

GOING SOME

A ROMANCE OF STRENUOUS AFFECTION

BY REX BEACH

SUGGESTED BY THE PLAY BY REX BEACH AND PAUL ARMSTRONG

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SYNOPSIS.

Cowboys of the Flying Heart ranch are heartbroken over the loss of their much-prized photograph by the defeat of their champion in a foot-race with the cook of the Centipede ranch. A house party is on at the Flying Heart. J. Wallingford Speed, cheer leader at Yale, and Culver Covington, inter-collegiate champion runner, are expected. Helen Blake, Speed's sweetheart, becomes interested in the loss of the photograph. She suggests to Jean Chapin, sister of the owner of the ranch, that she induce Covington, her lover, to win back the photograph. Helen declares that if Covington won't run, Speed will. The cowboys are hilarious over the prospect. Speed and his valet, Larry Glass, trainer at Yale, arrive. Helen Blake asks Speed, who has posed to her as an athlete, to race against the Centipede man. The cowboys join in the appeal to Wally, and fearing that Helen will find him out, he consents. He insists, however, that he shall be entered as an unknown, figuring that Covington will arrive in time to take his place. Fresno, glee club singer from Stanford university and in love with Helen, tries to dissuade Speed with the ladies and the cowboys. Speed and Glass put in the time they are supposed to be training playing cards in a secluded spot. The cowboys explain to Speed how much the race means to them. Speed assures them he will do his best. The cowboys tell Glass it is up to him to see that Speed wins the race. Willie, the gunman, declares the trainer will go back east packed in ice, if Speed fails. A telegram comes from Covington saying he is in jail at Omaha for ten days. Glass in a panic forces Speed to begin training in earnest. Speed declares to Larry that the best way out is for him (Speed) to injure himself. Glass won't stand for it. Glass forces Speed out at sunrise to practice running.

CHAPTER XII.—Continued.

Along the road toward the ranch buildings plodded two dusty pedestrians, one a blond youth bundled thickly in sweaters, the other a fat man who rolled heavily, and paused now and then to mop his purple face. Both were dripping as if from an immersion, while the air about the latter vibrated with heat waves. They both stumbled as they walked, and it was only by the strongest effort of will that they propelled themselves. As they neared the corner of the big, low-lying ranch-house, already reflecting the hot glare of the morning sun, a man's clear tenor voice came to them.

"The volley was fired at sunrise. Just at the break of day."

"Did you get that?" one of the two exclaimed hoarsely. "They're practicing a death-march, and it's ours."

"And as the echoes lingered. His soul had passed away."

"That's you, Wally!" wheezed the trainer.

"Into the arms of his Maker. There to learn his fate!"

"Here, what are you singing about?" angrily protested Speed, as he rounded into view.

"Oh, it's Mr. Speed!"

"Good-morning!" chorused Helen and the chaperon.

"Welcome to our city!" Fresno greeted.

Glass tottered to the steps. "Them songs," he puffed, "is bad for a man when he's trainin'; they get him all worked up."

"We had no idea you would be back so soon," apologized Helen.

"Soon!" Speed measured the distance to a wicker chair, gave it up, and sank beside his trainer. "We left yesterday! We've run miles and miles and miles!"

"You can't be in very good shape," volunteered the singer.

"Oh, is that so?" Glass retorted. "I say he's great. He got my goat—and I'm some runner."

"And I'd be obliged to you if you'd put out those deeply appealing songs," Speed glowered, at his rival.

It was Helen who hastened to smooth things.

"It's all my fault. I asked Mr. Fresno to sing something new."

"Bah! That was written by William Cromwell."

"No more of them battle-hymns," Glass ordered. "They don't do Mr. Speed no good."

"All I want is a drink," panted that outland athlete, and Helen rose quickly, saying that she would bring iced-water.

"But the trainer barked sharply: 'Nix! I've told you that twenty times, Wally. It'll put hob-nails in your liver.' He rose with difficulty, wraying upon his feet, and where he had sat was a large, irregular shaped, sweat-dampened area. 'Come on! Don't get chilled.'"

"I'd give twenty dollars for a good chill!" exclaimed the overheated college man longingly.

"I would like to see you a moment, Mr. Speed." Roberta rose from the hammock.

"Oh, and I've forgotten my—" Helen checked her words with a startled glance toward the kitchen. "It will be burned to a crisp." She hastened down the porch, and Fresno followed, while Speed looked after them.

"He must be an awful nuisance to a nice girl. Think of a fat, sandy-haired husband in a five-room flat with pink wall-paper and a colored janitor. Run along, Muldoon!" to Glass, "I'll be with you in a moment."

When the trainer had waddled out of hearing, Mrs. Keap inquired, at that—

"Have you heard from Culver?"

"Didn't you know about it?" Speed swallowed.

Roberta shook her dark head.

"He's in—he's detained at Omaha for ten days. I fixed it."

The overwrought widow dropped back into the hammock, crying weakly:

"Oh, you dear, good boy!"

"Yes, I'm all of that. I—suppose I'd be missed if—anything happened to me!"

"How ever did you manage it?"

"Never mind the details. It took some ingenuity."

Mrs. Keap wrung her hands. "I was so terribly frightened! You see, Jack will be back to-morrow, and I—was afraid—"

There was a call from Glass from the training-quarters.

"How can I ever do enough for you? You have averted a tragedy!"

"Don't let Helen know, that's all. If she thought I'd been the head yeller—" "I won't breathe a word, and I hope you win the race for her sake."

Mrs. Keap pressed the hand of her deliverer, who trudged his lonely way toward the gymnasium, where Glass was saying:

"The volley was fired at sunrise. That means Saturday, Bo."

"Larry, you're the best crape-hanger of your weight in the world."

Larry bent a look of open disgust upon his employer.

"And you're a good runner, you are," said he. "Why, I beat you this morning."

The younger man glanced up hopefully. "Couldn't you beat this cook?"

"You're the only man in this world I can outrun."

"A tear, a sigh, a last 'good-bye.'"

"Shut up!"

As Glass consented to do this, the speaker mused, bitterly, "Early to bed and early to rise. I wish I had the night-watchman who wrote those words."

"Didn't you never see the sun rise before?"

"Certainly not. I don't stay up that late."

"Well, ain't it beautiful!" The stout man turned admiring eyes to the eastward, and his husky voice softened. "All them colors and tints and shades and stuff! And New York on the other end!"

"I'm too tired to see beauty in anything."

As if mindful of a neglected duty, Glass turned upon him. "What are you waiting for? Get those dog-beds off your back." He seized the slack of a sweater and gave it a jerk.

"Don't be so rough; I'll come. You might care to remember you're working for me."

"I am working"—Glass dragged his protegee about the room regardless of

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through the blankets, halted at sight of the onlookers.

"How is he?" demanded Stover.

"He—he's trained to the minute. I'm doin' my share, gent."

"Sounds that way," acknowledged Stover's companion. "Say, does it look like we'd win?"

"Well, he just breezed a mile in forty, with his mouth open."

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"Yes, a regular mile—seven thousand five hundred and thirty feet."

"Is 'forty' good?" queried Willie.

"Good? Why, Salva'tor never worked no faster. Here he is now—look for yourselves."

Speed appeared, partly clad, and glowing with a rich salmon pink.

"Good morning," said Fresno politely. "I came in to see how you liked the cold water."

"So that was one of your California jokes, eh? Well, I'll—"

Speed moved ominously in the direction of the tenor, but Willie checked him.

"We put the ice in that bar'l, Mr. Speed."

"You!"

Willie and Stover nodded.

"Then let me tell you I expect to have pneumonia from that bath." The young man coughed hollowly. "That's the way I caught it once before, and it wouldn't surprise me a bit if I'd be too sick to see by Saturday."

"Oh, no; you don't get pneumonia but once."

"And, besides," Fresno added, "it wouldn't have time to show up by Saturday."

"Get that ice-chest out of my room, that's all; it makes the air damp."

"No indeed!" said Still Bill. "We're goin' to see that you use it reg'lar." Then of Glass he inquired: "What do you do to his next?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Blessing of Contentment.

Charles Teller, the inventor of cold storage, was banqueted in Paris at the age of eighty-five years.

"Teller," said a New York correspondent, "has never been granted a pension, but up to now he was poor almost to the starvation point. He could not even afford cold storage food."

"I interviewed him on his poverty, and he lit up the interview with an epigram."

"I was never really unhappy," he said, "for I learned the lesson of contentment. Contentment, you know, is being satisfied with what you haven't got."

Mutual Forbearance.

When Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president, attended a legislative hearing in the assembly chamber at Albany, she was put on the high place where the speaker ordinarily sits.

"Where is she? Show her to me," said a political heeler, passing at close range.

When she had been pointed out, he gazed at her steadily for about three seconds and then, moving on briskly, said:

"Oh, well, she didn't say anything to me; I guess I won't say anything to her."

Complaints that were muffled by the thickness of the sweaters—"for my life, and I'll be out of a job Saturday. Now, get under that shower!"

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NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA

Latest News of General Interest That Has Been Collected From Many Towns and Counties.

Charlotte.—O. O. Carson, of Canyon City, Colorado, a mining engineer visiting his brother here was struck by Southern train No. 37 recently as he was crossing a trestle on the edge of the city, falling about 40 feet to the ground and dying within a few minutes.

"Stand still!"

"It's—it's as c-c-cold as ice!"

"Nix! You're overheated, that's all."

"Ow-w-w! Ooh-h-h! I'm dying!"

"It'll do you good."

"He's certainly trainin' him some," said Stover.

"Larry, I've got a cramp!"

"It did harden him," acknowledged Willie.

"What's wrong with you, anyhow?" demanded Glass.

"It's not me, it's the w-w-water!"

Evidently Speed made a frantic lunge here and escaped, for the flow of water ceased.

"It froze d-d-during the night. Oh-h-h! I'm cold!"

"Cold, eh? Get onto that rubbing-board; I'll warm you."

An instant later the cowmen heard the sounds of a violent slapping mingled with groans.

"Go easy, I say! I'll be black as blue all—look out!—hot so much in one spot! Ow!"

"Turn over!"

"He's spankin' him," said Stover admiringly.

Again the sparring arose, this time like the sound of a musketry fusillade, during which Berkeley Fresno entered by the other door.

"Don't be so brutal," wailed the patient to his masseur.

"I'm pretty near through. There! Now get up and dress," ordered the trainer, who pushing his way out

Gastonia.—An expert cotton thief has been operating in Gastonia the past several days. So far 10 bales of cotton worth about \$700, have been stolen from the city cotton platform, which is right on Main street and in the business section of the city. Six bales of the stolen cotton belonged to two local brokerage firms.

Apex.—Representatives of the Apex high school recently won the decision over spakers from the high school at Wendell in an interesting debate that was held here in the high school auditorium. The question debated was, "Resolved, That President Wilson's promise to free the Philippine Islands should be carried out."

Columbia, S. C.—Governor Blease recently honored a requisition from Acting Governor Daughtridge of North Carolina for the return to that state of Hubert Boone, an escaped prisoner from the Rutherford county jail. He is under sentence for larceny. Boone was arrested in Spartanburg.

Concord.—The executive committee of the Stonewall Jackson Training and Industrial school visited the institution recently. Prof. Walter Thompson, the retiring superintendent, who goes to Winston-Salem as superintendent of the Children's Home, made his report and Prof. C. E. Boger, the newly elected superintendent, was formally inducted into the office.

Charlotte.—En route from New York to Los Angeles in a 1914 motor car, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Pedder recently spent a while here. They journeyed from Los Angeles to New York by this method in 57 days and are now on the return trip. Six days were consumed between New York and Charlotte.

Pittsboro.—A blockade distillery, with all the fixtures, was captured about seven miles west of here recently by Chief of Police Ginter and Deputy Sheriff Wright. When the raid was made, the still was in operation, but the blockaders made good their escape, hiding the cap to the still, which was found after looking some time for it. The still was about 70-gallon capacity.

High Point.—A movement is now under way for the construction of a sand-clay road from Mechanicville, the northern suburb of the city, to the Davidson county line. It is proposed to start operations at once, and a strong subscription list has been raised to finance the proposition.

Chapel Hill.—William Parker, representing Isaac E. Emerson, of Baltimore, is here superintending the erection of a monument to Mr. Emerson's parents. Mr. Emerson, a native of Chapel Hill and an alumnus of the University, is a prominent manufacturer of Baltimore. He is known far and wide as the "Bromo-Seltzer King."

Wilmington.—The body of Capt. Henry Edge, who was drowned November 14 when the steamer G. W. Lyon was burned on Cape Fear, 20 miles above Wilmington, was found recently by Capt. Stirling Singletary of the Grayling. The body was floating on the river nearly three miles below where the drowning occurred.

Mount Airy.—The Sparger Orchard Company and the Surry County Fruit & Orchard Co. have consolidated and incorporated under the name of the State Mountain Orchard Company, which new concern takes over the stock and property of both companies. The new company now owns 800 acres of the finest orchard lands of this section and nearly half of it has already been planted in trees.

Charlotte.—Unable to find other close-in quarters sufficiently large to accommodate its large and splendid fixtures, the Woodall & Sheppard Drug Co. has reluctantly decided to retire from business by February 15, the date on which the Independence Trust Company will claim the space now occupied by the store.

Concord.—Chairman Weddington of the board of county commissioners, issued a call recently for a meeting of the board Monday, December 15, for the purpose of considering plans for a new jail. Mr. Weddington asks that all citizens of the county interested in a new jail meet with the board and discuss the matter with them.

Kinston.—Ground was broken at Adkin and Bright streets here recently for a chapel mission house as the first step in an institutional work undertaken by the Episcopalians of Kinston among the mill operatives of the city.

Asheville.—The board of aldermen of West Asheville is confronted with the problem of supplying the residents of the place with water. Two plans are under consideration: The taking over of the plant of the Buckeye Water Company, which now does business there, and the signing of a contract with the City of Asheville to use water from the lines of that city.

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E. L. DAUGHTRIDGE SPEAKS Will Supply Rating on States Products—Pleased With M. E. K. Graham's Proposition.—Plan For Civic Service Week in Next November.

Raleigh.—In rounding up its work for the annual session the State Board of Agriculture recently adopted a budget for the next six-months work of the various divisions amounting to \$142,945, just \$7,000 more than for the same period last year. The increases represent contemplated extensions of work in the animal industry division, the co-operative marketing work, the boys' and girls' club divisions.

The board adopted an order appropriating \$50 the county, in case where like amounts are raised by patrons of the schools, for holding school fairs, under rules laid down by the board. "These are to be prepared by a special committee consisting of C. C. Wright, Clarence Poe and Mr. Latham.

A closing feature of the annual session of the State Board of Agriculture was a talk by Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge. He was a valued and enthusiastic member of the board for a number of years and is deeply interested in its work. He commended the board for its enterprise in the extension of the work in all the divisions as rapidly as the revenue will warrant.

He talked interestingly of his recent trip abroad for investigation into the co-operative system of Europe, and predicted that some modified plan will be evolved suitable for conditions in this country before a great while now and come in for general application.

The board adopted a resolution as follows:

"Whereas, we have heard with great pleasure of the proposition suggested by Acting President Graham of the State University that a week in next November be set apart for 'Civic Service Week' for holding conferences looking to the betterment of rural conditions and for investigating conditions and considering plans for improving our roads, schools, agricultural, civic and social conditions, for holding industrial exhibits, county school fairs, and old home reunions.

"Therefore, be it resolved that we hereby endorse this proposition and ask that the commissioner designate some member of the board to urge this matter upon the attention of the Governor."

Bonds Have Been Signed.

The issue of state bonds tied up the past several days because of a quagmire on the part of state officers as to how they should be signed by Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge in the absence of Governor Craig from the state was forwarded to the purchasers recently bearing the signature, "E. L. Daughtridge, Acting Governor." This was on the advice of Attorney General T. W. Bickett, who returned to the city and made the ruling to this effect. The batch of bonds issued amounted to \$15,000 and was bought by an Elizabeth City corporation.

Champion Corn Grower.

Burke Weatherly, son of Mr. N. A. C. Weatherly of the Gorman section of Durham county, won the first prize in the Boys' Corn Club contest, having raised 113 bushels of corn on one acre of land. The second nearest contestant for first honors was Burk Weatherly's brother, Bill Weatherly.

141 Fire Insurance Companies.

Commissioner of Insurance Young granted a license recently to the Palmelle Fire Insurance Company of Paris, France, to do a general fire insurance business in North Carolina. There are now 141 stock fire insurance companies in North Carolina, and 38 mutual companies.

Elects Flowe as State Veterinarian.

The State Board of Agriculture recently elected Dr. B. B. Flowe as state veterinarian and H. P. Flowe as assistant veterinarian. Capt. T. B. Parker was authorized to resume his work of demonstrating legumes. A number of changes in the state pure food regulations were adopted, including some change in the standard of ice-creams. Adjustments of cattle-tick quarantine regulations were made to except the counties of Robeson, Scotland, Hoke, Moore and New Hanover.

A Good Roads Meeting.

An important good-roads mass-meeting was held at Mountain City, Johnson county, Tenn., recently, which was attended by business men and farmers from the counties of Johnson, in Tennessee, Washington, in Virginia and Ashe and Watauga, in North Carolina. The purpose of this meeting was to promote interest in the construction of the "Crest of the Blue Ridge Highway," one of the most important road enterprises ever inaugurated in the history of North Carolina.

DR. HARDY REMAINS SUPT.

Of School For Feeble-Minded, Although Trustees Failed to Elect Superintendent.

Raleigh.—Special from Kinston says that after sitting until an early hour in the morning, the board of trustees of the North Carolina School for the Feeble Minded failed to elect a superintendent.

When the board met at 4:30 in annual meeting a delegation from the Kinston chamber of commerce, headed by President J. F. Taylor and Hon. N. J. Rouse, urged the re-election of Dr. Ira M. Hardy, the incumbent. They explained that Kinston had a material interest in the school, the municipality having donated the site at a cost of seventeen thousand dollars, and that in Dr. Hardy, who is a native, the local business interests do not consider he has had ample opportunity to try his hand at administering the institution, of which he is locally hailed as the "father."

When at 9 o'clock the board went into executive session, a prolonged wrangle ensued. Hon. J. Y. Joyner, ex-officio chairman, declared that the anti-Hardy trustees should "Come out in the open," and admit that their principal object was the disposal of the superintendent. Four of the eleven trustees present defended Dr. Hardy, including A. Thompson, of Aurora, who introduced the bill in the house of representatives providing for the school.

Dr. L. B. McBrayer, of Asheville, generally believed here to have been the administration's choice for the superintendency was not a candidate.

The law provides that no trustee shall hold the office of superintendent within a year of expiration of his commission. Dr. McBrayer is a trustee. A motion to make Dr. A. Kent of Lenoir "superintendent pro tem" failed because the law does not provide for such officer and the administration could not be given up to the chairman of the executive committee, because it is necessary for the "superintendent" to sign vouchers due, including some for trustees' expenses.

The board finally adjourned without making a selection. Dr. Hardy will remain in the office until February 17, when at another meeting he may or may not be re-elected.

The chamber of commerce criticized the governor because Lenoir county has no representative on the board of trustees; and, although the body did not so go on record, it was practically unanimous in denunciation of what the members considered "a plan to dethrone Dr. Hardy."

Street crowds waiting until far into the night at public places to hear the result of the trustees' meeting, proved the local interest felt in the matter here.

Mr. J. R. Baggett, of Lillington, a member of the board of trustees, was in Raleigh recently. He states that of the twelve members of the board only one was absent.

New North Carolina Enterprises.

Charters were issued to new corporations as follows: The Concord Furniture Company, Concord, capital \$10,000 for a furniture and mercantile business subscribed by J. E. Davis, C. B. Wagner and others; the Herald Publishing Company, Roanoke Rapids, capital \$5,000 authorized, and \$2,500 subscribed by J. T. Chase, J. W. House and others for publishing The Roanoke Rapids Herald, weekly and semi-weekly and for job printing and the Farmers' Supply Co., Walnut Cove with a capital of \$10,000 subscribed by J. Spot Taylor, J. G. Morfield and others for a mercantile business. The Marine Lumber Company of Scotts Hill, Pender county, capital \$10,000 authorized, and \$1,000 subscribed by W. A. Marshall, Joseph Lytle and others for dealing in and developing farm and timber lands, operating lumber mills; and the Liberty Machine & Motor Company, Liberty, Randolph county, capital \$15,000.

Elders Exchange Districts.

Official sanction was given by Bishop James H. McCoy recently of the exchange of districts by Rev. Dr. J. R. Scroggs, recently assigned to the Winston district and Rev. Dr. H. K. Boyer, recently assigned to the Shelby district, whereby Dr. Scroggs will assume direction of the Shelby district and Dr. Boyer of the Winston district. This change was mutually acceptable and was entered into heartily by both Dr. Scroggs and Dr. Boyer.

Carr For Governor.

S. C. Brawley of Durham is out in an interview on the possible entry of Gen. Julian S. Carr into the race for governor next year. He insists that all the other possible candidates being mentioned are comparatively young men, and that they should, and doubtless would use proper pressure, step aside in favor of General Carr, whose long and unwarred service to the Democratic party makes this recognition at this time most fitting. Mr. Brawley insists that General Carr is in no way seeking the nomination.

Dredging in Rowan County.

Throwing dirt, rocks and the collection of years out of the bottom of Cold Water Creek, the dredge boat being operated by the Carolina Construction Company under the management of M. P. Moore and Foreman R. S. Morgan has covered the distance from the beginning of the drainage district at Hileman's mill to the bridge on the old Salisbury road where the intake for the city water supply is located. The boat is attracting considerable attention.