EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY CAN FIND SOMETHING INTERESTING HERE TO READ

THE CRACK IN THE BELL" STORY OF POLITICS IN PHILADELPHIA • • BY PETER CLARK MACFARLANE • • •

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OT all of these men were in active business; not all of them were in all of credits at the places where Mr. lingham's control of credits was abite; some of them had their money away in real estate, or invested the kind of bonds and stocks that not m. Mr. Buckingham's power could the kind of bonds and stocks that not m. Mr. Buckingham's power could the to tremble. To some, therefore, Jerry's angel chorus Mr. Buckingham as terse orders, to others only polite ilmations, while with still others he asoned, gently at first, and then more whatcally. Where some openly orned, he threatened, as he had breatened the department store man. It remains but to record that Mr. sekingham's faith in tactics of this set was immediately vindicated. A word to the wise is usually quite sufficient in Philadelphia, and the flow of noney to Jerry's political coffers was straightway cut in half; that is, it was the half until three men on his sance committee who could neither be soled nor browbeaten into obeying in situation and to say to Jerry:

"Go on! You're drawing blood. will make up the deficit ourselves."

"For how long?" asked Jerry.

"For as long as you need it. Knowing that these gentlemen could, for the rest of their lives, support his sarty organization without being impoverished thereby, the young leader uniled at the three of them, one of his breadest, most toothful smiles, and they alapped Jerry on the back.

"Go to it." they said. "The fight looks wood to us." But about this time the head of the big department store was shock to Mr. Buckingham.

"I never had such an experience in my life," he said. "Gently but firmly thuse men tell me that their money is their own; that they will not cease to subscribe to Mr. Archer's political ormalization."

This indicated the grip Archer's movement was getting upon the citiers. The spirit of insistence upon better things was stirring in the minds of the common man. The workman—the rorm—was about to turn. According to Leven's point of view the worm was shout to become a spreading adder APTER XXVII (Continued) all of these men were in active

because them is mapped Mr. Buckingham to the store prorrespend. Mr. Willard, said the merchant—and he will be discharged again.

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CHAPTER XXVIII

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THE PEOPLE IN THE STORY JERRY ARCHER, with his brother

Paul, actively conducting the business of the Archer Tool Works engaged in

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WILLARD H. BUCKINGHAM, financial sensing and the most powerful man in Philadelphia as the result of the complete political control which his financial prowess gives him.

RUTH BUCKINGHAM, his daughter who is engaged to Jerry Archer without the knowledge or consent of her parents. VICTOR ROLLINSON, a rising young lawyer and close friend of Jerry Archer. He knows life in all its bitterness and wyer and close friend of Jerry Archer, knows life in all its bitterness and has risen above it.

SVLVY AURENTSKY, a young girl

of the ghetto, whose father is unable to
overcome political and economic oppres-

ster of the most victous sort, and a distinct political asset for the "Organization."

JIM RAND, a Councils' lobbylst: MICHAEL KELLY, a Carey division leader in the Fifth Ward: MAX RISSMAN, a newspaper reporter, who prove to be Jerry Archer's friends, although in entirely different ways.

EDMUNDS, an "unofficial official," who is Buckingham's push-button when that personage wishes some political deed accomplished.

THE STORY THUS FAR

Jerry Archer never gave any attention to politics, referm or civic affairs until he had his skull cracked open by a policeman's club when he attempted to intercede in behalf of a poor Jowish merchant feeling the suppressed wrath of the "guardian of the peace." That event taught the young millionaire that the Organization, through its control of the police, dispenses favors and suppresses all opposition. The episode with the policeman also brings him into contact with Mike Kelly, who gives Jerry his first lesson in practical politics.

At the same time Jerry discovers the power of Buckingham, who, at the instance of his daughter Buth, called up Edmunds on the long distance telephone at Atlantic City and commands that man to produce Jerry, to quash the charge and to punish the offenders. Thus it is that the policeman is discharged—not for having heaten a citizen, but for having dared to interfere with a friend of Willard H. Buckingham.

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His civic consciousness aroused, Jerry refuses Jim Rand's demand for \$5000 in order to push through Councils a franchise for a sure track to the factory. At the psychological moment Max Rissman uncovers the story of the arrest of Jerry and the two events make him a popular idol. Jerry has become interested in Sylvy Aurentaky, especially se since Kelly assured him that the girl was not safe with such men as Maldono around. When Sylvy's father rescues his daugnter from the gunman the latter, incensed has Aurentaky arrested on a trumpedum charge. Meanwhile Jerry had told Victor Rollinson about Sylvy, and the young lawyer, when he meets the sixt in the course of investigating an excitent. meets the girl in the course of investigating an cacident, immediately falls in love with her.

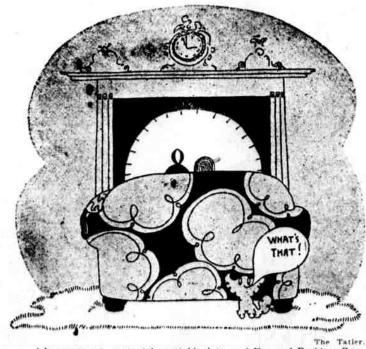
Although Rollinson has Maidono arrested, a friendly judge releases him on ball and its thus is able to esquineer the attack on the lafayette Club in the Fifth Ward and the murder of Detective Eppley. Both events take place in Jerry's presence.

After election, when the Town Meeting party has been heaten, Jerry makes plans for the next fight, and is introduced to the "Sage of Philad-plain," who enables the younger popular here to start a "Real Republican" party to buck the contractor or-



"Father," Sylvy said, when he came in that night, "I want to talk to you all

The Book root in the Big Book



Adam goes out on special constable duty, and Eve and Reckless Reg-gie keep the home fires burning the while.

THE DAILY NOVELETTE THE LITTLE HOUSE IN THE WOOD

By GERALDINE MACK

"DREAMLAND ADVENTURES" Bu DADDY

PEGGY'S BIRD CIRCUS

CHAPTER II

Peggy Meets Balky Sam (Peggy meets Baiky Sam
(Peggy is surprised by the Birds,
who come to call on her. While
they are visiting their attention is
distracted by an army mule, driven
by Peggy's soldier friends, Ben and
Bill Dalton, which sits down in the
street and refuses to budge.)

BEN and Bill stared at Peggy as if their eyes would jump out of their

"Thank you, Miss Good Fairy," answered Bill. "Hereafter I'll just call him a cantankerous cudgermudgeon and let it go at that." Balky Sam looked around at Peggy and gave her a sly wink. It was so funny she had to giggle.

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"What a funny looking lot of "Yes, I'll be your tra

seems as though we are always meeting you when we need help," said Ben to Peggy.

"Are you in trouble," answered Ben. "It's just a matter of disappointing a lot of the soldier boys who are about to start for France. We wanted to send them off with a laugh and now we can't do it."

"How were you going to make them laugh?" asked Peggy, a bit puzzled. "The creation director had engaged an animal circus to come and amuse 'em," explained Ben. "You know what I mean—one of those vaudeville shows with ponies, dogs, monkeys and the like. Bill and I were sent to town with the mule team to get the baggage. At the depot we found that the train carrying the circus had been wrecked, smashing up the outfit so it will be a week before it will be ready to show here. By that time thousands of the boys will be on the way to France."

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"Princess Peggy, aren't you coming back to us?" chorused the birds and some apparatus on which they could perform. Her doll's trunk would supply time tours and she had toys that would serve as apparatus. She ran pretty timesled frock she had worn.

Balky Sam looked around at Peggy and gave her a sly wink

By EDWINA

"Will you be in it, Princess Peggy?"

would serve as apparatus. She ran quickly into the house and gathered up the toys and the trunk. For her own stage costume she selected a pretty tinseled frock she had worn

at a fancy dress dancing party.

Ben and Bill laughed at her baggage, but loaded it on the big army wagon, where it seemed almost lost. They invited the Birds to ride, but all declined except Judge Owl and Blue Heron, for whom flying was not all

Soon they were ready to start. But there was Balky Sam, still sitting in the middle of the street as comfortable

of moving.

"Well, what do you think of that cantankerous cudgermudgeon?" exclaimed Bill.

"Maybe I can start hin." volunteered Peggy. She jumped off the wagon, ran to the backyard where there was a particularly nice patch of

there was a particularly nice patch of long grass, and pulled two big handfuls. She gave one handful to Balky Sam's mate, who started to eat it with great relish. Balky Sam opened his mouth for the other handful which Peggy frisked in front of his nose. But Peggy teasingly snatched it away. Pegy frisked in front of his nose. But Peggy teasingly snatched it away. She laughed at his eagerness and gave him a wink. Balky Sam slyly winked back and quickly jumped to his feet. Just as quickly Peggy rewarded him by shoving the grass into his hungry mouth. Then she climbed into the wagon, Bill said "Geddap," and away they went for camp. Balky Sam munching contentedly as he trotted along.

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CAP" STUBBS—It Was a Grand Scheme—Only—

YER SHRAPN'L HELMETS



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