

# A Race For a Wife

By EDITH V. ROSS

Miss Jaquelin Medocroft—she was usually called Jack—was an athletic girl of the period. She was the best skater and tennis player in the county, and, as for motoring on land or water, she had no equals among women and few among men. Jack was one of those ingenious, helter skelter, fearless persons who are always beloved. All the men were in love with her, and she was positively pestered with proposals.

She began preparing for love bankruptcy by being so tender hearted whenever she refused a man that upon his begging her not to deny him all hope she said he might hope just a little bit. The next man she promised she would try to love him. And so it went on, the numbers of these aspirants for her hand increasing every day till she did not know herself how many of them there were.

One day she received a lecture from her mother in this wise:

"Jaquelin, do you know that you are wasting your opportunities? You won't always be young. One by one these young men who wish to marry you will begin to drop off till all are gone. And then what will you do?"

"I'll look out that the last one doesn't get away."

Jaquelin stood half an hour of this talk, at the end of which she told her mother that she would come to a decision among her lovers immediately. The good lady asked her to name those who had proposed to her. Jack gave the names and was told that her decision would not be interfered with except in the case of Dick Gregory, who was very much among men what Jack was among women. The mother's preference was Henry Hilliard, a young clergyman.

Why Jack didn't decide between these two men instead of following the course she did no one knows. That one of the two was her preference every one supposed. Only one man could have first place in her heart, but which that one was only Jack herself knew. She had only to accept the one, and the other, with the rest of her suitors, would relapse, so far as she was concerned, into nothingness.

Jack wrote each of her admirers that, not being able to accept them all, she would institute a test examination as to their fitness. In Lapland, she said, the groom must catch his bride. She proposed that the man she would marry should catch her. She lived on a river that some fifty miles below passed the city of B. She would leave the next morning for B., but whether by rail, steamboat, trolley car, motor car or aeroplane she did not say. The man who first proposed to her after she had commenced her journey would be accepted.

We will follow only the efforts of two of the applicants, Dick Gregory and Henry Hilliard. Hilliard was loath to enter upon so undignified a contest. But his objection was based solely on account of his being in orders. In his heart the plan delighted him, for he was as fond of athletic sports as either Jack or Dick. He had been while in college a quarterback on the university team, had won a prize in a motorboat race and had done some flying in the air.

None of Jack's suitors believed that she would select an ordinary method of conveyance. The question was whether she would go by land or water. Gregory possessed an advantage in the fact that he owned and operated an aeroplane. He could therefore go quickly and see over a broader area than one moving by any other conveyance. He selected his flying machine for his conveyance in the contest. Hilliard chose an automobile.

Both these men went to the steamboat landing and railway station, thinking those places the most advantageous points from which to learn of Jack's movements. Hilliard arrived there half an hour after the day boat had left the dock and learned that Jack had left on it. What had been expected of her—that she would go in some conveyance of her own—failed. Hilliard turned his auto down the river, taking a road that ran on the bank beside it. It was not long before he overtook the steamer and hoped to get aboard at the next landing place, which was some twenty miles below.

Gregory reached the starting point soon after Hilliard and gained the same information, but he was obliged to have his aeroplane dragged to open ground for starting and then to make several attempts before getting up in the air. When finally he arose he saw the steamer pursuing her way down the river far below.

Now, the two rivals were in one respect in the same fix. The winner must get aboard the boat. Hilliard, seeing the aeroplane, realized this and wondered how he might get ahead of his rival. Putting on all speed, he got into a position in advance of the boat and, leaving his car on the shore, plunged and swam for the channel in which the boat must pass. Gregory, seeing the move from above, dipped and, leaving his aeroplane on the surface, also took to the water. Then commenced a swimming match between the two men. Gregory had struck the water without calculating sufficiently on the movement of the boat, which came upon Hilliard first and he was taken aboard.

Jack is now the clergyman's wife and admitted as soon as the race was over that she had hoped he would win. The two make a very sedate couple.

# ASINGULAR LETTER

By JOHN Y. LARNED

We don't know how many cases have occurred where minors have been swindled out of their inheritances by relatives, guardians or executors, but there are quite a number of such instances on record. When we remember what a temptation a fortune is and the number of unscrupulous persons in the world it is a wonder that there are not more such cases.

When I was in the high school I formed an attachment for a girl named Hazel Mansfield. She belonged to a wealthy family, while my parents were poor. Indeed, when I went to college I was obliged to work my way by teaching and other expedients. I parted with Hazel Mansfield when we were graduated at the high school and did not meet her again for many years.

After leaving college I studied law and in time put out my shingle as an attorney. I had not practiced long before I received by mail a copy of a book handsomely bound and altogether quite an acceptable gift. After tearing off the cover, which was much soiled, I looked eagerly on the flyleaf for the name of the donor and was surprised to find the leaf as blank as the day it came out of the manufacturer's hands. I ran through the pages, expecting that a card would appear, but found none. Then I opened the book and shook it. There was nothing in it.

I examined the writing on the cover, which was in a woman's hand, but it was not familiar to me; at least I did not remember it. I was addressed as an individual, not as a lawyer. I looked all over the wrapper, but saw nothing to give me any clue. The book, considering the way it came to me, was a mystery.

A few days later I concluded to read the book, hoping that there might be something in the text that would suggest an explanation. It was a book of travels and to me very dull. I was about to give up its perusal when I came to a light pencil mark under the word "my." I noted the fact and read on. On the next page the word "dear" was similarly underscored. This began to look as though I was on the track of something. I now ceased to read, but looked for another marked word. It was "old." The next was "school." It was somewhat disappointing, for "my dear old school" meant nothing to me. But I turned the leaves till I came to the word "mate."

These five words were a revelation. My mind at once turned back to my school days, but I had a number of friends among them and could not settle on any one who would be likely to send me any such mysterious communication. I read on and evolved the following sentence: "I need both a friend and a lawyer." At this point I was so eager to learn who was my correspondent that I turned to the back of the book and examined it from the end to the beginning. Here I found letters, not words, underscored. The first letter marked was a "d," the next an "l," the next an "e," the next an "i," the next an "f." I knew I was noting the letters backward and kept trying by reading them in reverse order. When I came to the "f" I noticed that thus far they spelled "field." Four letters more, read also in reverse, gave me "mans." The two syllables together gave "Mansfield."

Could the communication come from my old chum Hazel Mansfield? I looked eagerly for the next letter, and, sure enough, it was an "l." I ran over the pages rapidly, coming to "e," "z," "a," "h," in sequence.

Having discovered my correspondent, I was now impatient to know why she had need of a friend and a lawyer. Turning to the forward part of the book where I had left off, I began again reading the message. It informed me that the writer was held a prisoner in a country house with no other near neighbors by the executor of her father's estate. She was kept there waiting legal permission to place her in a retreat for feeble minded persons or to be disposed of in some other way that would enable the executor to appropriate her estate. A part of this she knew and a part she surmised. She begged me to do something to extricate her from her terrible position.

Her reason for sending me the book was that she was not permitted to communicate with any one. She had found the book in the library and at times when she was not watched had underscored the words and letters that composed the message. She was permitted to go out riding guarded by a woman who was her jailer. She had concealed the book, which she had wrapped, addressed and stamped, in her muff and while being driven out managed, when the woman was looking the other way, to drop it out of the carriage.

All being explained, I went to work on the case at once, applying to the court for a habeas corpus, and before anything could be done by the enemy I got Miss Mansfield out of her jailer's possession. I unlearned so much rascality that before long I had the executor of the estate feeling to some foreign land, where he went into hiding to keep out of jail. He had squandered one-half the estate that he had been appointed to manage, but I saved the other half for its legitimate owner.

As the husband of the heiress I managed the property so successfully that it is now what it was when her father died.

# A Happy Coincidence

By LOUISE B. CUMMINGS

During the second empire in France two country gentlemen, M. Recardier and M. Gallipeaux, met at the chateau of the former, and while discussing some fine old wine Gallipeaux said to his friend:

"Where is your son Louis?"

"Traveling."

"My daughter also is traveling. She will be at home for the autumn ball. It will be her entrance into society."

"My son will be at home about that time. I am looking forward to his coming with pleasant anticipations. He has not been here for ten years. When he was twelve years old I put him to school in Geneva. From there he passed to the university, and since then he has been traveling. But why did you ask about my son?"

"I will tell you. I would give me great pleasure and I should consider myself highly honored to unite our families in the marriage of these two young persons."

"Just what I have been thinking of for some time," replied the other.

"How old is your daughter?"

"Marie is twenty."

"And Louis is twenty-two."

It was then and there agreed that the youngsters should marry. That was a time when parents in France arranged marriages for their children.

When Louis Recardier returned to the paternal chateau his father met him at the door, and the two were locked in each other's arms. They chatted for some time, when the father said:

"Louis, it is now time that you settled down at home. I am getting lonely in my old age and want you with me. I desire also that you should bring a wife into the house and that I may have a grandchild in whom to be interested. I have arranged a match for you with the daughter of an old friend of mine, and it is expected that the marriage shall take place very soon."

The young man's face spoke plainly that this was unwelcome news to him. He made no reply for some time, and when he did it was quite a backset to his father.

"My dear father," he said, "I have always obeyed you and will continue to do so save in this one thing, the choice of a wife. I do not approve of our ancestral custom of parents choosing mates for their children. I am a believer in love and that marriages should be made for love."

"But my word has been pledged. To tell my friend that you will not marry his daughter would be an insult."

"Not since I have never seen her."

M. Recardier argued a long while with his son without effect. The young man had met a girl in his travels and had fallen in love with her. His father was wrapped up in him and would not break with him. A letter was dispatched to M. Gallipeaux announcing that the match must be abandoned. Naturally the latter was much incensed that his daughter should be refused and wrote his old friend a very curt reply.

Louis Recardier's falling in love was one of those cases where persons of opposite sex are drawn together at sight. Louis had attended the opera one evening at Milan, and in a box directly above him and so near him that he could almost touch her sat a young lady between whom and him came an instantaneous spark of love. Louis could not keep his eyes off her, and she, conscious that they were always upon her, gave him an occasional glance, while a faint blush and a restlessness of her fan showed that she was much affected. The next day Louis made an attempt to find the young lady, but was unable to do so. The reason of this was that she had departed early in the morning with a party with whom she was traveling. Louis had returned to France, being expected by his father, hoping to gain permission to set out again to find the girl with whom he had fallen in love at sight.

Not long after the arrival of young Recardier at home the autumn ball came off. Her father remembered that his friend, M. Gallipeaux, had told him that his daughter would be presented to the social world on that occasion, and having heard that Mile. Gallipeaux was a very charming girl urged his son to attend the ball, hoping that meeting her there he might be attracted to her and the match might yet be brought about. Louis refused to go, being satisfied with nothing but to set out again to find the girl who had enchanted him. Finally his father consented that he should depart, provided he would first attend the ball.

Louis agreed to the condition, attended the ball and was standing listlessly looking at the dancers when suddenly his heart came up into his throat. Who should sail by him in the dance but the girl he had seen at the opera at Milan!

Louis lost no time in securing an introduction, and when he heard the words "Mile. Gallipeaux" he pealed. He had refused to marry the girl with whom he had fallen in love!

When M. Recardier was informed of the situation he ordered his carriage and drove at once to see his old friend, M. Gallipeaux. He was coldly received, but when he explained the cause of his son's refusal and that Louis was wrapped up in Marie her father was soothed and consented that the marriage should take place at an early date.

### Twentieth Century Club

#### Date of Meetings.

General meeting, second Tuesday in each month at library building.

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### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the mayor and city council will hold a special meeting at the hour of eight o'clock p. m. (central time) Tuesday, April 28th, 1914, in the council chamber for the purpose of making assessments and levying taxes for the construction of sidewalks built by the city along the following described property:

Lot 4, block 87, of the original town of North Platte, walk 4 ft wide, 325 feet long, 912 sq feet at 11c.....\$100 32

Lot 5, block 87, of the original town of North Platte, walk 4 ft wide, 132 feet long, 528 square feet at 11c..... 58 08

Lot 1, Block 172 of the original town of North Platte. Walk 4 ft wide 9 ft long, 36 sq. ft at 10.... 3 60

Lot 1, Block 35 of the original town of North Platte. Walk 4 ft wide 9 ft long, 36 square feet at 10c..... 3 60

Lot 1, Block 107 of the original town of North Platte. Walk 4 feet wide 149 feet long, 596 square feet at 11c..... 65 56

Lot 8, Block 64 of the original town of North Platte. Walk 4 feet wide 83 feet long, 332 square feet at 11c..... 36 52

Lot 7, Block 64 of the original town of North Platte. 4 feet wide 66 feet long, 264 square feet at 11c..... 29 04

Lot 5, Block 13, Penniston's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 79 1/2 feet long, 318 square feet at 11c. Filling for the above walk, 9 yards Sand at 75c per yard..... 6 75

Lot 6, Block 13, Penniston's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 62 1/2 feet long, 250 square feet at 11c. Filling for the above walk, 9 yards, Sand at 75c per yard..... 6 75

Lot 7, Block 13, Penniston's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 50 feet long, 200 square feet at 11c..... 2 25

Lot 6, Block 2, Taylor's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 67 feet long, 268 square feet at 11c..... 29 48

Lot 9, Block 7, Taylor's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 50 feet long, 200 square feet at 11 c..... 22 00

Lot 10, Block 7, Taylor's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 67 feet long, 268 square feet at 11c..... 29 48

Filling for the above walk, 3 yards, Sand 75c per yard..... 2 25

Lot 1, Block 2, Taylor Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 67 feet long, 268 square feet at 11c..... 29 48

Lot 5, Block 1, Taylor's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 50 feet long, 200 square feet at 11c..... 22 00

Lot 10, Block 4, Taylor's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 67 feet long, 268 square feet at 11c..... 29 40

Filling for the above walk, 33 cubic yards at 75c per yard..... 24 75

Lot 9, Block 4, Taylor's Addition. Walk 4 feet wide 50 feet long, 200 square feet at 11c..... 22 00

Filling for the above walk, 29 cubic yards, Sand at 75c per yard 21 75

All of the above described property being in the City of North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska.

In addition to the above amount interest and advertising fees will be charged.

All persons interested will file their objections, if any they have, to the assessing of taxes against the above described property and for the above described purpose on or before 8:00 o'clock p. m., Tuesday, April 28th, 1914, as above stated.

C. F. Temple, City Clerk.

### Application for Liquor License.

Matter of Application of H. J. Rebhausen, for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that H. J. Rebhausen did upon the 9th day of April, A. D. 1914, file his application to the city council of the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors on 807 Dewey street, in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the first day of May, 1915.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from April 14, A. D. 1914, said license will be granted.

H. J. REBHAUSEN, Applicant.

### Application for Liquor License.

Application of A. E. Timmerman for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that A. E. Timmerman did upon the 13th day of April, A. D. 1914, file his application to the city council of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors on the east 33 feet of lot 1, block 103, in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the 1st day of May, 1915.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from April 14, 1914, said license will be granted.

A. E. Timmerman, Applicant.

### Application for Druggists Permit

Matter of Application of Jos. H. Stone for Druggist's Permit.

Notice is hereby given that Jos. H. Stone did upon the 13th day of April, 1914, file his application to the city council of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for permit to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors for medicinal and mechanical purposes only at 510 N. Dewey street in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the 1st day of May, 1915.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from the 14th day of April, 1914, said permit will be granted.

Jos. H. Stone, Applicant.

### Application for Liquor License.

Matter of Application of A. M. Lock for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that A. M. Lock did upon the 13th day of April, A. D. 1914, file his application to the city council of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors on the north 22 feet of the south 66 feet of lots 5 and 6, block 103, and known as 603 North Dewey street, in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the first day of May, 1914, to the first day of May, 1915.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from April 14, A. D. 1914, said license will be granted.

A. M. LOCK, Applicant.

### Application for Druggists Permit

Matter of Application of Francis J. Dunn for Druggist Permit.

Notice is hereby given that Francis J. Dunn did upon the 13th day of April, 1914, file his application to the city council of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for permit to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors for medicinal and mechanical purposes only at 603 N. Dewey street, in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the 1st day of May, 1914, to the 1st day of May, 1915.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from April 14th, 1914, said permit will be granted.

Francis J. Dunn, Applicant.

### Application for Liquor License.

Matter of Application of Fred Waltemath for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that Fred Waltemath did upon the 13th day of April, A. D. 1914, file his application to the city council of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors on north 22 feet of lot 5, block 103, being No. 611 North Dewey street, in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the first day of May, A. D. 1914, to the first day of May, 1915.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from April 14, A. D. 1914, said license will be granted.

FRED WALTEMATH, Applicant.

### Application for Liquor License.

Matter of Application of John C. Den for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that John C. Den did upon the 9th day of April, A. D. 1914; file his application to the city council of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors on the corner of Front and Dewey streets, being Number 200, East Front street, in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the 1st day of May, 1914, to the 1st day of May, 1915.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from April 14, A. D. 1914, said license will be granted.

JOHN C. DEN, Applicant.

### IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

Notice of hearing of probate of a foreign will. To all persons interested in the estate of C. A. Carpenter, deceased.

Whereas, Ed Hicklin, of Louisa county, Iowa, has filed in my office a petition praying to be a duly authenticated copy of what purports to be the last will and testament of one C. A. Carpenter, who died in Louisa county, Iowa, on or about the 5th day of October, 1913, admitted to probate as a foreign will, which will purports to have been admitted to probate by the probate court of Louisa county, Iowa, on or about the 4th day of November, 1913. Which will relates to both real and personal property, and especially to the north one-half [N 1/2] and the southeast quarter [SE 1/4] of section nine [9], township thirteen [13], range thirty-one [31] and the east one-half of section 32, township 13, range 30, in Lincoln county, Nebraska, and the north one-half and the southeast quarter of section 25, township nine, range 30, in Dawson county, Nebraska. I have therefore appointed Tuesday, the 5th day of May, 1914, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon at the county court room in said county as the time and place for the hearing of said petition. At which time and place you and all concerned may appear and in contest the admitting of said will to probate as a foreign will. It is further ordered that said petitioners will give notice to all persons interested in said estate of the pendency of this petition, and the time and place of hearing of the same by causing a copy of this order to be published in the North Platte Semi-Weekly Tribune, a newspaper printed and published in said county for three weeks successively, prior to the time set for hearing.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 13th day of April, 1914.

JOHN GRANT, County Judge

### LEGAL NOTICE

William E. Funkhauser and Lillian O. Funkhauser, defendants, take notice that on the 10th day of April, 1914, Loren Sturges, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the District Court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, against said defendants and other defendants, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the above named defendants to the plaintiff upon lots seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12), in block three (3), of Gamble's Addition to the town of Hershey, Lincoln county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of a certain promissory note, dated March 8th, 1911, for the sum of \$1,000.00 due and payable in ninety days from the date thereof. That there is now due upon said note and mortgage the sum of \$1,228.88. For which sum with interest from June 15, 1914, plaintiff prays - for a decree that said defendants be required to pay the same, or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 25th day of May, 1914.

Dated April 10th, 1914.

LOREN STURGES, Plaintiff

Attest: By Wilcox & Halligan, His Attorneys.