

Heph—
 "Midge," said Midge.
 "Half Pint," said Alwin.
 "In this—this funny nosed girl."
 Midge jumped as if she had been shot. She was very sensitive about her funny nose with the freckles across it. There was usually trouble when her nose was mentioned. There was this time. Vernita was socked on her chin by a tiny, red brown fist. But there was force behind that fist because Vernita was knocked out.
 Prescott stopped the car and took out his flask.
 "Push her head back."
 She did and he leaned over her and pressed it to Vernita's lips. Vernita opened her eyes and coughed.
 "You," said Alwin, "stop socking my women."
 Vernita was carried home first although she protested. He then stopped his car in front of Midge's door.
 "Want a drink?" he asked icily.
 "Yes."
 She took a drink from the flask and returned it.
 "You thought you were smart in Watson's."
 "You thought you were smart in my yard."
 "What if I did?"
 "You'd better keep your dog in your yard!"
 "My dog is my business, just like I'm my business!"
 She took the flask from his hands, took a drink, returned it and ran in her home.
 Four days passed before Alwin found another way to hurt Midge. He decided to make her fall in love with him. He laughed bitterly at the idea of making a woman love him. Women naturally loved him. But he would do anything to hurt that girl.
 The bank closed at twelve on Saturday and the Watsons at two-thirty. Saturday evening was a grand day to see her. He would make her love him, then laugh—well grin anyway—at her.
 So Alwin, dressed in a blue coat, white trousers and white shoes trimmed with blue suede, started out of his door to visit Midge. At his gate he stopped and stared.
 Pal, his big German police dog, was coming toward him. Pal had recently been drenched to the skin. Water dripped from him. He looked up at Alwin as if to say, "Can't you do something about this?"
 "Where've you been?" asked Alwin.
 Pal looked over to Midge's yard. Prescott's eyes became black. He gave Pal a slight pat on his head and Pal made a grateful noise. He walked quickly over to Midge's yard.
 Midge was in the backyard watering the lawn. She was dressed in a pair of gay colored, cheap pajamas.
 "What did you do to Pal?" he asked angrily.
 She looked up.
 "Who's Pal?" she asked.
 "My dog!"
 "You keep your dog home, then I won't drench him!"
 Words failed him for a moment. He clenched his fist and started to-

ward her as if to do her some harm. But Midge was not going to let him get near enough. She simply turned the hose on him. His blue coat, his white trousers, and his white shoes trimmed with suede.
 Again words failed him. All that he could think of was his suit and getting hold of that hose. He coughed, sputtered and cursed. Finally he managed to get that streaming hose. He immediately turned it on her. In an instant she was as drenched as he.
 She held up her hands and cried: "My hair!"
 Then she ran to the porch and dropped on it, her shoulders shaking spasmodically.
 "My hair," she gasped, "my hair."
 "My nice white pants and blue coat," he gasped as he sat beside her.
 "Oh dear, oh dear, oh damn!" she wailed.
 "They were new," he moaned.
 They sat closer together in their grief. He put his arm around her. Her head went on his shoulder. His other arm went around her. She suddenly became conscious that she was in his arms and he, that he was holding her.



He kissed her.
 "Look out," she cautioned, "you're getting me wet."
 "Your pajamas," said he, "are getting me green."
 He actually smiled down at her and she up at him. They kissed. He was about to smile again when he thought about something. He could laugh and tell her he really didn't love her. But it didn't make him feel so happy.
 He laughed or tried to laugh.
 "You think I love you?" he choked.
 She looked up at him. Slowly she turned from the warm brown to the cold brown. Before he could realize what she was doing she had run away and picked up the hose. Then he realized what she was about to do.
 "Put that down! You'll get me wet!"
 What he did not realize was he was already so wet that he could not have got wetter.
 After she had put (it seemed to him) gallons of water on him he managed to take it from her. He immediately turned it on her.
 "My hair!" she cried.
 After he had put (it seemed to her) gallons of water on her, he put the hose down, grasped her wet shoulders and shook her roughly.
 "You are gorgeous! grand! magnificent! splendid!" as he said each word he almost shook the breath out of her body. "You're the girl I love!"

He almost squeezed the breath out of her small body. But she liked it.
 "Oh Half Pint!"
 He had visions of himself in a groom's attire. He had always known he would make a handsome bridegroom.
 "Oh Quart!" she had visions of herself in a wedding gown with a long creamy veil.
 His arm stole around her.
 "Listen you, half pint sized imp, let's get married. The only reason is because I love you. See?"
 "That's the only reason I'm saying yes!"

THE END.

ENGLISH

Words Often Misused
 Do not say, "The reason why I am going is because I wish to see him." Say, "is that I wish to see him."
 Words Often Misspelled
 Liquor; study the quor.
 Words Often Mispronounced
 Coliseum. Pronounce kol-i-se-um, o as in "of," i as in "it," e as in "see," unstressed, accent third syllable.
 Cherry. Pronounce the e as in "bet," not as in "her."
 Synonyms
 Insinuate, imply, intimate, suggest, to hint indirectly.
 Trust (noun), confidence, assurance, reliance, faith.
 Word Study
 AGGREGATE (noun); a mass, assemblage, or sum of particulars. "An empire is the aggregate of many states."

RECIPES

Southern Corn Pudding

- 1 dozen ears corn
- 2 cups scalded milk
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tbs. sugar
- 2 tbs. butter
- 2 tbs. flour
- 2 eggs

Clean the corn with a sharp knife and cut thin slices from the tops of the kernel. With the dull edge of a knife scrape the ears. Melt the butter and add to it the flour and seasonings. Combine with milk and corn. Add the beaten-eggs last and pour the mixture into a buttered baking dish. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 30 minutes.

Yes, those potato puffs, sometimes called souffles, are delicious. They're simple to make and will turn out fluffy if this method is carried out.

Potato Puffs

Slice peeled potatoes very thin and soak the slices in water and ice until thoroughly chilled. Place in a wire basket and plunge into deep fat (150 degrees F.) for fifteen seconds. Remove and cool. Return to the fat, which has cooled to 375 degrees F., and fry till puffed and golden brown. You see, the first short frying seals the slices, retaining the moisture. After cooling, the second frying creates steam inside which expands the potato, making the puff.

Silver is placed in the order in which it will be used, starting at the outside and working in toward plate. Forks always are put at left of plate; spoons and knives at the right.

Mend china with cement made of mixing plaster of Paris with the white of an egg to the consistency of cream.

Advice to Lovelorn

Dear Suzanne: I am 16 and if I come home after 9 o'clock I get an awful scolding. Shouldn't I be allowed to stay out until at least 9:30?
 J.G.

Your parents are in a better position to judge that than I. You'd better try to please them.

Dear Suzanne: I am in love with a married woman who has three children. I am 18 and she is 23. Please make a suggestion. HAP.
 You would because of your youth, fall in love with an older woman. But you'll get over it shortly. It's a common disease of youth.

Dear Suzanne: A fellow whom I have met twice has asked me to go out with him. Should I? SALLY.
 If you know the young man is all right and you met him under proper circumstances, why not go out with him?

Dear Suzanne: I am 17 and am 4 feet, 11 inches. Is it my height that keeps the fellows away from me?
 POLLY.

No; you small girls have a way of "getting" men. Also, the plum movie contracts, if you notice.

Reminiscences

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did. He printed a correct report in the Evening Post, and I traced down the reporter from the news syndicate. That a white person should care how a Negro meeting was reported seemed amusing to this young man. I was given reporting for the Evening Post after this and enjoyed it hugely.
 Ray Stannard Baker was writing

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REV. GEORGE FRAZIER MILLER 27 years ago he was a member of the Cosmopolitan Club, who soon joined the Socialist cause.

"Following the Color Line," and John Daniels started his survey of Boston when I started my survey of New York. A thrilling subject, the American Negro, some worth while people to be found championing his rights, the kindest consideration from the Negroes themselves.

So I gathered information and each month knew a little more of my subject.

(To be continued)

Look and Learn

What is the highest mountain in North America?

ANSWER
 Mount McKinley, Alaska, 20,464 feet.

Stimulate the growth of a plant by putting coffee grounds around the roots of the plant about two or three times a week. Then once a week give them a tablespoon of olive oil. Never allow the earth to become dry and hard.

THE HUMAN THING TO DO

A perfect hostess never shows her annoyance if a guest upsets a glass of water or breaks some fragile china—even though the damaged article cannot be replaced.

Both a fork and spoon are used to serve such dishes as meat, fish, chicken on toast, etc. The food is held between the spoon and fork and is transferred to the plate.

When introducing your husband to your friends, call him "Jim" or "Joe." A woman speaks of her husband as "Mr. Jones" or "Mr. Brown" only in business or to strangers, servants, tradesmen, etc.

Household Hints

It is economical to purchase an ash-sifter at any hardware store, and sift the ashes regularly. The partly burned coal that has fallen through the grate bars can be used again. A ton of coal can often be saved from an eight-ton supply.

In order to remove ink spots from the fingers, rub the inside of a banana peeling over the fingers.

Flannels should be washed in tepid water, by pressing; and working them with the hands, not by rubbing. Soapy water should not be used.

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