

"PEGGY" BEAL, IN LIFE STORY, TELLS OF SLAYING "PERFECT LOVER"

ROMANCE TRAGEDY FOR HER

Willing to Be Punished She Says—Proposes Novel Defense.

By JACK CARBERRY, Cosmopolitan News Service.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 30.—"I killed my 'perfect lover' to save other girls from a fate such as mine."

With this novel defense, Marie "Peggy" Beal, slayer of F. Warren Anderson, Kansas City educational director and Philadelphia clubman, today prepared to hear herself arraigned before Justice John H. Pollock.

Bobbed-Hair Beauty.

"Peggy" Beal, five feet tall, bobbed-haired and pretty, former nurse of Dayton, Ohio, read over a copy of her own story as written exclusively for Cosmopolitan News Service and discussed her defense.

"The story of my life and love is to be my own defense," she said. "I will read it just as published in The Times into the records of the case—let the jury decide."

"Peggy" Beal's defense is without precedent in the annals of the Missouri courts.

Disregarding the time-worn pleas of women who have killed—defense of her honor, insanity or self-defense—"Peggy" Beal will ask a question of the jury which will try her.

"After they hear my story they can say whether I did right or wrong; whether it was better to be free myself and see other girls' hearts ensnared in life worse than death, or whether I had the moral right to kill for their honor," she says.

"Peggy" Beal, in her own story which will appear in six chapters in The Washington Times, gives detailed accounts of her life.

Tragic Romance.

It is a story of tragic romance; the account of a woman who experienced the thrill of "love at first sight," the wife who found herself at the side of an eternal triangle with her dearest friend and the husband she trusted as the other actors to the tragedy; the life of a woman whose love died on their wedding eve, and lastly, the woman who killed the man to whom she had given herself.

It was her latter adventure which now brings "Peggy" Beal into the coils of the law.

Believing, she says, that the man she calls "her perfect lover" was unwed, she agreed to come to him under a promise of marriage. Then, she says, she found he had a wife.

"But he promised divorce and marriage for me," "Peggy" Beal explains, warning girls against what she terms "the universal language of lies of men."

Her story, which is to be her defense, carries her life up to the tragic night on which her perfect lover was slain.

The couple occupied a room in a hotel here.

"My perfect lover came to me on our last night and told me he could not be true to me. Then he wrote out the names of other women to whom he had given his heart. There were fifty in all. My name was the last."

"But there will be more," he said. "I killed him to save these other girls," is the novel defense offered.

State Differs.

The State, however, has a different story. "Peggy Beal," Cameron Orr, county prosecutor, will tell the jury, according to an authorized statement issued today, "was reading Edgar Rice Burroughs' novel, 'Thuvia, Maid of Mars.'"

"She came upon a picture—the drawing of the mythical Thuvia standing above the form of her lover whom she had killed."

"And Peggy Beal, romantic of nature, pictured herself as Thuvia. She also killed—not for other women, but because she was afraid her life would be found out. Peggy Beal is not one bit different than any other woman who has killed," Orr says he will tell the jury. "She was afraid to think of the answer to the eternal question, 'What will the world say?' that is why she committed murder."

"Peggy Beal says she is anxious to be punished."

"For if I am punished other girls may take the sentence given me—even death—as a part of the price."



Homebuilders Asking Street Improvements

Poor Paving Positive Handicap to Development of Capital, Harry Boss Says; New Homes Require Good Highways.

Washington's poor streets are a decided drawback to development of the city, especially as regards the building of homes in undeveloped sections of the city, according to Harry K. Boss, president of the Washington Real Estate Board.

The new sections of the city are badly handicapped by lack of street appropriations," Mr. Boss declared. "There is no doubt that this condition has discouraged many homebuilders."

New Homes Have No Streets.

He cited the fact that in many of the newly developed portions of the city whole blocks of new homes, many of them high priced structures, have been completed and occupied for months but that there is no paving of any description in the streets. In some streets a half-hearted fight against seas of mud has been made by the dumping of clinders or broken paving from other streets which were fortunate enough to be undergoing repair at the time.

"The highways leading into the city are in very poor condition. Many of the principal streets through the city are unworthy of any city in the country, let alone the Capital of the nation. I have in mind Connecticut avenue, to Thirty-fourth street. This portion of the highway will compare favorably with the roads in an isolated mountain section."

City Deserves Better Ones.

"Washington is deserving of better things. The city is one of the most beautiful if not the most beautiful in the world. Its streets are a disgrace and a positive handicap to the city."

"We should have leading into the city the best highways it is possible to build. They should be maintained in perfect condition. It is largely by these roads that the incoming tourist secures his first and probably one of his most lasting impressions of the city. These roads give him his favorable impression of the city."

father's directions, I became a fellow teacher in the industrial schools of the Ohio districts in which we lived.

And so my story is carried to my first love—my meeting with Stephen Beal. Our's was love at first sight, that magic, unexplainable thing which turns feminine heads and sets hearts aflutter. He was my pupil in school—for just three nights. During those school hours his eyes never found his text books. They were on me constantly. I had to ask him to leave my class.

And then we married.

There were the first months of golden happiness.

Then the baby came—"Junior." My health broke. Perhaps there lies the foundation of my trouble. Men deny it—it is man's nature to deny—but the husband's love dies for an ailing wife. Women must learn the lesson. Their suffering must never be in silence. The sick wife cannot retain a husband's love. I knew, for I lost mine.

It was just before another little soul was to come into the world and I had hoped the second baby might change the bitterness of our hearts, that my tragedy occurred.

I had a "dearest girl" friend—a beautiful woman named Lilly, who lived nearby. I adored her. In turn she professed love for me and adoration for Junior.

One night—it was the week preceding my confinement—I had called Lilly and my friend, I thought them occupied with Junior in the adjoining room, and so, on tiptoes, I stole them after the other had gone, not wishing to wake the baby. At the door I paused—

Voices, low pitched, came to my ears.

Then I switched on the light.

(What Peggy Beal saw and the thoughts of the wife who finds herself and her dearest friend the sides of the eternal triangle, will be told tomorrow in Chapter 2 of Peggy Beal's own story.)



HARRY K. BOSS.

HARRIMAN BOY QUILTS COLLEGE AFTER WEDDING

Weds Miss Alice Laidley and Abandons University for Business Career.

By Universal Service.

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—John Harriman, nineteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman, is preparing today to take his love-at-first-sight bride to Florida, where they will live in a bungalow, and he will become a self-supporting business man.

Although young Harriman married Miss Alice Laidley, of Chicago, on August 13, the news did not become generally known here until today. They were married at Port Chester, and the ceremony was witnessed by Mr. Harriman's uncle and aunt, Mr.

Southwest Virginia Miners Boosted 60 Per Cent

NOXTON, Va., Aug. 30.—Effective September 1, all miners of the Southwest Virginia coal fields will receive 60 per cent increase in wages, according to an official announcement. This is back to the 1920 scale and means an additional half million dollars per month in wages for the district.

and Mrs. Frank Carley, Jr., of Florida.

Mr. Harriman met Miss Laidley last spring in the study of Howard Chandler Christy, the illustrator, when he called at the Christy home to use the bathing pool. The Christys have been Miss Laidley's guardians since she came to New York two years ago to study music and dance. Harriman's parents are out of the city, but it is understood they do not object to the match. They had hoped, however, he would enter Princeton in the fall. At first he intended to take his bride to the university town, but since then he decided to go into business with his uncle in Florida.

MRS. BELMONT URGES WOMEN ACHIEVE LIBERTY

Declares States Must Cancel Discriminatory Laws, As England Has Done.

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—I consider the work undertaken by the National Woman's Party to remove the legal disabilities of women in States where laws still discriminate against them, of the greatest importance and a vital matter before this country. "In England woman suffrage was granted in 1918. In the United States it was granted in 1920. In England sex discrimination removal act was passed in 1919. In the United States sex discriminations are still far from being removed in 1922. "Leaving out the great injustice concerning this question, and the much boasted chivalry of the Amer-

Women Of Pittsburgh May Smoke In The Streets

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 31.—So far as being molested by the police is concerned, women may smoke in the streets of Pittsburgh if they wish, as they are reported doing in other cities, but if they do so they will drop in the estimation of Police Superintendent Calhoun.

"There isn't any law preventing women smoking on the streets," said Calhoun, "but I believe our Pittsburgh girls think too much of themselves to do anything so common. A girl who would do that wouldn't do it for any pleasure she would get out of the operation, but simply to be bold and defiant to shock other people. This isn't a very laudable impulse."

lean man, we demand the right of liberty for women as well as men in our country. It is for this right that the National Woman's Party is putting forth every effort to accomplish."

LEADERS GIVE RIGHT OF WAY TO COAL BILLS

By International News Service. Remedial coal legislation will be given the right of way over all other pending bills, excepting conference reports, following the expected passage of the soldiers' bonus bill, according to an agreement reached today by Republican leaders.

The following program was fixed by the Senate Republican Committee on the Order of Business:

Coal bills, including the Borah Coal Commission measure, and that intended to clothe the Interstate Commerce Commission with blanket authority to deal with the coal situation.

Liberian loan bill. The Capper-Tincher anti-grain gambling bill. The Dyer anti-lynching bill.

Thursday and Friday, September 1st, Are the Final Days of the Grogan August Furniture Sale

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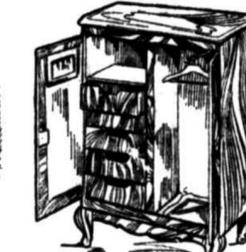
On Every Article in the Store

The last two days offer final opportunities to effect great savings on any of your requirements for the home. Remember, the goods offered are all of Grogan Quality, and, if desired, convenient credit terms may be easily arranged on any purchase.



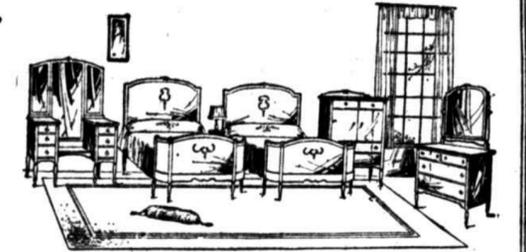
This Attractive 3-Piece Cane Panel Suite \$109

Fitted with loose spring cushions, upholstered in combination of rich velours. Choice of blue figured with combination of solid blue, mulberry figured with combination of solid mulberry, beaver figured with combination of solid beaver. Frames are of artistic Period Design, carefully fitted with cane and well finished in rubbed mahogany.



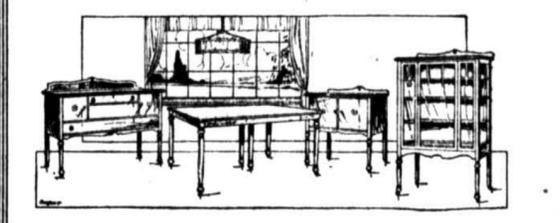
This Chiffonobe \$59.75

With double doors enclosing wardrobe compartment on one side with sliding coat rack, and on other side five drawers and hat space with adjustable mirror on door.



This Twin Bed Bedroom Suite \$219

A truly handsome suite in English Tudor design, comprises 46-inch dresser, full size vanity dresser, large chiffonobe and two bow-end beds. Combination American Walnut, with shaded carved decorations.

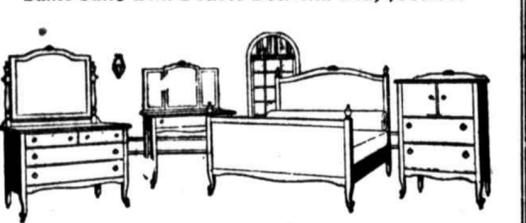


This Windsor Dining Room Suite \$159

In combination walnut or mahogany—60-inch buffet, with mirror; oblong extension table, inclosed server, 3-section-front china cabinet. Selected wood, careful construction, and high-grade finish. This suite represents a typical value in our immense assortment of beautiful Period Dining Suites.

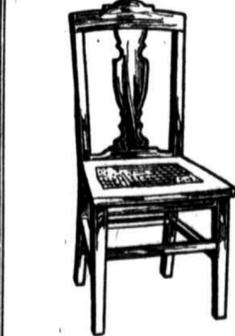
Chiffonobe and Wardrobes Bear 20% Reductions

Massive Period chiffonobe in walnut, mahogany and quartered oak from \$49.50 to \$75.00. Single and double wardrobes in walnut, mahogany and oak.



This 4-Piece Combination Walnut Suite \$98.50

Imagine a dainty Queen Anne style bedroom suite, genuine walnut veneered of good quality throughout at this low selling price, comprises dresser with generous size plate mirror, dressing table, chiffonobe and double bed.



Walnut Bedroom Chairs, \$2.95

Cane seat bedroom chairs in walnut finish. A large number of other chairs in mahogany, walnut and oak, also special at \$3.95.



White Enameled Crib, \$6.75

Steel crib, with drop side and link spring. Finished white enamel.

BABY VEHICLES

Bear Extra Reduction Tags of 25%

Sulkies, Strollers, Go-Carts and Pullmans

46 different styles are discounted an extra 25 per cent for the final two days of sale.



Simmons 2-Inch Post Steel Beds, \$7.95

Heavy continuous post steel beds, 2 inches in diameter with five 1-inch flat fillers in head and foot. Smoothly coated with enamel.

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