

And So They Were Married

Episode Two—(Each Other's Friends)
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CHAPTER VI
THE idea of the affair remained nebulous for some time, due to the fact that Ruth hesitated to mention it to Scott. She knew that some planning would have to be done and she was ashamed to plan, feeling all the while that she was barring his friends from being invited. In the meantime something else occurred that made Ruth very thoughtful. She was forced to be thoughtful because inasmuch as she had time to reason she realized that what had happened was in a sense her own fault. Among other fierce resolutions made in the high ecstasy of her first days of married life, Ruth had determined that she would not be the kind of a woman who would resent the fact that her husband should want occasionally to be away from her. For a long time Scott had not gone out in the evening alone; he had not wanted to. At last he asserted himself, and the result was as pleasant as Ruth had imagined it would be. It was harder than it would have been if Scott had taken to going out occasionally from the very beginning.

Scott's remark that he would not be home to dinner the following evening had excited a surprised query from Ruth. "Why fear where are you going?" "Well, I think it's a good time to begin those evenings out we discussed; how about it?" "Ruth was not wildly enthusiastic. "Why, of course; but you sprang it on me so suddenly."

Then they had said nothing more until just before bedtime when Ruth who had been thinking of it all evening, remarked casually, "Have you any plans?" "Nothing definite, but I'll scare up some excitement."

Ruth lay awake a long time thinking about it. She tried to convince herself of the fact that it was perfectly natural, she knew in her heart of hearts that she had planned for it, and yet now that it had come, she felt as though for the first time in their life together Scott needed something that she couldn't give him. It gave her a feeling of coming out of her honeymoon period and emerging into the station of the wife rather than the bride. No longer could she brag at her husband's decision that held her husband voluntarily at home.

Before she finally dropped off to sleep she had imagined all kinds of reasons for Scott's decision. After all, why should a man want to go places where his wife was not with him? She was satisfied why wasn't he? She forgot the fact that marriage, after all, was made in the first place to protect a woman. The man was well enough pleased with things as they were. Man is naturally polygamous.

Ruth awoke the next morning with the consciousness that she had fallen asleep with something on her mind. She struggled for a time hazily, only semi-conscious, trying to remember, and then it all came back to her. Scott was going to spend the evening away from home. The thought dragged on her

as she slipped out of bed and dressed. It made her unusually quiet at breakfast. Scott himself was in excellent spirits. Ruth decided that his writhing as he shaved and his unusual good nature was because he was looking forward to his evening alone. However, by exerting self-control she managed to let him leave the house without saying anything about it. Thus far she had preserved her pride.

"I'll telephone during the day," he had said, as he drew her close to say good-by.

"I'm going to that bridge this afternoon."

"Oh, then I'll call you when you get home." Not a word about what she was going to do, where she was going to eat, just an acceptance of things as they were that made her furious.

"All right," she said coldly, and then was still more angry because he did not seem to notice, for if he did, he said nothing at all to indicate that fact.

By the time she was ready to get dressed for the bridge that afternoon she had worked herself up into the belief that Scott no longer loved her. She was in that mood when she went to the bridge and met Isabel Carter there. But even then Ruth was too fine to complain in any way about what she considered Scott's unkindness. She wanted to talk to Isabel about it in a general way and to find out her opinions, but she would have been flayed alive before she would have let a distasteful word about Scott to any one. Not that she got much sympathy from Isabel, and she decided to go home for dinner. That was the best idea. She remembered that Scott had said he would call her up. Well, if he thought for a minute that she was going to eat a solitary dinner alone at home while he was out having a good time he was very much mistaken. She would go to her mother's for dinner and miss his telephone call deliberately. Of course, her mother would be sure to ask questions, but she would tell her nothing at all. She was too proud to admit to any one even if she had wanted to, that Scott had left her for an evening. Most of all would she hesitate before saying anything to Mrs. Rowland. She was constantly defending Scott's attitude anyway. Mrs. Rowland never missed an opportunity to disprove of something he had done.

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U. of P. Service Men to Get Great Welcome Home

The annual University Day exercises of the University of Pennsylvania on Washington's birthday will be the occasion for a great welcome to Penn alumni and undergraduates who have been in the war service. This announcement was made today by Thomas W. Hulme, president of the General Alumni Society.

Commenting on the announcement, the Pennsylvania Gazette, in its current issue, says the celebration will be an opportunity to bring back hundreds of alumni for a midwinter alumni day. Says the publication:

"It was our university that, more than a hundred years ago, originated the custom of observing Washington's birthday. Until the last few years the University of Pennsylvania was the only educational institution to hold such exercises. Now many others have followed our example and have gone farther than we in utilizing it to secure the return of many graduates. The midwinter alumni day has this advantage over the alumni day of commencement week—"

Catholics Give Thanks for Peace
Grateful for the cessation of the war, members of the various societies affiliated with the Catholic Young Men's Archdiocesan Union gathered in the Cathedral last evening and offered prayers for the repose of the souls of their departed relatives and friends, especially those who have died in the service of their country.

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Excellent water-color paints for the young student. Special at \$1. (Central.)

Desk Sets

Brushed brass desk sets consist of a pad with a blotter, an ink well, a pen tray, a paper cutter and a small blotter holder. Special at \$3. (Central.)

Women's Neckwear

At 50c there are plain or brocaded satin collars, organdie collars, hand-embroidered and Georgette collars. At \$1 there are imitation filet collars and sets, organdie collars and sets and white collars. Also many pretty jabots at \$1. (Central.)

Women's Dresses

Navy blue serge frocks at \$8.75 are embroidered about the bodice with braid and silk and have contrasting collars and cuffs. These are half price. Wool jersey frocks at \$16.75 are also marked at half. They are in light and dark shades, and some are copied from French models. Satin frocks at \$13.75 are marked at a saving of \$6. They are made in many ways, with a generous use of fringe and Georgette crepe. Black satin frocks at \$22.50 are made in delightful afternoon styles. Some are collarless; some have long, loose panel in the back, and there are some lovely sash ideas. Velvet dresses at \$18.50 are marked at less than half price. They are in navy, black and taupe, with long roll collars of white satin and silk fringe for trimming. The bodices are lined with silk. (Market.)

Sample Blouses

Pretty white voile or organdie blouses, special at \$1.85. There are about five hundred of them, made in many pretty styles—either lace trimmed, frilled or tucked. Not every size in every style, but there are many to choose from. (Market.)

Women's Coats

60 coats special at \$12.75 comprise coats of velour, chevrot, kersey and burella. Many are trimmed with Hudson seal fur cloth, mole fur cloth and beaver fur cloth. Most of them are half lined, and some are fully lined. 35 coats special at \$29.75 are mostly individual coats—one of a kind. They are most all lined throughout with silk and finished with collars of ringtail or sealene. Military trench coats in olive drab wool coating are in sizes 14 to 20, at \$18.75. From \$23.75 to \$39.75 you have more than 50 styles of coats to choose from. Many are marked at greatly reduced prices. (Market.)

Gloves

300 pair of children's tan capeskin gloves in sizes 2 to 14 years are outseam sewn and have one clasp at the wrist. Gray buckskin gauntlets for women and children are special at \$1.35 a pair. 350 pair of men's knitted gloves in black, gray and brown heather have double wrists. Special at 85c a pair. 300 pair of men's fleece-lined fabric gloves in gray and khaki have strap wrists. Special at \$1 a pair. (Central.)

Umbrellas

400 good, serviceable umbrellas for men or women are \$2. They are of tape-edge American taffeta (cotton) and the handles of the women's are carved or sterling trimmed with silk loops and the men's have plain mission or natural wood handles. Unusual at their price and fine for gifts. (Central.)

Silks

500 yards of beautiful striped and plaid taffeta and messaline, some of the taffeta with satin stripes. In many dark color combinations that are pretty for waists or frocks. At \$1.50 a yard it is a fourth less than usual. 35 inches wide. (Central.)

White Goods

10-yard pieces of 36-inch longcloth are special at \$2.25. 10-yard pieces of 24-inch bird's-eye are special at \$2.40. 27-inch width birdseye, special at \$2.95. (Central.)

Cretonne

1000 yards of cretonne are special at 25c and 35c a yard. This is a special collection of attractive designs and colors. The cretonne is 25 inches and 36 inches wide. (Chestnut.)

Women's Shoes

About two hundred and fifty pair of good brown shoes for women at \$4.75 are special. There are two styles—one of dark-brown leather with a wing tip and the other a lighter brown storm shoe that will be fine for snowy, slushy weather. Not every size in each style, but plenty to choose from. (Chestnut.)

Women's Stockings

Black cotton stockings are re-enforced at the toe, heel and garter top. Special at 18c a pair, three pair for 50c. (Central.)

Nightgowns

Women's pretty crepe nightgowns, special at \$1.85. They are of pink crepe, prettily stitched in blue, or white crepe stitched in pink or blue—both are slip-over styles and have little breast pockets. Most any woman would like to find such a pretty gown among her Christmas gifts. (Central.)

Blanket Bathrobes

A good-looking robe for women is in many colorings, special at \$5. It is trimmed with bands of satin and has a cord at the waist. Many others in pretty designs; some plain, others trimmed with satin are \$5.50 to \$7.50. (Central.)

Corsets

Two good models. One is of pink broche with a medium bust, long skirt and six hose supporters. The other is of pink batiste with a 3-inch band of elastic across the front. Both models are reduced a fourth at \$2.25. (Central.)

Men's Overcoats

Heavy-weight, all-wool overcoats in three styles—single-breasted box coats, double-breasted waist-line coats and town ulsters. The last two have convertible collars. All of the coats are of dark mixtures, and they are marked at about wholesale cost at \$22.50. (Gallery, Market.)

Men's Neckties

A lot of splendid new ties at 35c, three for \$1. They are of silk and lustrous artificial silk in many good designs and plenty of colorings—many good blues and black-and-white effects among them. And they are well made in a large four-in-hand shape. (Gallery, Market.)

Men's Half Hose

Black, navy blue, smoke and dark-tan cotton half hose are well re-enforced and neatly finished. Special at 25c pair. (Gallery, Market.)

Women's Handkerchiefs

Many pretty handkerchiefs are to be found at 25c. Either all white with embroidered corners or with colored embroidered and colored borders or centers. All are pure linen. (Central.)

Petticoats

Cotton foulard petticoats, special at \$1.50. They are in dark colorings in many figured designs, have elastic at the waist and a deep ruffled flounce. (Central.)

Kimonos

A pretty floral crepe kimono is special at \$3. It has the square collar, cuffs and front trimmed with shirred satin ribbon and elastic at the waist. (Central.)

Envelope Chemises

Dainty pink crepe envelope chemises are unusual at \$1.25. There is a casing of batiste around the top through which pink ribbon is run, and there is a dainty rosebud in front. (Central.)

Bloomers

Knitted pink cotton bloomers have elastic at the waist and at the knees and are well liked by both women and girls. Special at 65c. (Central.)

Flannellet Nightgowns

Women's warm nightgowns of pink or blue striped flannellet are \$2. They have double yokes, long sleeves and roll collars that are hemstitched. They are generously full. (Central.)

Skirts

A little gathering of skirts of panama, serge and poplin and a few satin skirts in broken sizes at a reduced price. Most all are in plain, tailored style and navy blue is the principal color. Plenty of large sizes. Special at \$3.75. (Market.)

Women's Suits

\$11 is the minimum saving on these suits at \$18.75. There are mannish serges in Norfolk models, gray tweeds made on sports lines, wool poplins trimmed with velvet and burella cloth trimmed with fur cloth. Finer suits of velour, silvertone, broadcloth and serge have been reduced to \$29.75. (Market.)



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