

# Little Sister

By MARGARET WIDDEMER

LEILA MADISON is reading a letter from her younger sister, Bet, who is inclined to be reckless. The orphaned Madison lives with their Aunt Minnie, mother of the eldest family in Fernwood Manor. Leila is amazed to learn that Bet is about to marry a carpenter.



"You don't think enough about form, Leila."

CHAPTER 3  
"THERE'S ONLY one thing to do," Leila said to Jane, bucking her armor of elder-sister-guardianship back on. "I'll have to go get her in time to forbid this—no, not the bans, darn it!"

Jane yelped cheerfully. She knew the word go, and that was all she cared. Jane, like Bet, was all for anything as long as it involved going somewhere.

Picking up the dog, her alibi, Leila dived across the lawn to the house, ran upstairs and pulled on a hasty tweed beret, dragged her handbag out of her drawer and yanked a scarf and coat over her skirt and blouse. Fortunately she hadn't been messing about with the pump too much to look decent. She paused under the "offices" window to call, "I have to take Jane into New York. Back as soon as I can—telephone you—"

"Then she ran, for Aunt Minnie was what is known to relatives of such as a darling nuisance. She always had to know where you were going and what you were doing. If you told her, it took endless time; if you didn't, she was wounded. Bet never minded. She stalked away always, wrapped in the proud scorn she had about every thing concerning herself. But Leila, gentler-hearted, couldn't bear to see Aunt Minnie's softly wrinkled face flush and her head turn away as she tried to pretend she hadn't asked and been snubbed. (Though she always asked next time.) Leila, therefore, made for the garage with stealth, followed by Jane. She could make downtown New York in less than an hour if she took chances. She backed out the sedan.

and then an interrupting voice spoke, a correct leisurely male voice. Private school, calm, baritone intonations which were a pleasure to hear even if one was in a hurry. The voice, in short, of Orton Johnston-Hedges, to whom Leila would if all went well be formally engaged in a very short time now, with the blessing of all concerned except a number of baffled girl friends.

in the worst hurry she had ever known, even when Bet had been in Hollywood. "Sorry. Have to be in New York in less time than possible, no time to think of form," she said, whisking by him curbside. "Now, Leila, listen to me . . ." he had begun to answer slowly. People always did listen to him, no matter how much time he took. He was that kind of person, it ran in the family. There are men and women who automatically adjust us into an admiring attitude, and of these were the Johnston-Hedges clan. You thing yourself making admiring replies before you knew exactly what you had said. For the first time in her knowledge of Orton, which dated back to her infancy, Leila couldn't listen.

"Tell me tomorrow," she called back, stepping on the gas so violently that she barely escaped scorching with the station bus, scolding slowly down, filled with the inhabitants of Fernwood Manor, all of whom, of course, knew who she was and gazed with surprise. She could see Orton out of the tail of her eye standing in the driveway, arranging his ideas and trying to remove a smudge of black grease the Ford had left on his white flannels as he was the sort of young man on whom a smudge looks completely immoral. He was so blond. He was tall and square and ruddy (his mother called it rosy), with fair sleek hair and rather round blue eyes. He was altogether very impressive, even while struggling with car grease and a handkerchief. In fact, the bare glimpse of him as he whisked by steadied Leila. He had, as always, such a complete certainty that he was right. Leila had to jump about so much from her aunt's viewpoint to her sister's (for as she was the key-member of the family, they both spent time proselytizing her) that she felt like the chameleon on the plaid rug half the time.

## CONTRACT BRIDGE

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FAMOUS BRIDGE TEACHER

REMEMBER PARTNER'S LIMITATIONS  
AN ESSENTIAL to success with vent partners is to keep in mind their failings. South was to blame for what happened on the hand below. His partner lost a trick or two on nearly every hand played, and would rebound suits.

♠ A Q 9 2  
♥ A J 7 5  
♦ J 4 2  
♣ 5 4

♠ J 5 4  
♥ 10 9 6 3  
♦ 2  
♣ Q J 8 3

♠ K 10 7  
♥ None  
♦ Q 8 6 5 3  
♣ A K 10 9 6

Bidding west: South, 1-Diamond; West, 1-No Trump, with two weak black suits, which was his failing, of which South was aware; North, 2-Spades, when a pass was in order; South, 3-Clubs; North, 3-Hearts, when a shift back to 3-Diamonds was the proper call; South, 3-Spades; North, 4-Spades, instead of a pass. West doubled and, of all things, South redoubled.

The opening lead was the 4 of spades. North went in with 2 tricks. South stated that the contract should have been fulfilled. Let's see if this is so.

Win the opening spade lead with

### 1934 Sports Review

## Carnera Win, Jones Defeat

### Top Busy Month in Sports

By Jack Sords  
Central Press Sport Artist  
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MAR. 1  
PRIMO CARNERA  
DEFEATED TOMMY LOUGHRAN  
IN A 15-ROUND HEAVY  
WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP  
FIGHT IN MIAMI, FLA.

MAR. 13  
FIELDER JOE MUE  
OF BASEBALL'S TRUE  
WARRIORS, DIED IN  
PORTLAND, OREGON.

MAR. 17  
LESTER  
STOFFERSON WON THE  
UNITED STATES INDOOR  
TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP  
FROM GREGORY MANSFIELD, 6-7, 5-6, 6-4,  
IN THE FINALS AT NEW YORK.

MAR. 18  
CALLAHAN SIR WOLF  
THE PICA AGUA CALIENTE HANDICAP IN 2:02 1/2,  
FINISHING A HEAD IN FRONT OF TRIGULUS.

### In New White House Romance:



Announcement of engagement of Mrs. Anna Roosevelt Dall and John Boettiger, former Washington newspaper correspondent (both above), is expected in Capital social circles. Mrs. Dall's children, "Sistie" and "Buzzie" are said to approve of their prospective stepfather.

### Italy Making Soldiers of Babes



In obedience to Benito Mussolini's dictum of a "nation in uniform," Italian school children now are being taught even classroom work by their teachers. Military drill is obligatory as early as they can enter a school. (Taken in Rome school.)

### U. S. Couple Slain in China



U. S. authorities in China are investigating murders of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Stam (above) of Paterson, N. J., missionaries, by irregular troops. Fate of their infant daughter, seized with them, is uncertain.

### Six Generations



Rarely are six generations shown in one picture. One-month-old Rosemary Bianco, of Indianola, Miss., is shown with her mother, 20; her grandmother, 40; her great-grandmother, 59; her great-great-grandmother, 78; and her great-great-great-grandmother, 100.

## Telling of Experiments To Increase the Height

By LOGAN CLENDENING, M. D.  
"CAN A MAN, by taking thought, add a cubit to his stature?"  
The question of increasing size and height is one that has tempted many experimenters. It is always of tremendous personal interest to those of short stature.

For the human species, at least, the dimensions of the body vary within quite narrow limits. The average height of a woman is five feet six inches. The average height of a man is five feet ten inches. It is true that we have giants and dwarfs, but most of these are examples of disease, and even so they do not change the averages very much. Most giants are not more than eight feet tall, and most dwarfs not less than two and one-half feet tall.

## Arms and the Men

Dr. Clendening

## Effect of Acute Tonsilitis Some of Its Consequences

By LOGAN CLENDENING, M. D.  
ALTHOUGH it may occur during any season of the year, like all affections of the respiratory tract, acute tonsilitis is more likely to occur in the winter time and during inclement weather.