

# The SANDMAN STORY

## ABOUT BABY DAYS

MELLY could remember a good many months back. In fact, she could remember two whole years back, and yet she was now only three years old.

But she was a child now. She was no longer a baby. Some foolish people still called her a baby. Really, they knew very little. Didn't they know that a baby was a little bit of a helpless creature, very lovable, very sweet, but very helpless?

Didn't they know that a baby couldn't walk, or talk, or even think? At least, if a baby could think, a baby couldn't tell what she was thinking about.

And a baby couldn't remember well at all. In fact, a baby had a very bad



She Loved to Put Her Head Close to His Head.

memory. Melly knew that. Of course she knew it.

She had been a baby herself. And she simply couldn't remember what she had thought about when she was a baby. She often tried to think hard. By thinking hard she felt she might remember something. But no matter how hard she thought, she couldn't remember further back than when she was one whole year old.

Her mother said that most people couldn't remember when they were a year old, but Melly could do that. Not much, of course.

She could remember only a few things about that time. She had a strange, dim remembrance of the night she had been carried in her daddy's arms. It was a very, very, dark night. She had been told since that they had arrived in the town where they were going to make their home and that the place they had gone to stay for the night was overcrowded and that there had been no room for them.

She knew they had arrived on a train, as she had been told that. But

she didn't remember anything about the train—nor did she remember a single thing that had happened in all of that first year of her life. She was a little over a year of age when her daddy had carried her from one hotel to another. She remembered how dark and strange everything had seemed, and she remembered that her mother and daddy had talked to each other and sometimes to her.

What they had said she had not understood, but she had not felt frightened in her father's arms.

From the time she was a year old until she was eighteen months old, she remembered very little. Only she remembered kindly old waiters—she could see them now as she thought about them. And she remembered the great excitement of creeping. Oh, how fast she could creep. But just as soon as she had a good start and was really rushing delightedly along her mother had come hurrying after her and had caught her up and carried her back to her room.

Her mother had a way of hurrying so very fast—Melly could not keep ahead of her mother, once her mother had started after her.

Sometimes her daddy would come and stop her when she was creeping. Sometimes the very oldest and the very nicest waiter in the hotel chased after her.

It seemed such a pity. They were afraid she would fall downstairs. And she was not afraid of anything. Not a single thing.

But best of all, during those months, was the great big Newfoundland dog with the long, soft, beautiful hair and the most handsome face Melly had ever seen.

Her mother's face was nice and so was her daddy's, and there were cross faces, too—faces that looked at her and made her feel in the way and not loved. Faces that belonged to people who also had a cross way of speaking.

Melly didn't know just what was the matter with those people then. When she was three, though, and thought about them she knew that they were merely "fussy" people who were "made nervous" by children.

But the dog had the most handsome face of all. She loved to put her head close to his head. And he seemed to love it, too. And he gave her rides—all the rides she wanted—on his big, beautiful back. Oh, she would never forget that dog. Not as long as she lived. He had made her have so many happy times when she was little.

Yes, she was little then, but even then she was not a baby. Still, perhaps she could call those her baby days. Now, though, she was three years old and she was most certainly a baby no longer. Only foolish people called her a baby now!

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## El Brendel



The odd fact about El Brendel, a new recruit to Movietone pictures, is that he has imitated Swedes on the stage so long that audiences believe he is Swedish, which is not true. El is a comic, born in Philadelphia, and is to be seen in the comedy role in "Sunny Side Up." Before becoming a star in comedy in 1921, he had experience in all manner of theatricals. He is 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, has brown hair and blue eyes.

## For Meditation

By LEONARD A. BARRETT

### INTERNATIONAL GOOD WILL

A FAMOUS lawyer is quoted as having made the remark that there never had been a will drawn up that he could not break. This might be considered an extravagant statement of an over confident lawyer, but it does suggest the possibility of a legal status arising in which technicalities could thwart justice. A law to be effective must not only be "storm-proof" legally, but should have the support of public opinion. Some of the laws on our statute books are difficult to enforce while others are flagrantly violated for the reason that public opinion considers them unjust. Public sentiment in favor of a law is as important as its legal phraseology. When both exist no difficulty is found in law enforcement.

Care exercised in keeping poultry yards clean and in sanitary condition has a double function in keeping the flock clear of parasites that undermine the health and sap the vigor of the birds. The injury by mites, lice, fleas, and other parasitic organisms is sometimes obvious, but it also happens that some insects or other small creatures are carriers or intermediate hosts of some of the internal parasites of poultry. Once the pests are out it is easy to discourage them.

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If a sash or other plant house is to be built, or the old one needs repairs, the job will be easier now than later. It is also well to get the hotbeds and the cold frames ready for use.

Green feed added to the ration will aid in keeping the hens in production. Be sure that there are no mites in the poultry house, and make it as comfortable as possible in every way.

In the case of soil that can be handled under a system involving fall plowing, fall plowing certainly has much to recommend it. At least, a portion of the garden should be fall plowed, for this will mean an early spring garden.

## Tobacco Plants Found Poisonous

Not Generally Known These Weeds May Cause Death of Stock.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Most amateur smokers well know that our ordinary cultivated tobacco is poisonous, says Dr. C. Dwight Marsh, of the United States Department of Agriculture, specialist in the poisoning of live stock by plants and weeds. While nicotine, the poisonous substance in tobacco, is also present in some of the tobaccos that grow wild as weeds, it is not generally known that these plants may cause sickness and death in live stock.

**Resembles Cultivated Tobacco.**  
The weed known to botanists as *Nicotiana trigonophylla* grows in many localities in the relatively dry range areas of the Southwest—Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and southern California, and Utah. It resembles cultivated tobacco, although the leaves are narrower. After several deaths in a herd in Arizona, the owner and Doctor Crump of the bureau of animal industry, suspected the weed as the cause. They drove a herd of cattle away from a patch and marked it carefully. Next day the cattle had returned and eaten the wild tobacco and two were very sick as a result. These animals seemed to have acquired an appetite for the weed.

Another wild tobacco, *N. attenuata*, which is almost equally poisonous, is found not only in the Southwest but extending as far north as Washington. *Nicotiana glauca*, commonly known as tree tobacco, because of its shrub-like growth, is also known to be poisonous to live stock.

**Easy to Kill Plants.**  
Ordinarily, Doctor Marsh believes cattle and other live stock will avoid the wild tobacco if good feed is available. As the plants grow on limited areas it is not difficult to destroy them, and on the range, where live stock are herded, it should be easy to keep them away from patches of wild tobacco if the herders take pains to learn the appearance of the plants.

## Guard Against Termites in Erecting Buildings

While building new buildings they should be termite proofed. Two per cent of the original cost will make the building safe from the inroads of the insect that causes thousands of dollars damage each year, according to Thomas E. Snyder of the United States Department of Agriculture.

The surest way to make the building, less liable to be attacked is to use no wood in the foundation or basements. The chief thing to keep in mind is to prevent any wood coming in contact with the ground.

Termite control and other methods of prevention are thoroughly described in a leaflet just released from the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

## Keep Yards Clean

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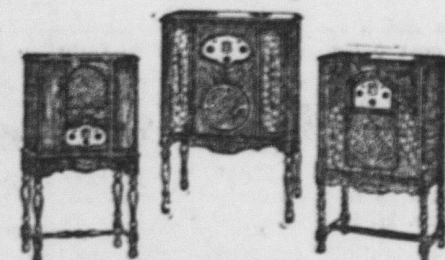
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## Melted Granite Saves Labor

To save the tedious labor of chiseling away granite foundation blocks on which rests the county morgue at Pittsburgh, Pa., contractors planning to move the structure melted the granite rocks, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. The chiseling operation would have required two months, but the granite was transformed into molten lava in less than one month. An oxygen welder first was applied to the granite, eating out a small hole, after which a steel pipe attached to an oxygen tank was inserted in the hole and oxygen released into it. When the pipe started to melt, chemical reaction also served to melt the granite.

## Something Was Wrong

Simpson—These reporters tell awful fibs.  
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## Dear Editor:

SINCE I was a kid, I have always liked to see the wheels go round. I've watched a big factory roll liver pills. I've seen various factories, soap plants, match works, golf ball foundries and razor blade clinics.

Machines can do most everything. I'm waiting now for a machine to manicure nails.

Watching a girl manicurist today I was impressed with the number of wasted strokes. At least 90 per cent of her motions, I estimate, were unproductive. What a field for scientific management!

But any man who pays \$1 for being fussed over probably wants those extra flourishes and hand pats. It's a good racket, and those who prefer can always snip their own with the desk shears.

—FRED BARTON.  
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## SMILES

GABBY GERTIE



"Gasoline will not take the dirt out of a divorce suit."

## Why We Do What We Do

by M. K. THOMSON, Ph. D.

### WHY WE REPEAT

EVERY one knows what it is to be sorry, to regret doing something, wishing that we had done something else.

Some people would explain this fact by saying that it is conscience that is troubling the person who is sorry and regretful. And by conscience they would mean some sort of inner voice which condemns you for violating a moral law and keeps telling you over and over again that you have acted wrongly, that you should not have done so, that you will be punished for your act. This makes one feel blue and downhearted.

Whatever views we take of conscience the fact remains that all normal people feel a sense of guilt and shame in doing what they know to be wrong.

But it is not in connection with moral questions alone that we experience regret and are sorry. This happens every time we realize that we have made a mistake of some sort—injuring another person, making a foolish choice, getting cheated, or feeling cheap in some way, or in suffering a loss when we might have done better.

Some of us are inclined to overdo this just as some are inclined to not feel regret strongly enough. Those who suffer from too sensitive a nature in this respect are manifestly unfair to themselves.

As a man grows older he usually gets more mellow and has a broader view of things which may bring regret concerning his earlier conduct. One common regret is the lack of appreciation we have for our parents while they are alive. We do not realize at the time that we are not doing all we can to show our love and appreciation. But after they are taken from us and we cannot possibly make amends we can think up any number of nice things we might have done for them.

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### A Stickler

Animals play games like children, says a famous naturalist. Imagine a porcupine in a game of leapfrog.—Farm and Fireside.



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