

# BEHIND THE APRON

By Herman J. D. Carter

## SYNOPSIS

John has finally gotten a conversation with the waitress whom he desires to win, and now we find him talking over the phone to her.

## GO ON WITH THE STORY

"Maybe if I could have permission to see you sometimes other than at the cafe, you would understand," said John in reply to why he thought she was different from other women.

## "Just why should I understand?" she asked in reply.

"Because I think you are different."

"Umm! That's strange. I am a woman, I wear dresses, and I have a female voice."

"Yes . . . Oh now don't try to be so hard on me. Listen. Why is it that women are dourous of being bold and pursued, yet when they are pursued, they try to be so hard-boiled? Don't you see it is hard enough to get acquainted with a decent woman when there isn't anyone to introduce us, without your making it harder by making me struggle to know you better?"

"Do you really like me as you say you do?"

"Yes."

"People don't waste time on those they don't like, you know. If I like you, you have power to determine it by your cautious acts."

## Meaning?

"The power to make me live up to the requirements that you have set as a standard, rests solely with you. I like you, and I want a break with you."

"Want to come over Sunday night?" she asked with a sudden start that from his nerves.

"Want to come yesterfmwshrdl mfwy cmfwymfwy mwfyfwmw"

"Yes . . . er . . . say 7:30."

"My God! I'll make good too," he said to himself after hanging up the phone when they concluded the conversation.

THE END

## BLACKOUT

By Johnnie W. Hamlett

Inside the department store there was little sound save the muted drawsy hum of voices. Zolly stepped out into the entrance and, holding the door open with his left hand, looked up and down the street with darting, furtive glances.

It was late afternoon. The downtown buildings of the metropolis were pointing long fingers of shadow toward the east. The homeward rush was on, and the streets were filled with the incessant din of traffic. Automobiles and trucks, from very new to very old, vied with one another for first position and quickest getaway.

The blare of horns and the whine of gears, was not unlike the angry quarreling among jungle beasts. Hard driven motors raised complaining tones; the echoes rolling back and forth through the narrow streets in low swells of sound. Over it all rode the occasional high pitched shriek of a policeman's whistle, sharp and insistent. The chant of newsboys hawking their papers on strategic corners: "Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Extra! Extra! Read all about it!"

The self closing device nudged the door from Zolly's grasp, and with a hissing sound drew it gently shut. He stood with his back to the door then, breath sawing in and out of his lungs in hurried gasps. The hot, throbbing pressure of pounding blood in his face and ears dimmed his hearing for the noise of the streets. Not a detail of the shifting scene escaped his notice; each loiterer, each parked car, even the casual glance of those hurrying on their way. For long moments he remained there, a iron, bronze, immobile statue; then moved quickly forward to be swallowed up in the crowd.

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## FST College Holds 62 Annual Commencement

FAYETTEVILLE — The 62nd annual commencement address at the Fayetteville State Teachers college was delivered on Wednesday, May 29, by Dr. W. G. Jackson, Dean of Administration of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina.

A capacity crowd packed the spacious, new college gymnasium to see the 97 students receive the B. S. degree. President J. W. Seabrook presided. Supt. Horace Sink of the Fayetteville School introduced the speaker and Mr. Richard M. Lilly of the Board of Trustees presented the diplomas. Reverends Charles E. Perry and B. F. Jordan of Fayetteville and Rev. H. S. Davis of Oxford also participated in the exercises.

In a scholarly address Doctor Jackson stated that change accepted as the everlasting nature of the universe, but there are few changeless things that we can locate. Even though there is a belief that all things will pass away, yet there are a few eternal truths which we may hold on. Dr. Jackson took his changeless truths from the lives of Galileo, Socrates and Christ. Galileo dared to defy the accepted beliefs of this time to prove that truth must be sought by an open and alert mind.

Ernestine Nixon received the second honor. The other honor students in the graduating class are Nannie Bryant, Virginia Compton, George Ruth Duncan, Eddy Leather, Bettie Newsome, Margaret Sawyer, Elizabeth Smith, Sadie Steele, Gladys Treadwell, Robert Watson, and Yvonne Yarbore.

Announcement was made that the graduating class made a gift to the institution of \$300 for an intra-campus communications system. It was also announced that summer school would open June 10.

WEEK-END VISITORS

Bill Nunn and James McIver spent the week end in Baltimore visiting friends.

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## Candidate For Chairman County Commissioners

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This can not be construed as a purely political move, for he took the first policy ten years ago, when he had no thought of entering politics. (Adv.)

## MISS FANNIE R. MCLEAN TO SPEAK AT USHERS UNION

The Durham Ushers Union will sponsor their monthly program Sunday, June 9 at 3 p. m. at the New Bethel Baptist church Hickstown. Guest speaker for the evening will be Miss Fannie R. McLean of Raleigh who is the State President of the First Aid Department.

## TO KINGS MOUNTAIN

Mrs. Hattie Leak of this city spent last week end at Kings Mountain where she attended the graduation exercises of Lincoln Academy.

## THE SUNNY SIDE SOCIAL CLUB HOLDS REGULAR MEET

The Sunny Side Social Club held its regular meeting Tuesday night. The meeting was opened by the president and all business transacted. Members present were Misses Gazell Trice, Irene Jones, Lena Turner, Elizabeth Anderson, Catherine Henry, Magnolia Jenkins, Janie Cousin, Tempie Morgan, Juanita Chavis and Ethel Taylor.

**CALLED TO RALEIGH**  
Fred Hines of the city was called to Raleigh Saturday June 1st to attend a meeting concerning First Aid. The committee are planning to have the Emblems on hand when the State Ushers Association convenes in Raleigh August 23rd.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CONGRESS

Continued from page One are the Revs. E. C. Smith, Washington, Mrs. H. A. Boyd, Nashville; the Rev. Johnson, New Orleans; Mrs. Iva Prince, Cleveland; Mrs. Wm. Taylor, Little Rock; and the Rev. E. R. Carter, Atlanta. The Rev. Manning Jackson is the entertaining pastor.

Officers heading the Sunday School Congress were G. B. Taylor, vice chairman and Henry Allen Boyd, secretary.

## Moton

Continued from page One university, a director of the American Bible Society; trustees, Peoples' Village school, Mount Meigs, Ala.; Industrial Home School for Colored Girls, Peake, Va.; Negro Reform School for Boys, Hanover, Va. vice chairman, National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes; president emeritus, National Negro Business League; chairman, campaign committee, Commission on Interracial Cooperation, 1930; director, Dunbar National Bank, New York, 1920; president, Tuskegee Institute Saving bank, and a contributor to many magazines.

Because of ill health, Dr. Moton retired from the presidency of Tuskegee and from public life a few years ago. Until his death he lived quietly at his estate near Capahosic.

Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Jennie Moton, known nationally for her activities on behalf of the women of America; five children, Katherine, wife of President Patterson of Tuskegee, Charlotte, teacher at Hampton Institute; Robert, Jr., assistant secretary of the National Negro Business League; Allen, who lives with the family at Capahosic and Jennie, student at Hampton.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIE SMITH ENTERTAIN GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith were entertained at their home at 409 1-2 Sowell Street. Mrs. Smith is the former Miss Lillie Mitchell of East Durham. The guests were as follows: Miss Annie M. Bass, Henry Walker, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Barber, Miss Ethel Perry, Miss Lucille Lane, Richard Watson, Miss Mildred Roland, Alex Chavis, Miss Katie Stewart and Miss Bertha McClain. The above mentioned guests were served a Salad Course, Chicken au poivre, ice cream and cake. Mrs. Smith's parents acted as host and hostess.

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