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your peace with your fiancee," she stammered. Tony glanced at Priscilla who was glowering at them . "Do you believe everything you hear?" he asked lazily. "I've never got around yet to asking any woman to be my wife." Janet had an infuriated con-viction that he was amusing him-self at her expense. "I don't be-

Itte, Steves preduct.Jim began to laugh. He laugh-
ed immoderately. "I can't help
it." he pleaded, "it's just that
when I think of you two determ-
lined to feed the crumbs of you
divine charity to Stephen Hill, I
about each of them. "Dear sweet
linnocents," he explained, "don't
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about each of them. "Dear sweet
linnocents," he explained, "don't
see a travel book?"
"Oh, my sainted aunt!" cried
Janet weakly. "He isn't the
Stephen Decatur Hill!"
Jim nodded and Anne clutch-
r ed his arm. "The famous war
correspondent!"
"The guy," said Jim, "who
knows more celebrities intimatelyKyan as in he did not care at an
what she believed.
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a llegood people to be in bed. it
Norma protested that it was
barely the shank of the evening to
again with Tony, agreed with
her.
"Naturally the young folks to
aren't ready to go," murmured
Mrs. Leigh and smiled poisonous-
ly at Anne. "That's our penalty
for getting on."
Anne smiled. "I must admit
She rose and Myra clutched
Jim's arm. "You can't run off
and leave me odd man."

correspondent!" She rose and Myra clutched "The guy," said Jim, "who knows more celebrities intimately than any man in the world, the guy who's covered every impor-tant news event for twenty vears." She rose and Myra clutched Jim's arm. "You can't run off and leave me odd man." "Tve got to take my mother home," said Jim firmly and add-tor the breach, "thank the Lord!"

"And we set him down at a patched tablecloth," mourned home," observed Steve Hill plea-

santly. "Butdon't believe he minded," -" protested Jim, looking

The sixteenth day of August began unpleasantly for Anne phillips. She had not slept well the night before. It was very hot and she rolled and tossed. "If only I knew exactly what I am afraid of," she told herself. "You can fight anything after morning. She let the toast morning. She let the toast morning she had not done in years, and burned her hand on the oven. "The sixteen dress." "It of his surprise folly Fyan without a change of expression kicked Jim violently in the shin and tossed a bunch of keys at said. "Thanks," s a i d Steve and "Thanks," s a i

Janet.

"The ingenuity with which you can do everything wrong on some days really should be uti-lized," snapped Anne, snatching at the box of baking soda. Janet who was preparing the grapefruit for breakfast gave her mother a startled glance. It was unlike Anne to be irritable. "You're worn out with the lig state who was preparing the unlike Anne to be irritable."

lace," Janet was sayin perfectly luscious on you.' saying. Anne made a grimace. "If I can get my mind off how many coats we moved today and the minimum number of sales we have to make by the end of the week, and remember that a lady at a dimer party is concerned to at a dinner party is expected to be a fount of inconsequential conversation, I'll be lucky."

There were sixteen around the Poole dinner table—a table that glittered with thin crystal and glittered with thin crystal and fine silver and gleaming damask. The centerpiece of exquisite pink asters completely screened Jim from Janet's view, but she did not need to see her brother's face. She knew exactly how furious he was, wedged in between the op-ulent and extremely decollete fig-ure of Mrs. Henry Leigh on one side and the gurgling Myra West on the other.

Gordon on the shoulder and waltzed off with Janet. "Tm breaking the unwritten law taking you away from that bird, or so I've been given to un-derstand," he said with a grin. "I can stand it if you can make your peace with your fiancee," she stammered. Tony glanced at Priscilla who believe everything you hear?" he asked lazily. "Twe never rate to believe everything you hear?" he beau-o!"

beau-o!" Steve Hill smothered an exple-ive. "Little savages!" tive.

"Yes," said Anne, "but it wasn't worth it. The candy and flowers and theater tickets, I mean."

Steve Hill chuckled and then his face sobered. "You're warn-ing me that your children come first with you."

first with you." "Yes." "But you can't keep them al-ways. Have you never realized how lost you'll feel when they've left you?" "Tve been staring that in the face for quite a while," said Anne in a low voice. He had stopped the car outside the flat building, but he sat there motionless gazing straight before him, a crease like- a wound be tween his eyes. "There's no emptween his eyes. "There's no emp-tiness so ghastly," he said, "as having nobody to go on for. I had a son, Anne." "Yes?"

"His mother died soon after he was born. I banked everything on the boy. I was a struggling young reporter in those days, having the devil of a time to get by. I had a dream of being able to retire some day. In the mean-time I bearded bim with a fam. time I boarded him with a fam-

ed so quickly elimi-

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cover a flare-up in the Far East. Then before I knew it I was in Australia interviewing the An-zacs. It was four years before I saw the boy again, and I had lost him."

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Anne smiled. "How do you do?" she said, putting out her hand.

It was not the words, it was her warm, gracious tone which removed all strain from the sit-

Jim started forward with out-

to Piccadilly on a balmy May

uation.

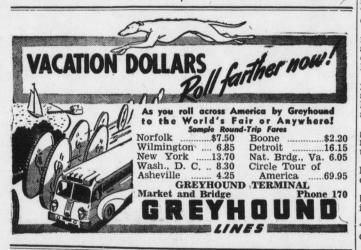
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"Please make yourself com-fortable," Janet said, smiling, as she took his hat. "I shall have hind him. to do something about food. We have no maid." "My brother, Mr. Hill," said Janet.

Steve Hill was staring around the living room, at the couch

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Jim started forward with out-stretched hand and tripped over a lamp cord. "Sorry." he said with a grin. "I'm the blunder-buss of the family." Janet's remaining qualms were dissipated by the unobtrusive manner in which her guest fit-ted in at their table. They sat for two hours after they finished eating. Janet's eyes glowing, Jim looking more relaxed than he had in weeks, Anne leaning forward, Here's a laxative that generally acts thoroughly, but is a gentle perswader if used by simple directions. Take BLACK-DRAUGHT at bedlooking more relaxed than he had in weeks, Anne leaning forward, her cheeks bright, all of them wafted out of themselves on the Magic Carpet of Stephen Hill's fascinating drawl to the far and strange places of the earth, to the Peacock Throne and the lacy minaret of the Taj Mahal, to crocodile-infested tropic jungles, to Piccadilly on a balmy May There's usually time for a time. good night's rest. Morning general-ly brings a thorough evacuation; relief for constipation's headaches, loginess. Try spicy, aromatic, all-vegetable BLACK-DRAUGHT. It's onomical, too: 25 to 40 doses, 25c.



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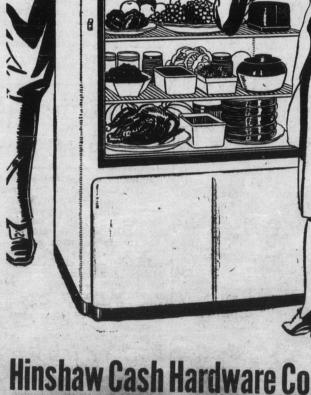
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"Where have you been keeping yourself lately, Janet?" murmured Gordon Key.

ed Gordon Key. Anne was having a marvelous time. She did not believe any-one could fail to be plucked out of the doldrums if Stephen Hill took a notion to dispel them. Down the table Priscilla was leaning a little forward in order to transfix Janet with a peculiar-. ly brilliant smile. "Darling," she said in a high, carrying voice, "I do hope you are doing right by our house."

our house." Janet's hand had tightened on her glass. So they are engaged, Priscilla and Tony, she really is going to marry him and live in will be marry him and live in my house, Janet was thinking. All around the table there was one of those ghastly silences that happen even in the best society. "I wouldn't know of course," said Janet at last in a slow pain-ful voice, "exactly what you'd ex-pect of your dream house, Pris-cilla." cilla

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