



### Son and Heir

Last year all that Sallyer could do at the golf club was to brag about his baby, who was too youthful actually to chum with his father's companions. When a baby is at that crumpled, reddish stage which indicates that its age is still reckoning in days all that any father ever does is to brag at a safe distance. He would be exceedingly bored by any closer companionship with his progeny.

This spring, however, Sallyer felt that Robert, Jr., really was approaching a grown-up stage. He could walk. He could make noises that sounded almost like words. He could smile intelligently. Hence Sallyer felt that Robert, Jr., had developed into a son who was quite a human being and entirely worthy of introduction into intelligent circles.

"Why not let me take the kid out to the club?" Sallyer asked his wife on a recent Saturday afternoon. "I want to show him to the fellows. Oh, of course he'll be good—and I won't stay long. It'll give you a chance to get a little rest, too."

"It's a perfectly crazy idea!" declared Sallyer's wife. "What do they care about babies at a golf club? They want to play golf!"

"I guess it won't hurt 'em to look at my son!" declared Sallyer, fatuously. "They're always shouting about their kids. I want to show 'em a real boy."

Sallyer and his son created all the interest that Sallyer had hoped for. They arrived about 2 o'clock when the verandas were well filled and there was a rush to see the baby, who was exceedingly sporty in his new spring clothes. The men shook hands with him gravely and he bore himself with equal gravity, greatly to his father's delight. When the several women began to coo over him Sallyer withdrew to the company of the men and beamed.

Chief among the enthusiastic feminine admirers of Robert, Jr., was Miss Quigley. Sallyer grinned a bit when he observed her lift the baby upon her knee, for he felt that Miss Quigley was making a grand stand play and was not above getting solid even with the juvenile members of the Sallyer family. It was well known that she had her eye upon Sallyer's brother, Bob. Beyond the fact that she could play a disgustingly good game of golf, Sallyer admitted that he couldn't object to Miss Quigley as a sister-in-law, though as a rule it did not do for a woman in a family to outshine the men in any line. She doubtless was waiting for Bob now.

Sallyer turned to greet an acquaintance. Five minutes later he was deep in a discussion of the virtues of a new ball. Ten minutes later he had furiously accepted a challenge to a game to prove his contention. Fifteen minutes later he was teeling off at the first hole with energy and absorption. It was a hotly contested game. At its finish Sallyer and his opponent found their argument still undecided, so they played another round. It was a glorious afternoon and they idled over the course. "When I can drink in air like this," Sallyer said every little while, "it makes me feel that life is really worth living!"

After he had finished playing Sallyer and a group of men strolled into a clump of apple trees and smoked and then simultaneously sighed and arose, for they must catch the 5:50 train. Beaming, flushed with exercise and general happiness, Sallyer stepped into the clubhouse. As he passed the big living room door shrill, angry yells smote his ear. Something at the back of his brain was disturbed, but not till he had walked straight by a little group in the window did some dim thought put the brakes on Sallyer's feet.

He blinked a moment at the tableau of Miss Quigley with Robert, Jr., in her arms before he comprehended. Miss Quigley was flushed, disheveled, awry, angry Robert, Jr., struggling in her grasp, was furious. An unprejudiced person might have said that at one particularly vicious yell of Robert Jr.'s, Miss Quigley shook him. "Great snakes!" gasped Sallyer as he comprehended. "I forgot—I forgot all about his being here!"

"I should think you had!" Miss Quigley assured him. "He seems a very active child. I never worked so hard in my life as I have since 2 o'clock. And your wife has telephoned five times for you!" She added this as though rejoiced to know that retribution awaited Sallyer at the other end of the line. "Say," Sallyer begged. "I'm scared. Come on home with me and help temper the atmosphere when I arrive. I fancy Bob will drop in for dinner, since he isn't out here!"

"Well," said Miss Quigley, "you deserve all you are going to get—but I'm just mad enough at you to go along and see you get it"—Chicago Daily News.

**Under Suspicion.**  
"Your prejudice against Mr. Young-rake is entirely unreasonable, pa," protested the willful young heiress. "There's a great deal in that young man."

"Yes," replied her shrewd old father, "and sometimes I'm afraid it's a great deal of the stuff I smelled on his breath the other day."—Catholic Standard and Times.

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She seems to have the ability to coax the most reluctant flower out of the ground. When a new seedman's catalogue arrives, other household affairs quite cease—such sordid matters as sleeping, writing books, eating and talking shop—till the catalogue has been criss-crossed with approving marks. And table conversation is likely to center about the gardens, as a yachtman's centers about storms and rigging.

But her present garden is nothing as compared with the rare old gardens Mrs. Burnett once had at her beautiful old manor house, Maytham Hall, in England. She made the most beautiful garden in all Kent—a county noted for gardens.

Back of the mansion stretched old brick walls, showing traces of masonry dating as far back as 1000 A. D. Some of the walls were so old that great cedars grew atop of them. Some were tumbled down, gray, with exquisite tracery of lichens. Among these quite old walls stretched many gardens.

The most interesting had once been an apple orchard. The trees had rotted away and the plot became a tangled, wild back of the beyond. Here, decided Mrs. Burnett, she would have a rose garden in which to write. She planted roses, not merely in a few formal beds, but in masses, climbing roses and low shrubs, making one great blaze of color.

### WIDTH OF COUNTRY ROADS

Los Angeles Times Shows How Imperative Some System of Uniformity Has Become.

Some uniform width of country roads should be established and strictly adhered to on each road running from the city to sea, or to the outer boundaries of the county. It appears that some roads on our present good roads system vary from 40 to 100 feet. The first figure is as much too small as the latter is too large. It is indeed unfortunate that 70 or 80 feet is not the official width and the overhanging portion sold and the proceeds used to buy land to bring the minimum up to the standard. Now that we have a County Board of Forestry they should be planting our chief highways, but where shall trees be placed on a roadway varying in width from 40 to 100 feet? If long, graceful curves marked the transition from the width to another the problem would easily be solved, but "jogs," never!—Los Angeles Times.

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