Sallie's Temptations

SALLIE'S REPUTATION AT STAKE

I was panicky. I knew that the "memento" Ted was about to pull from his pocket was the remainder of my little black and white checked bathing suit. They would all recognize it. What would they think? The silence was appalling.

I looked up at Curtiss Wright in desperation. In the meantime Ted was dragging the bit of silk from his pocket. My eyes must have sent an S. O. S. to Curtis, for in a moment he edged his way through the crowd and had Ted by the shoulder. To the onlookers it was all done in a friendly manner, but I noticed that he had pinned his right arm to his side so that it was impossible to display the thing his hand was holding.

"Wassa matter, Mr. Achitec,' wanna protect our little girl friend—"

He was about to call my name when my rescurer suddenly shoved him, still apparently in a friendly scuffle, out through one of the long casement windows.

The crowd stood sullenly as if they rather resented the nterference. Then Curtiss Wright re-entered and at a word from him the orchestra began playing. The fickle crowd's interest changed to dancing and in a few moments the scene with Ted was forgotten.

After the last guest had departed I went into the living room and sat down on a cushion in the faint glow of the dying fire. I was tired. The episode with Ted had been indeed trying.

"May I see you for a moment?" asked Curtiss Wright, coming into the room after making a round of the doors to see that everything was fastened.

I nodded.

"I just wanted to return this to you," he began. "I believe it is your property. Evidently the shark didn't place a proper valuation upon it!" He smiled sarcastically and handed me the rest of the little suit whose career had been so stormy.

Then he made ready to leave.

"Stay a moment," I urged, motioning to him to sit beside me.

"No, thanks," he replied; "I promised your father I'd look after you in his absence, and keeping you awake at four o'clock in the morning is not exactly—salubriously," he ended.

"I don't give a rap about that," I flared up at him; "there are a few things you've got to tell me," I demanded. "Don't you dare go to bed until I've finished." And standing up I faced him.

"What did you do with Ted Billings?"

"Oh, he's your first consideration," he answered, and his voice was cynical. "I recall your having defended him already earlier in the evening. 'He's not such a bad sort—he means well,' you said, and now I see you're still anxious about him." He threw out his hands in a hopelesss gesture.

"No, no," I cried, "you're wrong. I hate Ted Billings! He's just a plain old skunk and, anyway," I continued, "I used to think he was an inoffensive booze-hound, but now I know he hasn't any honor."

I flung myself on the divan and a flood of tears burst from me.

Curtiss Wright came swiftly to my side and knelt on the floor, talking to me, softly as if he were heartbroken at the sight of a woman crying.

"Don't do that, Sallie, little girl," he murmured; "it's all right," and his hand caressed my shoulder.

But you think I'm horrible!" I sobbed.

"I think that you are wasting your time with a bunch of idlers," he responded, "and you're not always happy with them, are you, Sallie?"

"I wasn't tonight. After Ted's performance everything seemed to go fluey. Why, he could have ruined my reputation."

Curtiss Wright's fists clenched involuntarily.

"I want to thank you," I hurried on. "You handled everything so tactfully." I ended weakly. "Did you have any argument with him?"

"No." He shook his head. "Like most bullies—when his bluff was called he became meek and sullen."

I sat up so that I could hear the rest of the story.

"I took the liberty of asking him to leave the place until he was fit to associate with ladies," he continued.

"What did he say to that?" I was myself again and interested in every word he was saying.

"I'd rather not go into that," he argued.

I insisted.

"Well," he continued reluctantly, "he said there was not a girl in here who was not as drunk as he was. That was all. Then he found his way out through a window."

"With your assistance, I'll wager." And I smiled in admiration.

Then his brow became puzzled as if his thoughts had wandered back to a perplexing subject.

"What's the matter?" I asked.

"I want you to tell me what business Billings had with your bathing suit." He looked straight into my eyes as if he expected a direct answer.

From his tone of voice I realized that what we would mean to each other in the future depended entirely on my explanation.

(To be continued next week)

SMITHVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Liden entertained a number of their friends at dinner Sunday last. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Alford, Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Todd of Philadelphia and Mr. Smith also of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Walter Liden and Mrs. Alfred is spending some time with relatives in Philadelpha ths week.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Wlliams entertained on Friday night last Mr. and Mrs. oHward Wright and daughter, Edna, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis, Miss Blanche Scott and Mr. Minos Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lord entertained a number of relatives and friends at dinner Christmas day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wright and daughter, Edna, Mr. and Mrs. John Bullock and children, Edward, Lavern, Chawdell and Irene, Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Williamson and a number of others.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Wright and son, Mrs. Ida Trice,.

Mrs. Alberteen Trice, Mrs. Lillie Daffin and son, Mrs. Sarah Todd were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Davis of Federalsburg on Sunday last.

Miss Blanche Williams is visitng her brother, Raymond Williams, who has just moved to his new home.

Miss Mildred Scott is spending the holidays with her parents at this place.

SUNDAY SERVICE and Lodge Meetings

CHURCHES

Henderson Methodist Episcopal
Henderson
Rev. S. L. Hanby, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school
11:00 a. m.—Preaching
7:45 p. m.—Epworth League
8:00 p. m.—Preaching
8:00 p. m.—Thursday, prayer service.

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Prospect Methodist Episcopal
Near Vernon
Harry Bailey, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school
8:00 p. m.—Epworth League
Preaching every other Sunday evening.

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Methodist Episcopal
Farmington
Harry Bailey, Pastor

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Ebenezer Methodist
Hillsboro
W. T. McGuire, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school
10:30 a. m.—Preaching
7:00 p. m.—Junior League
7:30 p. m.—Preaching
7:30 p. m.—Wednesday, Prayer service.

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St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal
Hillsboro
Rev. I. A. McGrew, Pastor
2:00 p. m.—Sunday school
3:00 p. m.—Preaching

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Thawley's Methodist Protestant
Denton
C. F. Cummins, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school
11:00 a. m.—Preaching—every other Sunday
8:00 p. m.—Christian Endeavor

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Pilgrim Holiness
Denton
Rev. G. L. Helsby, Pastor
11:00 a. m.—Preaching
2:00 p. m.—Sunday school
7:30 p. m.—Preaching
8:00 p. m.—Tuesday and Friday evenings, prayer service

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Baptist Church
Greensboro
Rev. Melvin G. Morris, Pastor
Rev. J. E. Berkstresser, Associate
10 a. m.—Bible school
11 a. m.—Morning worship
7 p. m.—Jr. and intee. and Sr. B Y. P. Vs.
7.45 p. m.—Musical program by orchestra and chimes
8 p. m.—Evangelistic service.
Mid-week service, Wednesday 8 p m.

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St. Paul's Reformed Church
Reformed Church of the United States
Ridgely
Rev. George Fitz, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school
10:30 a. m.—Preaching
7:30 p. m.—Preaching

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Cordova—Denton—Greensboro Parish
St. Paul's Lutheran
Cordova
Rev. H. Drews, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—10:30 a. m. — Sunday school, German and English
10:30 a. m.—Preaching, German and English, alternative
Note: Ladies Aid every 4th Wednesday in the month, 2:00 p. m. in the respective homes. Services every other Sunday at the home of Drew's Manor at 2:30 p. m. These services are German.

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Methodist Church South
Goldsboro
Rev. J. H. Schooley, Pastor
10:45 a. m.—preaching
7:30 p. m.—preaching
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School
7:00 p. m.—League
7:30 p. m.—Prayer service, Wednesday.

Methodist Episcopal
Denton
Rev. C. N. Jones, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday school
11:00 a. m.—Preaching
6:30 p. m.—Epworth League
8:00 p. m.—Preaching
8:00 p. m.—Wednesday, prayer service.

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Church of the Brethren
Denton
Rev. S. I. Arnold, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school
11:00 a. m.—Preaching
7:00 p. m.—Christian Workers
7:45 p. m.—Preaching

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Methodist Protestant
Denton
Rev. G. J. Hooker, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday school
11:00 a. m.—Preaching
6:30 p. m.—Christian Endeavor
7:30 p. m.—Preaching
8:00 p. m.— Wednesday evening, Prayer service.

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Christ Church Protestant Episcopal
Denton
Rev. Irving A. McGrew, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school
11:00 a. m.—Preaching

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Ridgely Baptist
Ridgely
Rev. Melvin G. Morris, Pastor
2:00 p. m.—Sunday school
3:00 p. m.—Preaching

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Methodist Episcopal
Ridgely
Rev. Melvin E. Wheatley, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school
10:30 a. m.—Preaching
6:30 p. m.—Preaching
8:00 p. m.—Wednesday, prayer service

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Church of the Brethren
Ridgely
Rev. L. R. Brumbaugh, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school
10:30 a. m.—Preaching
7:15 p. m.—Preaching

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St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic
Denton
Fr. Eugene Kreamer, Rector
10:30 a. m., 9:30 a. m.—Preaching alternative Sundays.

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St. Benedict's Catholic
Ridgely
Fr. Eugene Kreamer, Rector
9:00 a. m.—Service 1st and 3d Sundays.
10.00 a. m.—other Sundays.

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LODGES

Caroline Chapter No. 62 O. E. S.
Masonic Hall
7:30—First and third Thursday evenings of each month.

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Caroline Council No. 175 J. O. U. A. M.
Carter Building
8: p. m.—Monday evening.

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Temple Lodge No. 128 A. F. and A. M.
Denton
Masonic Building
2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month
Note: Closed July and August

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Patriotic Order Sons of America
Henderson
Eden Hall
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.

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Thawley's Farm Bureau
Thawley's Hall, Tuckahoe Neck
8:00 p. m. on the second Monday evening of each month.

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Thawley's Ladies' Community Club
Thawley's Hall, Tuckahoe Neck
8:00 p. m. on the second Monday evening of each month.

Any churches or lodges in Caroline county not shown here, we will appreciate if some officer will furnish us the information, so that we may have a complete record.

CHURCH NOTICES

Methodist Protestant
Harmony
Rev. G. J. Hooker, Pastor
2:00 p. m.—Sunday school
3:00 p. m.—Preaching
7:30 p.m.—Christian Endeavor

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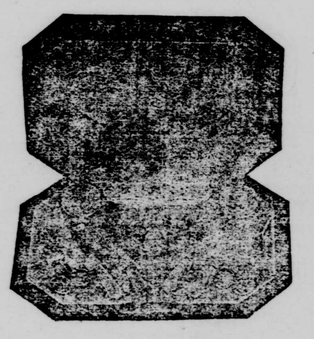

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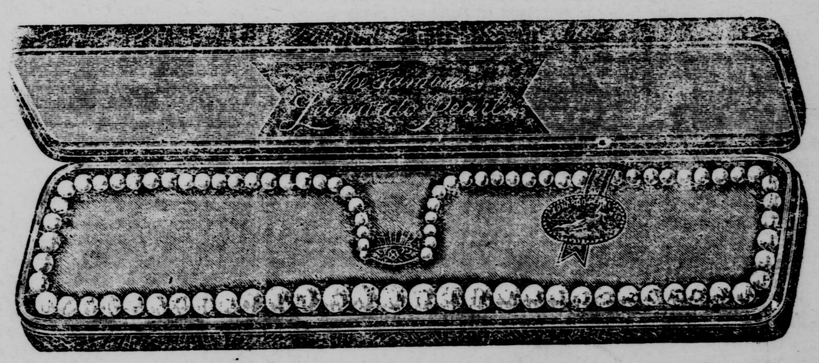

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