Awarded Vail Medals And $250 Cash Each



Top: Mrs. Mabel Hite and Mrs. Althea P. Marks. Bottom: Miss Anna C. Yurecsko and Olin Etheridge Perdue.

Three Women And Man Given Silver Medals

Noteworthy public service brings its own reward. Silver Vail medals accompanied by $250 cash each have just been awarded Mrs. Mabel Hite, agent, Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Potter, Nebr.; Olin Etheridge Perdue, lineman American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Atlanta, Georgia; Mrs. Althea P. Marks, agent, The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, Saticoy, Calif.; and Anna C. Yurecsko, night operator, New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, Rockaway, N. J.

Mrs. Hite, according to the pilot of a mail plane, undoubtedly saved him from a fatal crash while flying in a blinding snowstorm. While working at her switchboard she heard the plane flying in circles above the town and arranged for flares so that he could make a safe landing.

While two linemen were crossing a bridge over a flood-swollen river one of them encumbered with a heavy tool belt and climbers, fell into the flooded stream. Perdue, the man's companion, although a poor swimmer dived into the river, grasped his fellow workman, brought him ashore and applied artificial respiration until normal breathing was restored.

With the breaking of the St. Francis Dam, which flooded the entire Santa Clara River Valley, Mrs. Marks remained at her switchboard, warning residents of the community of the impending danger from the raging waters.

Miss Yurecsko learning of an automobile accident in which a car had crashed over a railroad bridge and fallen onto the tracks, called a train dispatcher asking him to stop a train due in a few minutes. This he did, undoubtedly avoiding a most serious accident.

Thought All City Girls Alike

By ADELAIDE D. HUFF

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"GEE, golly, this is the deadest place that ever was!" Margaret Adair exclaimed to herself as she sat on the porch of the old farmhouse and listened to the tiny songs of myriad insects in the dewy grass.

Back home they called her Margaret the Heartless, Margaret the Flapper. All men were grist to her mill, this she openly admitted; but if she had ever once become the least bit interested herself no one ever found out. She knew exactly the route her affairs would take—frank admiration, ardent love-making and subsequent proposal followed by flat refusal.

It was natural that Elmwood farm should prove a trifle monotonous to Margaret, but the doctor had said that a complete rest was essential after her breakdown and had insisted that she be sent where late hours would be impossible and jazz music a thing unknown.

At the sound of footsteps on the graveled walk, Margaret looked through the honeysuckle vines and saw Claire Elmwood and Bill Dickson come slowly up the path. Such a plain little thing, Margaret reflected. How did she manage to get even a country man interested? At the steps they stopped and Bill kissed the girl good night.

"You're the sweetest little thing," he whispered, holding her close, "You love me?"

"Oh, Bill," the girl answered, "how can you love me after seeing that pretty Miss Adair? I was so afraid—I believe I'd die if—"

"Shucks," Bill said. "She couldn't make any fellow love her. She's too stuck on herself. I wouldn't give a snap for a dozen like her."

"So-o-o," thought Margaret, her eyes narrowing in the dark. "I'll have to start a little campaign. Here's something to do at last."

In a moment Claire ran into the house, Bill turned and went home and Margaret, still undiscovered, sat on in the deep shadows and thought. Bill owned half interest in the adjoining farm, she knew, and she had often watched him as he followed the plow, his sunburned, muscular arms bare almost to the shoulder.

The next morning Margaret appeared in her smart knicker suit. She knew how absurdly diminutive she looked in this outfit, and that it was always a sure-fire hit. As soon as breakfast was over, she climbed the fence that divided the two farms and picked her way over the rough, shoddy ground.

"Good morning," she called as she approached Bill and the team, standing at the end of a row. "I wanted to pat your horses."

She put out a daintily manicured hand and stroked the sleek neck of the nearest horse. The animal shied slightly and Margaret jumped back to safety.

"Oh, he frightened me," she said in a scared little voice.

"He won't hurt you," said Bill protectingly. "I'll hold his bridle. Now, you can pat him all you want."

"I'm awfully lonesome up here," the girl said pensively after a moment. "I'm just dying to take some hikes around here, but I haven't anyone to go with me and I'd be afraid to go alone. I'm crazy to go up on Sunset hill, but—"

"Would you—go with me?" Bill asked after a moment.

"Oh, would you take me?" exclaimed Margaret clapping her hands. "When could we go? Why not after supper tonight?"

"Yes, I reckon that'd be all right. You could meet me over at that oak at the far side of the field. I—Claire—"

"Yes, I know," Margaret answered quickly.

"You're engaged to Claire and she mightn't like it. We won't tell her."

That evening Margaret ran along the edge of the field toward the big oak tree. She found Bill waiting for her.

"You have the most adorable way of smoking a pipe," she greeted him, "It's so—he-mannish or something."

Bill laughed and took her arm as they started off toward Sunset hill. They climbed for an hour or more before reaching the top, then finally dropped on a huge rock to rest.

"It's gorgeous here," she said after a moment, slipping her hand into his. And she was amazed by the thrill his touch gave her.

"You reckon it's wrong when you're engaged to one girl to kiss another?" he asked after a moment.

"Of course not, silly," she laughed.

She felt his arm tighten around her and a second later kisses were raining on her face.

"Bill, you darling," she whispered at last. "Why, why—what's the matter?" she stammered.

"Nothing," he answered. "It's just like I thought. All these city girls are alike. I've been to town once or twice myself. I'd like to see Claire kissin' a fellow she'd never seen more than once or twice in her life and him engaged to another girl at that!"

For a second Margaret stared at him in the dim light of the moon, then suddenly she burst out laughing. "That's the biggest joke on me yet," she said at last.

"I don't see the joke," the man answered irritably.

"No, you wouldn't," Margaret retorted good naturedly.

"Standing Pat"

Pat is an adjective, probably from the French "pat," meaning that which suits the purpose of the occasion or meaning exactly suitable. The expression is used in poker to refer to a hand so satisfactory that its holder does not care to exercise the privilege of discarding and drawing cards. Hence the expression "stand pat." This came to mean opposition to a change of any kind, especially in United States politics. The phrase in this sense was first used to express the attitude of leaders of the Republican party by Senator Hanna in 1902.

Only Two Species of Flowers in Antarctic

The Antarctic regions support only two species of flowering plants, as against some 400 species grown in the Arctic regions. This is probably due to the shortness of the Antarctic summer and the remarkably low temperatures, for no month there has a mean temperature above the freezing point. The plant life is confined to the edges of the continent, the mountain ranges and the islands near the coast.

As a rule, it is not until far into December that the sun lays bare what little soil occurs in a few places, and the vegetation—with the exception of lichens on cliff faces—is exposed to sunlight for only a month or six weeks. The ground thaws to a depth of several inches on a few clear days, and even then is saturated with ice-cold water. Mosses are numerous, more than fifty species have been recorded.—New York Herald Tribune.

AGRICULTURAL

CONTINUE WHEAT SEED TREATMENT TO CONTROL SMUT

Kent County wheat growers are urged by the Extension Service to continue the treatment of their seed wheat for the control of Smut, with Copper Carbonate Dust.

The merit of this treatment is well appreciated by Kent County farmers as shown by the fact that 20,000 bushels were treated last season in Kent county. This treatment has passed beyond the demonstration stage but is urged because of its economic importance.

There are a number of outfits available for use in the county. Those desiring to use the barrel treatment may secure directions for its construction from the County Agent.

Professor Oldenburg, of the Extension Service, reports that in 1928 121 fields sown with untreated seed showed 64% of them to have some smut, while from 140 fields sown with treated seed only 5.7% showed any smut.

Even under the conditions prevailing this season, Oldenburg reports that on 85 inspections, 52 treated fields showed smut in 50% of the cases and in 35 treated fields only 20% showed any trace of smut.

The farmers planning to have their seed treated are urged to get busy at once to insure having the seed ready when it is time to sow. The treatment and bagging will give added protection against weevil infestation.

WORTON

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hadaway and children, of Quaker Neck, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Hadaway.

Mr and Mrs. W. A. Joiner entertained Mr. Joiner's sister and family, of Baltimore, last week-end.

Mr. Lawrence Lee, of Wilmington, is spending a week with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wallis are entertaining her brother, Mr. Earl Dodson and family, of Wilmington.

Mr. H. E. Cooper visited his daughter, Mrs. Walter Moffett, a few days this week.

Miss Dorothy Hadaway, of Quaker Neck, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Hadaway.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet at the home of Mr and Mrs. Alan Joiner next Thursday afternoon.

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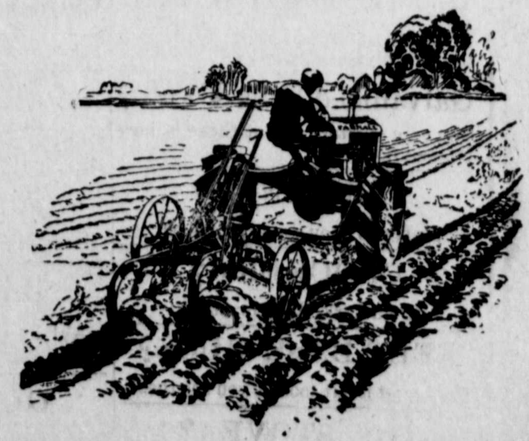
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