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The Star Trail

By IZOLA FORRESTER

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If Walt had not been young and trusting he'd never have answered the advertisement, but when you've spent your life in western Nebraska, personally conducting squads of cattle from range to railroad station, and thereafter riding with them and punching them into submission to an all-wise Providence, you're apt to be in a receptive condition for romance.

Walt was. From the first day when he found the advertisement he knew the star path his feet must tread. He was sitting on a baggage truck in the cool shadow of the Three Bears express office, peacefully sleeping. Runty, the agent, laid over his face a copy of the Omaha Eagle. When Walt wakened his glance wandered idly over its want columns. It was down among the "Personals." Walt read it over carelessly at first, then carefully, looking up once to gaze at the demure but forbidding face behind the telegraph office window. Then he read over the ad again.

WANTED—YOUNG EASTERN WIDOW, blonde, twenty-four, wishes to correspond with western ranchman, not over thirty. Object matrimony.

He held the newspaper firmly in both hands. There was no reason why he should not answer the appeal. He didn't have a ranch all his own, but Bill and he had been good partners with the Triple Star outfit. The house wasn't so bad—three rooms and a lean-to. He'd fix it up for her, chuck all the old clutter he and Bill had put up with, and send up a load of mail-order honeymoon things for her to make her know she was welcome.

Here Walt took a second look at the unfriendly face at the window, but the girl never turned her head or noticed his existence. Presently he sauntered around into the station doorway and leaned over the little partition at the ticket office. Could he have a telegraph blank, please? Cherry did not glance up at all, just passed one to him coldly. He spent half an hour writing his message, took a long drink from the water cooler and handed the telegram to her to count up.

"Send it off any time it's handy," he remarked, trying to be nonchalant also. Cherry ran her pencil over it.

Dear Madam: Seeing your ad in Omaha Eagle I am hereby presenting myself with honorable intentions. Have 712-acre ranch, in partnership with one Bill Owens. No money in bank, but credit hereabouts and with mail-order firms. Height six foot one inch; weight 160. If satisfactory will wire fare. Wauseuta, Neb.
WALTER K. RAMSDELL.

"Night message?" asked Cherry, pleasantly, as she drew her pencil through "Dear Madam."

Walt resented her air of aloofness and lack of curiosity. He hauled out a pigskin wallet and extracted a yellow bill.

"Send it now and get it there this afternoon. I don't care what it costs. Any corrections to suggest?"

Cherry's blue eyes looked him over slowly, in one sweeping summary of his apparent shortcomings as an ideal suitor, and shook her head aggravatingly, with a certain little curl to her short upper lip. Some months previously she had been courted assiduously by Mr. Ramsdell, and being the only attractive and desirable girl in a radius of forty miles she had failed to take his offer at its proper valuation. Walt waited grimly until she had dispatched the message, then rode away with a new aggressive tilt to his hat and a sinking feeling in his heart at the desperate step he had taken.

In the days of waiting for his answer he haunted the telegraph office. Cherry was likewise postmistress, and Bill warned him of his danger.

"It's just as dangerous hanging around some female you've been once attached to as it is getting measles the second time. I wouldn't put it past Cherry a bit to try and get ahead of the eastern widow and think she's doing something mighty smart."

But Cherry held serenely to her own course of action. Instead of being scornful she became sympathetic and rather remorseful. When she found Walt poring painfully over a mail-order catalogue that guaranteed to furnish a honeymoon equipment at so much per room she aided him instead of laughing. Walt found himself deferring to her taste in snowflake curtains and golden oak sideboards. It was Cherry who suggested cutting out the phonograph and putting in a studio willow set instead, and a low bookcase. Walt had hesitated over a red velvet set.

"It isn't becoming to blondes," she said thoughtfully.

Walt's gaze traveled to Cherry's brown, short curls and wide, brown eyes, alert as a squirrel's, and for one instant he thought of how she would look surrounded by the studio willow set. He leaned over the little wooden barrier between them eagerly, forgetful of windows.

"It's awfully good of you to tend to all this stuff for me, Cherry. I'd never thought of that fireless cooker or the washing machine or that line of things. You know there wasn't any real reason why we didn't—well—didn't get married ourselves, only you seemed unwilling."

Cherry's bowed head gave no sign of attention; she was getting the signal for the incoming train on the eastern track.

"Cherry, girl"—Walt felt all caution leave him suddenly. "I ain't any hand at delivering speeches, but I can't stand it, seeing you here day after day. You're just the only girl in the world for me—"

Cherry swung past him with the mail pouch over her shoulder, laughing softly, her eyes filled with mischief. After the express had passed on, and he carried in the new pouch, he helped her while she sorted the mail, humming to herself, not a love song but one of the range riders' ballads he had taught her.

And suddenly she paused, holding in her hand a letter addressed to Mr. Walter K. Ramsdell. There was also a large and promising catalogue for him. He opened them dubiously, but with a grim determination to his mouth and jaw. Cherry read the letter over his shoulder.

Dear Correspondent: We were much pleased to receive your wire, and would refer you to our catalogue, hoping you may find a suitable object for your affections. Trusting to receive your valued order at an early date, we are,
Sincerely yours,
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Walt lifted a baffled face to Cherry, and she laughed.

"I knew you'd get one. Lots of the boys have answered that ad."

"And you let me send that telegram?" he demanded.

"I wanted to have you ride over often, Walt, so I could see you," she whispered. "And I did choose the willow set, you know."

DROP THE TERM "WOODLOT"

Government Authorities Favor the Word "Woodland" When Used in Reference to Farm Forestry.

The increased interest in private forestry, particularly with reference to farm forestry, has brought about the general acceptance of the term "woodland" or "woods" instead of the original one of "woodlot," according to the forest service.

A large proportion of the woodland in the eastern United States is in irregularly shaped tracts, spreading out over ridges, ravines, slopes, swamps, and poor lands, whereas "woodlot" carries the idea of a small-sized, regularly shaped, and, in a large section of the country, fenced tract. When applied to the large or irregularly shaped tracts, it is obvious that the word inadequately describes the conditions. "Woodlot" probably originated in New England and seems fairly well established there. So long as only conditions like those in New England were considered, "woodlot" was accepted as adequate, but in the last few years farm forestry has been developing rapidly throughout the country.

"Woodland" and "woods" are more satisfactory, more expressive, and avoid the possibility of creating confusion in the minds of the people over most sections of the country where the word "woodlots" has never been in local use.

Cleaning Your Plow.

Many plows, even those that have been well covered with oil or axle grease, fail to scour readily when first taken into the field. The following method is being used by many farmers to overcome the inconvenience attending the use of a plow that fails to clean off quickly: The plow is taken to the nearby branch or creek and drawn a few times through the sand or gravel beds that invariably are found along water courses. It usually takes but a few turns to cut off the rust or hardened grease. Under no circumstances does the sand stick to the plow, no matter how rusty it may be; and if the gravel does not contain large stones the plow will not be dulled.

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We showed him some pennies and asked him what they were.

"That's money for the organ man," he said.

We showed him a nickel.

"That's big money," he said, and then added, "That's Hessia's money," Hessia being the delightful person who honors our kitchen.

Then we showed him a one-dollar bill. There was no doubt at all in his mind as to where that belonged.

"Mother's dollar," he said.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Passed the Test.

A young man from our town had gone into a training school as an automobile mechanic. In one of their tests an automobile was taken apart and it was his duty to assemble each part to its respective place. He had done this with the exception of one piece, which was missing and which he could not find. The C. O. told this young fellow that it was up to him to get this piece, so, taking his superior officer at his word, he proceeded to take the missing part from the commanding officer's own car and he was one of four out of a class of 190 who passed the test.—Chicago Tribune.

Triumph of Modern Ingenuity.

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The Denton National Bank)
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TRUSSEE'S SALE
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Under and by virtue of an order passed by the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, in the case of Elmer B. Hignutt, Bankrupt, the undersigned, as trustee of the estate of said Bankrupt, will offer for sale and sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the terms hereinafter set forth, in front of Jefferson's Drug Store, Federalsburg, Caroline County, Maryland, on

Saturday Jan. 10, 1919

between the hours of two and four o'clock p. m., all of the following Real Estate, to wit:

The undivided one-fourth interest of Elmer B. Hignutt in the farm whereon Albert F. Hignutt now resides, called and known as the "Elisha Wright Farm", containing the quantity of

66 Acres of Land, More or Less.

Said interest being object to the life of Albert F. Hignutt. It being the same land devised by George W. Hignutt, late of Caroline County, deceased, to the said Elmer B. Hignutt and others by Item 2 of said last will and testament.

TERMS OF SALE.

Terms of sale are cash on day of sale. Title papers at the expense of purchaser.

WILLIAM J. RICKRDS, Trustee.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND.

In the matter of	No 3273 Bankrupt Docket "M"
William R. Keel	
Bankrupt.	

upon motion of the petitioning creditors herein, by Ellegood, Freeny & Wailes, their attorneys, and consideration of the petition of W. F. Allen, Levin J. Dashiell, William R Parrett, A Lee Poilitt and Elisha E Twilley petitioning creditors that William R. Keel, declared a Bankrupt, it is this 29th day of December, A. D 1919, ordered that the said William R. Keel and other persons concerned, do appear at this Court, as a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the City of Baltimore, in the District aforesaid. on the 19th day of January, 1920, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and shnw cause if any there be, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted;

And it is further ordered that a of this order be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the American Union, the last of the said publication to be made at least ten days before the day aforesaid.

JOHN C. ROSE,
U. S. District Judge.
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