

SUSAN OF THE WAVES

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Susan Easterbrook, New York glamour girl, has met Pierre Dupre, suave, handsome Fighting Frenchman, through Carl Cooper, a man who seems greatly interested in her father's war plant. Pierre falls in love with her, and when he takes her out one evening, he is annoyed because she spends so much time dancing with Dick Craig, another suitor. Dick, who has been rejected by the Army because of a bad knee, is going to Washington to take an important war job. He begs Susan to marry him. She refuses, telling him that she is seriously considering joining the Waves or the Wacs. Her patriotic fervor is inspired partly by the fact that her favorite cousin, Rankin, is overseas. After dancing with Dick, she rejoins Pierre.

CHAPTER II

"DO FORGIVE me," Susan said, "for staying away so long. Mr. Craig is an old friend, and he had things to say to me."



"It is no time to talk of marriage," said Susan. "Besides, I'm thinking of joining the Army—or the Navy."

"A proposal?" asked Pierre. "How did you ever guess it?" Susan smiled. "Because a proposal is what I have in mind," Pierre replied. "Oh, no, not now, please!" "But why not? If this Mr. Craig can propose while dancing, why should I not propose while we sit here at this little table? The war is bound to end sometime, my dear. I have in mind a small villa in France, overlooking the deep blue sea, with sunshine, shining beach, and vineyards laden with purple and white grapes. We could be happy there, you and I, my Susan."

"You paint marvelous word-pictures," Susan said. "But I can't answer you now. Besides, it is no time to talk of marriage. The future is too uncertain. Besides—I'm thinking of joining the Army."

"The Army?" said Susan. "Or I may join the Navy."

"Well!" said Pierre. "I bring you

what I am. Such men are not willing to sit down and co-operate with those who are bringing about the downfall of the France they have known—the France I knew. And so we work and pray for the old days to come back."

"And you are here in this country to get aid for that France you remember?"

"That," said Pierre humbly, "is why I am here."

Susan laid her hand on one of his, and said, "I wish you all the success in the world."

"Thank you," said Pierre. "That of itself should spur a man on to victory in whatever he attempts to do."

THERE was silence for a moment. Then, Pierre said, "Tell me, Susan, who is Mr. Craig?"

"Oh, Dick! We grew up side by side. He was born in a house on Sixty-fourth Street, and I in one on Sixty-fifth Street. Our backgrounds joined, and our natures were sisters. We were taken to the park together, and—"

"Ah, how nice that was," said Pierre, "for Dick."

"And for me, too," said Susan. "He once fought a boy who touched my cheek to see if the color was real."

Pierre laughed. "I should have liked to have fought a boy for you," he said. "Tell me again just where this canteen is located?"

"In Forty-sixth Street," said Susan. "We turn off two blocks farther on."

The taxicab rolled on, and finally came to a stop. Pierre got out, and held his hand out for Susan's.

"The evening was far too short," he said, "but pleasant. I shall always treasure it, as I treasure all moments with you. May I see you soon?"

"I hope so," said Susan. "Time is terribly full—and how it flies!"

PIERRE watched her disappear through the entrance to the rather drab old building, which housed the American Canteen, and then turned away. He dismissed the cab, and began walking.

At the corner of Broadway and Fiftieth Street, someone hailed him. He turned to face Carl Cooper.

"Hello, there, Pierre! Carl greeted him. 'How go things with you?'"

"A little mixed up, I'm afraid," said Pierre. "And you?"

"The same," said Carl. He fell into step with the Frenchman. "I understand you are seeing quite a bit of Miss Easterbrook."

"Yes?" said Pierre. "News travels fast in America. It would seem."

"Oh, I keep my eyes and ears open. Has she shown you the factory yet?"

"Factory?"

"The one down on Long Island."

"No. I had forgotten all about it."

"It's a good thing to remember," said Carl. "After all, her father is aiding your country, isn't he?"

"I had not thought of it that way," said Pierre. "But you're right—he is."

"Then it seems to me you'd be eager to see what's going on out there," Carl told him. "I'm sure Miss Easterbrook could arrange it. Why not ask her?"

"Perhaps I shall," said Pierre. "I would if I were you," Carl smiled. "Here's where I have to leave you."

When Carl had gone, Pierre walked alone more slowly, thinking. Somehow or other, for a reason he couldn't quite define, he didn't like the Cooper man, who seemed always to be speaking in a cryptic sort of way—"doubletalk," as they called it here in America.

Then, putting thoughts of Carl Cooper from his mind, he thought again of Susan—the way the light played in her hair, the way her perfume quickened his heartbeat.

(To be continued)

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ELECT OFFICERS FOR RED CROSS ASHLAND BRANCH

The Ashland branch of the Jackson County Red Cross chapter met at the Elks hall in Ashland Monday night to elect the following new officers: Sid Reed, chairman; Frank Davis, vice chairman; and Gordon Miller, treasurer. Mrs. Sam McNaughton continued in the office of executive secretary. Ralph Billings, retiring chairman, presided.

Mrs. Fred Rankin, Jackson county executive secretary, attended the meeting with Miss Helen Bullis who spoke on the urgent national need for home nursing training. The Ashland branch voted to support the home nursing program soon to be launched in this county as it is throughout the nation.

Mrs. Carrie Haskins, motor corps lieutenant, reported on the outstanding help given by her group since the opening of the army pre-natal clinic in Ashland. The corps has carried patients to and from the Camp White Station hospital since June at any hour night or day for a total of 784 miles in their privately owned cars. They are not so fortunate as the Medford motor corps in having a station wagon for this vital volunteer work.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harnish and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McLallen of Medford were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harnish of this place Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Herbert Lewis who has been very ill in a Medford hospital for the past three months is reported improving now.

Grandma Heuston who has been ill for the past three weeks is also improving now.

Ivan Lusk is home with his parents here, on furlough from Tucson, Ariz.

Mrs. Lottie Greenwall of Hoquiam, Wash., left last Sunday for her home after spending a week here with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carter.

Deepest sympathy of the community is extended the Carter family in the recent loss of their eldest son, David Lee. He was loved and admired by all who knew him and will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Mattie Brown had the misfortune to sustain a bad burn on her left arm one day last week when she slipped on wet linoleum and fell striking her arm on a hot stove. She is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Lottie Cingade returned to her home here last weekend from a few days' visit in Sweet Home, Ore., with her son, Lloyd and family.

Lloyd Adamson of Walla Walla, Wash., was here last week visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Alvin Walgamott of this place is a patient in a Medford hospital. She is reported to be convalescing nicely.

Mrs. Eugene Bellows and son, Jack, of Medford called on friends here Tuesday.

Wm. Carter will leave Thursday for Klamath for a week's vacation at their ranch there.

Mrs. "Sandy" Clave and baby daughter, Patty Jo, left Tuesday for Portland to make their home this winter with "Sandy's" sister.

Arland Miller and family are moving into the place recently vacated by Clinton Charley, one mile north of Eagle Point.

Misses Dorothy Young, Joan Holmes and Bonnie Bea Gaibrecht will leave in a few days for Corvallis to attend Oregon State college.

Mrs. James White (nee Minnie Putman) will leave soon for Hamilton Field, Calif., where her husband is stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Millard and family are moving in with the Putman family for the winter.

Sharon Lee, little daughter of

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Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Lindell of Eagle Point, underwent an appendectomy at a Medford hospital Wednesday.

E. E. Jackson started grain threshing on his ranch on Reese creek Wednesday.

Eddie Dahack, who has been stationed at Portland with the coast guards, arrived here Wednesday to visit his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dahack and Miss Victoria, while on furlough.

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the water today, it ended a grueling month for the yard. It was the 268th ship launched since the yard opened. The new record meant that 2.09 ships per way were launched.

Beaughters Hit German Warship

By United Press
Royal Air Force Beaughters severely damaged a German warship in the Aegean sea, leaving it listing heavily under a pall of smoke, the London radio reported today, quoting a dispatch from Cairo.

The warship, which was not further described, first was spotted by an armed merchantman, the broadcast said.

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Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1—River in Acan
2—Serpent
3—Things that grow on heads
4—Shrimp-like
5—Household god
6—One who pays
7—Disy
8—Kind of desert
9—Plunder (v.)
10—Practice
11—Restrained
12—Spread for drying
13—Kind
14—Bury
15—Place
16—Circus
17—River in Egypt
18—Moon goddess
19—Having no tail
20—Mountain nymph
21—American humorist
22—Barbecue
23—Males believe
24—Man who gave up
25—Crest lake
26—Set of laws
27—Chaldean
28—Yielding
29—Light noise
30—Colombian
31—Turn to right
32—Horseman
33—Mother (tag.)
34—Living

DOWN

1—False
2—Dispatch boat
3—Horseman
4—Conjunction
5—Lock opener
6—Lobby and lowering
7—Holy man
8—Clock
9—Palm
10—Period of time
11—Angry
12—Face with masonry
13—Captivity (pl.)
14—Ebb and flow of ocean
15—Silkworm
16—Applied remedial to
17—Child
18—Dip in liquid
19—Wander
20—Southern general
21—Turkish officer
22—Child
23—Booster than
24—Growth in throat
25—Record of single year
26—Pointed arch
27—Winning
28—Synthetic fabric
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33—President (abbr.)
34—Tattlers
35—Conclusion
36—Decline

THE NAVAL PRACTICE OF HAVING THE RIGHT HAND UNGLOVED WHEN TAKING OATH STEMS FROM EARLY ENGLAND, WHERE ALL CRIMINALS WERE BANNED ON THEIR RIGHT HANDS. THE HANDS WERE BARED TO BE SURE THE WITNESS WAS NOT "BRANDED!"

THE HUE OF A PREHISTORIC DEITY, EXCAVATED NEAR LAKE TITICACA, IS ONE OF THE HONORS OF BOLIVIA. HOW THE PEOPLE IGNORANT OF IRON ACQUIRED SUCH SKILL IN STONE CUTTING REMAINS A DEEP MYSTERY!

RENO JULY 4, 1910

MYSTERY BOB!

TO MORTIFY "LONG MAY IT WAIVE!"

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Eagle Point

Eagle Point, Oct. 1 (Spl.)—

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