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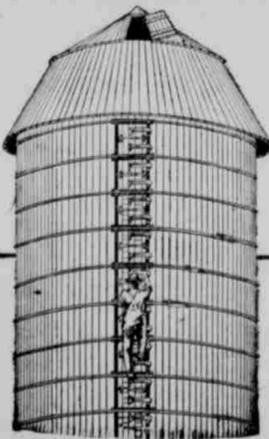
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**HIS DRIVER**

By MILDRED WHITE.

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Glen Truesdale, alighting at the village station, looked quickly about for the usual hotel conveyance. It was a mile and a half to the center of the town, and his time there was limited. No customary bus presented itself to his vision; impatiently he strode up the roadway, and there, just at the bend, waited a large automobile. In the driver's seat sat the most beautiful girl he had ever seen.

Truesdale was debating with himself whether he might dare to ask of her the information the brusque station agent denied, when the girl leaned forward.

"Auto for Lyndenville?" she asked. "You mean—" he blurted out, "that you would drive me there?"

The girl pushed open the car door. "That is my business," she answered. With alacrity he placed his valise in the machine and seated himself by the driver. Her gauntleted hands were upon the wheel.

"Where?" she asked briefly. Truesdale answered with the house-name of his destination. There was no invitation for further remark in her businesslike manner.

Once she turned to smile at him. "Great morning, isn't it?" she said. To Glen Truesdale it was a "great morning."

"There's the 'great' business block ahead," laughed the girl, "and your office the center one. Twenty-five cents, please."

"So soon," said Truesdale. His tone bespoke disappointment.

The driver flung open the door, and even as he descended she prepared to whirl her car about in departure. Then inspiration came to him. There was so little of interesting variety in his trend-mill life, this glorious morning spin had seemed like an hour from his boyhood. The car and the services of this lovely, baffling maid were indelibly for him.

"This afternoon," said Truesdale, "I would like to be carried over to the next town; could you do it?"

The girl considered. "Yes," she said; "and there will be other passengers. Call for you at two."

The other passengers were tucked into the back seat when she arrived. Silently he resented the presence of the two old ladies, but on their swing way again, he was glad. The drive seemed to feel free now, to include him in the merry, descriptive remarks she made to the others. Back with the station lights gleaming through evening dusk, Glen Truesdale lingered beside the big car.

"It will be necessary for me to pay a weekly visit here for some time," he told the girl, "may I ask you to drive me each Wednesday?"

For a moment she regarded him beneath her soft cap brim.

"Certainly," she agreed impersonally. It was altogether strange and inexplicable how that winsome, girlish face beamed him through the days which followed. Mockingly it smiled from perplexing papers; resentfully it seemed to withdraw at his own returning smile. Truesdale's anger died.

him that "she" should be carrying people about here and there, at so much a mile, and why? And what was it all to him, he who did not even know her name?

"My name is Glen Truesdale," he abruptly informed her upon one of their later rides. "I would like to know yours."

"Margaret Carstairs," she replied in dulcely.

This last ride down through the early starlight, was one of enchantment. Truesdale dared hardly glance at the glowing face near his own, lest he must tell the girl how lovely she was, and forever break the charm. Instinctively, he knew that one step out of his stipulated role of "customer only" would be the end. But how to see her under other and more promising conditions—that was the problem.

Then, because he must know more of her, he sought the station agent.

"Whom did you say she was?" he asked hesitantly. "The young woman who drives the automobiles?"

"Don't know much about 'em," the agent replied. "Came here a couple of months ago and rented the old Orange place. Carstairs, the name. Her husband started to run the auto trips, when he was called to war. Then, she took it up. Pretty plucky."

Truesdale's head was swimming. He stepped out into the night. Her husband—and he had gone—to war. Yes, it was pretty plucky. And Glen Truesdale came back to the country town no more.

The girl's eyes grew wistful as Wednesday after Wednesday passed. But the haunting eyes looking back from Glen's paper were mocking ones. When business forced him again to the country his face, whitened with fear that she would be there, but when he saw her his heart quickened in joyous response. Speechlessly he stood gazing into her reproachful face.

"You have been away—so long," she said. Disappointment was in her tone. Business method seemed to have vanished. "When I heard of your husband being away at war—" Truesdale began.

"My husband?" cried Margaret Carstairs. Then she laughed. "They do get things mixed up here," she said. "It is my brother who went to war. Mother did not want me to take his place, but—"

Glen Truesdale jumped into the seat at her side. "But I'm mighty glad you did," he said fervently.

**He Remembered.**

Little Frederick saw his Aunt Nellie chewing some gum. He said, "Please, Aunt Nellie, give me that gum." "No, Frederick," Aunt Nellie said, "there's germs in it." Then Frederick said, "Wash the germs out, Aunt Nellie." A few weeks later this little fellow was chewing a piece of gum; his aunt begged him for it. He said, "No, Aunt Nellie, germs in it."

Billie Burke in a return showing of "Peggy"—Liberty, Sunday.—adv.



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Washington, D. C. When the American people, in the Victory Liberty Loan in buying War Savings Stamps daily and raise billions of dollars to pay for munitions that never reached France, they will not in reality be paying for those munitions but for the saving of 200,000 American lives.

It was not the American army in France that forced defeat upon Germany in 1918; it was the enormous production of munitions in this country that the German general staff knew would soon be flowing into action at the front. Had it not been for this knowledge the Germans would have fought through 1919.

These statements are made by Lewis H. Franklin, head of the War Savings and Liberty Loan organization.

"Our expenditures for December," said Mr. Franklin, "were the largest on record, being \$2,660,000,000, a sum almost double the total annual expenditure of our Government in pre-war times. Many people will call that paying for a dead horse.

"But do we realize that the German army was never really routed? That to the last it was fighting on foreign soil? It was only the knowledge of a great stream of munitions on the way that ended the war in 1918 instead of 1919, and saved the lives of from 100,000 to 200,000 American boys."

Mr. Franklin said the Seventh Federal Reserve district, which includes lower Michigan, has achieved a more general distribution of bonds than any of the other districts. It sold 53% of its bonds to purchasers of \$1,000 or less as against a ratio of 40% for the whole nation.

He argued from this that War Savings Stamps should be a great success in the middle west.

**PEACE WILL PUT NEW VALUE ON THE DOLLAR**

The greatest merchants and industrial chiefs in the country agree that there will be a readjustment during the peace period. There will be a gradual decline in prices and a gradual improvement in the buying power of money.

The secretary of the treasury has a pretty good opportunity to form an opinion of financial tendencies. He says:

"Every dollar saved now and invested in War Savings Stamps will be worth much more when peace readjustment comes. Every provident man and woman in the United States may find their savings double in purchasing power in the next few years. How can any one more certainly make money than by saving it now with assurance of its enormous enhancement in value when normal conditions are restored?"

The war took 58,000,000 men out of productive civil life and turned them into non-productive soldiers. To supply them all the governments in the world went into the markets and began to bid for everything. Demand increased by leaps and bounds while supply remained stationary or was going down. Result—higher prices and declining buying power of the dollar.

**Starting the Baby Right With W. S. S.**

A movement has been inaugurated to see that each baby born in the state of Michigan gets the proper start in life. The plan is to present to each a War Savings certificate with at least one 5¢ War Savings stamp attached. The parents hold the certificate in trust and as a rule see to it that there are no vacant spots on it.

The war is not won until the problems it created are solved and the debts paid.

**Man's Ingratitude.**

"Once upon a time," said Uncle Eben, "dere was a fairy dat granted a man three wishes. Den de man made a fourth wish and de fairy couldn't grant it an' de man was jes as mad an' ungrateful as if he hadn't had no wishes granted at all.

"The Midnight Patrol" moves faster than the action of a Browning machine gun.—Liberty, Tuesday and Wednesday.—adv.

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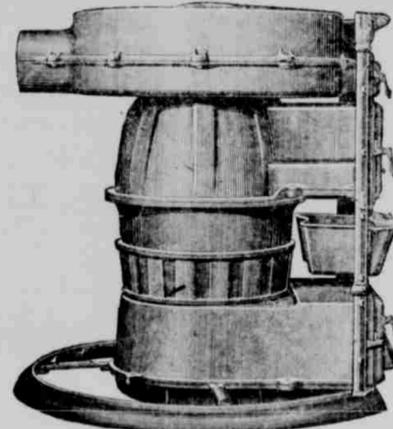
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