

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



MOM'N POP



That would have settled everything—well, not everything, but at least she couldn't think of marrying one man while she was in love with another.

Jerry went to sleep feeling sorry for herself and began to dream of a young man she wanted to forget—a man with dark hair and deep blue-gray eyes.

She awoke in the middle of the night, smiling softly in the warm darkness, and for the first time in her life she was near to the point of admitting that riches were not all that mattered—that wealth was not the greatest goal in life.

Myrtle was surprised the next morning to find her cheerful as they dressed for work. Jerry's disappointment at the prospect of not going to the party had disappeared. If Alester wanted to drop her for this—well, let him. She wasn't going to have kept him guessing any longer. He'd told her too many times that he loved her and let it go at that.

She was quite gray until they stopped in the lower hall for their mail, on their way out to breakfast. It was to be coffee and doughnuts in a coffee house this morning. There was only one letter for her—from her mother. Jerry eagerly tore it open at once. She remembered guiltily that she hadn't written to her mother a word about her vacation except a few brief messages on some post-cards.

Myrtle went on ahead. Jerry began the letter with her usual presentation of bad news from home. Her mother's letters were never cheerful, though Jerry was sure she tried to make them so. "Jerry, dearest," she read. "Honey, why haven't you written me? I'm worried about you. You know you promised to write often and Harry tells me such dreadful things that he's heard about New York. I'm so afraid something will happen to you. Of course, child, I don't blame you for leaving us, but Jerry sweet, I just couldn't stand it if any harm came to you."

"Write soon, and let me know if you receive the box of cookies I'm sending you. I wanted to make you a nice dainty nightgown—I got the material—but Doris wanted it so bad to make a dress for her layette I couldn't refuse her. Harry hasn't had much work lately but I can't help them a great deal. Your pa is ailing again—it's that lungago—and has to sit in the sun most of the time. Mr. Shears wanted him to work on a job but he was feeling a little better that day and had gone fishing. Mr. Shears came again in the evening but your pa had got worse. But he manages to pay the rent and we have enough to eat, so I suppose I shouldn't complain."

"I was having pretty good luck with my laying hens until the rats from that old warehouse down the street got to eating the eggs. And the dry weather has just about ruined my lavender bed. I was going to make it up in little bags for the woman's exchange to sell but I planted it down near the end of the lot and Harry took the hose over to his place to wash his car—he ought a second hand one cheap—and your pa told him he could keep it. I carried water for a few days but my dizzy spell came on again and I had to give it up."

"But I was fortunate to get a chance to take care of Mrs. Shears' children while she went over to Miller's Ferry to visit her sister Alice who had an operation."

Jerry crumpled the letter with a sudden passion of fury. Her father's lungago! Did her mother still believe in that old broomstick? And Frank taking the hose—he'd always taken things. "Oh, Mom," she cried under her breath, "how they do abuse you! And I was going to do so much for you—and all I've done

is to add to your worries while I had a swell time playing around with a man who could give me enough to make life easy for you."

Jerry reached into her bag and got out a handkerchief to dab at her brimming eyes.

Myrtle, waiting for her in the coffee house, looked anxiously at the clock on the wall, and finished her second doughnut in haste. She couldn't wait any longer. No sense in both of them being late.

Jerry went to her job without breakfast. She had lost her appetite and her cheerfulness. Her mother's letter had taken her back to Marblehead, to the sordid conditions that had driven her away from home. And being away she had nearly forgotten. She had now been on the verge of letting her golden opportunity slip by because—no man could buy her a dress and—yes, because she had dreamed half the night about a young man she had dined with on a starry roof garden.

Jerry smiled a hard little smile. She must stop thinking about Dan Harvey now and forever. And somehow, somehow she must get a dress. Leontine Lebaudy must not outshine her—not on that one night. She would light her eyes with the stars of hope, and brush her hair until it became a golden snare to catch a man's heart. If her lips were not red enough she would color them with the brightest carmine.

"And Alester will want me," she told a thrilling heart. "I'll be irresistible. It will be my night and then, Mom, you can sit in the sun."

It was all very easy to declare these things. To accomplish them—well, that was something different. All that day Jerry racked her brain in vain. She considered many expedients. She thought of sending a message to Alester telling him that she needed him. When he came in answer to her summons she could explain—make up some

plausible story—to obtain enough money for that dress.

No, it wouldn't do! She hadn't made herself cheap. It had been her pride before; it was a matter of calculating policy now. There must be some other way!

"Girls, we've got a big sale on tomorrow," the head of her department announced just before closing time. "Be sure and read our ad in the papers."

At the newsstand where they bought their papers Myrtle grumbled about the sale. "Some imported lace tunics," she muttered; "they'll move like a ton of bricks with everybody wearing printed materials. Tunics! Women wore them like dresses!" Jerry had a staggering thought. She wouldn't be poor! She wouldn't! Poverty was for those who wanted it!

(To be continued)

BORGER—Century Carbon Company of New York will build four-unit plant about 3 miles west of here.

Family Menu BY SISIEK MAKI BREAKFAST—Stewed, pruned, cereal, cream, scrambled eggs, cinnamon toast, milk, coffee.

LUNCHEON—Beef broth with rice, Calcutta salad, graham rolls, molasses bars, lemonade. DINNER—New England boiled dinner, apple carrot and celery salad, Indian pudding, milk, coffee.

Calcutta Salad Three-fourths cup grated American cheese, 1/2 cup whipped cream, 1 tablespoon granulated gelatine, 2 tablespoons cold water, 1/2 cup boiling water, 1/2 teaspoon salt, paprika, 1/4 teaspoon white pepper, 1/2 cup chopped nuts, 1 small can asparagus, canned pimiento, lettuce, French dressing.

Softened gelatine 1/4-cold water. Dissolve in boiling water. Combine grated cheese with cream which has been whipped until firm. Add salt, pepper, paprika, nuts and olives and mix well. Add dissolved gelatine, mix and turn into one large mold or individual molds. Let stand until chilled and unmold. Serve on a bed of lettuce in a border of asparagus tips. Garnish with strips of pimiento and pour French dressing over the whole. All nuts or olives can be used in place of the combination if preferred. (Copyright, 1928, NEA Service, Inc.)

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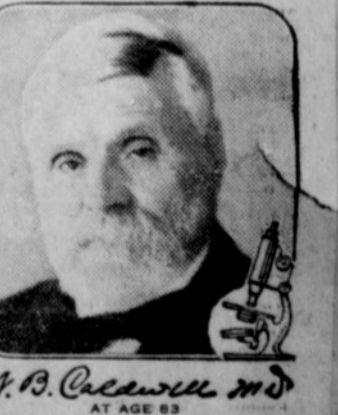
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Mason Sees Poincare Free To Solve Disquieting Problems Of Reparations

By J. W. T. Mason.

(Written for the United Press.)

One of the most impressive indications of France's resolve to get her house in order that has been given the world since the ending of the war is the success with which Premier Poincare has weathered the latest political storm in Paris. His ministry was overthrown by the radical bloc, which believed it held the balance of power. M. Poincare has been called back into power with the aid of conservatives.

A short while ago there were not enough conservatively minded members of the chamber of deputies to have made such a right about face possible. But, France has become increasingly sure of herself under Poincare's leadership in financial affairs. That spirit has been reflected among the deputies and has made enough of them cautious to give Premier Poincare a new lease of power.

Successful manipulation of the national finances in France almost always tends to stimulate conservatism among the people. When a certain financial helplessness manifests itself the balance swings the other way. The French people want to conserve their souls and Poincare has done more than any other French statesman since the war to give a reasonable assurance that this may be a settled policy in the future.



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WASHINGTON LETTER

By NEA Service

WASHINGTON—A secretary of the interior does not, usually, have much chance to become famous if you overlook the case of Mr. Fall. Yet the cabinet member who holds that job is one of the most important officials of the government, and on his wisdom, energy and foresight depends much of the welfare of future generations of Americans.

The vast problem of conservation of our natural resources comes under his jurisdiction. He is the man who must see to it that water power sites, timber lands, coal and ore deposits and prospective oil fields are husbanded for the future.

The department was established in 1849, when there was infinitely more in the shape of public domain to look after. But for a good many years nobody ever dreamed of conserving anything for the future. The entire west was just being opened, and the population of the country, compared with today, was small. It seemed absurd to think that the country could ever run out of forest lands. Water power sites were only of minor interest, the coal fields of the east seemed utterly inexhaustible, the Lake Superior iron and copper belts looked amply large for the whole country, and nobody had much use for an oil pool.

SO the government got rid of its public possessions—rapidly, lavishly. The interior department originally devoted most of its efforts to fact finding; it would make surveys, tell prospective settlers or prospectors where the choicest lands were to be found, advise mine speculators and timber companies what lands were best suited to their needs.

In the course of time, however, it became evident that something must be saved for the future. The policy of wholesale grants of lands and mineral claims gave way to a more thoughtful attitude as the limits of the public lands came to be realized. Thus, during the past 20 years, a new idea—the idea of conservation—has arisen, and the interior department is the department primarily charged with putting it into effect.

As one step in this program, the department is now completing a vast inventory of all public domains. Forest lands have been sorted, classified and graded, and tracts to be set aside for preservation have been picked. Extensive examinations are being made of lands where the mining of coal, oil, gas, potash or phosphates is possible.

PART of this job consists of mapping and classifying agricultural lands. More than 250,000,000 acres of land on the eastern slope of the Rockies and in the great plains have been mapped to show irrigated lands of various grades, land suitable for dry-farming, land suitable only for grazing, and so on. This data is made available for the use of the department of agriculture and western ranchers and homesteaders.

On top of this, the department is reckoning the country's future supply of energy. It is making a national inventory of the tons of coal, barrels of oil and second-foot of water power that will be available to American workers and industrialists of the future. In this work, the tabulating of water power resources takes an important place. The department estimates, for instance, that undeveloped water power sites in the public-land states have an aggregate potential capacity of 15,000,000 horsepower.

"Left" is Unsettling.

A conservative attitude by France is most desirable from the standpoint of the interests of other nations. The unsettling possibilities which inevitably are associated with "left" tactics in France, have reacted in the immediate past to the disturbance of sound foreign policies throughout Europe. There is good reason to expect that stabilization of French political conduct will now follow the stabilization of the franc, which has been Poincare's greatest triumph.

The fact that Poincare has relinquished his former post of minister of finance is an added cause for international satisfaction. It means that he considers his work in reforming French finances has been accomplished. The essential factor now is that the chamber of deputies be persuaded to see with Poincare's own vision and adopt his monetary proposals. That calls not for creative work such as Poincare showed as minister of France, but for persuasive argument and good political tactics.

There is no reason why Poincare should waste his time on these enterprises. His new finance minister, Senator Henri Cheron, is the friend of everyone and in addition has an enormous capacity for detailed work. On his shoulders will fall the responsibility for converting pouting deputies to the Poincare viewpoint and thereby forcing the Poincare budget through parliament.

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Reparations Paramount.

Freedom from the irksome undertaking is essential for Poincare if he is to approach the enormous problem of reparations with an undistracted mind. How to settle the question of Germany's at present indeterminate war indemnity to the allies is by far the most important international question pressing Europe for a quick decision. France's attitude toward reparations is the paramount one. Until France is prepared to accept a settlement the affair must remain in its present uncertain and disquieting state.

Poincare may be said to hold the destinies of France in his hands over reparations as he did when he approached the matter of stabilizing the franc. He showed his hands were safe then. He has now cleaned them for a new purpose by abandoning the ministry of finance. It is for him to show in the near future that they are as skillful in dealing with Germany and the international financiers, including those in the United States, as when he dealt with his own countrymen. Poincare persuaded France to accept the logic of events and make sacrifices in order to restore to the country a stabilized currency. His new mission is to persuade foreign powers likewise to accept the logic of events and, perhaps make sacrifices, likewise, to stabilize international economies.

MANY ARE EXPECTED FOR SHOW

Much Interest Being Shown in Oil Belt Poultry Show, Ranger.

From Ranger Times

Four hundred birds will be displayed at the Oil Belt Poultry show which will be held in Ranger on Dec. 13, 14 and 15. It is announced by Ben Whitehouse, Ranger vocational agriculturist, who is superintendent of the show. Emphasis is being placed upon turkeys as well as chickens; and ducks also will be exhibited. Liberal cash prizes will be offered for

singles, pens and grand champions. The Breckenridge poultry show is being held a week prior to the show at Ranger and some of the best birds shown in Stephens county will be brought to Eastland county.

Wayne C. Hickey is secretary of the Oil Belt Poultry show. Great assistance is being rendered by the county agents, J. C. Patterson and Miss Ruth Ramey, and by the vocational agriculturists of the oil belt.

The show will be held in the big First National bank building on Main street. The hours will be from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. and it is expected that several thousand people from all parts of this territory will attend.

Special exhibits will be arranged by feed dealers and hatchery men. In view of the great development that Eastland county has witnessed in the chicken industry in recent years and due further to the increasing interest being shown in turkey raising, the show at Ranger will have a material part in advancing the poultry industry which already has come to mean a great sum annually and can be made still more of a revenue-producer, declare those in charge.

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