

AFTERWHILE.

"I'll come back afterwards," he said. As he tucked his head in his cap of gray...

THE SIREN FROM THE AIR.

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Behind the glass of his goggles his wide, hazel-colored eyes shone with a dull excitement, like that following the first exhibition of champagne.

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"Oh, I feel all right, aside from the fact that I can't remember engaging a passenger for this trip," she said, and again he was thrilled by the weird music of her voice.

"Yes, And if I do?" "What! A price?" "Yes!" "It is right. Well—when the barograph marks twenty thousand feet, I will come and sit at your knees!"

Twelve thousand five hundred, twelve thousand seven hundred fifty, thirteen thousand and two feet. Despite the sharp angle at which the big bird poised, the ascent was growing more gradual; the thinned air offered less grip for the tractor, less support for the wings.

"Up we go," he shouted. His voice seemed smothered in a vacuum but he disregarded the strangeness. Sixteen thousand and a world's record, or bust!"

He closed his eyes for a moment to get rid of a slight vertigo caused directly by the glare of the aluminum hood that covered the engine.

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"You don't remember me?" "No; that's astounding, but true." She was exquisite, perfect in every line, beautiful with the abstract beauty of an idealist painter's work.

An artist might have called her a "pure type;" there was no little trick of outline or coloring to give personality, character, to the flawless symmetry of her face.

"Well, you have been staring at me for some time," she said without the slightest show of self-consciousness. "Do you like me?" "Yes, wonderfully," he declared. "And you don't remember ever meeting me before?"

"Why, who are you?" he demanded. "I knew I'd engaged to take up several women this week, but no one like you. Who are you? Give me a name to call you by. Tell me who you are."

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swaying, clattering, whistling through the knife-edged wind. And all the while she smiled into his face.

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How high'd you get, anyway?" "Slowly he made out the features of one of the officials of the aviation field, one of the men who had verified his barograph before he started out for altitude. The man raised up by the little iron step on the side of the car, leaned over to look at the barograph, and began to bellow wildly at the crowd. "Twenty thousand! It must be wrong. But even if it's a few hundred out even if it's a few thousand—woop-la! He's done it! The kid's done it! A record!"

"But where—where—" stammered Reese, stupidly. He sat and stared before him like a man just awakened from a dream. The aluminum hood came close up against the steering-yoke; there was no forward seat, not even room enough for a cat; it was the one-piece machine. By Allan Updegraff, in Century Magazine.

SIX PARTY COLUMNS ON NOVEMBER BALLOT Six State parties will have a right to the use of a party square on the November ballot. Only two of these, the Republican and the Democratic, nominated candidates at the May primary, the others having pre-empted names and circulated nominating petitions. The Communist party, of those created through pre-emption papers, alone has filed a complete ticket.

Friday was the last day for the filing of nomination papers for candidates. Only about a score of papers were filed for candidates for Congress and Pennsylvania Legislative officers.

Three of the parties were created for the possible use of former Governor Pinchot, the Independent having been created by western Pennsylvania supporters of the forester and the Square Deal and Fair Play party names having been pre-empted by the Republican nominee himself.

The Liberal Party, supported by the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment and supporting John M. Hemphill, Democratic nominee, has only one candidate on the State ticket.

The State-wide candidates of all parties are: United States Senator—Republican, James J. Davis; Democratic, Sedgwick Kistler; Prohibition, S. W. Bierer; Socialist, William J. Vanessan; Communist, Emmett P. Cush.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN. DAILY THOUGHT.

"Whenever life is simple and sane, true pleasure accompanies it as fragrance does uncultivated flowers."—Charles Wagner.

"For the sick person, none but the best of foods should be served, and cleanliness in preparing them should be strictly observed. Serve small portions on the prettiest china in the house. It will often work wonders in the invalid's appetite, if he can eat at all. Savory dishes and tinkling china ought to gain your invalid's interest. All the dishes may be made most delicate and attractive. It is important to do away with the monotony so often experienced in the meals of the invalid."

Generally speaking, the noted women of Anglo-Franco-American society have not accepted the extremely long skirt for day time wear. Outdoors they favor helmets about half way between the knee and ankle.

—When boys and girls leave home to spend their play days somewhere else is told plainly in a straw vote taken among 10,000 Massachusetts girls and boys in their early teens. Among other questions the children were asked, "Where do you prefer to spend your play time; near or in your home, or away from home? Why? Forty-seven percent of the girls voted home, more fun for leisure time."

The children set very high the importance of home companionship with parents, brothers and sisters. Lack of friends was a frequent cause of disliking home, and, on the other hand, permission to entertain friends was frequently mentioned as a cause for liking to stay at home. Good equipment for play proved important to boys, whereas freedom to do as one pleases meant more to the girls. Parental restraint which the boys and girls thought too strict led 16 per cent of the boys and 14 per cent of the girls to find amusement elsewhere, dullness at home was another conspicuous criticism.

A small per cent of the children evaded home because of chores and errands, but a much larger percentage liked home for the interesting things they found to do there and indicated that household tasks are attractive if presented so. Faults in the home itself are responsible for the majority of its failures to hold the children, a statement to the American Home Economics Association concludes. Their investigation was made under the auspices of the Massachusetts Department of Correction, to obtain information linking with the idea that lack of parental hold on children plays a part in juvenile delinquency.

It is always a stimulating sight when a big liner docks and her cargo of smart folk descends the gangplank dressed in their smartest. Travel coats are usually neutral in tone, but this only serves to bring into play splashes of bright or rich dress tones.

OPEN DOE SEASON IS PROBABLE NEXT FALL.

Game commission officials have authorized the manufacture of 119,999 special deer licenses to be held in readiness in case conditions warrant an open doe season in some sections of the State.

PUBLIC CAMPS KEPT BUSY.

Thirty-eight public camp grounds on the state forests are maintained by the department for the convenience of tourists and other forest travelers. These camps are equipped with tables and benches, fireplaces and pure drinking water, ample parking and tent space, and other conveniences for the comfort of visitors. All of them are located on primary roads of travel and are attractively situated amidst beautiful forest surroundings. Many of them have historic associations.