

The Miracle Man

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A man, fair haired, broad shouldered, immaculate in well tailored tweeds, leaned nonchalantly against the door—inside the room. He was young, not more than twenty-eight, with clean shaven, pleasant, open face—a handsome face, marred only, to the close observer, by the wrinkles beginning to peck around his eyes and a slight, scarcely discernible puffiness in his skin. Doc Madison, gentleman crook and high class con man, who had lifted his profession to an art, was still too young to be indelibly stamped with the hall marks of dissipation.

His gray eyes traveled from one to another, lingered an instant on Helena and came back to the Flopper.

"What's the trouble?" he demanded quietly.

"The Flopper's got it in for a couple of ginks that handed him one—a bull and a chauffeur of a gape wagon," Pale Face Harry grinned, punctuating his words with a cough.

Doc Madison shook his head and smiled a little grimly.

"Forget it, Flopper," he said crisply, "I've something better for you to do. You fade away and lay low from this minute. I don't care what you do when you're resurrected, but from now on the three of you are dead and buried and the police are into mourning for at least six months."

"What you got for us, Doc? Something nice? Helena pushed Pale Face Harry and the Flopper unceremoniously out of her line of vision as she spoke.

"Yes—the drinks. Cleggy's bringing them," Madison laughed and opened the door as the tinkle of glass and a humming footstep sounded without.

A man, big, hulking, thickset and slouching, with shifty little black eyes and the face of a bruiser, his nose bent over and almost flattened down on one cheek, entered the room, carrying four glasses on a tin tray. He set down the tray, and as he lifted the glasses from it and placed them on the table he leered around at the little group.

"Gee!" he said, sucking in his breath. "Do Doc an' Helena an' Pale Face an' de Flopper! Gee! Dis looks like de real ting—dis looks like us."

"It does—60 cents' worth—10 for yourself," and Doc Madison suavely flipped the coin into the tray. "Now clear out!"

"Gee!" Cleggy put his forefinger significantly to the side of his nose—"say, can't youse let a sport in on?"

"Clear out!" Doc Madison broke in quite as suavely as before, but there was a sudden glint of steel in the gray eyes as he held the bruiser's, and Cleggy, hastily picking up the tray, scuffled from the room.

Madison watched the door close, then he began to pace slowly up and down the room.

"Pull the chairs up to the table so we can take things comfortably," he directed.

"There ain't but two," grinned Pale Face Harry.

"Oh, well, never mind," said Madison. "Slew the coach around and pull that up—Helena and I will sit here on the head of it."

Still pacing up and down the length of the room, his hands in his pockets, Doc Madison watched the others as they carried out his directions; then, suddenly, as he neared the door, his hand shot out, wrenched the door open, and quick as a panther he was in the hall without.

There was a yell, a scuffle, the rip and crash of rending banisters, an instant's silence, then a heavy thud and

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Doc Madison entered the room, closed the door, dispassionately arranged a disordered cuff, brushed a few particles of dust from his sleeves and this scene started toward the table—and stopped.

Helena had swung herself to the table edge and, glass in hand, dangled her neatly shod little feet, was smoking a cigarette, her dark eyes veiled by their heavy lashes. On the other side of the table Pale Face Harry coughed as, with heavy rolled back, he was intent on the hypodermic needle he was pushing into his arm, while the Flopper, leaning with a doglike admiration in those eyes of Madison, stood facing the door, a nervous, unpleasant frown on his forehead, his hands, furtive

Doc Madison reached thoughtfully into his pocket, brought out a silver cigarette case and carefully selected a cigarette from among its fellows.

"Yes, Cleggy was right," he said softly, tapping the end of the cigarette on his thumb nail. "You're the real thing—the real, real thing."

Doc Madison pulled a newspaper from his pocket, spread it out on the table, and his manner changed suddenly—enthusiasm was in his eyes, his voice, his face.

Haynes, as Prince Toto, looks the part, and also has a good voice which he demonstrated in his "Neopolitan Love Song" in the second act. One of the prettiest songs was the opening of the third act, sung by Nelson Riley and the male chorus. Mr. Riley, who takes the part of General Holbrook, has a strong voice, and the other men's voices blend harmoniously. Comedy through the performance was furnished by Lou Powers, as Tony Schmalz, Sr., a comical German, who does well and has several clever lines, and Charles Meyers, who makes as much as he can out of the aged role of the country constable with the large white star and the chin whiskers. The chorus was not especially good to look at, but had good voices.

At the Strand. Marie Doro, with the big eyes and the clear-cut profile, is just as attractive as ever in "Lost and Won," a pleasing motion picture show at the Strand Sunday evening to good-sized audiences. It makes no difference whether Miss Doro is in rags or silks she knows how to appear fetching, and she has a chance to do so in all sorts of raiment in this production.

She starts out as "Clinders," a newspaper girl, upon whom Walter Crane, a gray young speculator, settles a bet that he can make a lady out of her and by dressing her up put her in good social standing. He tries the experiment, and she comes back from school all the rage, but a crooked lawyer tells her that it was all a bet, and she gets angry and becomes a reporter on a paper, the city editor being an old friend. While in this reportorial role she rescues her benefactor from a bad scrape, and of course marries him.

In the end, "The play is pleasing, though improbable. Miss Doro knows how to use her eyes, and this she does most of the time. Her real husband, Elliot Dexter, is a good looking young speculator, and the rest of the cast is very good, as are the photography and scenery."

M. C. Nix Dead. Word received this morning by Mrs. Jennie Early told of the death Sunday evening at Tampa, Fla., of her son-in-law, M. C. Nix, formerly employed here at the Pilgrim drug store. Hemorrhage of the brain was the cause of death. Besides his wife Mr. Nix leaves one daughter, Thelma. No particulars were given in the message as to the length of Mr. Nix's illness, nor when the funeral services will be held, but burial will be in Tampa.

Indoor Baseball at the "Y." The Doughnuts were victorious over the Dodgers at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday evening, winning 7 to 6 in a hard fought game. Reese and Luther formed the battery for the doughy Doughnuts, and Westman and Darnier worked for the Dodgers. In a pitchers' battle between Miller and Harrington the former beat when the Boys' Training Club beat the Mediators 4 to 3 the same evening. Miller and Gossard and Harrington and Brown were the batteries.

Card of Thanks. We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness during the sickness and death of our wife and daughter, Mr. I. L. Brown and children.

C. E. Howard, of Waterloo, was in the city Saturday on business.

Former Marshalltown Web Tasker. Word to the Times-Republican from Iowa City tells of the marriage at Cedar Rapids Saturday of Archie Kirk, formerly of this city, and Miss Beatrice Lynch, of Cedar Rapids. Mr. Kirk is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kirk. The story of the wedding follows:

Special to Times-Republican. Iowa City, Feb. 12.—Archibald Raymond Kirk, assistant coach at Iowa university, now in business in this city, and Miss Beatrice Blossom Lynch, of Cedar Rapids, were married Saturday night at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Theodore Thomas Lynch. The latter, together with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kirk, of Moline, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Kirk, of Dixon, Ill., received 135 guests. The officiating clergyman was Rev. E. R. Burkhalter, of Cedar Rapids.

The best man was Willis J. O'Brien, of Des Moines. The bridesmaid was Miss Alice Willard, of Marshalltown. The bride's sister, Genevieve Lynch, was the maid of honor.

The groom is an alumnus of S. U. I., and was a member of the all-Iowa, all-Western, and all-Conference eleven. Experts, east and west, have even named him as all-American timber.

The bride is a talented musician. After a honeymoon jaunt in the east Mr. and Mrs. Kirk will be at home in Iowa City. The bride's going away gown is a tan and blue check, trimmed in seal skin, with a black sailor hat.

Local Weather Record. The extremes of temperature Sunday was 4 above and 7 below, the latter the

temperature at 7 o'clock in the morning. Saturday's extremes were 13 at 7 o'clock this morning the temperature was 4 above.

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