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Soviet Russians have been too busy building up their country to think of furthering feminine fashions, according to Elsa Schiaparelli, noted Paris couturier, who has returned from a trip to Moscow and Leningrad.

"Russian women are now interested in clothes," declared Schiaparelli, but they will never attach supreme importance to fashions as do Europeans and women on the North American continent, because they are too vitally interested in all the various projects going on in their country."

Schiaparelli found that Russian women are most interested in the manufacture of clothes. They would like to learn how to turn out smart clothes in large quantities at a reasonable price. They asked the Paris dressmaker many questions about her methods of preparing for a large collection, the procuring of materials, selection of designs and color combinations. They make all their own materials and fashion clothes from magazine pictures. According to Schiaparelli, the Russians do a creditable job considering the scarcity of material and the lack of accessories.

"There are two classes of women in Soviet Russia," said Schiaparelli. "There is the professional class that has taken the place of the nobility and includes government officials, artists, doctors, composers and writers as well as the former members of the old nobility whose sympathy is with the Soviets, and also the peasant class. Since all are workers, Schiaparelli designed a special costume suitable to be worn all day long. It consists of a black dress with a white washable collar and zipper fastenings which is to be worn with a spring coat of red wool lined in black.

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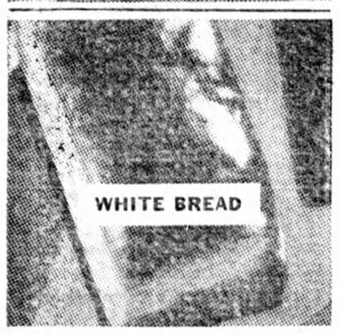

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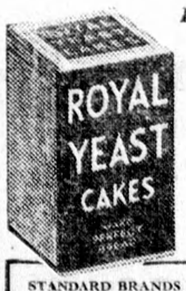

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Rainbow Gold

by

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SYNOPSIS

Dan Prescott and Gordon Westerby find gold in the arid bush of Australia. They stake their claim and start the long journey to the coast.

Westerby has a fiancee, Gladys Clements in England, but when they arrive in Sydney he marries a pretty blonde.

Gordon forwards a photo of Dan to former fiancee, Gladys Clements, in London and when Dan arrives she believe he is Gordon. Eve Gilchrist, a typist, obtains work in Medlicott's office, the broker who is floating the mine. Eve and Dan fall in love but when Eve is confronted by Gladys she believes in Dan's duplicity.

"He'll turn up again, I expect," Mrs. Medlicott said, in her placid way. "He's not the man to hide away when there is trouble making. I'd certainly like to know what he's up to at this minute. But you don't ask what I mean to do?"

"I beg your pardon," Eve said quickly, for she had not imagined Mrs. Medlicott exerting herself, beyond the role of peacemaker between herself and Dan.

"Well, dear," her friend said, stroking her hand. "I'm in the way, because John is so anxious to spare me any sort of trouble or anxiety. Just now my welfare is cramping him rather badly."

"I know he thinks all the world of you," Eve said.

"He'd better," was the placid answer. "Well, you must know that he has made a good deal of money. His clients are making out that he never made it honestly, but they never said that when he was handing them cheques. That's as it may be; but one thing is certain. This muddle in Australia couldn't have come at a worse time. The American panic has tied everybody up."

"That is what they all say," Eve agreed.

"Now all the money we have is settled on me," Mrs. Medlicott said. "The office is being run at a loss; but I have my own private fortune. Because I've a good husband, I'm a wealthy woman, in my own right. That is what my husband calls providing against the future."

"I think it is very right and sensible of him," Eve said.

"Do you? I'm to be safe and secure, while my husband is held up to the public as no better than a swindler? My dear, I don't like housework of any kind, but I'd rather scrub floors."

Eve clutched at the white hand that was patting hers, and gripped it with an intensity which made her hostess wince.

"But what can you do?" Eve demanded. "How can you help with your money?"

"They say our goldmine is a dust-heap," Mrs. Medlicott said, in her gentle, cooing fashion. "We've got to prove that it is all we claimed. My husband has been called a share-pusher, because he offered investors a chance in a good thing. I'm going to use my money to prove this is no gold-brick, but all we claimed, and more. And I expect I shall make more money than I can ever spend."

Eve could only gaze at her in astonishment.

"Have you thought?" she asked. "You have only Dan Prescott's word for it. I know he believes implicity in his mine; but suppose he is mistaken?"

"Then we lose," Mrs. Medlicott admitted. "I've thought about that. But what I see most clearly is that we can get no money for the mine from the public. And if we do nothing, we admit that we are offering them something worthless. And I want to see that newspaper on its knees, before my husband and Dan Prescott."

"Does your husband know what you intend?"

"He hasn't an idea," Mrs. Medlicott replied. "I wanted to make sure, first of all, that we could get Dan interested. So much depends on him; and that means on you."

"I've never felt so ashamed in my life," Eve said. "I should have listened to what he had to say. And now he'll never forgive me, I'm sure."

"You don't believe that," her hostess said. "The only trouble is to find him before he does anything reckless."

"What?" Eve demanded in consternation.

"How do I know what a man is going to do?" was the reply. "Now, come down to dinner, and I'll tell John what we've settled. He's been having a wicked time, poor dear, and keeping wonderfully cool and self-possessed through it all."

Medlicott placed chairs for them, with the customary twinkle in his eyes.

"Has she been telling you how to get silk stocking for nothing by smoking a thousand cigarettes a week?" he asked Eve.

"No, dear," Mrs Medlicott said gently. "Eve has found the money for our gold mine."

"Indeed! And who is putting it up?"

"I am," said his astonishing wife. "I've got a hunch that I'll make a lot of money."

Medlicott regarded her for a long minute; while Eve held her breath for what might come next. Then he rose and went to the sideboard. The pop of a cork was heard, and the host filled three glasses with foaming wine.

He lifted his own and bowed to his wife.

"Pardner!" he said solemnly.

"Pardner!" she replied, with her gentle smile. Eve tried to drink the toast, but the first sip of wine almost choked her.

They sat up very late, discussing the plan of campaign, for Mrs. Medlicott insisted that Eve should not go to her own flat, but remain until the morning. But always they came back to the same point, which was the need of Dan Prescott.

"He's all right, Eve, whatever he is doing," Medlicott said. "He does not drink at all, and he has a deep sense of his personal obligations."

"But why should he leave his hotel?" Eve said in growing distress. "It looks to me, somehow, as if he planned to go away from London. I wondered. He frits about what is happening in Australia."

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Your Birth Date Reveals Your Vocation

By ANN PENNINGTON

One problem of vital importance that confronts young people is to determine the vocation of trade for which he or she is best suited. The purpose of this column is to be of service to those who are seeking help in this important matter. Your birthdate can be used as a guide to a proper decision.

Let us suppose that you, or someone in whom you are interested were born between March 1st and 20th. Such a person should seek a profession as a nurse. An occupation in the shipping business or any activity connected with the water. Such a person should make an excellent companion, a pleasing, comfortable, lovable husband or wife. There is often found a tendency toward artistic or inspirational pursuits. A very good example of this type will be found in Jean Harlow, or George Brent, the movie stars. The love of great expansion brings much success to these persons.

As this period is symbolized by the two fishes one swimming up the river and one swimming down, it will be best to make sure just which way a person of this type is going, and no matter what happens, don't give up either to the current or to the tide.

Fullest success will come through playing safe in business, making powerful friends, protection against sudden reversals, and above all — be brave without being rash.

A personal reply dealing with one important question will be mailed to anyone sending the day, month, and year of birth together with 25c and stamped addressed envelope for reply. Address all correspondence to Anne Pennington, Room 421, 73 Adelaide St. W., Toronto, Ontario.

Romance and Divorce

The increase of divorce and the fact that the marriage rate is not maintained at a high enough pitch may well be due to the fact that the modern girl fails to realize that man is more sensitive to romance than woman. Love is an adventure in every man's heart and one which he would willingly prolong, but he is not always given the opportunity since women have become more matter-of-fact and more concerned about their own individual fortunes. That is one result of the emancipation of women.—Victoria Daily Colonist.

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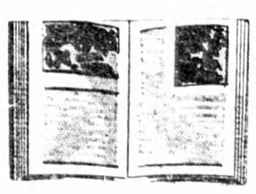

The Book Shelf

BY MAIR M. MORGAN

Autobiographies are still enjoying a tremendous vogue and "The Way of A Transgressor" by Negley Farson, Geo. J. McLeod, Toronto, is a highly satisfying recounter. "My grandfather," states Mr. Farson, "Kept his three Negro servants by the simple expedient of not paying them." With such a grandfather for a background, no doubt would account for the life of Negley Farson. Interested in fishing, hunting, sailing, making love and occasionally making money, Mr. Farson has plenty of which to write.

Russia, in 1915 evidently was one exciting place and has been the locale of several stirring autobiographies. None exceed Mr. Farson's adventures. This Russian episode in his life is a book in itself—but Mr. Farson goes on to Egypt whee he crashes. The war over we find him in Chicago, married and selling trucks—but not for long. He jumps over to British Columbia—then back to Chicago, then turns into a wandering newspaperman. This leads him across Europe; into the wilds of the Caucasus, back into Turkey and Egypt—thence to India. This is enough for the most seasoned reader, and being one I must say I enjoyed it. For one thing you become so involved in the adventures and wanderings of this delightful personality that you completely leave Toronto for a space of time.

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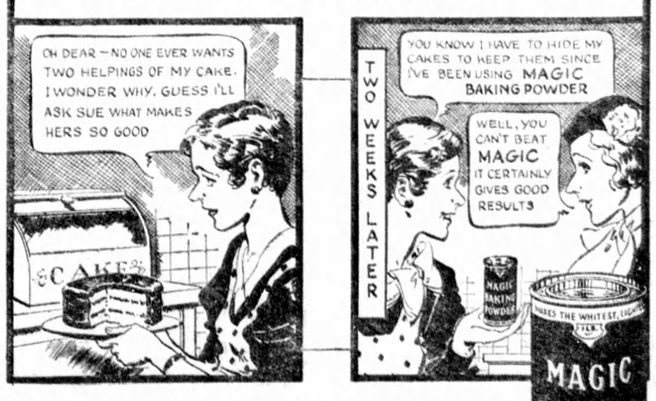

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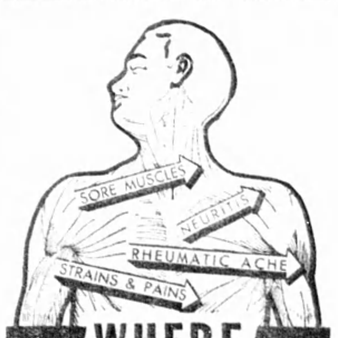

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