to their conversation. When Colonel Pennant arrived they sprang to their feet and moved chairs and carried drinks, then effaced themselves like well-bred children, nailing with knowledge of duty well done.

The girls, Colonel Pennant explained, were still in the city. "You couldn't get them to leave until the stores close," he went on cheerfully. "I long ago gave up trying to understand the feminine lust for shopping. And when you consider that they have the extra thrill of helping choose a troupe, I shall be surprised if they don't get locked in."



Adam seemed to be everywhere at once.

"Felicia is in town, too," I said. I had yielded to his insistence and let him order a glass of sherry for me. I looked at him over it and thought again what an attractive person he was. "I feel a little improper being here in bachelor quarters without a chaperone. I don't believe I've thanked you and Mrs. Pennant for being so nice about letting me have rooms here. I assure you I won't abuse the privilege."

He looked slightly shocked. "You don't need to tell me that," he said gravely, with a trace of old-fashioned gallantry. "We're honored to have you here. We're only sorry we couldn't offer you our own hospitality. At any other time..."

He was going to tell me of the plans for the wedding, which was to be in September, when the song rang and we went in to dinner. Immerman was not there. A strange waiter took care of us. But I still had no opportunity to speak to Adam about him.

The Club
SO MANY things were to happen at the club during that fortnight that it occurs to me I should describe it in some detail. On some posts the bachelor quarters and the officers' club are separate, but at Fort Michigan they occupy the same building—a big new building of gray stone, shaped rather like a broad, flattened letter H. The main entrance, approached by a semicircular drive, is in the central bar of the H. Across this section, from wall to wall of the flanking wings, stretches the glassed veranda furnished in brightly patterned willow, with a ping-pong table at one end.

Behind the veranda is the large room usually furnished as a lounge, with easy chairs and reading lamps and tables invitingly spread with magazines, but which is cleared for the fortnightly meetings of the Ladies' Bridge Club and for occasional other, privately given parties of the commissioned personnel. From the paneled walls of this room framed oil paintings of officers in uniforms old and modern look benignly down.

At the back of the lounge there is the broad main stairway and on either side of it a cloakroom and a powder room. To the right of the lounge, as you enter from the street, is the chromium and red bar, its walls decorated with

a photographic mural of a cavalry regiment at the charge. Beyond the bar is the billiard room. The building faces north, toward the parade ground, the distant barracks and, beyond that, the even more distant stables. The east wing overlooks a row of officers' quarters and the park and playground which stretches a quarter of a mile to the lake and the officers' beach. The mess hall and the kitchen regions are on the ground floor of this wing. Above them, and above the central structure, the bachelors have their rooms. The west wing is principally for guests.

The guests are mostly army, too. Officers on leave from Middle Western posts, with their wives and families, spending two weeks or a month at the lake shore, living in furnished suites of two rooms and bath, taking their meals in the bachelor mess. Wives of officers on duty at the post send their overflow guests to the club. Visiting inspectors, officers en route from station to station, may stop there overnight. The accommodations are not in expensive, which is one reason, perhaps, why during this last fortnight in August I was the only paying guest.

Jefferson Tack

THE guest wing is approached from the lounge by a narrow corridor behind the bar and the

billiard room, but it has its own doors at front and back for easier access to the street and the long garage behind the club where cars are berthed. My suite was on the ground floor, on the extreme northwest front corner, as far as humanly possible removed from the actual bachelor quarters. Next door to me was Felicia Bridewell's suite of rooms.

My bedroom window and the side window of my sitting room overlooked the tennis courts. My front window faced the western boundary of the parade ground and the road in front of the club where it turned at right angles and passed Headquarters and the Post Exchange before it turned left again and led out of the post.

I retired to my rooms when dinner was over and did not appear again until I heard Adam's voice on the tennis courts. Then I went out and sat on the sidelines, watching. For a team that had not played together before, Gerald Beaufort and Adam were giving the post champions a little trouble. Colonel Pennant stood at the net and smashed grimly, opposite him, Adam's long arms and legs seemed to be everywhere at once, as if he had as many as a crab. Jeff Tack, taking it very seriously, was putting everything he had in to his famous serve, and the Englishman's returning it with happy smiling grace and a cheerful "Well played!" for every point scored by his opponents.

Jefferson Tack was the disconcertingly grim young lieutenant that the Pennants were so fond of. He had sat at our table at dinner in the place usually reserved for Captain Jones who, someone said, had gone to Chicago to see his wife. Jeff had been no addition to the party, devoting himself almost exclusively to his food, responding briefly when addressed, then lapsing into his customary silence. If he was excited about the imminent arrival of his fiancée he gave no evidence of it.

I studied him now, contrasting him in my mind with two of his classmates who were playing mixed doubles with a couple of boarding-school kids on the next court. The two men, the two girls, bore an odd resemblance—snub noses, round freckle-spattered faces, brown arms and legs and something indefinable that stamped them as immature. But not Jeff.

To be continued

On the Radio Chains

STATIONS
Where to Find Them on the Dial:
KEX, 1160, Portland; KFI, 640, Los Angeles; KGA, 1470, Spokane; KGO, 790, San Francisco; KGW, 130, Portland; KJR, 970, Seattle; KXN, 1050, Los Angeles; KOA, 830, Denver; KOIN, 940, Portland; KOMO, 930, Seattle; KPO, 630, San Francisco; KSL, 1130, Salt Lake.

Sunday
8:00—Summer Hour, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Manhattan Merry-Go-Round, KPO, KGW, KFI, S. S. Fiesta, KEX, KJR.
8:30—Album of Familiar Music, KPO, KGW, KFI; Drama, KGO, KEX, KJR.
9:00—Vocal Help Wanted, KSL, KOIN; Goodwill Hour, KGO, KEX, KJR; Hour of Charm, KPO, KFI, KGW.
9:30—Carnival, KPO, KFI, KGW; Public Affairs, KOIN, KSL.
7:00—Chansonette, KGO; Royal Amblings, KPO; Musical Game, KNX, KOIN.
7:30—Aldrich Family, KPO, KGW; KFI; Kenny's Orch., KGO, KJR; Goodman's Orch., KNX, KSL.
8:00—Busse's Orch., KOIN; Walter Winchell, KPO, KFI, KGW; News, KGO, KJR.
8:30—Take It or Leave It, KNX, KOIN; Dance Orch., KPO, KGW; Stern's Newslet, KGO, KEX, KJR.
9:00—Night Editor, KPO, KGW; KFI; Courtney's Orch., KOIN.
9:30—Savazza's Orch., KPO, KGW; KFI; Sanctuary, KGO.
10:00—Harp's Orch., KGO, KJR; KEX; Goodman's Orch., KNX.

Monday
8:00—Green Hornet, KGO, KEX, KJR; Radio Theater, KSL, KXN, KOIN; Dr. Quiz, KPO, KGW, KFI; 8:30—Martin's Music, KGO, KJR; 9:00—News, KEX; Contended Hour, KPO, KGW, KFI; Ricardo, KGO; Lombardo's Orch., KNX, KOIN, KSL; 9:30—Burns and Allen, KPO, KFI; KOW; Blondie, KNX, KSL, KOIN.
7:00—Fred Waring, KPO, KGW, KFI; Amos and Andy, KNX, KOIN, KSL.
7:30—True or False, KGO, KEX, KJR; Where and When, KPO, KFI, KGW; Pipe Smoking Time, KNX, KSL, KOIN.
8:00—Passing Parade, KGO; Alexander's Orch., KNX, KSL, KOIN; The American Challenge, KPO, KFI, KGW, KFI; Dance Orch., KSL; Royal's Orch., KJR, KEX.
9:00—Little Or' Hollywood, KEX; Paul Sullivan, KSL, KNX, KOIN; Classics for Today, KPO, KFI, KGW; 9:30—Richard's Orch., KNX; Primi Orch., KPO, KFI, KGW; News, KJR; 10:00—Goodman's Orch., KNX, KSL; Reporter, KPO, KFI, KGW; Black Velvet, KGO, KEX, KJR.
10:30—Music by Woodbury, KPO; Reichman's Orch., KGO, KEX, KFI; Camera Club, KSL, KNX, KOIN.
11:00—Buddy's Orch., KPO; This Moving World, KEX, KJR; Clark Ross, KOIN, KSL; News, KFI, KNX.

GREEN APPROVES BILL TO OUTLAW REDS AND NAZIS

Washington, June 29.—(AP)—Congressional action to outlaw the communist party and the nazid bund was advocated today by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor.

Green made the recommendation in an address to the FBI-sponsored national police academy.

"I feel that we are inviting danger by permitting the communist party and the nazid bund to continue to operate openly or secretly in this country against the interests of the United States," he asserted. He declared the federation he heads "never has been hoodwinked by communist, nazid or fascist propaganda" and added: "When the congress recently adopted measures to purge communists and nazis from relief rolls and to keep an official check on the whereabouts and

MAHONEY ELATED BY McNARY'S WIN

Washington, June 29.—(AP)—Wills Mahoney, an old foe, congratulated Senator Charles McNary yesterday on his nomination by the Republican convention for the vice-presidency.

"It is an honor richly earned," Mahoney, who opposed the senator in the 1936 Oregon

GREEK SHIP LOST

Athens, June 29.—(AP)—The Greek steamer Nilon, 5,134 tons, was reported lost today—possibly torpedoed—while enroute to Britain from Bordeaux, France.

STRANGE AS IT SEEMS

George W. Hobbs—Hartford, Conn., won a set of permanent license plates ("SAFE") for driving 1,826,000 miles in 30 years without accident or traffic citation!

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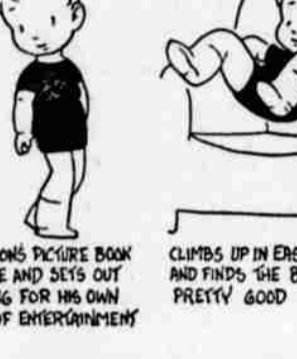
AMUSEMENT

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



IS GIVEN PICTURE BOOK TO LOOK AT, AT AUNT SUE'S HOUSE, WHILE MOTHER AND AUNT SUE ARE BUSY IN KITCHEN

Abandon's picture book at once and sets out looking for his own kind of entertainment



CLIMBS UP IN EASY CHAIR AND FINDS THE BOUNCING PRETTY GOOD

Discovers a cupboard, and pulls out a mass of old music, snapshot albums, boxes of odds and ends, etc.



RETURNS TO BOOK AT LAST, AND GETS PRAISED WHEN MOTHER AND AUNT SUE COME IN, FOR SITTING AND AMUSING HIMSELF SO QUIETLY



AFTER EXAMINING EVERYTHING, CRAMS IT ALL SOMEHOW BACK INTO CUPBOARD AND CLOSES DOOR WITH HIS FEET



SPENDS SEVERAL MINUTES CLICKING LIGHT SWITCH ON AND OFF



CLIMBS UP AND DOWN CHAIRS, PAUSING LONG ENOUGH AT DESK TO WRITE AN IMAGINARY LETTER ON SOME NOTE PAPER THERE

TAILSPIN TOMMY

Tommy Makes a Desperate Decision!



BEN WEBSTER'S CAREER—The Search Begins!



THE NEBBS—Papa-in-Law



By HAL FORREST



By EDWIN ALGER



By SOL HESS



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EUROPE, POLITICS SLOW UP MARKET

New York, June 29.—(AP)—Buying demand faltered in today's stock market and many traders stepped aside to await further developments in politics, business and the European war.

DEALINGS WERE INCONSEQUENTIAL THROUGHOUT

Dealings were inconsequential throughout. Transfers for the two hours approximated 200,000 shares.

Taxi Strike Threatens

Portland, June 29.—(AP)—Portland taxicab drivers today threatened a strike at midnight Sunday unless their demands for wage increases are met or provisions made for arbitration.