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

HE CRACK IN THE BELL" STORY OF POLITICS IN PHILADELPHIA

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me out of it was Paul's that he

T. Archer, "is that in pinching credits here Buckingham will also the length of smearing us in hington, and for us to go down there assistance will only seem to me a warning that this big bully have justed."

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se sort of thing, this Buckingham atlon, isn't it." remarked Jerry, a it can pardon a pickpocket or go to Washington and poison the of the National Government."

It that's just why at last my whole and soul is going into this fight at it." declared Henry Archer denedly. Never a passionate rear, he was most surely roused he found his individual rights in-

reason we're no better at think

he reason we're no better at thinka way out tonight," opined Jerry,
that there is still a doubt as to
ber the crisis really exists or not."
omorrow we shall know, declared
Archer, and at 3 o'clock in the afterhe did know,
a boys had put in an anxious day
alting, and the sight of their father
wing himself wearily into his chair
that the sons instantly to his side,
aven banks have refused the new
t, boys," he confessed immediately,
looks as if the blow was coming,
of the seven suggested that they
d feel more comfortable if the curloans were reduced."
hen it is coming without a doubt,"

cough the city. Jerry was in a cold, release rage.

Henry T. Archer was pale and subled. He worked all day trying to ablish new lines of credit, and twice of arranged for loans from private ries that would have carried them ar, only to have the said parties notify by telephone later that they would mable to realize on their assets.

After they talked with their banksineered Paul.

Exactly, agreed Henry T.

Laturday night a telephone call came on Ruth. By mutual agreement that was their at judgment that for the two to be a together or to be overheard in munication at this time would be to the proclamation of a barred zone out the Buckingham premises so far

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body here but Aunt Stells," purred offt, eager voice of the girl.
oming over fast!" chuckled Jerry
boyish enthusiasm, and made a

thering strength for the coming week. The Paul went hither and yon trying organize a group of the friends of his ter who would pool surplus resources come to the rescue of the firm. Try put in the early morning reving some of his division leaders who sked all the week and were there, unable to see him upon another. To them the young organizer on hint of the crisis through which was passing; and the ready presence, numble royalty, the eager interest of men in the prospects of the "Real sublicans" campaign buoyed Jerry They helped him to resolve afresh the would never surrender, ater in the morning Jerry went to roch with his mother and sister, parsut of a sense of duty, and partly use of a hope that out of that calm coppere of worship he might get a mof some sort. Tell it out among the me, "chanted the choir, and Jerry to his gleam, but he didn't recogit then. At first it was only a of refrain that kept buzzing in orys ear, and did not relate itself sything in particular, until the next while Paul fretted and his father ad about town. Then all at once, try pondered at his desk, this refrom yesterday—"Tell it out.—

tout," had been translated into a sefinite, practical idea. Detail by the plan took shape—a plan that sed victory and that cut two ways double-edged fiery sword.

a winner," exuited Jerry. "It's winner," try and discouraged were and discouraged ways and discouraged ways.

winner, extited sery its winner, the state of the sery and discouraged ver, and instead of going to hisk, he turned in and stopped beery's with Paul hurrying in to he latest word.

Iight of confidence in Jerry's ather displeased Mr. Archer, as ing that his son was not taking uation seriously enough and was just a touch of reproach in ther's tones as he announced

THE PEOPLE IN THE STORY

JOE MALDONO, a gumman and gang-tier of the most vicious sort, and a distinct political asset for the "Organization," JIM RAND, a Council's lobbylet: MICHAEL KELLY, a Carey division leader in he 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

THE STORY THUS FAR

Jerry Archer never gave any attention to politics, reform or rivic affairs, until he had his skull cracked open by a policeman's club when he atternated to intercede in behalf of a poor Jewish merchant feeling the suppressed wrath of the "guardian of the peace." That event taught the young millionaire that the Organization, through its centrel of the police, dispenses favors and suppresses all opposition. The episods 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 Ruth, 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 beaten a citizen, but for having dered to interfere with a friend of Willard H. Buckingham.

Mis civic consciousness aroused Jerry refuses Jim Rand's demand for \$0000 in order to mush through Councils a franchise for a spur 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 Aurentsky, especially so since Kelly assured him that the girl was not safe with such men as Maldono around. When Sylvy's father rescues his daughter from the gumman the latter, incensed, has Aurentsky arrested on a trumped-up charge, Mean-while Jerry had told Victor Rollinson about Sylvy, and the young lawyer, when ha meets the girl, in the course of investigating an accident, immediately falls in love with her.

Although Rollinson has Maidono arrested a friendly judge releases him on hall and the thing is able to eighteer the attack on the Lafavette Club in the Fifth Ward and the murder of Detective Epples. Both events take place in herry a presence. After election, when the Town Meeting party has been beaten, Jerry makes plans for the next fight, and is introduced to the "Sage of Philadelphia" who enables the young popular hero to start a "Real Republicans" party to buck the contractor organ-

young popular hero to start a "Real Republicans" party to buck the contractor organisation.

Victor Rollinson interests the "Big Sisters" in Sylvs and through Hester Levy, one of them, who procures a nosition for the girl in her father's store, she meets Ruth, wint tells her of Victor's love. When Sylvs is about to inform her father of this new turn in her affairs, Aurentsky, turned rabid anarchist because of the brutal treatment at the hands of Maldone and the politeians, outlines so the girl plans for revolution and bloodshed in this city. But the old man forgets all about this violence when pestience rauses the death of his son.

Buckingham, frightened by the menage of the "Real Republicans," threatens Jenry with withdrawal of credit if he does not quit the political fight, but the young reformer gains the rousent of his father and trother to buck the great financier in a business way, as well.

"I do!" declared that young man leaping up, with a ring of triumph in his voice. "I do"

"Where in heaven's name! exclaimed Mr. Archer, a bit petulantly.

"From the people in Philadelphia!"

"I don's get you observed Paulseanning his brother's face critically.

"The sign! The sign!" exclaimed Jerry, pointing upward. "The sign on the roof! I'm going to sell Philadelphia what's happened to us, and why it happened. I'm going to ask them to take up our loans."

"I confess I do not understand!" said Mr. Archer, and his manner was a trifle frigid.

"That's the politician in you talking."

"It's a wild scheme," declared Paul.

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were:
"Don't get caught on any barbed-wire fences!"

Tomorrow's Complete Novelette-

"ELLEN'S VACATION."

chicken!" he shouted. Peggy gasped with dismay and started to run to the Frog's rescue. But Blue Heron was there before her. He had seized the padded drumstick

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the negro. Sambo was still rubbing his head.

"Come up on the stage," hee-hawed Balky Sam. But, of course, Sambo didn't understand. He just made a face at Balky Sam.

"Ah didn't come here to see no mules an' dogs act," he said sulkily. Balky Sam winked at the audience, then winked at Johnny Buil. Johnny jumped over the footlights and down into the orchestra pit. Sambo, with a howl of fear, leaped upon his seat. As he did so Balky Sam leaned over, caught his shirt in his teeth, and dragged him over the footlights. Johnnp Bull followed right after, showing threatening rows of teeth, beside him pranced Billy Goat.

"Gracious!" thought Peggy. "I wonder what's going to happen."

iin the next chapter Balky Sam shows what he would do to a Hun, and also proves himself a hero.)

Camouflage

Daughter Dear-What shall I do? I haven't a presentable pair

of shoes! Resourceful Mere-My child, go buy a pair of spats.—The Lehigh Burr.

Convincing

"How do you know that you are the first girl he ever kissed?" "Because he didn't say so."



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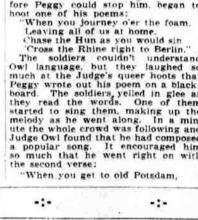
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October-I play the "loot" over the ruins of the Bank England

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CAP" STUBBS—Poor Sammy!

THE OF YER CANTY! I AINT GONNA



COOKIE!!

WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO SAY! NOT YOU GIVE TOOR SAMMY AND COMIE THIS MINUTE! DON'T BE