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Incited by the post war demands, the clamor for telephone service swelled until it bid fair to overwhelm a company whose reserve resources

New York Telephone Building

had been drained by unusual conditions caused by the World War. The storm was weathered but in its wake the New York Telephone Company, especially in New York City, found its greatly enlarged personnel and equipment scattered about the city in many locations, a number of which were leased; administrative offices whose duties were closely identified were in some places widely separated; quarters, in many cases hastily equipped and manned, were found inadequate for the ever increasing telephone demand; they offered no room for expansion.

The problem set itself squarely before the management. It was aggravated by responsibility to the public, for it was necessary that the solution secure the maximum of efficiency with the lowest possible cost. All studies which had as their genius economy led to one conclusion, the erection of a building conveniently located and large enough to satisfy present demands and to reasonably anticipate future requirements. Forthwith the erection of such a building was decided and it was planned to house eventually an army of 6,000 telephone workers and six central offices capable of serving 120,000 telephones.

To the architects, McKenzie, Voorhees and Gmelin, was presented an exacting task. Their plans had to provide a structure of a kind peculiar to the requirements of a telephone company and of a design which would not be unsightly and therefore objectionable to the citizens of New York. Moreover, these specifications had to be met with the very greatest economy. The success of the architects is now well attested. The late Joseph Pennell, celebrated artist, has called the West street building "the most impressive modern building in the world."

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Eight years after the World War finds service to disabled veterans still a major responsibility of the American Red Cross.

This situation is due to the increasing problems involved and the complex character of veteran legislation. There is also an increase in numbers of "death cases" handled, as compared with claims for living veterans, though the work for the latter remains heavy. About 20,000 ex-service men are dying each year, a considerable percentage of these having service-connected disabilities.

In a majority of cases, Red Cross Chapters find their assistance is needed in helping dependents present their claims for death compensation, insurance payments, bonus, burial allowances, and other government benefits due them. An episode of the past year illustrates the difficulties frequently encountered by the Red Cross experts in rendering such assistance. A veteran dying from service-connected disease, was trying from his bedside to establish at that late time his claim for Government aid to his family, and the necessary proofs were in a physician's records across the continent from him. To obtain the needed affidavits before it was too late, a cross-continent airplane flight was necessary, then a Red Cross Chapter in Pennsylvania hurried the investigation, sending the papers back to the veteran and his Red Cross helpers in Oregon, by air-mail. It reached there in time.

Another discovery in Red Cross assistance to veterans and their families is that many dependents of these men unquestionably entitled to Government aid, have struggled along, ignorant of their rights.

Aproximately 2,686 Red Cross Chapters carry on Home Service work, in assistance to veterans and their families. The Chapetrs also conduct campaign among veterans for reinstatement and conversion of their term insurance. Among its other duties, the Red Cross assumed at the request of the Canadian Government the administration of a fund allotted to the care of Canadian disabled veterans living in the United States.

In the United States the Red Cross assisted an average of about 30,000 disabled veterans and their families every month in the past fiscal year. Indicating the size of this undertaking, National Headquarters of the Red Cross expended $1,641,178.13 on disabled veterans alone, and $509,451.72 on assistance to men on active duty with the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, while Red Cross local Chapters expended a total of $1,987,000. Red Cross assistance to service men overshadowed every other phase of its program, even its disaster relief, until the Florida hurricane.

Help for veterans covers many demands, from temporary aid until Government claims are adjusted or until the ex-soldier is properly hospitalized, to extending capital loans to rehabilitated veterans endeavoring to become self-supporting in business. Several such capital loans were to blind veterans.

Contact with veterans in hospitals is maintained by Red Cross personnel which doctors agree influences the veteran's welfare and improvement. The Veterans' Bureau was planned to carry on social work in its hospitals for mental cases, and in many cases the Government and the Red Cross are co-operating for the welfare of the men suffering war disabilities. The public is invited to assist this work by joining the Red Cross during the Annual Roll Coll, November 11 to 25.

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Since 1905 the American Red Cross has given relief to 854 disasters in the United States alone. A year seldom passes without a major calamity due to tornado, earthquake, fire or flood. The Red Cross in each case has remained on the job until relief was completed.

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Lost—A Yellow Mongrel

By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

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"CONFOUND you, quit sniffing at my heels!" The young man turned crossly on the shaggy nondescript creature which had followed him for several blocks.

Dixon Blaine had troubles of his own—or thought he had—and didn't feel like wasting his time on dogs but he had a soft heart and there was something about the animal which reminded him of that pampered creature belonging to the girl of his dreams and by her so petted and made so much of as to arouse envy in his breast.

So he picked up the dog and walked on, becoming once more absorbed in the all-important question—how was he going to make the acquaintance of Betty Lou?

Oh, yes, he had discovered her name by careful circuitous inquiry, but he had been quite unable to unearth anywhere that boon to young men in his condition—an eligible mutual acquaintance. Living in the same block, he and Betty Lou shared the same iceman, paper boy and grocer.

Still possessed of the dog, he turned in at his sister's house and, not finding that lady in, proceeded to rummage the icebox for the refugee. Then he wandered out to the veranda and found the evening paper.

Ordinarily he read the sporting page first and ultimately wound up with the editorials but tonight he was halted in the middle of the advertisements by an insert in the Lost and Found column.

"Lost—A yellow mongrel, answers to the name of Rags. Finder please return to Miss Betty Lou Collins, 57 Cox avenue."

"Gosh!" exclaimed Dixon, thoughtfully. "Gosh!" Then, "Rags!" he fairly shouted and the animal quivered and lifted one inquiring eyelid.

"The gods are with me!" chuckled Dixon. "Come on, you blonde beast." He snatched up the dog and hurried out of the gate. Presently, a bit breathless, he was ringing the Collins' doorbell.

"Oh!" Betty Lou in person had opened the door. Betty Lou, piquantly pretty and considerably flustrated.

"I—I saw your advertisement in the paper, Miss Collins, and having just found the dog, I thought—you see, I tried the name on him and he responded and—"

"Yes, indeed," said Betty Lou. "I understand. Thank you so much." She hesitated, then came swiftly out to the couch hammock, reached out her arms for the dog, and nodded towards a rocker. "Tell me all about it," she begged.

What could the young man do but sit down and plunge into detail? Something told him that the more he talked the more he could gaze at Betty Lou. And for a man who had for months been longing to meet her, this was too good an opportunity to be lightly passed up.

All might have been well had not a middle-aged man turned in at the gate. Considering that it was Betty Lou's father come home to supper, he could not have been expected to remain away, but for a moment events took an embarrassing turn.

Dixon had risen at once. "I had the privilege of finding your daughter's dog," he explained pleasantly.

"Oh, yes," said the gentleman. "A great nuisance, too. Chewed my slippers and—why—"

Dixon, following his glance, saw, to his surprise, that Betty Lou, very red of face, seemed to be attempting to conceal the dog behind her and the couch hammock back.

"That isn't our dog," declared her father testily. "Don't you know your own dog, Betty?"

At that moment a voice issued from the kitchen where presumably Betty Lou's mother was getting supper, unaware of significant happenings on her veranda. "Oh, Betty Lou! That old tramp dog of yours is back again in the yard!"

Silence reigned for several minutes. Then, as Betty Lou's father, with rather an odd expression upon his face, passed indoors, Betty Lou held out the object under discussion. "Perhaps he isn't ours," she said in a meek little voice. "There is a resemblance, and you said he answered to his name!"

"I'm afraid," said Dixon slowly, "that it's all my fault. You see, I knew it wasn't your dog, but—" he floundered and then continued, pleadingly: "I have wanted to know you for so long and didn't know anyone to introduce us and—well, I sort of used the dog as a mutual acquaintance. Besides," he added brightly, "if you didn't know your own dog, you could hardly expect me to, now could you."

But it was many moons before Dixon understood just why, at this point Betty Lou flung back her pretty head and laughed and laughed. And when she finally told him, her pretty head was resting in the hollow of his shoulder and both her hands were held in his.

"You old darling," she told him then, "the minute I laid eyes on him I knew that mangy cur wasn't my darling Rags, but for months I had wanted to know you—the only good-looking man on the block—oh, yes, you are, Dickie, absolutely—and so, well, I was every bit as bad as you. I think," she went on seriously, "that where two persons are really meant by fate for each other, it's quite all right to—to—"

"—to manufacture a mutual acquaintance out of a mangy mongrel Exactly," said Dixon. "So do I!"

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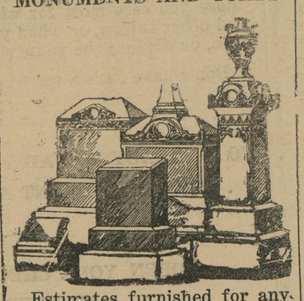

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