



Princess of Grazten

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CHAPTER V

Madame Fabre-Lusignan became indignant when her old butler, Rudolph, showers hot coffee over her head. Rudolph explains his clumsiness by pointing to a picture in the paper showing a small pretty girl and two little ones over the caption: "The Princess Meridel of Grazten and her cousins arrive in Quebec to seek refuge with rich uncle in Canada." Rudolph admits he is the "rich uncle," and explains that at Grazten he was the Baron Rudi de Morpin. Madame insists that he stay on at the Chateau Philibert as the Baron Morpin, and that he bring the Princess and her cousins as his guests. The Princess and the children arrive and Madame takes over as housekeeper of the Chateau. Roger Fabre of the Canadian Air Force, and Madame's nephew, meets Princess Meridel. It was love at first sight with the young hero. They soon met old countrymen of the Princess and with the cooperation of Madame Fabre-Lusignan decided to open the Chateau Philibert to unfortunate children of war-torn Europe.

staring up at the picture partly pushed aside and almost hidden by Madame's black lace reticule—a photograph of a laughing fellow framed in chrome. And Rosine's eyes held shock and wonderment and terror and her lips opened as if she would cry out. "You are not ill, child?" Madame had noticed how much slower than the others Rosine was emptying her plate. "Ah, perhaps you do not like my party?" "Oh, but I do, Madame Laurin. I do indeed. I love this party. It is only that I do not—that I was thinking—" "Now, child, you must not think when all this good food is before you. Eat up now. Afterward you can think all you want to. There is nothing bothering you?" "No—no, Madame. It is nothing—nothing at all." Roger and Meridel came then and Rosine ran to her cousin and clung to her and hid her face against the pink jersey. "Ah, you have eaten too much, Rosine. You have the stomachache. It is no wonder." "No, no, Meridel. I have not eaten too much. I am not ill. I could not eat. There is—she stopped and looked about her. Meridel's hand smoothed her hair. "I am sure it is nothing. Come! You will sit with Roger and me and see that we do not eat too much. Madame Laurin, you will spoil them with so many good things."

Madame, her mouth full of ec-lair, looked sharply at Rosine. "You look as if you had seen a ghost here. Have some ice cream now—some green ice cream. I'm sure that is the kind you like." "If you please, Madame. I am sorry, Madame. I do like your party. It is all so lovely." "I shall always remember it," said Pol Martin sturdily, and the little Goujons nodded their heads, which was about all they were able to do, having stowed away a truly marvelous amount of food.

"And I shall leave you, too, Baron, and you, M. Goujon; to talk of old times," Madame troubled very little about her role of housekeeper. "I shall send a bottle of wine out to you—old times are better talked about over a glass of Burgundy." She smiled at Jules Goujon and went sedately up the white stone steps. She could hear the voices of the little ones, far off, their shouts, their laughter—lovely sounds. The sun was warm on her back as she entered the great hall. She jangled her bunch of keys and a soid to Gesner, the new butler—"A bottle of Chambertin for the terrace. Tea for the four children and myself in half an hour." "Yes, Madame. Is there anything else, Madame?" "Nothing else now. And there was nothing else. Life today was very good, very full. Old Mimi Fabre sang softly as she went upstairs to her room. "So like a play," she mused, "so like many in which I have taken part. And what strange contretemps, what beauties, what griefs, what complications yet await us—"

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE FOR DELINQUENT TAX OF CHERRYVILLE TOWNSHIP

In pursuance of an order by the Board of Commissioners of Gaston County, and required by law, the undersigned Tax Collector will sell for cash to the highest bidder at the Court House door in Gastonia, N. C., on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1944** beginning at the hour of 10 A. M., the following described real estate on which county taxes for the year 1943 remain due and unpaid. The amounts given in these lists do not include costs and advertising, which will be added to each item at the time of settlement.

- J. C. JENKINS, Tax Collector**
- Abernathy, John A.—Lincolnton, N. C., R-4—Vacant Lot North Elm St., Cherryville Nat'l. Bank prop. \$ 6.64
 Alexander, Marry Est.—Lincolnton, N. C., R-4—6 acres-Julias Alexander Land 1.35
 Anthony, J. W.—Crouse, N. C., R-1—22 1-2 acres-adj. W. B. and Frank Dellinger 10.34
 Beam, M. C.—Cherryville, N. C.—Vacant lot 80 x 118 East Church St.—\$9.18—Terracing—\$36.32—Total 46.40
 Beam, Mrs. P. C.—Cherryville, N. C.—House C Lot Corner Church & Elm St., Guapo Bldg. on Ry. Track 32.33
 Beam, Yates—Cherryville, N. C.—Lot 25 x 75 ft. N. Mtn. St., West side 7.21
 Black, Joe Est.—Cherryville, N. C.—Lot Bates Ave. 100 x 162 ft., adj. E. D. Stroup. Lot 40 x 90 ft. E. Main St., North side 6.70
 Black, Prue, Cone, Edna—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—24 acres adj. Alf Black & R. Simpson 5.42
 L. C. & Minnie Buchanan—Cherryville, N. C.—45 acres adj. E. S. Fletcher & A. C. Watts 2.81
 Carpenter, G. S.—Lincolnton, N. C.—8 acres, Landers Chapel—H. School Rd. 1.68
 Costner, O. A.—Lincolnton, N. C.—1 Service Station N. Mtn. St. (P. C. Beam Lot) 19.74
 Costner, Will—Bessemer City, N. C., R-2—29 acres (A. E. Moore Land) adj. Mies Best 8.05
 Dellinger, Mrs. Fannie—Cherryville, N. C.—70 1-2 acres adj. Mrs. W. R. Carroll & J. T. Carpenter 25.18
 Dellinger, Floyd T.—Cherryville, N. C., R-1—151 1-2 Jno. Beanguard land, adj. Lee Dellinger—Terracing 46.42
 Dellinger, Mae—Cherryville, N. C.—3 1-4 acres land, Cherryville-Waco Rd. 4 4.20
 Dellinger, Webb—Cherryville, N. C.—4.57 acres, Cherryville-Lincolnton Rd., H. Lee Dellinger land 6.89
 Jevine, H. B.—Cherryville, N. C.—Lot Ben Black and, East Church St., Blk. 2 .22
 Dougan, Ira—Bessemer City, N. C., R-2—4 acres Track 3 Dougan land 1.13
 Hefner, H. Lee—Cherryville, N. C.—32 1-2 acres land Jno. Hoffman, R. B.—Lincolnton, N. C., R-4—69 1-2 acres adj. D. S. Mauney—73 acres North of River adj. Fisher Hoffman 24.63
 Houser, A. L.—Cherryville, N. C.—Lot 62 x 100 E. Main St., South Side adj. Goldiner 4.43
 Carl J. & Bryte Houser—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—56 acres Flint Hill Rd. adj. Jno. White—12 1-2 acres Flint Hill Rd., Barber White land 86.63
 Houser, Madge White—Dallas, N. C.—House & lot adj. Logan Property—Balance 4.16
 Houser, W. Henkle—Crouse, N. C.—159 acres, Beaver Lam Creek, adj. S. C. Carpenter—43 3-8 acres, Adj. R. G. Cherry—48.97—Terracing—\$68.25—Total 117.22
 Hoover, Mrs. Ann—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—24 22-100 acres, adj. E. H. Biggerstaff & Wiley Farris 3.87
 Jarrett, G. T.—Cherryville, N. C.—12 lots Nos. 85, 91, & 114, 118 (C. A. Mauney Prop.) 2.58
 Walter C. Jones—Lincolnton, N. C., R-2—24.22 acres, Long Creek Gold Mine Rd. (L. B. Jones land) 3.91
 Kiser, Lucy Ann—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—57 3-4 acres adj. W. L. Kinley & Noah Rayfield 8.09
 Kiser, Roy—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—9 acres—Lot 2 (Phillip Kiser Land) 2.27
 Land, R. P.—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—29 1-2 acres adj. E. H. Biggerstaff & Larkin Paysour—Terracing 13.65
 London, Perry & Eunice—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot Old Post Road, adj. Fannie Farris 8.93
 Mauney, Clyde Est.—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—11 1-2 acres, Grant Mauney Land 2.27
 Mosteller, Thomas J.—Cherryville, N. C.—Lot West Second St., Lot North Mtn. St. 4.33
 McGinnas, J. M.—Kings Mtn., N. C.—Lot East Main St. adj. M. A. & Steve Stroup 6.30
 McGinnas, J. W.—Charlotte, N. C.—Lot Elm St., East side Lot between First & Second St. 3.86
 Neill, J. N.—Cherryville, N. C.—House & lot Carroll St. North Side 9.09
 Rhyne, Sam J.—Bessemer City, N. C., R-2—60 1-2 acres Bessemer R., adj. Mrs. J. C. McGinnas 17.75
 Est. W. W. Rucker—c/o E. B. Callis—Bessemer City, N. C. 66 1-2 acres Bessemer-High Shoals Rd. 14.13
 Rutter, Harry—Gastonia, N. C.—Lots 8, 9, 10—East Main St., South Side 5.44
 Scism, Earl—Cherryville, N. C.—3 Lots, Nos. 97, 98, part of 99—Ballard St. 2.86
 R. O. & Ida Stacy—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—14 1-7 acres Stroup-Kiser Mill Rd. (G. H. Black land) 7.70
 Starr, Mrs. Lizzie—Gastonia, N. C., R-1—9 acres (Phillip Kiser land, adj. F. S. Hager) 2.27
 A. B. Stroup—Waco, N. C.—House & lot Cherryville-Waco Rd., adj. P. K. Chapman—12 acres Fallston Rd. (Adam Stroup property) 24.91
 C. P. Stroup Est.—Crossnore, N. C.—House & lot N. Mulberry St., adj. M. A. Sisk 21.42
 Stroup, Lee & Rush—Huntersville, N. C.—Lot N. Elm St., adj. Dora Mill. Lot N. Elm St., adj. A. C. Warlick 12.48
 Tritt, Mrs. Alice—535 Ave. C. N. E. Winter Haven Fla.—12 1-2 acres land—Sid Tritt land adj. D. J. Mauney 7.81
 Walters, H. B.—Kannapolis, N. C., Box 323—12/20, 100/101 Inc., H. Lee Dellinger Land 5.04
 Whitesides, Mrs. Lola—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—4 acres Long Creek Gold Mine, Dougan land 1.18
 Williams, Ralph and Carrie—Cherryville, N. C.—House and lot, South Mtn. St. 9.04
 Wright, Joe W.—Asheville, N. C.—Lot S. Mtn. St., 82 x 166 ft. West side, 65 acres, Dallas-Cherryville Rd., adj. Fox Paysour—60 acres Sunnyside-Long Creek Rd. 87.88
 Ramseur Mill land

- CORPORATIONS**
- Bessemer City Bank—Bessemer City, N. C.—Lots Nos. 49, 51, 53, Cherryville Mfg. Co., prop. 2.52
 Indian Creek Lumber Co., Vale N. C.—Lot Cherryville-Lal-las Rd., adj. J. Frank Beam .34
 Liquidating Trustees, Cherryville National Bank—Cherry-ville, N. C.—Lot West Church St., South Side, adj. E. L. Carpenter 6.98
 State Capital Life Ins. Co.—Raleigh, N. C., Box 751—26 acres J. C. Ballard Land 10.00
 Sterling Brick Co., Cherryville, N. C.—Lots Nos. 155, 162 C. A. Mauney property .67
 Sunnyside Gin Co.—Bessemer-City, N. C., R-1—Lot & Gin Bldgs. Adj. S. L. Kiser 10.71

- COLORED**
- Walker and Blanche Anderson—Cherryville, N. C.—House & lot South Mtn. St., East side 8.57
 Hunter & Emma Bess—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot (Tom Bess place) Bessemer Rd. 3.19
 Jony Mae Benson—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, C. A. Mauney, property .58
 Waldo Clark—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—Lots 1, 2, 3—C. A. Mauney property .42
 Est. Tom G. Dixon—Cherryville, N. C.—House & lot adj. R. L. Young—3 lots C. A. Mauney property 6.71
 W. H. Green—Cherryville, N. C.—Lot 153 x 66, 198 x 226 Pink St., & Highway 6.45
 Emma Hallman—Bessemer City, N. C., R-1—34 acres adj. C. A. Stroup and Rachel Eaker 8.24
 Thomas Hovis—Cherryville, N. C., R-1—10 acres Mitr Ho-avis land 5.04
 Maude Jackson—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. Will Jackson & Robert Young 1.68
 Ralph Jackson—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. M. H. Rudisill 2.98
 John Patterson—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. John Fite 6.38
 M. L. & Laura Patterson—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. Will Quickel 4.41
 M. H. Rudisill—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. Kendrick Bros. 7.86
 Pearl Saunders—Cherryville, N. C.—House & lot, Cherry-ville-Bessemer City Rd. 3.74
 Floyd Schenck—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. Lum Patterson & Ed Williams 5.25
 Laura Summit—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. Cherryville Mfg. Co. 4.74
 Herbert Wells—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot Mul-berry St., East side—Lot 47 1-2 x 198 ft. adj. Colored Church 8.18
 Robert W. Young—Cherryville, N. C., R-2—House & lot adj. Cora Borders 7.50

TODAY and TOMORROW

By DON ROBINSON

REUNION normalcy

ASK any American soldier in Italy, France or the Pacific what he wants most and the almost unanimous answer will be, "To go home." There is no doubt that home and all that goes with it—seeing his best girl, having a joy-ful reunion with his folks, putting on a suit of civilian clothes, and returning to his normal way of living, is the day and night dream of practically every man in uni-form.

And among the 10,000,000 families and 10,000,000 best girls in this country there is an equally fervent longing for that day of days when Johnny comes marching over the doorstep on furlough for the rest of his life.

From a purely emotional stand-point there will probably be no day like it in history. In the years of absence both the boys and the parents have forgotten any dis-cord that existed between them, have forgotten the disappoint-ments they caused one another and have built a mental picture of postwar family harmony which exists mostly in story books.

HOME strangeness

But that historic day of home-coming will be a completely joy-ous occasion. Nothing will be per-mitted, during those first few hours together, to cloud the pray-ers-come true fact that they are all together again.

But what about the second day, or week, or month after the big celebration is over—the day when the first excitement has died down and Johnny is ready to enter into normal living?

Time magazine, in a current advertisement, includes a picture which should be concern of ev-ery American from now on. The picture shows a recently returned soldier stretched out in an easy chair in his family living room. On his face is a puzzled, troubled, uneasy expression. His parents, in the background, are looking equally disturbed. Alongside of the soldier hangs a framed, sam-ple-type message reading, "Home Strange Home."

The personal adjustment prob-lems of many a homecoming sol-dier will be difficult—will require

great patience and understanding. But even more difficult will be the adjustment to "home" in its larger sense—to the soldier's home country, the country for which he has fought and which he has told the world is the best country on earth.

JOBS bitterness

Will that home country let him down? When he goes to look for a job at home so he can marry that girl who has been waiting too long already, will he be told, "We're sorry, but there's a depres-sion on, you know?" Or if he gets a job, after having had excellent training and being given plenty of authority in the army and navy, will he be forced to start at the bottom all over again? Will he find that the men who stayed home earning good money while he was busy fighting for his life and their lives have won an advan-tage? Will he get the feeling that he is a drug on the employment market? Or is there some way he can be made to feel that he is wanted, that his talents and his ambition and his fighting spirit are vital to his nation's welfare?

It seems to me that all this has a tremendous lot to do with the future of our country. If the re-turning soldiers are welcomed in-to their home country with good jobs, prosperity and opportunity our system of free enterprise can expand to its full capacity. But if they are greeted with turu-downs, discouragement and un-kept promises they are apt to take things into their own hands and re-make America. And we can't offer much hope for any form of government or any economic sys-tem which is constructed out of bitterness or out of desperation.

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The Priest in 'the Life of Israel. Lesson for August 13: I Samuel 1:1-4:18.

Golden Text: Hebrews 5:1.

Eli was probably the first priest of the line of Ithamar, younger son of Aaron. He was also a judge. The lesson tells of his closing years and tragic death.

The tabernacle, moved from Gil-gal to Shiloh, was the worship center of Israel. But the impious sons of Eli profaned the sanctu-ary by their greed and lust and so dishonored the holy place that, after Eli's death, Shiloh ceased to be the chief place of worship.

But from Shiloh came the first great prophet, founder of the mos-archy and maker of kings. Given to Hannah in answer to prayer, dedicated to God in infancy, Sam-uel was quite unlike the wicked sons of Eli who had grown up at the tabernacle. Dissimil-ars parents may account for the dif-ference. Eli evidently failed to control his sons in their formative years; Hannah was a remark-able mother.

Retribution came quickly upon the wicked sons. In a great battle the host of Israel was routed, Hophni and Phinehas were slain, and the ark was taken by the Philistines. Though a foolish father, Eli—98 and blind—in his last moments showed that he loved the things of God and felt deeply the responsibilities of his sacred of-ice. He bore tidings of Israel's defeat and of the death of his sons but at news of the ark's be-ing taken he fell backward and broke his neck. The wife of Phin-eas, hearing the tidings, named her newborn son Ichabod, saying, "The glory is departed from Is-rael, for the ark of God is taken."

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