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October, 1927	1%	¼%	1¼%
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December, 1927	1%	¼%	1¼%
January, 1928	1%	½%	1½%
February, 1928	1%	½%	1½%
March, 1928	1%	½%	1½%
April, 1928	1%	½%	1½%
May, 1928	1%	½%	1½%
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December, 1928	1%	½%	1½%
December, 1928	Bonus	1¼%	1¼%
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The Road Toward Home

By CLARISSA MACKIE

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THE great circular lunch counter in the railroad station was a busy spot at all times.

One October day after Priscilla Fair had been there two months, and was counted the most rapid of all the deft waitresses, there came a sudden, unexpected rush of customers that filled the stools to the last one. "Please take that one for me, Pris," begged fat Annie Hardy, as she lumbered past with a plate of clam chowder in one hand and a brimming cupful of coffee in the other. She nodded toward the last stool at the circular counter, the one next to the cross-counter. Priscilla nodded and slipped around the shining urns and faced the waiting customer.

She saw a pale-faced man with dogged eyes, who stared first at her, then down at the menu in his hand. When he lifted his glance to her again his eyes were not dogged nor kind nor anything. Just cold and indifferent as becomes a stranger.

"Well," prompted Priscilla at last.

"Oh," he started, looked at her and rubbed his eyes. "Bacon and eggs and coffee," he said curtly. While she was gone, he read a railroad time table. He was still reading it when she returned with the food which she placed before him.

"You are reading it upside down," she said softly.

"Reading what?"

"The time table?"

"Oh—" glancing at it and thrusting it into his pocket, "thank you."

"You're welcome—going away again soon?" she asked wistfully.

"Tonight," briefly. "Sugar, please."

Priscilla pushed the sugar bowl toward him and tore a check out of the bunch at her waist. "Anything else?"

"What have you got—that's good?"

"Apple pie."

"Sure?"

"I made it."

"All right—I'll take a chance," grudgingly.

Priscilla was glad that Murphy, the proprietor, had agreed to try one of her apple pies. Since then she had earned extra money by making pies for the counter. Murphy's lunch was famous for its homemade apple pies.

After he had eaten the pie, Priscilla punched the check and laid it beside his plate, then she began to remove the soiled dishes.

"Wait," he said, abruptly.

Priscilla waited, her eyes dark, expectant.

"Have you been here long?"

"Two months."

"Where did you learn to make apple pies?"

"My aunt showed me how."

"Oh! Do you want to know what I'm doing here?"

She nodded.

"Looking for my wife. She went away from me because I criticized her cooking. Spunky little thing. And she went away just for that!" He looked hard at her.

"You must have said mean things to her," said Priscilla, the pink creeping into her cheeks.

"Maybe I did, and maybe I was sorry about it. And after I'd put in a couple of loads of hay, perhaps I went to the house to tell her how mean I was and try to make up—and found she had gone. Only married three months!"

"How are you going to find her?" asked Priscilla, her white face eager. "You don't even know where she went."

"That day when I got home and found she'd gone, I just closed my house, put my crops in charge of a neighbor, and set out to find my wife. I've been all over the Middle West, chasing clews that led me nowhere. But then, at last, I struck luck. I found her—I'm going to take her home on the 6:30 train tonight!"

In the silence that followed this announcement, the big voice of Murphy was heard in a husky whisper. "Is that feller bawlin' about the food here? Tell him to come to me if he don't like it, and I'll give him back his money!"

Priscilla turned a radiant face upon her employer.

"Oh, Mr. Murphy, it's only my husband telling me that we're going home on the 6:30 train tonight!"

A hurricane of whispers whirled about the shining coffee urns as Priscilla turned back to her husband, no longer sullen, but smiling, upright with the fine courage that had carried him through a dangerous crisis. "Will you go, Priscilla?" he asked, and there was a tremor in his deep voice.

"Go?" and her hands went across the counter to him. "That's why I took this job, Lary—hoping you might come to this station some day—it's on the road toward home, you know! And if you had not come for me today, I would have started home tomorrow."

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Miss Ella Scotten returned home on Sunday after spending the winter in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Edward Jenkins and sister, Miss Fulton, of Dover, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Van Dykes last week.

Miss Ella Scoten is quite sick at the home of her sisters, Mrs. Hanna and Miss Elizabeth Scottens.

Mrs. Leonard Pennington and daughter, Mrs. Ward, and little son and Mrs. Julia Medders, of Chestertown, were Sunday callers at Mr. and Mrs. James Weers.

Mrs. Ada Hitch, of Queenstown, visiited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hurlock, on Tuesday.

Mrs. Eva Primrose and daughter, Virginia, visited Elkton on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheat and children and Mrs. Meeks and daughter and friend, of Chestertown, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Rollison.

Mrs. Mina Weer spent the week end with Mr. James Weer and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray King and children, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Atwell.

Mr. and Mrs. James Caldwell spent a part of last week in Wilmington and attended the M. E. Conference.

Mrs. Pearl Walls and son, Harry, spent a part of this week in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Robinson, of Baltimore, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Hedley and Mary Oliff, of Chester, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Oliff.

Mrs. Della Urie spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Service in Grace Presbyterian church next Sunday evening, April 14, 7.30 p. m., preaching by Dr. Humphreys.

The Mite Society of Grace Presbyterian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Rachiel Hill next Wednesday evening, April 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jarvis and Mrs. Ben Jarvis, of Wilmington, visited their niece, Mrs. Raymond Hill last Wednesday.

Mrs. James Archibald is enjoying a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Green, in Church Hill.

Mrs. Carl Lynch and family, of Middletown, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Harry Scotten.

Mrs. George Glenn is spending a part of this week with her sister, Mrs. Katie Crew.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Reese Yound, of Betterton, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yound.

WORTON

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carter entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Duyer, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Duyer and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Rash at dinner Sunday.

Misses Mary McCoy, Virginia Thompson and Andrey Carter, of Wilmington, spent last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rash.

Mr. and Mrs. George Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rasin visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nichols at Selbyville, Del., last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carter entertained friends and relatives, of Philadelphia, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Rouse and daughter, Ann, of Aberdeen, spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Rasin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Duyer had as their guest last Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ford, of Chestertown.

Miss Julia Williams has returned to Western Md., after spending the spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Williams.

Miss Clara Duyer spent last week end with Miss Sarah Morris.

Mr. Gale Willis, of Newark, N. J., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Willis.

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With only 10 votes cast against it, Centreville's proposed $25,000 street building program was formally ratified by municipal taxpayers at a special election held Thursday. Just 79 ballots were cast and 69 of these favored the loan while 10 opposed it. Comparatively little interest was manifested, several hundred voters failing to participate in the referendum.

Kent Island citizens, headed by former State Senator James E. Kirwan, of near Chester, have extended an invitation to a special Congressional Committee, headed by Senator Millard F. Tydings, to investigate Kent Island for a huge government airport, to be established in the near future somewhere in the Washington area.

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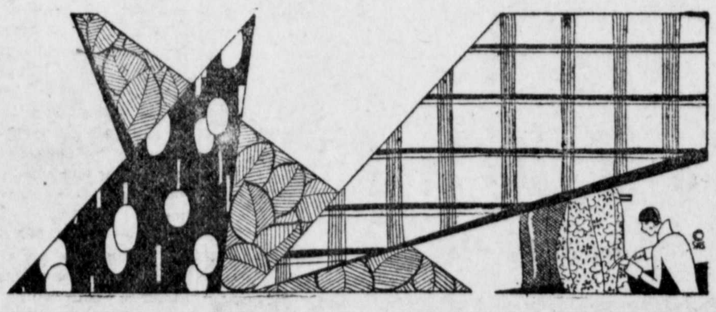

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