

Lady Blanche Farm... A Romance of the Countryside... Frances Partridge Keyes

The school, "She likes blue don't she?" I said a friendlier than...



He Told Enough, However, for Paul to Guess a Good Deal More.

shortcuts to comfort and leisure. Paul began to wonder if he would not have done better to buy an electric washing machine and a vacuum cleaner than a sapphire bracelet.

How still it was, how cold and white! How clean and open and friendly. Paul wondered that he had ever, for one single instant, imagined that he would prefer to straggle, that busy and dirt and noise!

"It's too late to see Mary to-night," he asked suddenly, feeling in his pocket to see if the sapphire bracelet was surely safe.

"Well," said Seth slowly, "I guess she's been sick—all in, anyway—for some time, longer's he realized. She's worked real hard ever since her mother died. Mary ain't one to shirk, of course, and 'not bet' experienced, it made it harder for her. Then she was considerable upset over that trouble you and she had in the summer. And she took Sylvia's death a good deal to heart. Mary don't get much, and I never saw her cry or get nervous like your ma. But you remember she fainted dead away one time just after Algy begun to get better—sorter dropped in her tracks? She seemed to perk up again round Christmas, but danged if she didn't feel right over again the day after you left for Noo York. Now she's gone."

"Gone?" echoed Paul, an icy terror clutching at his heart. "You mean she's dead?"

"No, she ain't dead! Land, Paul, you must be gettin' nervous yourself. Geddag, King. She's gone to Boston, to visit that friend of hers, Hannah Adams, that's been teasin' her for come for so long. Moses and I got her out of there, and I kinder think that's what we oughter be done in the first place, after Laura died, until Mary put finished her schoolin' and got her growth and strength. Jane says she don't see how Mary ever got so much work. We've had to get to my'n's nogg from out back, to help her out. I guess Mary put a steam laundry in Wallaceton besides, and buy bread once or twice, and still she's been on the jump every minute. I guess Mary put a good deal of vitality into her job. Well, I give her Laura's money before she went, most any stricken to it. It ain't much, but it's something."

boy seemed to feel her face pressed against his, the ecstasy of the swift, passionate kiss that she returned, and to see the sudden tears in her eyes afterwards.

Seth considered this question carefully before he answered it. "Well," he said at length, "somebody's queer. I don't pretend to understand 'em. But Mary thought a lot of you, and she's jilted her. That's the plain English of it, ain't it? I guess it hurt her a good deal, and it was a long while, as I don't tell you, before she could bring herself to speak to you again. But some that night that Algy took sick, and you helped her out so good, she gradually got to be friends with you again. She was real grateful to you, and I guess she still loves you, some, in spite of everything. Mary's like that. She don't change easy. And she could see that you was tryin' to do better. I want to give you credit for that myself. You ain't no 'barbarian' what you done against her, my morn, but she ain't forgot that you done it. She ain't certain you wouldn't do it again. Well, of course I don't want to pry, and I ain't askin' no questions. . . ."

"Then," said Seth decidedly, "I hope she's requited a little sense. You, for, and that sayin' a good deal. Mary made a mistake to let you get her easy before and let you treat her neglectful after you did get her. She wouldn't make a mistake like that again, even if she wanted you, and I don't believe she does. Anyway, she don't trust you, and I'm dimmed if I blame her. I look to see her heart from here some time. And that ain't all."

"I got a letter from Mr. Hamlin, the architect," said Seth, "that was a considerable surprise to me. He says he asked Mary to marry him three years ago, when her mother died. And she turned him down because she thought Moses and Algy was comin' home—to you. It shows she didn't have as much sense as she might be, or she never would've refused a man like that to stick to a boy like you. But I hope she's requited a little sense. Anyway, he says he's glad to understand that conditions have changed somewhat here and he wanted I should give my consent to try his luck again. Consent! Great Geddag! I wry by return mail! Geddag, King!"

Late that night, when everyone else had gone to bed, Paul went outdoors and stood for a long time looking toward the unlighted windows of the house across the road. Adam being asleep with the flaming sword which barred the gate into Eden, could have felt no surer that he had lost Paradise through his own wrongdoing, than did this punble and heartick boy.

CHAPTER XI THE sun, streaming into the parlor, fell on Blanche's golden hair and turned the color of her delicate negligee from palest pink to rose. She was, from her husband's reflection, growing lovelier with every month that passed. Just now, however, her face wore the expression of slight discontent which at first he had noticed only when she spoke of the distress of Hannah and which had left it all together during the first radiant weeks of their marriage.

"What's the matter, honey?" "Nothing, except that I'm wishing I was a nymph again." "Philip laughed. "The first time I heard you say that was on page 5."

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Half Naked Truth Feature at Catlow Sunday - Monday

"Cabin in the Cotton" With Barthelme Here Next Wednesday

A motion picture of exceptional interest and importance because its spectacular features are based on his- torical events of the early West in the making, completes its run at the Catlow Saturday night, under the name of "Silver Dollar," with Edward G. Robinson in the stellar role.

The screen play, taken from the book by David Karner, deals with one of the most colorful periods in American history: the discovery of the richest silver veins the world has ever known, with the stampede of hundreds of adventurers to the Colorado hills seeking the gold dust and silver ore they had heard was as plentiful as the sands of the sea.

The Sunday and Monday night feature is a Broadway picture, a lively comedy-drama that exposes the halcyon racket and which is alive with personality. "The Half-Naked Truth" parallels some of the real life exploits of the late Harry Houdini, generally considered to have been the most spectacular press agent Broadway ever knew. Lee Tracy plays the role of the press agent. Lape Velez plays opposite him as the girl who became famous through high pressure publicity.

What is said to be George O'Brien's best outdoor picture to date, "Robbers' Roost," makes its bow to local screen patrons. It is based on an exciting Zane Grey story of a Mar- riner O'Sullivan, Maude Egan, Richard Owen, William Pawley and Walter Madral.

Authentic southern cottonfield locations were used in the filming of "Richard Barthelme's" latest epic of the South, "The Cabin in the Cotton," coming for three nights show- ing.

The cries of the cotton-pickers, their haunting songs, bird sounds, and rattle of the wagons carrying the cotton to market, the engaged pickets of the little negro babies left lying in the shade on an old cotton shack while their mothers pick—all these and many more were taken on actual location in the "land of Old Black Belt."

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P. T. A. Meeting The Parent-Teacher association will have an interesting meeting and program Tuesday evening, Feb. 14 at 8 p. m. at the Community hall of the Palatine Township high school.

Dr. Jordan is pastor of the Community church of Park Ridge and has had years of experience with young people so his message will be a good one. He is one of the outstanding speakers having been a pastor for many years, a radio speaker, and widely known in the Old Fellow and Masonic circles.

The boys and girls will want parents to attend to help with the picture for the month. The mothers of the fifth and sixth grade pupils will serve the lunch for this meeting.

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the home of Mrs. Mangels was well attended. The door prize was won by Miss Kinsett. The first prize was plants, the second black glass vases. A lunch, consisting of cup-cakes and coffee was served.

Mrs. M. C. Deering was in Chicago Tuesday. Mrs. Flora Janner returned last Thursday from Savanna, Mo. Miss Mildred Bittner is ill and unable to be at school. Her brother Elmer is recovering slowly from his serious illness.

Leighton Mangels is able to get around in spite of a sprained ankle. Mrs. Alma Arps is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alma Olson in Chicago.

The older one gets, the more we realize it is better to keep one's opinion to oneself until we get a fair statement of the other fellow's viewpoint. Then weigh the matter, and if you are wrong, be big enough to own up and accept the new outlook. It makes for bigger and better people.

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