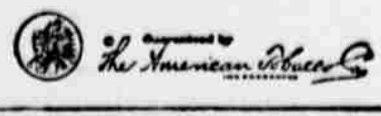




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The Prodigal Village

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LIKE THE PRODIGAL SON

"I don't care the snap o' my finger whether I get your job or not. I feel like layin' off for the summer and takin' a rest."

The first speaker is William Snodgrass, the village carpenter, and the second Mr. J. Patterson Bing, the rich man of Bingville, and their words give you a hint of what high wages, profiteering, H. C. L., unrest, gross materialism and other direct and indirect results of the world war did to this typical American community.

Of course The Prodigal Village is much like the prodigal son. It had to quit its joyriding in the course of time. And then it had to get back to "normalcy"—just as we all are getting back.

CHAPTER ONE

Which Introduces the Shepherd of the Birds.

The day that Henry Smix met and embraced Gasoline Power and went up Main street hand in hand with it is not yet forgotten. Their little journey produced an effect on the nerves and the remote future history of Bingville.

In speaking of this adventure, Hiram Blenkinsop made a wise remark: "My married life learnt me one thing," said he. "If you are thinkin' of hitchin' up a wild horse with a tame one, be careful that the tame one is the stoutest or it will do him no good."

The event had its tragic side and whatever Hiram Blenkinsop and other citizens of questionable taste may have said of it, the historian has no intention of treating it lightly.

But his most intimate friends were the birds. Robins, in the elm tree just behind the window, woke him every mornin'.

way to the casement, with the aid of two ropes which spanned his room, they came to him, lighting on his wrists and hands and clamoring for the seeds and crumbs which he was wont to feed them.

With a pair of field glasses, which Mrs. Crooker had loaned to him, Bob Moran had learned the nest habits of the whole summer colony in that wonderful garden.



"Mother," He Said, "I Love Pauline."

of it was a round hole and beyond it a small cavern which held the nest of a pair of flickers. Sometimes the female sat with her gray head protruding from this tiny oriel window of hers looking across at Bob.

He had sugared the window-sill so that he always had company—bees and wasps and butterflies. The latter had interested him since the Judge had called them "stray thoughts of God."

His work was painting scenes in the garden, especially bird tricks and attitudes. For this, he was indebted to Susan Baker, who had given him paints and brushes and taught him how to use them.

blue-eyed girl with curly blonde hair, four years older than Bob, who was thirteen when his painting began. The Shepherd looked at her with an exclamation of delight; until then he had never seen a beautiful young maiden.

The little Shepherd of the Birds was not quite a boy. He was a spirit untouched by any evil thought, unbroken to lures and thorny ways.

Now, indeed, there was not a happier lad in the village than this young prisoner in one of the two upper bedrooms in the small cottage of the Widow Moran.

One evening, as his mother sat reading an old love tale to the boy, he stopped her.

"Mother," he said, "I love Pauline. Do you think it would be all right for me to tell her?"

"Never a word," said the good woman. "Ye see it's this way, my little son, ye're like a priest an' it's not the right thing for a priest."

"I don't want to be a priest," said he impatiently.

Winters he spent deep in books out of Judge Crooker's library and tending his potted plants and painting them and the thick blanket of snow in the garden.

To the little Shepherd, Bingville was the capital of the world and Mr. J. Patterson Bing, the first citizen of Bingville, who employed eleven hundred men and had four automobiles, was a gigantic figure whose shadow stretched across the earth.

Mr. Bing sent Mrs. Moran a check every Christmas and, now and then, some little gift to Bob, but his charities were strictly impersonal.

Everyone on the make.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

FAVOR NEW PRISON

HOUSE MEMBERS VOTE FOR NEW REFORMATORY TO BE BUILT FOR FIRST OFFENDERS

DISPUTE OVER LOCATION

Objectors to Building New Institution Near Penitentiary Succeed in Votng Down Emergency Clause—Means Delay

Lincoln.—Because the state reformatory bill has been amended to locate the new institution "near and in connection with" the state penitentiary, enough house members withheld their support from it on final passage to knock out the emergency clause.

There were some who voted against it both times because they do not favor establishing a reformatory, for which \$300,000 is appropriated in the budget maintenance bill.

A considerable number of reformatory advocates want it entirely separated from the penitentiary and under different management. The majority, however, decided that the two institutions could be run under the same supervision, without having two sets of officials, two power plants and unnecessary duplication of other features.

Primary Bill Through House

The Douglas primary bill has passed the lower house by a vote of 53 to 43. It is conceded by members to be the only tampering with the direct primary that the house will stand for.

Under the provisions of this bill any person may file for a state office without paying a fee, by dropping his name or petition into the office of secretary of state.

House Objects to Senate Amendment. On motion of Representative Mosely, the house declined to concur in a senate amendment to H. R. 73, which requires the governor to fill vacancies in the offices of United States senator, congressman, or member of the legislature by appointing persons of the same political affiliations as the previous incumbents.

Limit Stock Salesmen Fees. No more than 10 per cent can be paid for agents' commission and all other expense of selling stock in Nebraska under an amendment to the bureau of securities blue sky bill, which was adopted by nearly unanimous vote by the house.

Railway Commission Changes Ruling. The state railway commission has authorized the cancellation of the rule requiring that all boxes, drums and pallets containing goods presented to railroads should bear the name and address of the shipper and a description of the contents.

Game Law Violators Fined. Twenty-two hunters who violated the law in Nebraska the last two weeks have been fined in the state courts, and eleven of them, who shot birds out of season, are held for government authorities for violating the federal migratory law.

Pass Movie Censorship Bill. The movie censorship bill, passed the house by a vote of 69 to 35 after some of the opponents had failed to make good their threat or promise that the measure never will become a law.

For Relief of Disabled Soldiers. The American Legion bill providing a fund of \$2,000,000 out of the state treasury, to be invested in Liberty bonds and other securities the income from which will be used in furnishing aid to disabled veterans of the world war and their dependents, went through the house on third reading by a vote of 90 to 3.

Committee Presents Banking Bill. The sifting committee has reported out fourteen bills for the house to work upon. One of these is the co-operative bank bill. Another is the department's blue sky bill, signed by fifty-six members as introducers.

Five others are bills relating to procedure recommended by the state bar association. Another is H. R. 153, authorizing the sale of state school lands as fast as the leases expire.

For Handling Bank Failures. Appointment of J. E. Hart, secretary of the state department of trade and commerce, as receiver for the defunct Castetter bank of Blair, inaugurated a policy that the department will follow in future bank failures, as has been announced by Secretary Hart.

The department will not only ask that it be given the receivership, but Governor McKelvie, it is said, is planning to introduce a bill in the present session of the legislature to require this procedure.

Stop That Backache!

Those agonizing twinges, that dull, throbbing backache, may be warning of serious kidney weakness—serious if neglected, for it might easily lead to gravel, dropsy or fatal Bright's disease.

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS. M. E. Turner, painter, Adams Ave., Harvard, Neb., says: "I had the 'flu' and this left my kidneys in a weakened condition. My back was so lame that I could hardly stoop over to put on my shoes or straighten up again."

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