## The Free Press Short Story

## CONDITIONAL THORNS

RUTH WOOD CADMUS

weeks away."

Bother lab! Can't you skip one after-

"I cannot help it, Jean. Now don't

marks and get some knowledge in my dull

cranium so that I can help mother. She

"Wait, Jean. You surely know better

"Perhaps, but it still doesn't explain

why you, of all people, took that deadly

ourse. No one knows why you majored

teacher." Jeanette pleaded for the glory

of the school and Rose Mary wrestled

mand, and in consequence, failed, what

would or could she say to the little

mother who had sacrificed so much for

that no one could cause her to fail after

"Too nearly dark, Rose Mary, to get

any good work in. And there's no morn-

ing period open for general practice

speaking in such manner seemed like a

death knell to her hopes and dreams

of winning a high place in this last ond

test game for the permanent ownership.

Dearborn this last year, are you?"

Mary was too busy thinking of the com-

One absence, or in the college ver-

nacular, one cut, was permissable

Rose Mary was surprised that Dr. Thorne

and the accounting would come later.

ference of the girls, which resolved itself

on daily practice in the gymnasium,

week. The red flag-was still down, but

skating was permitted in certain bounds.

Rose Mary was on her way to the first

weekly assembly of the dreaded class

She loved her science; and until the en-

countering of the Thorne, chemistry and

physics had been her delight. She was

forgotten her or wisely left her alone.

corner of the science building, and met

Rose Mary face to face as she mounted

the steps. "Well, Deserter, where were

you when we called at your room? Don't

clous now?" Her captain spoke severely.

"I told you that I would not cut again.

-warned you to fill my place at our last

"You know it can't be done at this late

fate. There isn't anyone who can take

"We'll hang it up ourselves, if neces

away. Get her duds, Jean, she isn't

her unwilling feet to follow them. Only

freeing herself against the odds; only by

dragging the team into disrepute. If she

did scream, make a fuss, she might cause

the loss of the game to Easton by default

if the faculty learned of this occurrence

house than let you go now."....

"You need not try to get away. We

would rather shut you up in the boat-

Rose Mary did not reply, but gazed

straight ahead, ignoring her captain.

Once on the smooth, glistening ice, she

forgot all but the love of the game, and

played with a vim and dash she had.

"I knew it, good girl. I knew it was

Rose Mary," shouted the captain. Rose

Mary looked toward Elizabeth, noticed that

she was out of the described bounds for

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going to desert at this crucial date!"

Come along; no, you can't get

"How about the red flag?"

realize every moment is doubly pre-

but no, there they came around the again.

dustry in her home town.

planning on taking up the work of as-

much precious time as they were.

Jeanette's horror added to the hurt.

"That means no team for me this

professor in this college."

has given me every chance to get a good

I must graduate with decen

OSE pressed against the by pane of glass, Rose Mary sat, gazing gloomily out of the window of her second story room in the college dormitory. It was a rare winter day, warm, clear, racing air that tempted and tempted. The college pond, called by courtesy a lake, in reality the wide portion of a river just above the mill dam, was crowded with merry skaters. "Oh, oh. I wish chemistry lab was in Siberia. I don't see why I ever took that course. Look at that clock-late again!"

The long-suffering nose was suddenly thrust into the warmth of the cosy room and retaliated vigorously with several hearty twinges. "Where is that book? Oh, me, how that hurts. I nearly froze it that time. Could anything more happen to me this day?"

With a rub and a jerk, Rose Mary restored circulation to the protesting feature, slammed the door, and hurrled down the long hall. She was not late but the last moment of grace was up when she dropped, breathless, into the

The wise professor, Dr. Thorne, schooled in the devious ways of students, hurled her education and depended upon her the very first question at her. Gasping, bright daughter to make up for some of Rose Mary endeavored to find words the sacrifices? and means of utterance, but she was not quite quick enough. "If you would only give yourself more three years of excellent record in scholar-

time to leave the pond and reach your ship? "This once, Jean, if you are right classes without this scramble, Miss Web- in saying I am so sorely needed. But, ster, you would be in condition to answer remember, it's the only time. You will questions intelligently." He turned to have to practice after the two hour lab her neighbor, who was always on time period." and always had an answer, invariably

The girl sputtered inwardly, for she had not been on the pond, and her heart | either." filled with indignation at the accusation On this day when the ice was perfect and she was needed on the hockey team, she felt too virtuous to endure such a charge meekly. She smoldered and her eyes said what her lips might not speak. The hour passed too slowly She was on the edge of the seat, ready to bound up at of the penant.

"Just a minute, Miss Webster, if you Rose Mary did not please, but sat stony silence, her angry glance on the

"Now. Miss Webster, I must perform

man who was closely watching her.

painful duty. In the first place, you have been neglecting your chemistry course for athletics of late. I understand you are on the school hockey team and are extremely active in all athletics." The good professor looked as if the words hurt. He was extremely adverse women athletes, deeming them anything but feminine in character. "However your first duty is to your studies. must warn you that you will have to discontinue hockey practice if it is going interfere with your work in my course You must realize that you came to college to learn science, art, or history; not to run about on a frozen pond, or race after

a basket ball!" "I was not with the team this morning, Dr. Thorne. I stayed home so that I might remember the class, and prompt. The only time I have been late was one day last week when we had called practice just before class. I only wish I had been with the team for don't seem to get much credit from you when I study hard and do my lab work.

Professor Thorne sat in amazement He had dealt with many a rebellious student in his time, and there was never open resistance after his ultimatum. The girl before him was far from amendable as her flushed cheeks and sparkling eyes testified. "Miss Webster, you forget yourself. I said that you must choose between your sports and your studies, at least so far as my course is concerned, and unless your work shows decided improvement, I will be forced to condition

The girl was too angry and hurt to reply. She stumbled from the room, the thoughts that raced through her mind known them. She was wishing that she had never chosen Thorne Course Number Three, and wishing equally hard that she had never had the pleasure of meeting the Thorne in an otherwise peaceful

She frowned. This was the beginning of hard work for the team and because she was its strongest guard, her loss would be an insurmountable blow. For two years, Dearborn School had held its place supreme over Easton and the other colleges in its schedule of games, an this season the defeated rival clamore for revenge and the chance to hold the coveted pennant from Dearborn which meant that the latter must not win th third consecutive game. It would be wonderful contest this year. Easton had · its first real team in years.

That afternoon Rose Mary was standing at the window where she had watched longingly in the morning, the gay scene below. "Lucky if they only know I am tied up with lab for two whole hours, the best part of the afternoon too." A rap on the door brought her from her musing.

"Rose Mary, get your duds, and come along to practice. Why, where are your-\_ only temporary aberration, not the real skates and your hockey stick, and hurry!".

"In my locker, I suppose, in the boathouse. Have you forgotten this is lab afternoon, Jeanette?"

The Community's

Social Side of Life

Visitors to and From Town During the Past Week, as Gleaned by The Free Press

Miss. Jessie Mowat, of Dundas, was nome on Sunday.

Mr. John Mann is visiting Mr. and Ars. D. N. McTavish.

Mr. Wm. Ruddy, of Toronto, visited Acton friends this week.

Mrs. A. Ralph and Shirley King visited Toronto friends last week. "Well, you know that game is just six. Mrs. J. R. Kennedy and Miss M. Nelson

> spent Sunday at Unionville. Mr. H. R. Wansbrough, of Toronto, visited his mother on Sunday.

Mr. R. Bingham, of Eramosa, visited Mrs. Robt. Bennett on Monday.

Miss Fern Brown visited Miss Isabel "Why, the Thorne will have to pass you or take issue with the whole faculty." Cowie at Kincardine last week.

Mrs. Herb. King, of Georgetown, visitthan that. He is the most important ed Mrs. B. M. Wilson on Sunday.

Bernice Reid at Waterloo this week. Miss Helen Ostrander was home from in chemistry, knowing through all the

years that he would be your senior Toronto University over the week-end. went in defiance to her teacher's com-

> Mrs. Ethel Edwards, of Toronto, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robt.

on Sunday with their nieces at Camp-Was her chum right when she stated hellville.

> Mrs. Jocque, of Kitchener, spent several in this period. days last week at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Malcolm McLean left on Saturday to visit for a few weeks with her sister ozzie. in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Jos. Ruddy, who recently returned year." It nearly broke her heart to say those words; to hear her own voice from Texas,, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Jos. Holmes. Bower Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bessey and Doris

Sunday with Mrs. B. M. Wilson. "Rose Mary, you aren't going back on Mr. Peddie, of Toronto, who occupied the pulpit of Knox Church on Sunday, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Main-During practice that afternoon, Rose prize.

Mr. George Mulholland and Miss Irene ing meeting with her. Thorne, and the usual brilliancy was lacking. The giri Mulholland attended the funeral of their grew discouraged, wondered if she were cousin, Miss Rose Storey, in Stratford, losing her grip, but the wise captain said last week.

and Donald, of Detroit, are spending a week, at the parental home, with Mr. Dearborn without explanation, if the students did not take advantage of the and Mrs E. F. Kennedy. rule. Teachers seldom asked for any Rev. H. L. Bennie has been ill for the

reason for one, or even two cuts, but past week or so, and was unable to conduct the services on Sunday. Friends did not mention her absence of the prewill wish him a speedy recovery. vious afternoon. She was not relieved, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones were called knowing that he was a man of his word, to Sarnia last week, owing to the serious

There came a thaw that day, and the injury of her brother, in an auto acpond was judged unsafe for skaters. This cident. Mrs. Jones remained for a few condition lasted several days, to the great | days. anxiety of the team. There was a con-Mrs. Robert Shaw was in Guelph to Saturday, attending the funeral of her trusting that their rivals were losing as cousin, Mr. Charles Lasby, who died of

The ice was again solid within the at Rockwood. Mr. and Mrs. Burtland Conover and Miss Conover, of Erindale; Mrs. Robert Bingham, of Sunlack, Manitoba; and Close Mr. and Mrs. Isaaq Bennett, of George- Lazenby town, were the guests of Mrs. Robt. R. Ryder

Bennett on Sunday. Master Harry Gibson, the eight-year- Leatham sistant to the chemist in the drug in- old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson, Holmes was taken seriously ill last week and is Davidson It was Blue Monday. The ice sparkled still in a very critical conditions. Harry Hall and lured her. Evidently the team had is a bright little chap and friends wish Beattle for him a restoration to good health Patrick

> Keep Douglas' Egyptian Liniment always in the stable, ready for immediate Removes proud flesh and inflammation. Thrush 'or Hoof Rot, and in-

> > LEARN TO LAUGH

Andrew Carnegie once said: "There very little success where there is little laughter." One who soured his disposition making money, and had such an eye for the main chance that he never saw anything funny, could hardly be con sidered fortunate, even though he paid yearly income tax many times over all The girls -selzed Rose Mary, forcing that most of us hope to be worth before by making a scene could she succeed in we die.

Mr. Carnegie's sage remark means more than this, however. Mr. Carnegie meant that laughter is a help to success: that cheerful, sunny people have a better chance than the grim and grouchy sort. If you would be successful, learn to see the joke in your own disappointments. Learn to laugh when things go wrong.

NEARER CORRECT

A minister told his flock that he had a "call" to go to another church. One of the deacons asked how much more

"One hundred pounds," was the reply. "Well, I don't blame you for going." remarked the deacon, 'but you should be more exact in your/-language, parson. That isn't a call,' that's a 'rise.' "

MIDGET HOCKEY

Final Games of Schedule - Crescents Lead, with Parkviews in Second Place One Point Behind - Points for Goals and Assists of Players

The last day of February saw the: last two of the scheduled midget games. The first game was between Crescents and Majestics. Joe Kentner was the referee. The final score: Crescents 2, Majestics 0.

In the first period the Crescents netted both their goals and one penalty. Majestics took one penalty. Jimmy Jones and Rigby Cross were the scorers. Bayliss got an assist on each goal.

The second and third periods were unexciting, but each team took three penalties. The Crescents played much better hockey than in the three preceding

Goals-J.-Jones; Cross. Penalties-R. Ryder; F. Jones; Beat-

tie; Lazenby; Tyler; Collins; Bayliss (2) The second game, Parkviews vs. Three Stars, was refereed by Dr. E. J. Nelson The final score: Parkviews 5, Three Stars,

The first period saw one goal for the Parkviews and one for the Stars. Marshall got the first goal on a pass from Miss Sorna Kenhedy visited with Miss Switzer, a few minutes after play started. Shortly before the end of the period . Over 8 lbs. each ........... 12 to 17 Jocque scored on a pass from Anderson. Young geese-There were no penalties in this period. In the second period. Parkviews got Miss Howard, of Toronto, spent a few one goal and one penalty; the Stars were with a much harder problem. If she days with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Barber- given a penalty. Marshall scored on a

Shortly after the third period started, Switzer scored, assisted by Lambert and Marshall. Then Ievers scored, to make the score three to two. Next, Lambert Mr. and Mrs. D. N. McTavish visited scored on a beautiful lone play. Near the end of the game, Switzer again scored on a beautiful pass from Molozzie. 'The Athletic Club-was given a single penalty Goals-Marshall, 2; Switzer, 2; Lam-

bert; Jocque; Ievers. Penalties-Anderson; Graham; Mol

Phese were the last of the scheduloc

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	Mr. and Mrs. Norman Merrit, of	permitting, there will be p			
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	Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson.	나는 아이들이 많은 이렇게 하게 하면서 살아가 하셨다면 하지만 하는데 하지만 하는 살이 먹었다. 나는데 없으로 모든데	and the same		٠.
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ं	Sunday with Mrs. B. M. Wilson.	Molozzie	1	1	
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	the pulpit of Knox Church on Sunday.		6 .	3	
	was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Main-	Marshall		4	
-	prize.	Skilling		0	
•	Mr. George Mulholland and Miss Irene	Graham		0	
•	Mulholland attended the funeral of their	Price	1	0	
1	cousin, Miss Rose Storey, in Stratford,	Smith		0	
•	last week.	McNabb	0	0	
1	last week.	Hassard		0	
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•	and Donald, of Detroit, are spending a			ô	
1	week, at the parental home, with Mr.	DW DOLLINGT		ň	
•	and Mrs. E. F. Kennedy.	Coxe	-		-
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t	past week or so, and was unable to con-	J. Brown	•	0	5
3	duct the services on Sunday. Friends	Papillon	1.	0	
	will wish him a speedy recovery.	Nikolac	0	0	
		Collins	0	0	
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	to Sarnia last week, owing to the serious		ņ	Ü	
•	injury of her brother, in an auto ac-	Jocque	1	. 0	
5	cident. Mrs. Jones remained for a few-	E-Footitt		0	
t	days.	Woods	2	1	20
		Bayliss	0	.5.	
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	Saturday, attending the funeral of her		3	1	
	cousin, Mr. Charles Lasby, who died of	J. Jones	2	0	
	injuries received at the railway crossing	Marzo	0	. 0	
	at Rockwood	Mulan	0	0	

NO BUTTING IN

"Put up your hands!" commanded the

arger of two bandits who had stopped he motor ceach. "We're goin' to rob the gents and kiss all the ladies." "No," remonstrated the smaller one,

gallantly. "We'll rob the gents all right, but we'll leave the ladles alone. "Young-man," snapped a woman passenger of uncertain age, "mind your own business! Your friend's managing this l:old-up!"-London Tit-Bits.

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