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MADGE HAD NO USE FOR PACIFISTS

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OF COURSE, it had been unwise for Tim Brady to buy a car while the house was still so far from being paid for. Just because for ten years Tim had held a good job with a good firm was no reason for counting on the job and the firm lasting for another ten years, or for five years or even one year more. As a matter of fact, it lasted just six months after Tim contracted to buy the car. But that is getting ahead of the story.

Tim wanted the car for Madge, for with three little children to care for Madge was pretty well tied down. A car would mean that she could pack the children in and drive to town to call on her old friends. And on Sunday they could all drive out into the real country and have picnics. That was how Tim had reasoned when he took his $500 share of Aunt Louise's legacy and plunged the whole amount for the down payment on a shiny new sedan.

As for Madge, she took her $500 share and had an oil painting of the three jolly blue-eyed Brady youngsters painted—Madge had always wanted a really good portrait of the children.

And now all three of the children were a year older than when Aunt Louise's legacy had arrived. Tim was without a job that paid enough to keep things going, for the old firm had failed, and try as best he could the orders for the new firm did not build up commission checks large enough to meet all the necessary expenses of the household.

The finance company had taken back the not-quite-so-shiny, not-quite-so-new sedan. Madge stopped taking cream. She and Tim drank milk in their coffee. Madge gave up having a woman come in to help her with the cleaning, and she stopped sending the washing out, but did everything save the spreads and sheets herself.

The money talks between Tim and Madge turned into arguments, the arguments into recriminations, the recriminations into quarrels.

"If only you had kept your promise to let me manage the budget," exclaimed Madge reproachfully the night of the day the man came and cut off the electricity because of the long overdue bill.

"You know I got the car for the sake of you and the children," defended Tim.

"It would have been more to the point to make sure of a house roof over our heads," snapped Madge in return, for Madge had been lying awake nights worrying about the payments due on the little house, and her disposition was showing the results of sleeplessness.

"I didn't notice you spending any of your share of the legacy on a roof," retorted Tim.

"I always wanted a real portrait of the children, they're such darlings," murmured Madge, gazing fondly at the truly lovely picture, which occupied the place of honor above the low mantel of the living room fireplace.

"Well, you've got it," growled Tim who wanted to read his newspaper, but who couldn't by the light of the one candle.

"That's more than you can say of what you spent your share on," answered Madge, acidly, for Madge was worn out from overwork as well as sleeplessness.

"Oh, the devil, Madge, don't let's go on ragging this way about money—it's just money, money, money—fight, fight, fight," protested Tim.

"Who wants to go on like this?" stormed Madge in return. "I'm sure I don't. It's getting to be too much of a strain trying to put up a bluff of being happy before the children. If people can't keep peace for the sake of the children they ought not to try to go on living together for their sakes."

"Want a divorce?" growled Tim.

"No, thanks," replied Madge, icily, "though it's kind in you to suggest one so promptly. A separation will do quite nicely."

"All right, if you feel that way about it," answered Tim, who wanted just at that moment to take Madge in his arms and tell her how sorry he was that she looked so tired and miserable and how much he loved her, but who was just too stubborn y proud to acknowledge he had been in the wrong about buying a car without asking her advice, "I'll take up an offer I had made me today and go down to South America for three years. This job is in Peru and pays a decent salary, so I'll be out of your way and still able to help support you and the kids."

"Don't bother about me," replied Madge, stiffly, "I'll go right back to my old job—and you know dress designers get a lot more money today than they did seven years ago."

Silently Tim sat and thought of how far from Berwyn, Ill., Lima, Peru, is. Silently Madge sat and thought of how far from Lima, Peru, is Berwyn, Ill.

"You don't think we ought to try to keep on together for a while longer—for the childrens' sake?" ventured Tim, hopefully.

"I've seen so much fighting recently I'm getting to understand how pacifists feel—'peace at any price' for me from now on," replied Madge, who simply ached to go across to Tim and put her arms around him and tell him how sorry she was that she hadn't been satisfied to just have some lovely photographs of the children taken instead of spending all of the $500 on an oil portrait, and to tell him how she knew he was trying his lovely best to earn a living for the family, and that she was sorry he looked so tired, and that she loved him into bits in spite of everything, and that she was sorry they had drifted into such a bitter quarrel.

"All right, have it your own way," assented Tim, with an air of resignation he was far from feeling.

And just then a young whirlwind swept into the living room, pedaling violently on an outgrown velocipede.

"Oh, Daddy," exclaimed six-year-old Louise, "these handlebars are so low they tie my back in hard knots. Mother said you'd lift them for me again. Will you?"

"Sure thing," answered Tim, with forced cheerfulness. "Just bring me my wrench like a good girl."

Five minutes later, struggling stubbornly to adjust the handlebars without asking Madge to help him, Tim was still meditating on the number of miles separating Peru from Berwyn. Nearby Madge, stubbornly refusing to help with the velocipide until asked, was reflecting on the same disturbing mileage.

Shrewdly Louise gazed at her mother and asked: "Why don't you hold the handlebars still for Daddy, the way you usually do?"

"I—I was sewing," lamely answered Madge.

A moment later, in the course of adjusting the worn little handlebars, Tim's strong brown hand closed over Madge's housework roughened, housework reddened fingers.

Instantly Madge looked up into Tim's eyes and smiled, a tired, happy little smile. Tim, leaning close, whispered, "We'll make out some way, sweetheart."

"Not in Peru, Tim. Oh! Not in Peru," whispered Madge. "I never could manage all three of them alone."

"Forget it," whispered Tim.

"Secrets?" asked Louise, inquisitively. "It's not a good time for secrets."

"There are no secrets," announced Tim. "Here's your bike, good as new. Now skip along. Mother and Daddy want to talk a lot of things over."

Side by side, on the shabby living room couch, Tim and Madge sat, and Tim was saying: "I think perhaps I can get that job in town I spoke of last week; the man they expected to get changed his mind and went to Detroit. The salary isn't big, but it would be steady, and I guess we could budget it out to cover the house payments and food, too—that is, if you still want me around," he added with a good-natured smile.

"Oh, Tim, darling. You know I'd rather have you around—even if we fight now and then." And this time Madge smiled good naturedly as she added: "I never did think much of pacifists anyway."

Are You Familiar With Original State Names

If the United States were to adopt the recent European practice of reviving old-place names, such as Oslo for Christmas, Nidaros for Trondhjem, Helsinki for Helsingfors, Warszawa for Warsaw and Praha for Prague, the roster of the forty-eight states would vary in many cases.

Nineteen states have different original Indian names they could go back to: Alibamu, Arizonac, Quonoktacut, E-dah-hoe, Illini, Ayuhba (Iowa), Kanza, Kentake, Massawadschuasch (Massachusetts), Mishigamaw (Michigan), Missisipi, Missiuri, Ohionhilo, Tanasee, Texia, Ute, Mishkonsing, Mcheuwomink (Wyoming) and Arkansea.

Restoration of old names would require Delaware to revert to De la Warr, the name selected in honor of Lord de la Warr. New York was named for the duke of York, but if origins were to be pushed back as far as possible the Empire state must revive the old English form, becoming the Eurewic.

Revival of a historic name, such as that of Lwow for Lemberg in Poland, would restore Vert Mont in honor of the French, Roode Eylandt in respect to a Dutch explorer, and Orejones as a compliment to Spanish conquistadores.

Illinois serves as an example of states whose present names are pitfalls to the unwary. Persons not familiar with the French adaptation of the original Indian tribe name pronounce the last syllable "noise." George Washington, it is said, called Illinois country Black Island because he thought the French spelled it Ile Noir.

States whose names would be unchanged by a drive to return to original forms are: California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.—From a Bulletin of the National Geographic Society.

Stenography

The early history of shorthand is closely allied with paleography and it has been traced into the mists of antiquity. Antiquarians have tried to connect it with hieroglyphics and to show that it was used more than 1,000 years B. C. by the Persians, Egyptians and Hebrews. The first modern shorthand was printed in London in 1588 and dedicated by its author, Dr. Timothy Bright, to Queen Elizabeth. Gurney's is the oldest living system of English shorthand. It was first issued by Mason in 1672 and improved by Thomas Gurney in 1750.

Seal Farm in Alaska

Uncle Sam's "fur farm" on the Pribilof islands, west of the Alaskan mainland, netted a $1,000,000 crop of seals last year and brought the value of the present herd up to about $32,000,000. The 31,000 seals killed during the summer are valued at from $35 to $40 apiece for their tanned furs. The herd now numbers more than 872,000 as compared to 250,000 in 1911, the year when the wholesale slaughter was stopped. In the latter part of the Eighteenth century, it is said, the seals in that region totaled some 5,000,000.

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