

SUBURBAN SALLY

By DOROTHY DOUGLAS.

Sally was never quite sure whether the idea occurred to her through the channel of mercenary thought or simply because she wanted to break the monotony of life.

She had been left a most delightful little home, an excellent garden and ample stabling for horses and country vehicles.

There was an excellent pair of gray mares in the stable, a small trap and her grandfather's old family omnibus. The latter was thick with dust of years, yet it was the hinge upon which Sally's business venture swung.

"I could drive perhaps twelve commuters to their train each morning and take them home in the evening," she mused. "If I charged a dollar a week and had even ten passengers I would not have to sell off the horses. Ten dollars a week means considerable to me."

"Besides," she reflected when she had all but determined on the idea, "the horses would have a little exercise and I a trifle of amusement. I feel sure that the gentlemen who occupy those charming houses on the Elm road will rather drive in my omnibus than a crowded street car."

Sally's mental prophecy proved correct. The gentlemen who commuted to the city from Elm lane were weary of crowded cars and leaped at the idea suggested on the tiny cards that Sally had sent out.

During July and August, when suburbanites brought out guests and relatives for a breath of country air and fresh vegetables from their gardens, Sally's ten dollars a week swelled to twenty. Commuters seemed willing to crowd into her omnibus rather than into street cars and Sally was obliged to permit an occasional passenger on to her box seat. This she strongly objected to, since she had determined to remain, as far as possible, a stranger to her patrons.

It was not until the advent of Dick Halstead into her omnibus that Sally found her dignity slipping from her. It was impossible for any one to remain very far above the human throng when Dicky was near. He seemed born merely for the purpose of etching smiles on the faces of those with whom he came in contact.

"I say, Halstead," yelled Roger Evans from the inside of the coach, "no one is allowed on the box seat unless it is crowded to capacity inside. Come down off your perch!"

"I am sitting here in the interest of humanity," returned Halstead. "The off mare has a wicked look in her eyes this morning. She may want to bolt when she passes the steam roller." He glanced swiftly at Sally's amazed expression. "My manly strength is required—here on the box seat."

To those inside the wagonette it seemed as if Halstead had made the statement in a spirit of fun. In reality he had feared the off mare for some days past. Since the advent of the great steam roller on the quiet country roads Sally had had as much as she could do to handle the horses.

They were approaching the corner of the road where they were wont to meet the snorting, powerful roller with its deafening noise.

Halstead turned to Sally. Her face had gone white. He looked ahead for the cause and saw a second roller, more gigantic than the first. The mare might pass one road-hend, but assuredly Sally's hands could not make her pass a second. It meant a frightful spill at least on the precarious road. Halstead for a second feared to take the reins suddenly from the girl. She might fight to retain them and the horses would bolt with some twenty men in the wagonette.

Halstead drew a heavy, swift breath and again glanced at Sally. She felt his glance and realized the strain he was under.

"Here," she said, swiftly thrusting the reins in his ready hands; "I haven't the strength."

"Angel," muttered Halstead under his breath and then the fight began. Never could Sally have controlled the maddened beasts, for beasts they were in that desperate moment when they reared in one awful plunge as they dashed past the second roller.

The wagonette swerved from side to side, one minute toppling the next erect, but the situation was saved. Tragedy had been averted.

Sally closed her eyes, her face whiter than the lace at her throat. The horses were running steadily now and straight. Dick put one hand over Sally's as it lay on the seat beside him. She looked at him but did not speak. In the wagonette twenty men were suddenly bereft of speech. Perhaps the realization that life was a wonderful thing hit them forcibly after the narrow escape with that other phantom.

"You saved them all," Sally said finally and her voice trembled.

Dick only laughed. "We might all have had a house party in the village hospital," he said and tried to cover the emotion in his voice. Sally's sudden weakness had so unnerved him that he was tempted then and there to take her in his arms, but again reason prevented him.

"No," he muttered, "only half to himself. Tonight I will storn'er heart with roses and poetry and perhaps with a moon in the heavens for me to speak under. I love her very, very dearly," he added and a soft color crept into Sally's cheeks.

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SHORT COURSE

PROGRAM AT FARMERS' INSTITUTE

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Sec. No. 2—Field Crop and Soils

In charge of W. A. Ostrander and J. E. Wooters

MONDAY, DEC. 28

- 10:00 A. M.—Lecture, Preparation of Seed Bed for Small Grain..... J. E. Wooters
- 11:00 A. M.—Lecture, Silos and Silage W. A. Ostrander
- 1:00 P. M.—Lecture, Oats..... J. E. Wooters
- 2:00 P. M.—Demonstration, Soil Bacteriology W. A. Ostrander
- 3:00 P. M.—Lecture, Wheat..... J. E. Wooters
- 8:00 P. M.—Demonstration, Candy Making..... Miss Dale Pickler and W. A. Ostrander

TUESDAY, DEC. 29

- 10:00 A. M.—Lecture, Soil Water..... W. A. Ostrander
- 11:00 A. M.—Lecture, Barley and Potatoes J. E. Wooters
- 1:00 P. M.—Demonstration, Weeds..... W. A. Ostrander
- 2:00 P. M.—Lecture, Forage Crops..... J. E. Wooters
- 3:00 p. m.—Demonstration, Soil Analysis..... W. A. Ostrander
- 8:00 p. m.—Popular lecture J. E. Wooters



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In charge of Miss Dale A. Pickler

MONDAY, DEC. 28

- 2:00 p. m.—Lecture and demonstration on Desserts and Salads
- 8:00 p. m.—Demonstration, Candy Making

TUESDAY, DEC. 29

- 10:00 a. m.—Lecture and demonstration, Leavens and Leavening
- 2:00 a. m.—Lecture and demonstration, Pastries and Batters

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

Sec. No. 1—Corn, Alfalfa and Hog Cholera

In charge of Dr. H. H. Stoner and A. W. Palm

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30

- 10:00 a. m.—Lecture, Corn Growing..... A. W. Palm
- 11:00 a. m.—Lecture, Alfalfa and Its Values Dr. H. H. Stoner
- 1:00 p. m.—Lecture, Corn Selection and Breeding..... A. W. Palm
- 2:00 p. m.—Lecture, Hog Cholera..... Dr. H. H. Stoner
- 3:00 p. m.—Demonstration, Rope Tying and Belt Lacing A. W. Palm

THURSDAY, DEC. 31

- 10:00 a. m.—Demonstration, Corn Testing..... A. W. Palm
- 11:00 a. m.—Lecture, Alfalfa Seed Bed and Seeding..... Dr. H. H. Stoner
- 1:00 p. m.—Demonstration, Corn Judging..... A. W. Palm

HOME ECONOMICS

In charge of Miss Venia M. Keller, Director

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30

- 2:00 p. m.—Lecture and Demonstration, Cooking and Serving a Balanced Dinner

THURSDAY DEC. 31

- 10:00 a. m.—Lecture, Balanced Ration, Food Values and Menus
- 2:00 p. m.—Lecture and Demonstration, Balanced Breakfast and Supper

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Sec. No. 3. Live Stock

In charge of Andrew Elliott and G. E. Morrison

FRIDAY, JAN. 1

- 10:00 a. m.—Lecture, Draft Horses..... Andrew Elliott
- 11:00 a. m.—Judging Draft Horses..... G. E. Morrison
- 1:00 p. m.—Lecture, Dairy Cattle..... Andrew Elliott
- 2:00 p. m.—Demonstration on Babcock Tester..... G. E. Morrison
- 2:45 p. m.—Talk, State Fair H. K. Sanborn
- 3:00 p. m.—Judging Dairy Cattle..... Andrew Elliott
- 8:00 p. m.—Lecture, The Home Andrew Elliott

SATURDAY, JAN. 2

- 10:00 a. m.—Lecture, Beef Cattle..... Andrew Elliott
- 11:00 a. m.—Judging Beef Cattle..... G. E. Morrison
- 1:00 p. m.—Judging Hogs..... G. E. Morrison
- 2:00 p. m.—Lecture, Hogs..... Andrew Elliott
- 2:50 p. m.—Secretary and Treasurer Report..... J. S. Pingrey
- 3:00 p. m.—Demonstration, Serum Treatment for Hog Cholera..... G. E. Morrison
- 4:00 p. m.—Announcement of Premiums

HOME ECONOMICS

In charge of Miss Gertrude Erickson

FRIDAY JAN. 1

- 2:00 p. m.—Demonstration, Canning Fruits and Vegetables

SATURDAY, JAN. 2

- 10:00 a. m.—Lecture, Bacteria as They Effect the Home
- 2:00 p. m.—Demonstration, Canning Meats

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