

A Wife's Confessional

by Adele Garrison



What is Lillian Holding Back From Mad?

Lillian's astonishing statement jerked me to my feet as if I were a puppet and her words a wire attached to me. All my vague doubts concerning the sincerity of the mysterious Chinese which I had thought effectually silenced, came rushing back overwhelmingly, and it was in a voice strange to my own ears that I stammered—

"His name was not Lee Chow?"

"No, distinctly not," Lillian answered. "Let me think—I haven't your photographic memory, you know—it was 'Ah Moy,' or something like that."

"Can you describe him?" I asked tensely.

Slowly, painstakingly, she outlined the description of a man as dissimilar in appearance to Lee Chow as could well be imagined.

"How often did you see him, and when?" I quizzed, my pulses chattering at the possibility that Lee Chow was an impostor, with dangerous opportunities for potential mischief.

"Almost every day for weeks," she rejoined, "during an investigation in which Hugh and I were associated."

"I played my last card."

"Did he have any nicknames, do you know? What did Major Grantland call him?"

"His name, of course, 'Ah Moy,'" she returned, a bit impatiently. "What did you expect Hugh to call him, 'Dearie?'"

"No," I hesitated, "but I have heard Major Grantland refer to a Chinese servant of his as 'Old Faithful,' and I wondered, if perhaps—"

"But That Proves Nothing."

"No," Lillian returned decisively. "Nothing like that at all. But that proves nothing either way. You must admit, however, that the appearance of this Chinese up here looks fishy. Do you object to my having a look at this Lee Chow? I'm going to, whether you object or not," she added, her lips quivering into a smile. But the eyes above were anxious and the contagion of her uneasiness began to affect me.

"Object?" I repeated. "It is the one thing I have been wanting since I first saw the man, although," I added with a reminiscent twinkle of conscience, "I am afraid I gave him the impression that I would mention his mission to no one."

"You know the proverb with which Mrs. Ticer would answer that, don't you?" Lillian demanded with a grin. For that worthy woman's propensity to drag in an old adage upon every occasion was a delightful joke.

"I suppose the sage observation concerning the bad promise," I returned with an answering smile.

"Exactly," Lillian returned. "So, if you have any idea where to find this enigmatic oriental, please produce him as soon as possible."

"There's just one place from which I can send a message to him," I said slowly.

"The local Chinese laundry, I suppose," Lillian interposed as I paused.

"I nodded an assent. 'I'll get the car out and run over right away.'"

"That's a mighty good idea," Lillian approved promptly. "I'd go with you, but I don't think I ought to leave Katherine alone with that girl. She's too apt to be obstreperous when she regains consciousness. But mind your step. Don't go into that laundry unless you see your way perfectly clear to get out again."

"I knew better than to express aloud my sense of the utter absurdity of this caution, but that Lillian caught my mental skepticism I was soon made aware."

"Perhaps I am getting into my deluge," she said a bit tartly, although her smile held no trace of rancor. "Nevertheless, you exercise the caution with which I have asked you to endow yourself. If for no other reason than to please me, this stunt has more ramifications than you think, and more than your safety may depend upon your not rushing headlong into possible dangers. I suppose I am right in thinking you wish to do everything in your power to serve Hugh Grantland in this bitter hour of his?"

A Significant Remark.

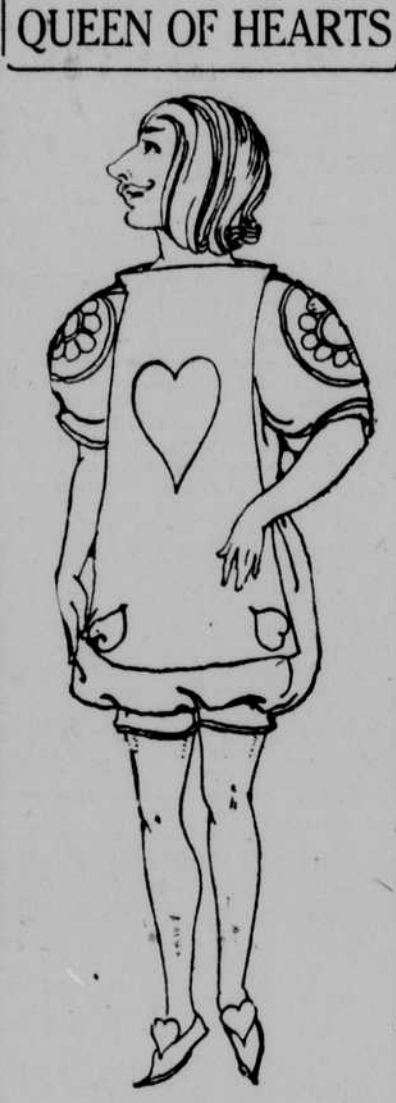
"Of course, you are correct in that surmise," I returned quickly, and it was not until I was at the door that the significant phrasing of her last words struck me.

"If he be alive to have a bitter hour," I said tentatively, watching her face closely.

"That, of course, is yet to be determined," she rejoined, but I had seen the tiny lines around her mouth

QUEEN OF HEARTS

COLOR CUT-OUTS



THE VILLAIN.

This is one day's chapter of the story that goes with the rhyme, 'The Queen of Hearts.' Children who save the cut-outs each week will receive a 'Queen of Hearts' paper doll at the end of the week.

Just as the Queen was taking a peep at the tarts in the oven along came the Knave of Hearts.

"Good morning, Queen," he said politely. "It is a fine summer's day. What are you doing in this kitchen?"

"I am making some tarts for the King," said the Queen shortly. She didn't like the Knave and knew he was hinting for one of her tarts. So she went back to the oven and the Knave passed on, the odor of the wonderful tarts still tempting him.

(Color the Knave's hair light brown and his suit bright red, leaving the white.)

At the University Club. Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Shotwell will entertain the Lester Drishouses and E. M. Slaters at the University club Thursday night.

First Baptist Society Tea. The executive committee of the Women's society of the First Baptist church will entertain at tea from 2 to 5 Friday in the ladies' parlor of the new social building and Bible school. Miss Jean Field will entertain during the afternoon with harp selections. Mrs. A. A. De Larme is president of the committee, which includes:

Messames—E. H. Fretz, W. Boyd Smith, J. A. Sunderland, A. D. Cloyd.

Birth Announcements. A daughter was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McCaffrey at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Keltges announce the arrival of William Leo March 15 at the Lord Lister hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Sigal announce the birth of a son at the same hospital on March 13, and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Arthur Tebbins report the birth of a daughter on March 14.

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The Delta chapter of the Delphia society was organized at the Blackstone hotel on Monday when the following officers were elected:

Mrs. W. A. Smith, president; Mrs. H. Stewart, vice president; Mrs. Herbert W. Potter, secretary; Mrs. C. E. Forth, treasurer; Mrs. A. H. Mordock, Mrs. Roland M. Jones and Mrs. C. E. Traver, advisory board; Mrs. G. A. Remington, parliamentary; Mrs. Wesley M. Allison, publicist; Mrs. C. D. Bissett, critic.

This chapter will meet at 10 a. m. at the Blackstone hotel the second and fourth Thursday of the month.

Tables at Friday Lunch. Parties are being arranged for the luncheon given by the Second Circle Women's Aid society of the First Methodist Episcopal church Friday at 1 o'clock in the church.

Tables have been reserved by: Messames—M. D. Cameron, D. E. McCulley, T. F. Sturgess, E. M. Couch, J. Buffington, H. K. Graham, H. E. King, J. C. Hammond, A. S. Ward, David Cole.

Reservations may be given to Mrs. J. H. Ready, Mrs. F. G. Farrington, Mrs. C. E. Walrath, Mrs. C. B. Golding.

Press Club Dinner. Covers will be placed for 50 guests at the dinner to be given by the Omaha Woman's Press club Wednesday night, Hotel Fontenelle, honoring Keene Abbott, newly elected president of the Nebraska Writers' association.

Bridge Luncheon Club. Mrs. Melville Walker will entertain the R. C. Bridge club at her home on Wednesday. The members are: Messames—P. C. Peterson, P. O. Brown, C. Coley, Carl Brown, J. P. Dorward, H. W. Pope, J. P. Foley, Melville Walker.

Bridge-Luncheon. Mrs. Melvin Bekins has issued invitations for a bridge-luncheon to be given at Hotel Blackstone March 28.

The Drishouses Hosts. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Drishouse will give a dinner party at the Fontenelle Saturday evening.

Informal Sunday Musical. Mrs. Emily Cleve-Gregerson entertained at an informal musical Sunday, when the program was given by: Katherine Rivett, Bryce Bednar, Katherine Cooke, Laurence Cooke, Howard Cooke, Alton Harris, Robert Dyer, John Schaffnit, Edna Davis, Charles Kie, Jr., Helen Frouk, Selma Weber, Edwin Sommer, Dorothy Lustgarten, Warren McDonald, Emily Davis, Avrum Lustgarten.

Next Sunday afternoon Mrs. Gregerson will entertain again.

Tea for Mrs. Watson. Frances Nash Watson, guest of her mother, Mrs. E. W. Nash, will remain in Omaha until March 25, when she will go east. Miss Claire Helene Woodard is planning a Saturday tea for Mrs. Watson.

Miss Helen Butler passed the week end at the Kappa Kappa Gamma house in Lincoln.

Household Hints. An inexpensive wire set brush in a small loop design is even better than a dish mop for washing dishes.

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Your Problems Solved by Martha Allen

Deserted by Wife in Hour of Need.

Loyalty and tolerance—it seems to me that these are two of the greatest factors in a successful marriage. Most wives and mothers possess loyalty, fewer of them practice tolerance towards their husbands. Of course, husbands are also defective in these respects, too. Here is a case where I think the wife is in error in failing to stand back of her husband in his hour of need:

Dear Martha: Until a few months ago my husband and I were very happy. We owned our own home, a motor car, and did not owe anybody a cent. We have two lovely children. Now I am wretchedly unhappy. I have left my husband and gone to my mother's with our children. My husband went in with another man in an enterprise that took all of the money we had on hand. The other man has a very pretty wife, who won't let other women's husbands alone. I know that my husband went to dinner with her a few times, but I don't think he made love to her. I knew about it at the time, and asked him not to go out with her, but he went anyway, saying that he had to for the sake of the business. A month ago there was a terrible scene between my husband and his partner, in which the latter accused my husband of being a wife stealer. My husband didn't tell me about it—some one else did. For the children's sake I didn't make a scene with him, hoping that the incident would end the affair. But with my husband and his partner in a terrible mind towards each other, the enterprise was neglected, and a few days ago it failed. Now the other man threatens to sue my husband for alienation of affections and wrecking the business. I felt that I couldn't stand it, and I couldn't stand having the children talked about by other children, so I came here to my mother's home. My husband begged me not to go, declaring that he was innocent, but he has not written me since I've been here. I'm afraid he has gone to drinking. My mother says I shouldn't go back ever, but I'm in doubt. What would you do?

L. R.

As long as there is any doubt regarding your husband's innocence, your place is at his side. It is possible that he was not having an affair with the other woman, and that the other man misunderstood. I would advise you to leave your children with your mother for the time being and go back to your husband. In the eyes of the community your husband is guilty, because you have left him. Go back to him and it will help him put up a braver front. And do not let the matter ruin your future happiness. If the community insists on ostracizing you and your husband, then move to another one.

Chapter E Luncheon. Mrs. Ira Porter and Mrs. J. A. Bryan will entertain Chapter E, P. E. O. at luncheon at Mrs. Forster's on Thursday. F. J. Preston of the Community Chest will speak.

Legion Auxiliary Entertains. Omaha unit of the American Legion auxiliary will entertain members and friends in Memorial hall, court-house, with an informal program, Mrs. James H. Hanley, Miss May

Hammond, John Sullivan, Ellen Walters, Marie Salisbury and Margaret Dunohue will appear on the program, which will be composed of musical and dancing selections. Mrs. W. H. Mullen, in charge of the affair, is

assisted by Mrs. Pat Boyle and Mrs. C. C. Hall. College Club Meet Change. The book review section of the Omaha College club will meet at the

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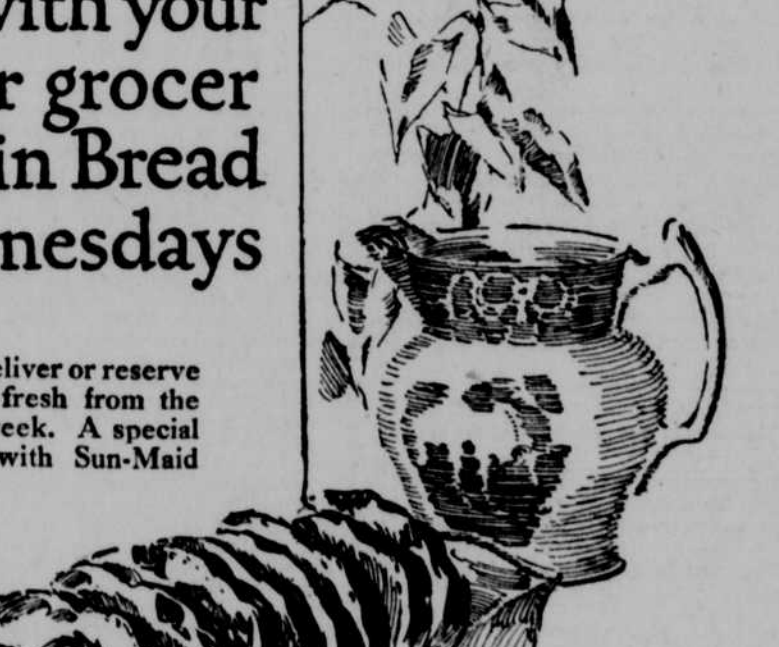
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