

Highgrade at Cobalt Library

Queen Midas
By Joseph Dinneen

When fiery little Pegeen Dooley came over to America on "one of the last of the rippling waves of the great Irish immigration in 1896" she was thirteen years old. Her only "family" was the aunt who had paid her passage; the only work she could find, piece-work in a mattress factory. Eighteen years later she owned the West End block that she lived on, and she was worth a quarter of a million dollars. They called her "Queen Midas", everything she touched turned to gold.

Joseph Dinneen's new novel is a colorful portrait of this vibrant woman, and of the boisterous, turbulent and close knit family that she loved and fought with. It is also a picture of the first generation Irish, as they poured into the cities, and made them their home. Pegeen Dooley married a man twice her size, Patrick O'Connell, a big strapping Irishman whose six feet in height were no match for her hot temper and quick tongue. "Little girl" he sometimes called her, but she would snap back with justice, "I'm a small woman who does things big."

She learned the complexities of stocks and bonds with a quick shrewdness that astonished the experts. In time she came to own much of the city that had taken her in as a penniless immigrant. When the ward boss Jimmy Flannigan said "You're a smart woman Pegeen. I'd like to talk with you," she listened. Politics was the golden key to the city those days, and a woman with enough money could turn that key. When Jimmy mentioned her oldest son Michael, "Queen Midas" began to see the way to City Hall.

In another time a woman might have ruled an empire, or managed a kingdom. Instead she founded a political dynasty in a great city. "Petticoat Government", her enemies called it, but Pegeen didn't care. She was the powerful head of a powerful family and they took her where she wanted to go. When her daughter Mary, a dark haired Irish beauty, who looked as if she had just stepped off the calendar of saints, married Pegeen's bitterest political enemy, she brought him into the family coalition anyway. When her son Jerry told her he wanted to join the Boylston Post she demurred—but saw the day when he would cover City Hall.

Joseph Dinneen is a writer familiar with the ins and outs of city politics, as he demonstrated in *WARD EIGHT* and his biography of James Michael in *THE PURPLE SHAMROCK*. In *QUEEN MIDAS* he gives a rich and often humorous picture of this world; a tough and seasoned arena in which some of the great fights were fought; a world of flamboyant personalities and silver-tongue rhetoric; of bitter quarrels and golden rewards.

The Hill of the Red Fox
By Allan Campbell McLean (Juv.)

True to a promise made to a man who had saved his life at the expense of his own, Alasdair Cameron tells the story of his summer in Skye, describing the people's life, which he shared; the countryside, with its mountains, rough hills and dashing seas; the happenings in their daily lives, which gradually wove themselves into a sinister plot.

Alasdair's is a thrilling spy tale written for the younger reader. There are kidnapped scientists who have disappeared without a trace; attempts on Alasdair's life when he gets too close to the truth; a roving band of gypsies who help him to escape when he finds out who the real criminal is. And there is that giant of a man, Duncan Mor, who takes the place in the boy's life of his dead father. Because at times he makes the wrong decisions, trusts the wrong people, and is completely fooled by the enemy; because he is not always too clever, Alasdair's story rings true.

The details of the plot, the suspense and the frightening climax

make this a truly spine-chilling tale, with an unusual and fascinating setting.

Rosina Copper, Mystery Mare
By Kitty Barne (Juvenile)

Thirteen year old Angela is with friend Mrs. Gibson, when Meg impulsively buys an old horse who has aroused her interest and pity. Careful grooming brings out the mare's unusual colouring and they decide to call her Copper. As they nurse her back to health they come to love her.

What has been this horse's previous training? How old is she? How does she happen to have been so neglected? These questions trouble Meg and Angela. Bit by bit the young girl and the horsewoman piece together the story of Rosina Copper's life.

Even if this story were fiction it would be a fascinating mystery. But Rosina Copper's story is true. From the time she was thought to have been destroyed in 1927, after an injury during an International polo match at Meadbrook, to the birth of her foal twenty years later and going on to triumphs in jumping in 1951, Rosina Copper's story is an utterly amazing one.

Mrs. Gibson writes from England: "Rosina is very well. She sleeps in the kitchen at night, and is house trained—we just put her out like the cat in the morning—She comes up on her own at nightfall and knocks on the door to be let in. Do tell anyone in America that we would be delighted to let them see Rosina any time they might like to come."

Union membership in Canada in 1958 totalled 1,454,000, about 23 per cent of the labour force.

Farmers' Union Names Delegate To Union Council

The monthly meeting of the Milberta Farm Union was held at Highland School on the regular night, June 8th.

After the reading and adoption of the minutes were taken care of some special business was attended to. The publicity committee, who was Frank Fillingham, asked to be relieved of his position. Mrs. George Jibb was then appointed for this.

In July a board meeting of the Ontario Farm Union will be held, also the Interprovincial Farm Union Council will meet during this week, beginning July 13. A delegate was chosen, (Mrs. George Jibb), to attend these meetings if at all possible. Several resolutions were read over, discussed and voted on, so that the delegate would know which way to vote at the Board meetings, which will be held in Guelph.

It was decided at this meeting not to have refreshments during the summer months, so that we could keep our meetings as short as possible during the busy season.

The next meeting will be held in McCool School on July 21st, instead of the regular date, so that the delegate could give her report of the Board meeting.

Also at this meeting, a motion was made to invite the newly elected M.L.A. (who ever it might be) to be guest speaker at the next meeting in July, if we could get him. This meeting should be of interest to all, everyone will be welcomed.

New Interest In Agnico Output

Agnico Mines is continuing to show improvement in production and operating profit from its Cobalt district operations and is now diversifying into other fields, A. Robertson, president reports.

Operating profit totalled \$155,631 in the five months ended May 31, when production netted \$625,399 and expenses amounted to \$469,768.

Operating profit in May was \$56,707 compared with \$51,536 in April. Metals recovered in the first five months this year included 835,407

ozs. silver, 89,413 lbs. cobalt and 21,708 lbs. copper.

During May the company completely retired its creditors' arrangement liability and the mortgage charged against properties.

A new silver orebody of substantial grade and dimensions was located in the Agaunico mine. The vein, known as No. 25, was outlined by diamond drilling to a depth of 140 ft. below the 325-ft. horizon and a crosscut now headed to reach the occurrence on the 450 level has some 125 ft to go.

The company recently acquired a 7.5% interest in South-East Ireland Syndicate, formed to explore a 150-sq. mile concession in the Republic of Ireland.

To the Voters of Temiskaming

My thanks and appreciation to everyone who gave me their support on June 11th — and the same to the many people who worked on my behalf during the recent election period.

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