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THE WINDOW at the WHITE CAT

A SERIAL STORY BY MARY ROBERTS RINEHART

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CHAPTER IX.

One Eyed Closed.

One Eyed Closed. "I don't know what it was. On the night of May, Mr. Fleming sent for me. I was in Plattburg at the time, and he was at home. He was in a terrible condition—not sleeping at all, and he said he was being followed by some person who meant to kill him. Finally he asked me to get him some cocaine, and when he had taken it he was more like himself. I thought the pursuit was only in his own head. He had a man named Carter on guard in his house, and acting as butler.

"There was trouble of some sort in the organization; I do not know just what, Mr. Schwartz came here to meet Mr. Fleming, and it seemed there was money needed. Mr. Fleming had to have it at once. He gave me some securities to take to Plattburg and turn into money. I went on the train.

"Was that the day Mr. Fleming disappeared?" the chief interrupted. "Yes. He went to the White Cat, and stayed there. On the night of the twenty-first, I came back. I carried my securities into money. I turned it in a package in a small Russia leather bag that never left my hand for a moment. Mr. Knox here suggested that I had put it down, and it had been exchanged for one just like it, but I did not let it out of my hand on that journey until I put it down on the porch to get in. I live at Bellwood, with the Misses Maitland, sisters of Mr. Fleming's deceased wife. I don't pretend to know how it happened, but while I was trying to get into the house it was filled. Mr. Knox will hear me out in that. I found my grip empty."

"I affirmed it in a word. The chief was growing interested. "What was in the bag?" he asked. "Wardrop tried to remember. "A pair of pajamas," he said, two military brushes and a clothes brush, two or three soft-boom shirts, perhaps a half dozen collars, and a suit of underwear."

"And all this was taken, as well as the money?" "The bag was left empty, except for my railroad schedule." "The chief and Hunter exchanged significant glances. Then—" "Go on, if you please," the detective said cheerfully.

"I think Wardrop realized the absurdity of trying to make any one believe that part of the story. He shut his lips and threw up his head as if he intended to say nothing further. "Go on," I urged, if he could clear himself he must. I could not go back to Margery Fleming and tell her that her father had been murdered and her lover was accused of the crime.

"The bag was empty," he replied. "I had not been five minutes trying to open the shutters, and yet the bag had been filled. Mr. Knox here found it among the flowers below the veranda empty."

"The chief eyed me with awakened interest. "You also live at Bellwood, Mr. Knox?" "No, I am attorney for Miss Letitia Maitland, and was there one night as her guest. I found the bag as Mr. Wardrop described, empty."

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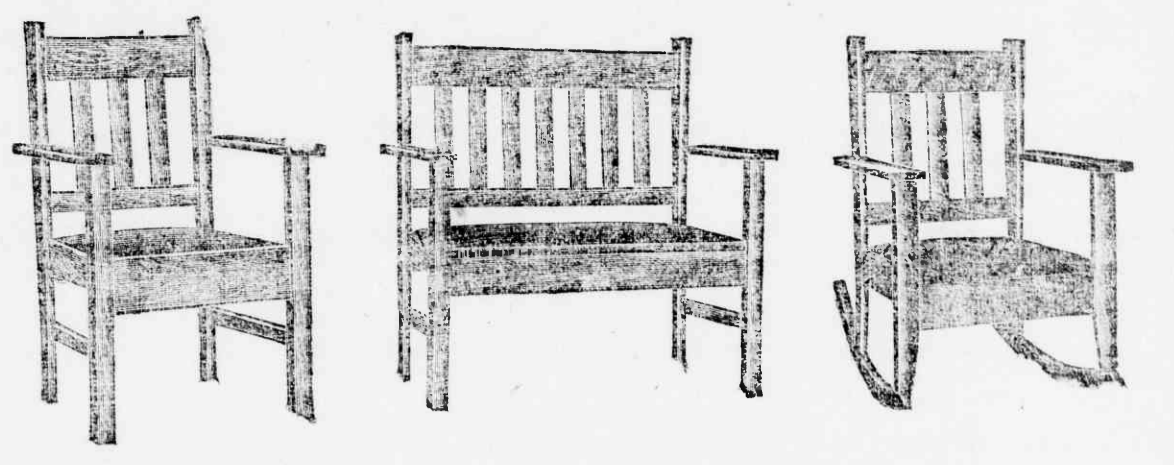


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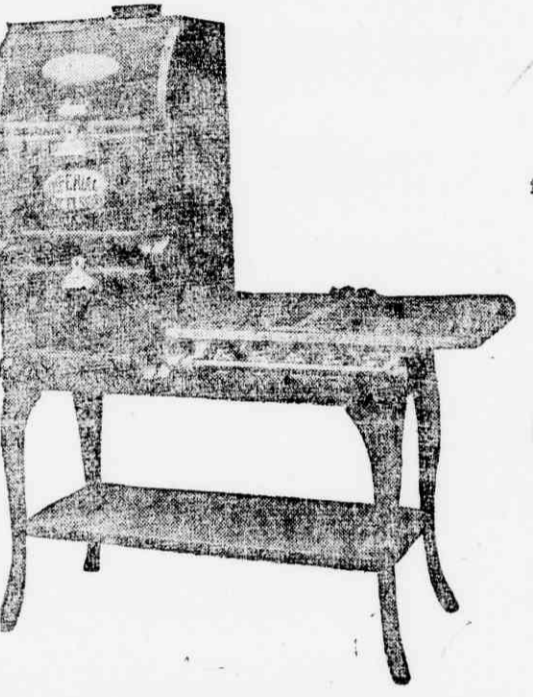
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