

The RED LAMP

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The boathouse is ready for young Halliday. Edith has put in it a great deal of love and one or two of my most treasured personal possessions.

June 28. I slept very little last night, and this morning made an excuse to go up to town with the letter. Larkin had telephoned me that he had an inquiry on the house through Cameron, and this gave me a pretext.

"I haven't had any luck with the camera lately," she said. "You take them, or let Edith do it." The result of the collaboration, which followed early this afternoon is still in doubt.



"But I Can Bring It Here."

"You haven't an idea who it's meant for, you say?" "Not the slightest. He hadn't any friends, intimates, so far as I know.

Easter Eve

I saw two women weeping by the tomb Of One new-buried, in a fair green place Bowered with shrubs; the eve retained no trace Of aught that day performed; but the hazy gloom

Yaqui Tribal Dance

The dawn of a new Easter breaks over Superstition mountain, near Phoenix, Ariz., as a small group of exhausted Yaqui Indian dancers end their weird movements of "Dia di Gloria" and totter off to their wickiups and hogans.

"And wash himself ashore," I suggest, and am frowned down, probably too old for such ribaldry. Jane is very serene. Now and then, as she sits on our small veranda with her tapestry, I see her raise her eyes and glance toward the other house, but she does not mention it, nor do I.

At ten o'clock or so we let Jock out, and he turns toward the main house and then turns out the gates and into the highroad, where for a half hour or so he chases rabbits and possibly looks for a bear.

June 29. Jane is in bed today, and I am not all I might be, although I managed to get an indifferent print or two to Larkin this morning.

It is well enough for cold-blooded and nerveless individuals to speak of fear as a survival of that time when, in our savage state, we were surrounded by enemies, dangers, and a thousand portents in skies we could not comprehend, and to insist that when knowledge comes in at the door, fear and superstition fly out of the window.

At eleven o'clock I had moved the red lamp from the den in the other house to the pantry and there connected it. Jane seemed to be going very well beyond the pantry door, and after a time I ceased the reassuring whistling with which I had been affirming my continued presence within call, and grew absorbed in a book.

maintained that she had seen Uncle Horace. Her statement runs about as follows: She had not felt particularly uneasy on entering the house, "although I had expected to," she admits. Nor at the beginning of operations in the pantry. The cold air, however, had had a peculiar quality to it; it "froze" her, she says; she felt rigid with it.

With the darkness outside, the glass had become a sort of mirror, and she said her own figure in it started her for a moment. She stood staring at it, when she realized that she was not alone in the room. Clearly reflected, behind and over her right shoulder, was a face.

Larkin's report from the laboratory shows that the stain on the corner of the letter is blood. One lives and learns. Not only does the report state that it is blood, but that it is human blood. Moreover, that it is about a year old, and that it is the imprint of a human finger, but is too badly blurred for identification, as it was made while the blood was fresh.

June 30. I have been brought today, for the first time, into active contact with the feeling of the country people against my house, and especially against the red lamp. It is an amazing situation.

Thomas came to the doorway this morning while I was at breakfast, followed by Starr the constable, who remained somewhat uneasily behind him. It developed that half a dozen sheep in a meadow beyond Robinson's point, were found the night before last with their throats cut.

"No," I said. "You'll probably find that Nylie has an enemy somewhere, some hand he has discharged, perhaps." Starr took himself away very soon after that, but before he left he exchanged a glance with Thomas, and I had a feeling that something lay behind this morning visit. It was not long before Thomas brought it out. It appears that Nylie ran after the figure, to the edge of the wood, and there stood hesitating. The woods, I gather, share in the ill-repute of the house. And as he stood there, although everyone knew the house was empty, he distinctly saw the evil glow of the red lamp from it!

I dare say Jane is right, and my sense of humor is perverted, but I could not resist the opportunity of halting Thomas. In which I realize now I made a tactical error.

"Really?" I said. "Nylie was certain of that, was he?" "Saw it as plain as I see you," said Thomas. "I know you don't believe me."

DOG'S HEAD LIVES FOR HOURS AFTER CUT OFF

A German scientist announces that he has been able to keep a dog's head alive for hours after it had been severed from the body. Commenting on the incident George Bernard Shaw, Irish novelist and playwright, said that he was tempted to have his own head cut off so that he could go right on thinking and dictating plays without the impediment of bodily illness.

AL SMITH MAY BECOME HEAD OF TAMMANY HALL

George Washington Olvany, big chief of Tammany Hall for several years, unexpectedly resigned last week, leaving that century old club without a titular head. Among those prominently mentioned to succeed him are two former governors, James A. Foley and Alfred E. Smith.

TO SELL 'EM—TELL 'EM

The newspaper was placed at the head of the four factors that make the community, in an address by Dr. C. D. Curran, business builder and psychologist, before the Inglewood Lions' club. After the newspaper he placed the bank, the school and last, but not least, the church, "for" he said, "the strong foundation of every community rests upon religion."

"How much," he asked, "have you business men set aside for an advertising budget this year? If you haven't set aside very much, on the pretext that your newspaper isn't very large, let me say that it will grow just as fast as you permit it to grow by your advertising."

Even if a man's good deeds live after him, he isn't in a position to care.

SANFORD BOOSTING ITS ADVANTAGES IN SURVEY

An industrial survey supplement, setting forth the advantages of Sanford as a town in which to live and do business, was published last Thursday in the Sanford Express and the Raleigh Times. The mechanical work, printing, etc., was done in the Times shop and it is an attractive job. The twenty-four pages of the supplement are illustrated with half-tone cuts of Sanford homes, business houses and citizens. Advertising patronage was liberal.

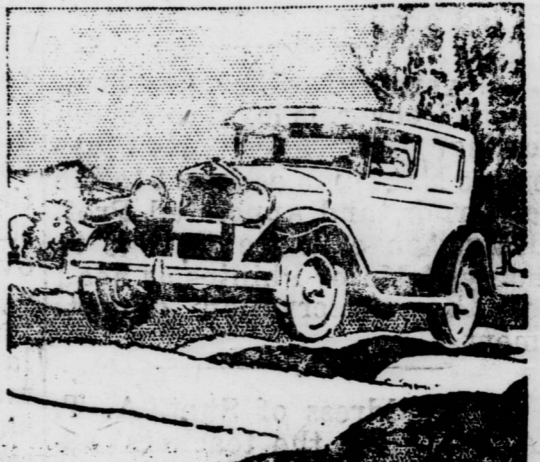
Instead of regretting yesterday get busy and prepare for tomorrow. Some men will stand up for the fair sex everywhere—except in a street car.

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Mental pictures every car buyer should have

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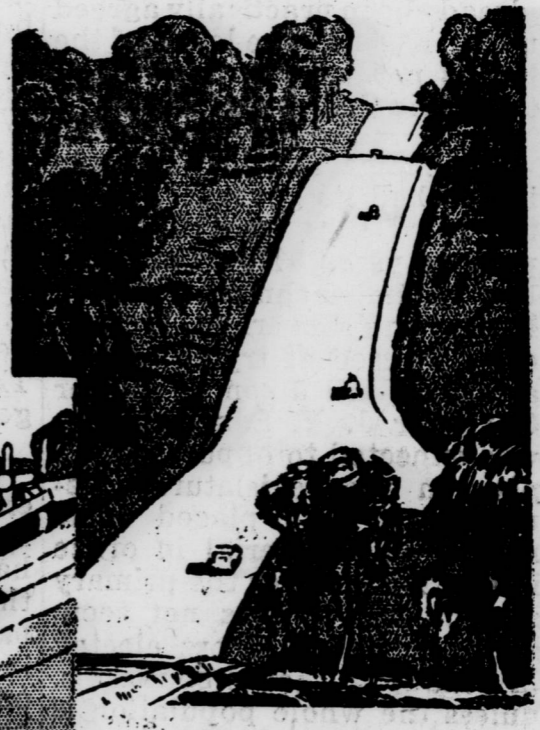
Rough going on a Proving Ground road, made had to test various parts of General Motors cars under hardest possible conditions.



A scientific "bath tub"—not to wash cars, but to show the Proving Ground engineers exactly what happens when a car is driven through water.

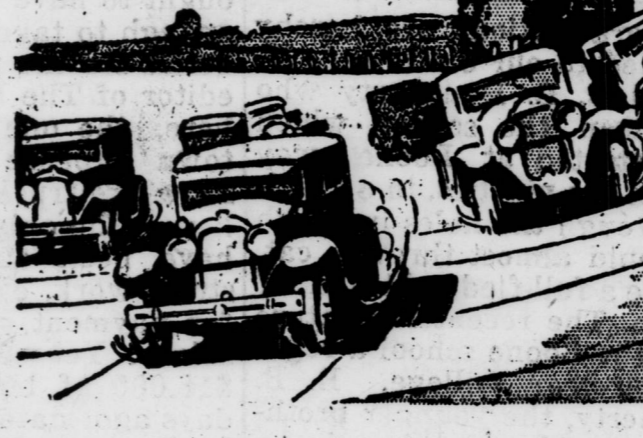
Such are the tests given advance models of a General Motors car at the Proving Ground. The tests involve speed, power, endurance, braking, riding comfort, handling ease; fuel, oil and tire economy, body strength—every phase of car construction and performance. When every test has been met, the factory goes ahead and builds your car like these proved models.

Keep these pictures in your mind. They will come in handy next time you are buying a car.



Very seldom are hills as steep as this. The average grade of highway hills is seven per cent. This hill is 25 per cent and a car must be good to make it.

On this four-mile test track the engineers can run a car night and day, at any speed, to learn just how it stands the pace.



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