

A Wife's Confessional



Balm for Madge's Wounded Vanity.
The sudden appearance of Dr. Pettit's car accomplished in one second the thing for which I vainly had been longing during the miserable moments I was involuntarily perched upon "Lady's" back circling a ring, around which the former circus animal was dancing. Jerry Tier forgot the jest in which he was indulging long enough to lower the harmonica from his mouth, and "Lady" came to an abrupt stop. But alas, The spot she selected for her halt was directly in front of the car in which Dr. Pettit and the extremely good-looking man with him were seated.

Upon the faces of both men lively curiosity struggled with good breeding. While the physician's eyes held frozen disapproval, the dark eyes of his companion were dancing with amusement. Flamingly conscious of my tousled hair, my rumpled clothing and my whole ridiculous appearance, I echoed fervently the old wish concerning the earth opening and swallowing a person so humiliated as I. But fate, in the person of "Lady," had not yet done with me. In that hazy past career of hers, the sudden stopping of music while she was pirouetting around a ring must have been a signal for her to cease her dancing and kneel down. At any rate, she no sooner had halted than I realized that the front part of her body was vanishing beneath me. The next instant I was tumbled off over the mare's head in an ignominious heap.

"Lady" knew her business. I paid her that tribute when I realized that beyond a little jarring I was unhurt—bodily. But the injury to my vanity was a gaping wound and the rushing forward of Dr. Pettit and his companion was salt rubbed into it.

Madge's Poise.
They must not guess my chagrin. That was the slogan beating into my brain as the two men bent over me. To toss my hair back, shake myself together and smile brightly up at them took but a second but it was as strenuous a mental and physical performance as I ever had experienced.

"Are you hurt?" The two masculine voices sounded as one and there was deep concern in each. Perhaps it is my prejudice against Dr. Pettit's mannerisms, fostered by the memory of several unpleasant experiences in which the physician has figured, but I decided instantly that I liked the stranger's voice much the better. Deep, resonant without the stoddiness which deep voices often have, its timbre was exactly that which so handsome a man should possess.

I made my smile an impartial thing, but I directed my answer solely to Dr. Pettit.
"Not in the least, I thank you."

Doctor," I laughed. "I am simply disappointed that you arrived at an inopportune moment of the dress rehearsal. I am practicing the very latest thing in welcoming strangers to one's home, but I have not quite perfected the final movements yet. You know a few generations ago, women made deep curtsies, but I believe Paris has decreed the slighting from a kneeling home is the latest word in salutations. If you will go away and return, say, in an hour, I shall be able to greet you properly."

Despite my chagrin I could have shrieked with laughter at Dr. Pettit's frigidly disapproving face. But a furtive upward glance from beneath my eyelashes at the other man revealed eyes brimming with mirth. There was distinct balm to my vanity in that face, for there was also mirrored in it an admiring approval which could not help being welcomed by any daughter of Eve.

"This is no jesting matter, Mrs. Graham," Dr. Pettit said acidly. "You do not know what injury you may have sustained. Let us see if you can stand."

"No Harm Done!"
He put his hand upon my arm and the stranger stepped to my other side with his hand also extended in aid. But lightly shaking off the one and disregarding the other, I sprang to my feet thanking my gymnasium training that I was able to do it with no apparent effort.

"No harm done that a dry cleaning establishment cannot remedy," I said looking ruefully at a disreputable looking skirt. "So please do not worry about me any longer, Jerry!" I turned imperiously to the boy, who was standing by eyeing me perturbedly, "take 'Lady' away at once. The children may go with you. And now," I turned to the man, "may I not offer you the hospitality of the castle?"

Dr. Pettit frowned.
"Mrs. Graham, permit me, Dr. Meredith," he said stiffly, and his manner made the words an apology for inflicting a hoyden like me upon his companion.
"I accept the hospitality gladly," Dr. Meredith said, "but shall remember your promise to repeat this dress rehearsal a little later."

As he fell into step beside me, I realized that Dr. Pettit's colleague was one of the men akin to Dicky and Harry Underwood, who can manage to make every inflection of voice, every glance from their eyes a subtle compliment to the woman with whom they chance to be conversing.

Birth Announcements.
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Eck announce the birth of a son at Methodist hospital April 1.
Mr. and Mrs. Maro Helmerbinker announce the birth of a son, March 30, at Clarkson hospital.

COLOR CUT-OUTS Three Spinners



This is the fourth day's chapter of the story of "The Three Spinners." Follow the adventures of the busy girl who would not spin. Soon you will have a whole set of cut-outs to set out the story with.

The queen was very much surprised. "This girl of yours must be a very fine spinner," she said. "Bring her to the palace tomorrow, for there is nothing that I love so much as fine spinning. If she is as wonderful a spinner as I suspect, she shall be as a daughter to me and shall have my eldest son as a husband."
The queen had noticed that, in spite of her tears, the girl was very beautiful.
When the poor girl heard this she was terrified. She had never spun a thread in all her life and she feared that when the queen found this out she would be punished. However, she did not dare to say anything.
"The girl's cloak should be colored tan and trimmed in brown. Cut out the circle for her face to show through. She will have to wear this cloak when she goes to the palace tomorrow."
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Smith Club President.
Mrs. Walter Preston was elected to the presidency of the Smith College club for a term of two years at the luncheon given Tuesday by Mrs. Alfred Munger and Miss Ruth McCoy.
Mrs. Alfred Clarke was made vice president.

Wesleyan Faculty Dinner.
Nebraska Wesleyan university entertained at a faculty dinner Tuesday night in a private dining room at Hotel Blackstone.
Omaha Bowling League Dinner.
Greater Omaha Bowling team entertained at dinner at Hotel Blackstone Tuesday night with covers for 55.

Your Problems Solved

by *Martha Ellen*

A Jilted Girl.
Dear Miss Allen: I have been going with a young man for four years and lately he has acted cold and indifferent. He used to tell me how much he loved me and talked of what we would do after we were married, but now he never says he loves me, and he says he doesn't intend to get married, because it is too hard to support a family these days. I try in every way to make him happy and to please him, but the more I do the less he appreciates it. I love him very much and I cannot give him up. Please advise me what to do to win back his love as it was the first three years we knew each other. Now when I phone him and ask him to come he makes excuses and he never takes me anywhere. I try not to let him see how hurt I am by the way he is acting. Please advise me what to do.
HILDA H.

It is evident that the man's love for you has grown cold, and the sooner you accept the situation the better it will be for you. You will have to give him up and it will be better to do it at once than to postpone your suffering. Do not shut yourself away from pleasure because of your disappointment. If no other young men are interested in you at present, have a good time with girls. Make every effort to be normal and to get enjoyment out of life.

Billie: It is possible your parents are too strict with you, but there isn't much for a girl to do except obey her parents. You won't suffer much if you do, for they are looking out for your own good.

Mother of Four: I regret that I haven't the space to publish your letter. It is one I am sure "Discouraged Mother" should appreciate.

Anxious and Hopeful: No, you can't make advances to this young man. They wouldn't be understood. Just hope he will meet you some day and like you.

Club President on Radio Program.
Mrs. John W. Gill, president elect of the Omaha Woman's club will speak over the radio Thursday night at WOAW on the second anniversary program of the station. She will tell of plans for the new club house and extend greetings.

Compeers Dancing Club.
Compeers Dancing club will entertain tonight at the Blackstone hotel.

Kasha Jumper

By *LUCILLE LORRAINE*



Everywhere this spring one sees the jumper frock, and none smarter than this simple model which is most effective in kasha, flannel or jersey in any of the new shades of tan, Monterey, azure blue, almond green, gray or navy with the blouse in white crêpe de chine. It is also very lovely and practical for summer in a linen and voile combination. You will find this dress so surprisingly easy to make that you will doubtless have several

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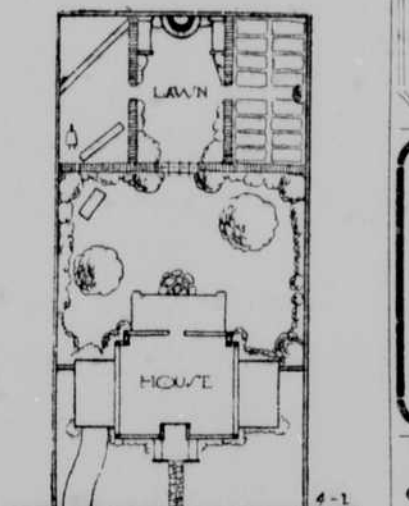
"Such bright colors, one sees in California. Blanche Sweet wore a flannel and kasha dress and hat in vivid pink the day our party saw her lurching at the Biltmore in Los Angeles," said Mrs. J. E. Davidson, who has returned from the west. "Mrs. Harold Lloyd was there too, wearing a white flannel trimmed in bright blue."
"Almost everyone at the Medwick club in Pasadena, however, was wearing white. Mostly kasha ensembles. Mrs. Davidson visited the club many times during her stay. Jack Holt is its only movie member. He has a string of polo ponies which he maintains there, and plays each Saturday afternoon."
Mrs. Ernest Whitebeck of Detroit, who has been a popular guest here, was Mrs. Davidson's hostess for a time during her stay.
"Sweet peas are blooming lavishly," says Mrs. Davidson and Japs are out all along the roadsides selling huge bunches of them for a quarter."

Personals.
Mrs. J. P. Fallon will leave in a few weeks for Kansas City.
Milton Darling has taken residence at 312 South Thirty-seventh street.
Miss Marguerite Fallon is being widely entertained in Sioux City, where she is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. M. J. Coad.

HOME-NOTES



It is really a small lot, 50 by 125 feet, yet it is so well landscaped that it seems quite like a kingly domain. The garage is a part of the house, which leaves the rear of the lot unencumbered. The veranda at the



rear overlooks a broad and secluded lawn, with shrubs and flowers planted around its edges. The rear portion of the lot is divided into three parts by a tall neatly clipped privet hedge. In the center is a small lawn with a fountain and water garden against

the high rear wall, and there are seats on each side. On one side of this outdoor living room is a paved court, where the children have their sand pile and teeter-totter and on the other side there is a well planted vegetable garden.
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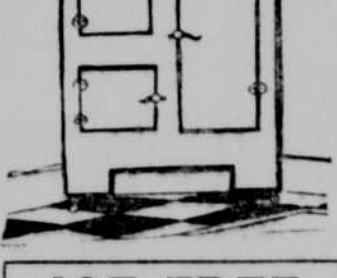


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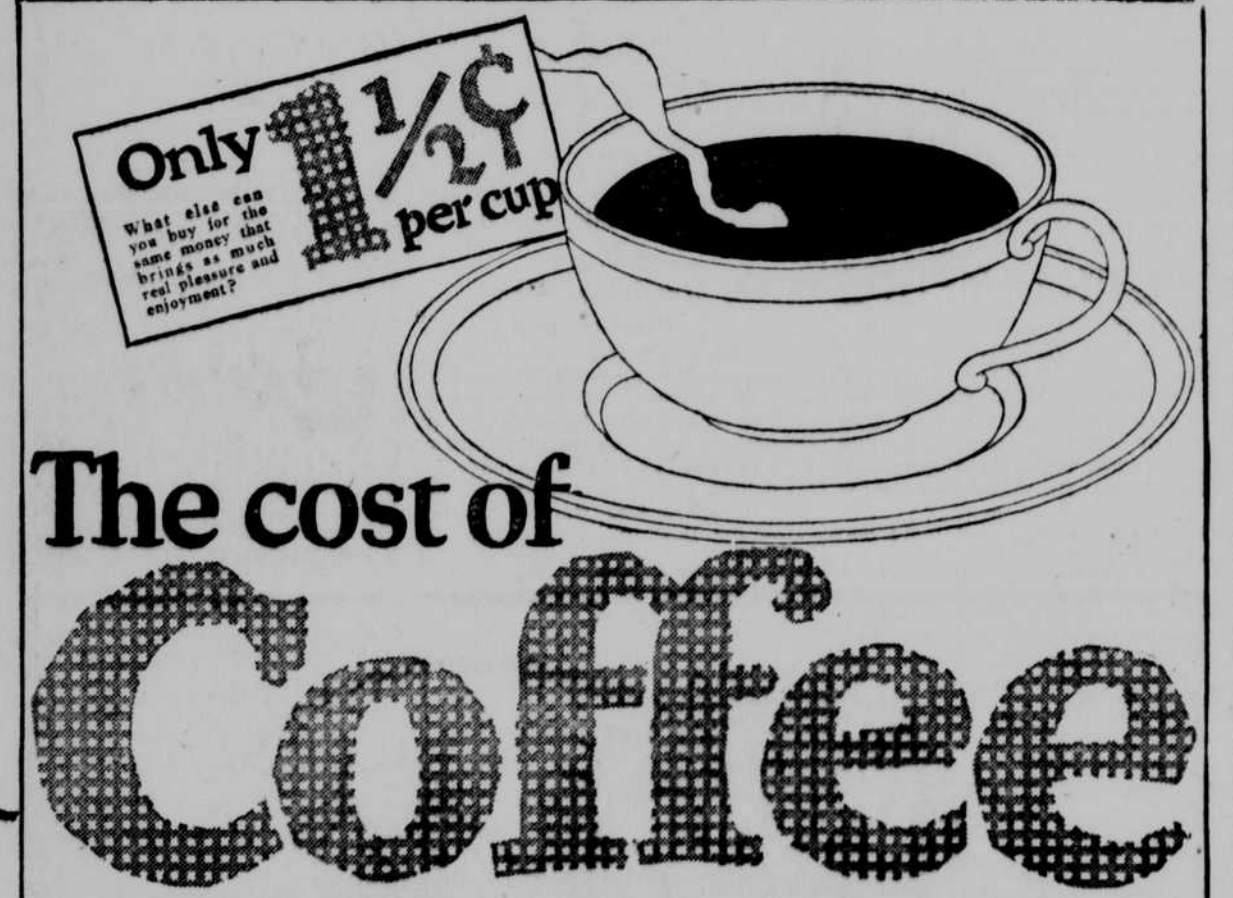
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