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In the final league event at Clarendon Saturday.

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In the school election he Sa:urday A. T. Simmons W Bain were elected as

The city election was | Tuesday and the following chesen as Hedley's officia the coming year: Mayor. Johnson; Aldermen, J. T. Charley Barnett, A. A. George Thompson Jr. an

JOINT W. M. S.

On Mar 29, the joint n

ary society held their

meeting at the Nazarene

There were 19 present :

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Mrs Hickey, leader ope

service, singing "Bringin Sheaves", Mrs Ruth K

st piano, Gordon Hickm

guitar Bro Hickman con

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Gorden Hickman and Den then sang a dust. "The O

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Lights be Barning." B born gave an interesting

trustees

McDougal.

Election

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-MONDAY SPECIALS

#### **Canned Sweets** Preserves, Strawberry, Peach 37c or Cherry, qt. 24c Pure Apple Jelly, qt. 21c Pure Apple Butter, qt.

Rex Jelly, 5 lb. pail White Swan Grape Julee, pt.	49c
Corn Flakes, box	11c
Puffed Wheat, pkg.	100
Wheat Puffs, 2 for	15c
Shredded Raiston, box	15c
Grape Nut Flakes, 2 for	23c
All Bran, 2 for	23c
Rice, Blue Rose, 31 lb.	25c
Apples, delicious, doz.	25c
Apples, pk.	55c
Bananas, doz.	15c
Sugar, 25 lb. cloth bag	\$1 39
Syrup, pure ribbon cane, gal,	550

#### **Market Specials** 23c Cheese, full cream, lb. 45c Steak, grain fed, lb. Sausage, Cudahy smoked, Ib. 26c Bacon, box Puritan, Ib. 34c Sliced Bacon, lean, ib. 30c Roast, 2 lb. 25c Oleomargarine, Durkee, Ib. 25c All Vegetables, 3 bunches 10c \$4.00 Sudan Seed, 100 lb. \$2.25 Kaffir Chops

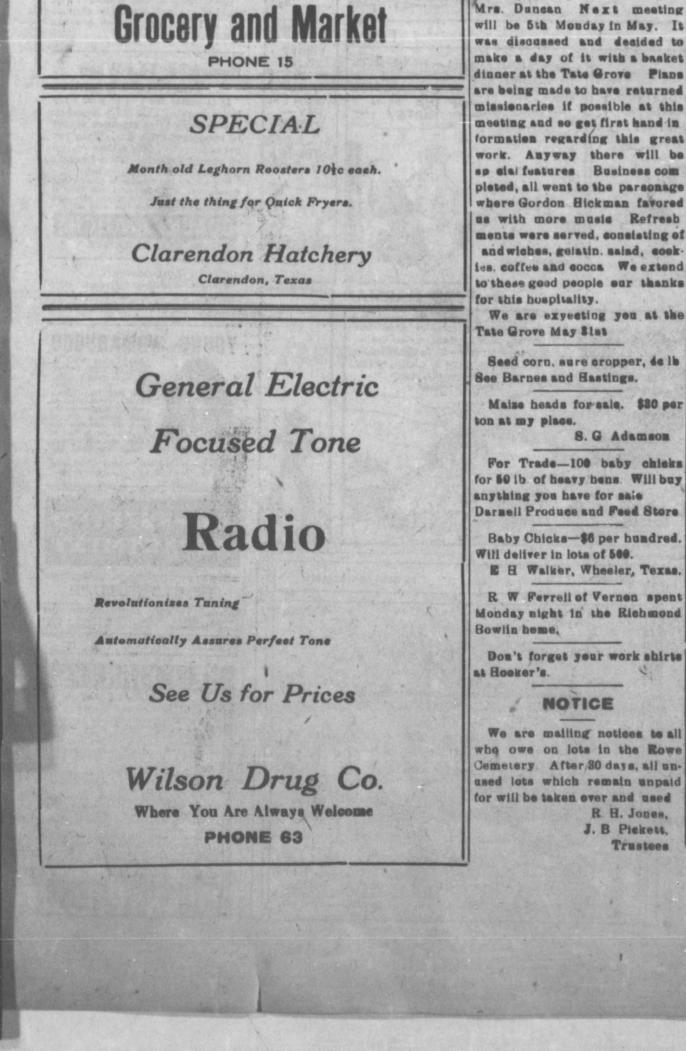
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s held Hedley	The P T A will have its regular meeting on the evening of April 15 and install the new officers for	Cash Prices		
he bail dering	the coming year Be sure to at tend and give them the encour	Flour, Everlite, 48 lb \$2.10 Skylite \$	1.74	
aering	sgement of your cooperation and support. Mrs Owen and Mrs Bridges. local delegates to the	Spuds, peck 15 lb No. 1	480	
	District Conference, will give a report on this meeting. You'll	Wheaties, with china bowl, 2 for	250	
ld last	enjoy hearing what this organi sation is doing to supplement the	Catsup, 14 oz	120	
and C.	work of our public schools. Publishing Committee	Syrup, Diamond A, gal	550	
eld on	Pajamas and slips at popular	Spinach or Hominy, 3 No. 2 cans	25	
dis for C. E	Plenty of cettonseed for sale See R. E. Mann	Mustard, qt 12c Potted Meat, 6 fer	25	
Bain.	NOTICE	Sardines, oval, large size	10	
d Tom	All those who own sews will	Corn er Green Beans, No. 2 can	10	
	please remember that if they get out and are impounded it will	Cocoa, 1 lb box 14c Corn Flakes, box	10	
ission	cost \$1 for impounding fees.	Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup, gal	59	
Church and one	Church School, 9:45 A. M.	Raisins, 2 lb 18c Del Monte Peaches, 2 1-2	20	
f Ama rs. Cul	Preaching, 11 A M , 7:30 P. M Missionary Societies	Pears, Apricots, Pineapple, 2 1-2 cans	24	
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ro. Os talk on	want the service to be really the.	Oxydol, large package	24	

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Many bargains



week after Easter" Mrs. Duncan Next meating Please help us to make the morn will be 5th Monday in May. It ing service a real beginning of a was discussed and decided to revival. If we have a revival we make a day of it with a basket must put something into it. dinner at the Tate Grove Plans Prayer and meditation, laying are being made to have returned aside all other plans, and regular missionaries if possible at this attendance are absolutely a nec meeting and so get first hand in essary preparation. formation regarding this great My brethren. we are counting work. Anyway there will be en each one of you . We need sp cial features Business com you all the next two Sundays in pleted, all went to the parsonage a syecial way By all means, be where Gordon Hickman favored present Pray for us. us with more music Refresh B J Osbern. Paster ments were served, consisting of and wiches, gelatin. salad, coek-Notice to Chicken Owners ies. coffee and cocca We extend to these good people our thanks for this hospitality. We are expecting you at the Tate Grove May Blat Seed corn. sure cropper, 4c lb See Barnes and Hastings. Maize heads for sale. \$80 per ton at my place. 8. G Adamson

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with us. Let's be on time. Don't forget your work shirts

> R. H. Jones, J. B Pickett.

> > Trustees

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You are invited to begin reading our novels now. These regular brief visits to fictionland will prove a delightful interlude from your worka-day activities. And it will make us happy to know that you are getting enjoyment from them.

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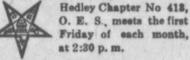
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Members are requested to attend. Visitors welcome. Jennette Everett, W. M. Ella Johnson, Sec.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Brother Frank E. Chism will reach in Hedley, at the Church of Christ. the second Sunday of each month. Everybody is invited to come

out and hear him. Bible Classes every Sunday

morning from 10 to 11 o'clock

#### WEST BAPTIST CHURCH

V A. Hansard, paster Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sundays. Morning services at 11 a m ; evening service 7:80 p m Visitors are always welcome.



## Clothing

The girls in the home econom ies II class have suddenly turned having either the buttons, stitch ing, pleats pockets or a tailored ken My Door".

collar. Some of the girls are making dresses of cotton mater tal and others are using silk material.

We have learned that these tailored dresses can be worn either for street church. sports, party, or school; however, the eccassion all depends upon the pat cutt tern and material used We will soon have the dresses finished,

real style show, just come down

Latest School Hits

we hope and if you want to see a and visit us.

mances, Sybil Holland

Rosemary Kent is thoroughly In spring, a young man's fan cy turns to love. Recently we disgusted with men, so come and have seen Dan Cupid around the help her find her "strong silent sampus trudging into the aff irs hero"

Willie Mae Stone and Don cause they wash his pipe with soap and water

Jo Wells and Jack Farris Theress Bain and Jackie Ran

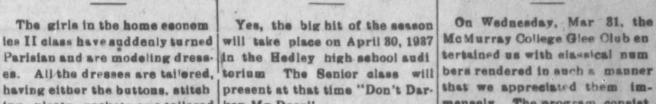
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Roger Kent, a bashelor, Ules Holland

Rosemary Kent, his remantie niece, Theress Bain Tem Garrick. Resemary's persistant suitor, Lawrence Hunni-

Poppy Foster, maid of all work Inell Biffle

> Ales Stubbins, Poppy's devoted swain, Winfred McPherson Jane Perkins, a writer of re-Louisa and Susie Feather-

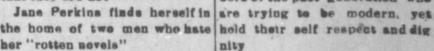
Ed wards and Dorothy Land

Roger Kent dislikes women be

Young men, attention! Come and take lessons in the art of winning an obstinate woman

Poppy Foster has accepted the ides that all men are the same

that they are not



Louisa Featherstone and Su. Come! Come! Come! April 30.

Biggest Event in 1937 McMurry Glee Club Here On Wednesday, Mar 81, the McMurray College Glee Club en

tertained us with siassical num mensely. The program consist ed of a vielin selo, a soorano solo, boys' quartet, and mixed choral numbers. After the program, the representative of the college spoke to the Seniors.

The school sishes to express its appreciation for the number of parents present We wish to extend cordial invitations to them in the future

## **Bedication**

It's a Sin to Tell a Lie, Mrs. Owen

When Trouble Troubles You, stone, maiden laties, Sue Beth Sing Baby Sing, Mr Harman Love is Only a Dream, Miss

Hixson

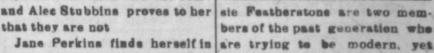
How'd You Like to Bea Kid Again, Mr Leggitt

Whese That Coming Down the Street?

Looks like B. H. Stotts to me I Love You Truly, Aline Abernathy

Boo Hoo, I'm Crying for You, Fred Wells

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## FORWARD, JAMES, AND DON'T SPARE HORSE-POWER

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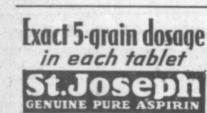
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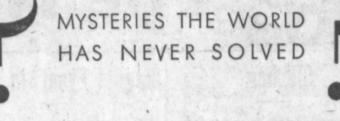
Like a gay addition to your "all year 'round'' wardrobe? Of course you would! Then take a tip and knit this fetching blouse. You'll love the laciness of a pointed yoke, so prettily set off by plain stockinette stitch, and are sure to adore the snug fit of ribbing 'cross the hips. Ribbing also bands the simple sleeves. Knit it of softcolored string or yarn, in one of the new shades! In pattern 5655 you will find instructions for making the blouse and skirt in sizes 16-18 and 38-40; an illustration of the blouse and of all stitches used; material requirements.

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To Strive To strive with an equal is a doubtful thing, with a superior, a mad thing, with an inferior, a vulgar thing.—Seneca.





The Man of the **IRON MASK By MADOC OWENS** 

NSTANT death was the penalty the mysterious prisoner must pay should he ever reveal his face-this by royal command of Louis the Grand; he who boasted, "I am the State!"

The only clue to the unfortunate's identity was this entry upon the register of the grim Bastille:

"On Thursday, the eighteenth of September, 1698, at 3 o'clock of the afternoon, M. de Saint-Mars, governor of the chateau of the Bastille. arriving for his first entrance into office, coming from his government of the islands of Sainte-Marguerite. having brought with him in his litter a former prisoner of his at Pigneroi, whom he obliges to keep himself always masked, and whose

name is not told." It had been 17 years since M. de Saint-Mars had left Pigneroi with his masked prisoner, who, mean-while, had languished in the dungeons of Sainte-Marguerite. So when the mysterious man arrived at the Bastille he had already endured his tortures through a period in which many a maker of history has lived a lifetime.

Resembled Grand Monarch.

'Twas rumored that his features had to be forever hidden because they bore a resemblance that was compromising to the grand monarch. He must have been a personage of great rank

He languished in the cruel Bastille five years, two months and one day. Then his tortured soul went up to his Creator, relieved of a hell of torment known to have lasted for 22 years and which probably had covered a longer period of agony. It left behind no clues as to his identity of his antecedents. Only M. de Saint-Mars and the grand monarch could tell; and their lips were sealed until the Black Angel delivered them out of the tortures which their conscience must have endured on this victim's account.

Guards Fear to Speak. For a dozen years after the nut of the woods when they had occasion to celebrate the birth of a

closed doors. But the first pub-

lished attempt to unravel the mys-

tery could be ventured only after

that cruel monarch had been mold-

ing in his tomb for a generation.

This was in the anonymous "Mem-

oirs" of an author supposed to have

been an intriguing court belle. Ac-

masked man had been the Duc de

Vermandois, natural son of Louis

ernment into his own hands,

ed. The King's Minister, Louvois, went to see the prisoner on the

island and spoke to him, standing,

with every sign of respect. Accord-

ing to this author, the prisoner was a half-brother of Louis XIV, the son

of that monarch's mother,

"Haughty" Anne of Austria, and

This disclosure was shortly fol-

lowed by a pamphlet emphatically

stating that this natural son of Anne

and Mazarin had been put on the

throne by Mazarin in substitution

the

cording to this authority,

Valliere

Mazarin.

who was smuggled over to Corsica, where his foster parents were sim-ply told that he "came from good part," which assurance translated into Frence gave him the name 'Bounaparte.

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the deference due only to blood royal. Some authorities claim that he

#### VIRGINIA DARE What Was Her Fate?

BLACK wall of myslery A faced the Jamestown colonists when they landed in Virginia in 1607. Sir Walter Raleigh had charged them to seek Virginia Dare, the first native white American, and her fellow colonists, upon whom the forest primeval had so mysteriously closed some 20 years before.

But only the pines and the hemlocks in the depths of that leafy wilderness could tell whither these lost ones had so strangely vanished, and until Raleigh's head fell upon the block of the executioner it was troubled with wonder as to the fate of his "lost Roanoke colony."

Those 150 men, women and children he had sent to Virginia to found an agricultural state in 1587. In three ships they had sailed gaily out of Plymouth on a balmy morning of April, but they did not touch their restless feet to the sands of Roanoke island until the sun of late July had scorched it. Their Governor, John White, brought with him his daughter, Eleanor, and her husband, Ananias Dare. The colonists had hardly hewn their cabins



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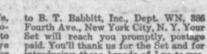
Big Minds, Few Words As it is the mark of great minds to say many things in a few words, so it is that of little minds to use many words to say nothing. -La Rochefoucauld.



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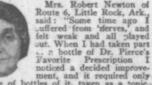
That the Man of the Iron Mask was a personage of less than royal blood has been persistently maintained in more recent years; but these theories do not account for the fact that he was treated with

was the French officer Bulonde, who had displeased his royal master during a military seige; others that he was M. de Marchiel, a French soldier of fortune who led a conspiracy for the assassination of Louis XIV; that he was Count Mattoili, the Duke of Mantau's Minister of State, who left a disappear ance mystery behind him.

#### Perfection in Art

The true work of art is but a shadow of the divine perfection .-Michael Angelo.





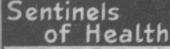
es of it, taken as a tonic help me in every way. I was soon en-ing a keen appetite and had the strength necessary to carry on." Buy now!

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for the real Louis XIV, for whom he had been substituted; that the personage who for more than 70 years enjoyed all the prestige of "The Grand Monarch," was, therefore a pseudo king, and that the unknown prisoner of the Bastille was the rightful ruler of France. According to a further theory that prisoner was a half-brother of Louis the Grand, but his father was the English Duke of Buckingham, rather than Cardinal Mazarin. Others have maintained that he was a twin brother of the grand monarch and had been put away to avoid complications. This was seized upon by Dumas for the plot of his novel,

"The Man in the Iron Mask." Married Jailer's Daughter.

There was once circulated an extravagant theory that this man of a red man. mystery had been the rightful Louis XIV, that he had been married upon the island of Sainte-Marguerite to tery quite as dark as it was three his jailer's daughter and that there had been borp to this union a son

M. de Saint-Mars' brothers in arms, who had helped him guard that and the Governor christened his lit wretched existence, dared to ask tle granddaughter-the first child themselves who their prisoner of English parents born in the new might have been. Then Louis XIV world-Virginia Dare, in honor of went up for his final judgment after the new province and of Britain's more than 70 years upon his throne, Virgin Queen. and men dared to gossip behind

#### Made Friends With Indians.

Having upon his arrival found skeletons of an English colony that had preceded him, Governor White wisely determined to cultivate the friendship of the Indians. So Chief Manteo, who lived some distance away upon Croatan island, was given the title of baron and lord of Roanoke, thus receiving the first and last peerage ever created on our soil. At the same time Manteo ac-XIV by the beautiful Louise de la cepted the rite of the Christian baptism.

Voltaire, in his "Century of Louis It soon became necessary for the XIV," later presented another key ships that had brought the colony to the mystery, of which he said: to return to England for supplies 'It is without example, and, what and Governor White went along to is no less strange, all historians have been ignorant of it." Shortly hasten their return. He left behind him 89 men, 17 women and 2 chilafter 1661, when Cardinal Mazarin dren. On his way home he stopped died and Louis XIV took the govat Ireland, where he gave the popu-"a lace some potatoes, the first of that prisoner of greater than ordinary kind ever seen in Europe. He startstature, young and of most handed back with two ships laden with some and noble form, was sent unthe needed supplies. der strict secrecy to the island of Sainte-Marguerite," Voltaire relat-

#### Appalling Discovery.

Landing upon Roanoke island upon a hot day late in the Summer of 1590, he was appalled to find an absolute desolation. His heart sank. The entire colony had disappeared and even their houses had all been removed. Carved upon a birch tree, however, he found the one word "Croatan." Apparently the Christianized Manteo, Lord of Roanoke, had taken pity upon the starving colonists and brought them to his island stronghold, there to live with his people. The Governor prepared to visit that home of his friend, the Indian baron, but the superstitious crews of his ships, terror-stricken by the sight of deserted wastes around them, refused to embark in that direction. They forced him to return to England with them. One tradition has it that Chief Manteo massacred all of the colony except four men, two boys and Vir, ginia Dare, who became the bride of one of his braves. According to another story, the entire colony was taken up the Cape Fear river, where the whites later intermarried with the Indians of central North Carolina, Capt. John Smith, penetrating into the mainland, came upon an Indian village, where he saw a halfbreed boy, with yellow hair, and he believed the child to be that of one of his colonists intermarried with

The fate of Virginia Dare, our first colonial dame, remains a mys-

centuries ago.

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CHAPTER VII-Continued "Oh, Markham-my dear Markham!" Vance shook his head sadly. "However . . . As you say. There is something back of the lady's histrionics. She has ideas. But she's

like those Chinese gods who can't proceed except in a straight line. Sad. But let's try makin' a turn. The situation is something like this: An unhappy lady slips out through the butler's pantry and presents herself on the roof-garden, hopin' to attract our attention. Having succeeded, she informs us that she has proved conclusively that a certain Mr. Kroon has done away with Swift because of amorous jealousy. The lady herself, let us assume, is the spurned and not the spurner. She resents it. She has a temper and is vengeful-and she comes to the roof here for the sole purpose of

convincing us that Kroon is guilty." "But her story is plausible enough," said Markham aggressive-"Why try to find hidden meanly. ings in obvious facts? Kroon could have done it. And your psychological theory regarding the woman's

motives eliminates him entirely." "It doesn't eliminate him at all. It merely tends to involve the lady in a rather unpleasant bit of chicanery. The fact is, her little drama here on the roof may prove most illuminatin'."

Vance stretched his legs out before him and sank deeper into his chair.

"Curious situation. Y' know, Markham, Kroon deserted the party about fifteen or twenty minutes before the big race-legal matters to attend to for a maiden aunt, he explained-and he didn't appear again until after I had phoned you. Assumed immediately that Swift had shot himself. Doubt inspired me to converse with the elevator boy. I fearned that Kroon had not gone down or up in the elevator since his arrival here early in the afternoon

"What's that!" Markham ex-claimed. "That's more than suspicious-taken with what we have just heard from this Miss Weatherby.'

"I dare say." Vance was unimpressed. "The legal mind at work, But from my gropin' amateur point of view, I'd want more-oh, much more. However,"-Vance rose and meditated a moment-"I'll admit that a bit of lovin' communion with Mr. Kroon is definitely indicated." He turned to Heath. "Send the chappie up, will you, Sergeant?" Heath nodded and started toward

the door. "And Sergeant," Vance halted

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I'm perfectly willing to confess to you that I took a taxicab to and from my aunt's." Vance gazed up at the ceiling as

he smoked.

you either down or up in the car since your first arrival here this afternoon. What would you say?"

ory—or was lying."

tort. slowly to the man on the davenport. "You will probably have the opportunity of saying just that on the witness stand."

face reddened. Before he could speak, Vance went on.

portunity of officially giving or withholding your aunt's name and address. The fact is, you may find yourself in the most distressin' need of an alibi."

with a supercilious smile.

mented lightly. "What next? If you'll ask me a reasonable question, I'll be only too happy to an-

Vance suppressed an amused smile. "You left the apartment at approximately a quarter to four, took the elevator downstairs and then a taxi,

Vance read the note rapidly as Kroon looked on with malignant resentment. Then he folded the paper and slipped it into his pocket. "When the time comes . . " he murmured. "Yes-quite." He

raised his eyes lazily to Kroon. "As you say. When the time comes. The time has now come, Mr. Kroon."

The man stiffened, but did not speak

"Do you, by any chance," Vance continued, "know a lady named Stella Fruemon? Has a snug little apartment on the seventeenth floor of this building-only two floors below. Says you were visitin' her around four o'clock today. Left her at exactly four-fifteen. Which might account for your not using the elevator. Also for your reluctance to give us your aunt's name and ad-dress. Might account for other things as well . . . Do you care to revise your story?"

Kroon appeared to be thinking fast. He walked nervously up and

down the study floor. "Puzzlin' and interestin' situation," Vance went on. "Gentleman leaves this apartment at-let's say -ten minutes to four. Family documents to sign. Doesn't enter the elevator. Appears in apartment two floors below within a few minutesbeen a regular visitor there. Remains till 4:15. Then departs. Shows up again in this apartment at half-past four. In the meantime, Swift is shot through the headexact time unknown. Gentleman is apparently familiar with various details of the shooting. Refuses to give information regarding his whereabouts during his absence. A lady accuses him of the murder, and demonstrates how he could have accomplished it. Also kindly supplies the motive. Fifteen minutes of gentleman's absence-namely, from 4:15 to 4:30-unaccounted

Vance drew on his cigarette. "I say, Mr. Kroon, any suggestions?"

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Kroon came to a sudden halt and swung about. He sucked in a deep noisy breath and made a despairing gesture. "All right, here's the story. Take it or leave it. I've been mixed up with Stella Fruemon for the past year. She's nothing but a gold-digger and blackmailer. Madge Weatherby got on to it. She's the jealous member of this combination-not me. And she cared about as much for Woode Swift as I did. Anyway, I got involved with Stella Fruemon It came to a show-down, and I had to pay through the nose. To avoid scandal for my family, of course.

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"Suppose," he said, "that the ele-vator boy should deny that he took

"I'd say that he had lost his mem-

"Yes, of course. The obvious re-rt. Quite." Vance's eyes moved

Kroon's eyes narrowed and his

"And you may also have the op-

Kroon sank back on the davenport

"You're very amusing," he comswer.

"Weil, let's see where we stand."

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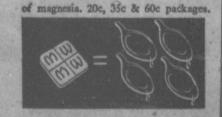


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Heath vanished down the stairs, and a minute or so later Kroon sauntered into the study with the air of a man who is bored and not a little annoyed.

"I suppose I'm in for some more tricky questions," he commented.

After glancing about him, Kroon sat down leisurely at one end of the davenport. The man's manner, I could see, infuriated Markham, who leaned forward and asked in cold anger:

"Have you any urgent reasons for objecting to give us what assistance you can in our investigation of this murder?"

Kroon raised his eyebrows. "None whatever," he said with calm superiority. "I might even be able to tell you who shot Woody."

"That's most interestin'," murmured Vance, studying the man indifferently. "But we'd much rather find out for ourselves, don't y' know."

Kroon shrugged maliciously and said nothing.

"When you deserted the party this afternoon, Mr. Kroon," Vance went on, "you gratuitously informed us that you were headed for a legal conference of some kind with a maiden aunt. Would you object to giving us, merely as a matter of record, the name and address of your aunt, and the nature of the

legal documents?" "I most certainly would object," returned Kroon coolly. "I fail to see why you should be interested in my family affairs."

Markham swung round toward the

"That's for us to decide," he snapped. "Do you intend to answer Mr. Vance's question?" Kroon shook his head.

"I do not! I regard that question as incompetent, irrelevant, and im-material. Also frivolous." "Yes, yes." Vance smiled at

Markham, "It could be, don't y know. However, let it pass, Markham. Present status: Name and address of maiden aunt, unknown; nature of legal documents, unknown; reason for the gentleman's reticence, also unknown.

Markham resentfully mumbled a few unintelligible words and resumed smoking his cigar while Vance continued the interrogation.

"I say, Mr. Kroon, would you also consider it irrelevant-and the rest of the legal verbiage-if I asked you by what means you departed and returned to the Garden apartment?"

Kroon appeared highly amused. "I'd consider it irrelevant, yes; but since there is only one sane way could have gone and come back, several lines of handwriting.

A Settlement Was Reached. went to your aunt's to fuse a bit with legal documents, drove back

in a taxi, and took the elevator upstairs. Bein' gone a little over half an hour. During your absence Swift was shot. Is that correct?" "Yes." Kroon was curt.

"But how do you account for the fact that when I met you in the hall on your return, you seemed miracu-lously cognizant of the details of Swift's passing?"

"We've been over that, too. knew nothing about it. You told me Swift was dead, and I merely surmised the rest."

"Yes-quite. No crime in accurate surmisals. Deuced queer coincidence, however. Taken with other facts. As likely as a five-horse

win parlay. Extr'ordin'ry." "I'm listening with great interest." Kroon had again assumed his air of superiority. "Why don't you stop beating about the bush?" "Worth-while suggestion." Vance crushed out his cigarette and got "What I was leadin' up to up. was the fact that someone has definitely accused you of murdering Swift."

Kroon started, and his face went pale. After a few moments he forced a harsh gutteral noise intended for a laugh.

"And who, may I ask, has accused me?"

"Miss Madge Weatherby."

One corner of Kroon's mouth went up in a sneer of hatred. "She would! And she probably

told you that it was a crime of passion-caused by an uncontrollable jealousy.

"Just that," nodded Vance. "It seems you have been forcing your unwelcome attentions upon her, with dire threats; whereas, all the time, she was madly enamored of Mr. Swift. And so, when the strain became too great, you eliminated your rival."

"Well, I'll be damned!" Kroon thrust his hands deep into his pock-"I see what you're driving at. ets. Why didn't you tell me this in the first place?"

"Waitin' for the final odds,' Vance returned. "You hadn't laid your bet. But now that I've told you, do you care to give us the name and address of your maiden aunt and the nature of the legal documents you had to sign?" "That's all nonsense," Kroon spluttered. "I don't need an alibi.

When the time comes-

#### CHAPTER VIII

At this moment Heath appeared at the door, and walking directly to Vance, handed him a page torn from his note-book, on which were

At any rate, we each got our law-She finally named a stiff figure and agreed to sign a general release from all claims. In the circumstances, I had no alternative. Four o'clock today was the time set for the completion of the transaction. My lawyer and hers were to be at her apartment. The certified check and the papers were ready. So I went down there a little before four to clean up the whole dirty busi-ness. And I cleaned it up and got out. I had walked down the two flights of stairs to her apartment, and at 4:15, when the hold-up was over, I walked back up the

stairs. Kroon took a deep breath and frowned.

"I was so furious-and relievedthat I kept on walking without realizing where I was going. When I opened the door which I thought led into the public hallway outside the Garden apartment, I found I was on the terrace of the roof. When I saw where I was I thought I'd come through the garden and go down the stairway there. It was really the natural thing to do . . "You knew about the gate lead-

ing into the garden, then?"

"I've known about it for years. Everybody who's been up here knows about it. Anything wrong with my knowing about the gate?" "No. Quite natural. And so, you opened the gate and entered the garden?"

"Yes." "And that would be between a quarter after four and twenty minutes after four?"

"I wasn't holding a stop-watch or myself, but I guess that's close enough'. . . When I entered the garden I saw Swift slumped down in his chair. His position struck me as funny, but I paid no attention to it until I spoke to him and got no answer. Then I approached and saw the revolver lying on the tiles, and the hole in his head. It gave me a hell of a shock, I can tell you, and ? started to run downstairs to give the alarm. But I realized it would look bad for me. There I was, alone on the roof with a dead man

"Ah, yes. Discretion.. So you played safe. Can't say that I blame you entirely—if your chronology is accurate. So, I take it, you re-entered the public stairway and came down to the front door of the Gar-

den apartment." "That's just what I did."

"By and by, during the brief time you were on the roof, or even often you returned to the stairway, did you hear a shot?"

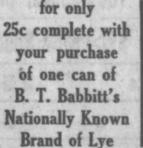
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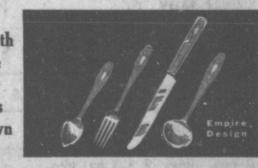
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