

OF INTEREST TO THE WOMEN

A GIRL AND A MAN

A New and Vital Romance of City Life by Virginia Terhune Van de Water

CHAPTER XXII

Copyright, 1916, Star Company. A wakeful night did not lessen Agnes Morley's sense of apprehension.

"Don't you feel well, dear?" the spinster queried. "Oh, yes; quite well; why do you ask?" rejoined Agnes.

"Because you've not got a bit of color," Miss Lucy replied. "And I'd be sorry to have your office work make you pale."

"Well, I'm hardly old enough to worry about showing signs of age," Agnes remarked, trying to speak lightly.

No, she was not old, but she was older than Philip, she remembered. She wished she was not.

There were several things about Philip and herself that she had been regretting lately, she reflected. The difference in their ages was slight, after all, and no regrets at the disparity could change it.

But Philip could have spared her discomfort in other ways. "You are very quiet this morning," Miss Lucy's voice recalled her to her present surroundings.

"I don't know—yes, I think I will go," Agnes said. "Shall you?"

"No, dear, I don't feel well enough to venture out in this dampness," Miss Lucy answered.

Agnes looked at the patient creature with compunction. How selfish she had been to be so much absorbed in her own thoughts as to disregard her aunt's ailments.

"You rest and I will wash the dishes," the girl said. "You must mind me, dear aunt. And I will get the dinner, too."

She waits for Phil. Her aunt protested, but it was in vain, and for a while Agnes found actual relief from her broodings in performing the various household duties.

Afternoon a warm rain had begun to fall, so that neither of the occupants of the tiny flat ventured out.

Perhaps if the weather had been clear, if Agnes could have taken a walk in the fresh and sunlit air, her nerves might have grown calmer.

As it was she could not shake off her feeling of depression, and, as she did not want to worry her aunt, she could not dispel her fears by talking them out.

She longed for Phil's arrival, yet wondered if after all, the conference with him would help matters.

He came in after supper, smiling and debonair as usual, regretted that Miss Lucy was feeling so bad that she had gone to her room, then added, impulsively:

"But, to tell the truth, Agnes, I am glad to have you alone—for there are many things I want to talk to you."

"Yes," she rejoined gravely, "and there are things I want to talk to you with."

"Well, you begin first," he suggested.

gested. "What's the matter? You look awfully serious." "I feel serious," she told him. "You have put me in a very uncomfortable predicament, Phil—just because you would not be careful—as I asked you to be."

"Nonsense!" he declared. "I have been careful." "Wait," she said, "until I explain—and then you can tell me what you have to say."

He laughed and nodded. But, as she talked the smile died from his face. She did not raise her voice, nor speak with any display of temper, but it was evident to the lad that what he had regarded as an almost trifling annoyance in its results to himself had been a matter of importance in her estimation.

She mentioned first the way in which he had greeted her on his first morning in his father's office—as if she were one of his friends.

"I wanted to show dad that I at least regarded you with the respect due you," he declared. "He had addressed you just as if you were an ordinary employee."

Agnes argues. "But that is just exactly what I am to you," she argued. "And you should not have shown any resentment at his recognition of the fact. If I occupy the position of his employee it is perfectly right for him to treat me as one. It is an honorable position—and if I do not object to it you need not. No—don't interrupt me, please," as he tried to speak.

"Then later on when I gave you a message from your father you looked at me—well, as if—as if—you knew me very well."

"I do—thank heaven!" he exclaimed fervently. "You should not show your feelings in your face," she reproved, ignoring his vehemence. "It made me very uncomfortable—and made talk in the office. Never mind!" for he gave vent to a smothered ejaculation.

"I don't care to discuss that part of it," her face reddened as she recalled Annie Rooney's comments and advice. "Then you sent Joe in with a note for me—your father knew it was from you?"

"How did he know?" "Why, Joe spoke in a stage whisper of Mr. Phil. Of course, Mr. Hale knew. And he was displeased, and rightly. Then, to cap it all, you followed me to the door and were talking to me in your most earnest manner when your father came out of his office. Oh, Phil,—her voice trembling—"can't you understand?"

"What must your father think of it all?" "H'rast you told me all you wanted to tell me?" the young man asked. He had become as grave as she.

She nodded. "Very well, then," he said, "it is my turn now. And, as I have listened to your indictment of me—or of my actions—you must listen to my defense—and explanation."

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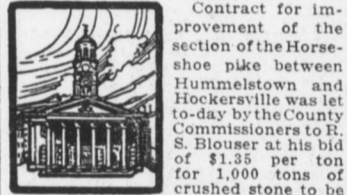
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TO IMPROVE OLD HORSESHOE PIKE

County Commissioners Let Contract For One Section; Blocks on Bridge



Contract for improvement of the section of the Horseshoe pike between Hummelstown and Hockersville was let to-day by the County Commissioners to R. S. Blouiser at his bid of \$1.35 per ton for 1,000 tons of crushed stone to be placed on the highway.

No bid was received for improving the remaining section, the stretch extending from Hockersville to Campbellstown, and this matter is being held under advisement.

The Commissioners also let the contract for paving the Millersburg bridge over Wisconsin creek with vitrified brick to G. W. Ensign, Inc., the only bidder, at his offer of \$2.53 per square yard for 230 square yards and 60 cents per foot for 300 feet of curbing.

Judge Kunkel Returns.—President Judge Kunkel, of the Dauphin county courts, who with Mrs. Kunkel has been spending a few weeks at Bedford Springs, has returned home.

Divorce Decrees.—September building operations started away to-day with an \$8,000 boost, a permit for that amount having been granted to Christian H. Lyter for the erection of four 2 1/2-story dwellings to be built at the southeast corner of Twentieth and Derry streets.

Pays Out \$90,000.—City Treasurer H. F. Oves to-day paid out close to \$90,000 of the city funds when he redeemed \$58,400 worth of improvement bonds, paid out \$25,000 in interest and satisfied the City Highway Department payroll to the extent of \$6,000.

Umbarger Home.—City Planning Commissioner E. F. Umbarger returned last evening from Johnstown, where he had been attending the annual convention of the Pennsylvania Third Class City League convention. The remainder of the Harrisburg delegation is expected home late this afternoon or this evening.

Supintendent of Detectives William Windsor is in charge at present, and Mayor Meals said to-day that an assistant may be named until Council decides on a new chief. That he had considered no one for the position was the emphatic statement of the Mayor in reply to the published reports that among the ones considered for the position permanently are Lieutenant Wetzel, City Detective George Shuler or William J. Bayles, clerk to the County Poor Board.

Another name loomed up to-day when Alderman James B. DeShong was talked of, but the Mayor only reiterated his statement that he had not thought of anyone for the office. He intimated, however, that he preferred to have someone in the department at present to have the appointment, and that when a new chief is named big changes will follow at headquarters.

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Another Big Sale of Fine White and Colored Waists; Worth up to \$1.50, 50c. One Special Lot of Women's and Misses' Voile, Organdie and Silk Waists; Worth up to \$3.00, for \$1.00.

In the Bargain Basement Final Reductions on Wash Goods. Dotted Voiles 5c, White Skirting 29c, Figured Voiles 15c, etc.

MEN! Here's Another Wonderful Offer. For Saturday Only We Are Going to Sell 20 Men's and Young Men's Stylish Summer Suits \$6.75. Actual \$12.50 to \$15.00 Values, For \$6.75.

Wetzel to Be New Chief of Police, Rumor; Mayor Says Man Is Not Picked. Despite the denial this morning by Mayor E. S. Meals that Lieutenant of Police J. Edward Wetzel is to be appointed acting chief until Council names a successor to the late J. Thomas Zell, rumors were persistent that the present officer would take charge temporarily.

Ford Motor Profits Pass \$1,000,000 a Week. Detroit, Mich., Sept. 1.—A profit of more than \$1,000,000 a week was made by the Ford Motor Company during the year which ended July 31, according to a financial statement made public yesterday.

MEAT ADVANCES. Philadelphia, Sept. 1.—Meat packing houses in this city to-day announced a general advance of from one-half to two cents a pound in the wholesale price of fresh meat, although the railroad embargo on foodstuffs does not go into effect until tomorrow.

THREE DEATHS IN PHILA. Philadelphia, Sept. 1.—Three deaths and two new cases of infantile paralysis were reported in this city up to noon to-day. With the passing of August, Director Krusen of the local Department of Health and Charities, looks for a marked decrease of the plague.

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