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DEAN MALLEDAY

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The Free Brenn' Short Story

AN ORCHID PRINT

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his mind. Once he makes up his mind

"You're his weakness now, ch? But

you're an expensive weakness, 'Lynn."

where I'm concerned. I try to talk

Daddy, but he just tells me not

Lynn frowned. "It worries me sot

know he shouldn't be so extravagan

worry my prolly head about business.

Do you think his business is in as bad

David was stlent for several moments.

You vourself said he'd told your

economies Lynn. What does that tol

for Daddy's Istributay." She scampored

"You are trying to help, aren't you?

Presently they run into the drive

particular long Island suburb. A coupe

"Daddy's home." Lynn said as

tier key. A fine-looking, gray-hatre

man with aristocratic features but to

with breeding eyes. Misery was

chair in the living room, staring at some

Lynn gave the pitifully small cake to

lumped out. She opened the door

edly. "Thrifty is my name!"

"Of course I am!"

stood before the door.

a tired amile

prints was fastidious.

Mr. Tolman's affairs.

Lynn. "It was sweet of you."

her blue eves bright, "there was the

store. It was hast the thing I need for

beautiful inlaid cabinet in the

Mr. Tolman's eyes shaddwed

money these days, Lynn."

day. That's a month from now.

heartiness that did not ring true

David was stung with nity for

older man who was the victim of

had a desire to shake Lynn. In a

nothing was wrong with her old one:

Mr. Tolinan looked a little hopefully

"Did you wish to see me about some-

David nodded, swallowing a lump.

to do something, he does it."

a way as he thinks it la?"

YNN TOLMAN raised her silvery bland head as a young man entered the antique store. David Parrish was not exactly an ornament to the human species. Tall, red-haired, freckle-faced and angular, he could have lake no claim to good looks. His wide, humorous mouth, revertheless, and twinkling blue eyes bespoke a wealth of good nature and ability.

Lynn's blue eyes brightened. "You've saved my life, David."

The young man glanced up in sur prise, a shadow passing momentarily soross his wide brow as he observed her expensive Persian lamb tacket, to be frased by his infectious smile.

Lynn drew the Persian lamb tacket i couldn't keer Daddy from buying it for me." Lynn had a habit of speaking in italian

David Parrish did not answer, but frown crossed his forehead.

Livan, suspecting its cause, hurried on "I'm so glad you dropped in David. was trying to select a floral print for Daddy. To-day's his birthday. collects floral prints, but I didn't realize they we're an expensive."

David smiled ruefully. "I dropped in here hoping to find an interesting letter opener for my office. Afraid I'm no much of a judge of floral prints"

Lenn pointed to a row of prints she had propped against the side of the "I think I'll make my selection

from these alx." David picked up one, obviously better in execution than the others.

"I like this one. French, ian't it?" Lynn nodded her silvery blond head "It's the best, of course. The price is ling. what worries me. Twenty-five dellars Imagine!"

"A lot, these days." "That's what I thought. And Dadcty

told me I must economosin." The frown scarred David's forehead again. "Is your father free this everying? I'd like to see him if he is." "Business, I suppose, Yes, I think he's

Lynn picked up a print obviously inferior to the others. "I think I'll take this one. It's only two dollars Like

IL David?" "Not much; the workmanship is no But naturally that's why

costs less. It's an orchid, isn't it?" Lynn nodded. "I love orchids." "I don't," David said slowly. "They have no perfume; they seem cold. They remind me of an extremely beautiful woman who is cold and hard and selfish found out what it cost."

beneath her beauty." Lynn wrinkled her small nose. "Postic comparisons don't go with your face, weary.

David." "Possibly not but I don't think orchids think of letting you get it for me, dar-

"Since you've made an orchid seem so terrible. I supose I should consider that a compliment ... Yes, I think I'll take this orchid print just to teach you a lesson. Maybe in time you'll come

to change your views." While it was being wrapped up by piece." the clerk. David selected a letter opener. and paid for-it.

Lynn drew him over to a beautiful struggle. 'Til give you the money toinlaid cabinet.

Oh how I wish "Im't it a beauty? I could have it."

"It's only two hundred and fifty." supplied the clerk. "And it's cheap at that price. It won't remain here long " Lynn's face shadowed. "That's what ster and this Persian lamb I'm afraid of. Oh, why does there have to be a nasty old depression?"

"If twenty-five dollar prints are too expensive. two-hundred-and-fifty-dollar cabinets are even more so," David point

"Yes, I supose you're right. But it would go so beautifully in my room. Well, I guess I must forget

At the door of the shop, David asked; love for his motherless daughter;

"May I call this evening?" Lynn deliberated. "Why don't you den, revealing flash, he saw many things. come along with me and have dinner with us? You can talk to Daddy after buy her that expensive jacket, how

smiled "I'd really love to if it won"

family."

age and returned to first Lynn sitting in Lynn's selfishmess. a slinky, low-slung roadster.

by this car." David said. Lynn smiled. 'Daddy just spoils me'l the two men, but Lynn talked esgerly of cause you were hungry." I told him I could et along with that nonconsequentials. When the cate came - Lynn gripped the table with white order of things in the Tolman house-

old wreck, but he insisted on getting me on, a small ring of a cake, David felt a hands. "David I-I-" this roadster."

only two years old."

"But I was willing to endure it for were confirmed. He felt a little ill. Daddy's sake." David smorted. "Endure it? There's at David as they rose from the table. a lot of people in this country enduring

Lyon shrugged her slim shoulders as "Let's go into my den. I'd like to get If to say that other people and their to bed early: I'm rather tired. Then I Rie. troubles did not concern her. "You can leave you with Lynn."

a lot more than a two-year-old roadster, thing?".

"David." he asked his voice a- triffe busky, "did-did you manage to sell that block of busines property here to

man learned forward, over his desk

David met the older man's even then shook his head. \ 'Mr. Taylor said th wanted it three years ago. Now he an't touch it at any price. Hard hit timself. I think."

Mr. Tolman seemed to go limp, and he rubbed a shaking hand across late forehead.

"I want to eight other men who might be in a position to buy." David comtinued hurriedly. "Some of them said they might be interested two or three months from now." "Too late," Mr. Tolman said heavily

'I'm afraid--",-"You don't mean that your busines

no; that can't be possible!"

Mr. Tolman amiled with his lips, not his tired eyes. "Not possible, but true, David. I might as well be frank with you; I know I can depend on your discretion. I'm colse to the wall. A very little beway, a freedom from the heavy burdens I've been carrying, would save me, save my business. But I don't know where I could turn for that help had hoped that block of business proporty might sell it's already mortgaged, Lvnn drove into a parking space before you know

a small bakery. "Things aren't quite ar mother had to have an operation and I've been putting my comper brothinto the bakery and came out with a I've just been able to make ends meet in this real estate game through these "Twenty-five conts." she said delight-

well to carry the burden you have." Mr. Tolman smiled slightly "It's that red head of yours, lad." way of one of the nicer homes of that

"There's only one thing I could suitrest. Three different chents have asked to rent vour house. One client is willmy to may three hundred and fifty dolain and take a six moratha lease You could rent an adequate little collage for seventy-five dollars and get out from inder the burden of upkers for this bly

those even that caused something cold Mr. Tolman's tired eyes brightened, to settle around David Parrial's heart then shadowed again "I've talked Lynn Like a flash it was gone, hidden beneath about renting this place and taking a amuller frome. But she likes this house for sentimental reasons and because six maid, and flopped down on her father's likes a place to entertain her friends from knee. She kissed him and then proceedschool when they visit her. Perhais I'm ed to unwrap the floral print. She held a little soft where Lynn's concerned but it up for his inspection, her face shinshe's the only person I have "

"Oh," said David, his line tightening Mr. Tolman stared at it for a few "I see, sir." He rese, and stead for moments in stlence. In those moments moment. "I'll keep trying sir" shame caused David's cars to burn. For "Thank you, David I know if any

the first time David Partish realised one can sell that property, you can how truly chose that orchid print must Now, if you'll pardon me. I'll be running seem to a man whose taste in floral off to bed." -!

David felt stern as he returned to the "It's lovely," Mr. Tolman said kissing living room. He picked up the print of burden the orchid, and stared at it fixedly for a The older man must have thought the poorness of the print was ignorance on "Duddy liked that," Lynn commented Lynn's part. David was glad that he

brightly. "I knew he would." did think that, knowing all he did about "He likes you." David said a lit frigidly, "and this print should remind "Oh Daddy." Lynn said impulsively, im of you. I can understand your fondness for orchids now Lynn "

She sprang to her feet, her cheeks the mouthwest corner of my room. It

"What do you mean by that?" was precisely what I've been looking for. "Remember my description of but you could have slain me when I orchid? Cold, hard and selfish beneath a beautiful exterior? Nothing of the warmth of perfume about an orchid! much was it?" His -voice was a little has always impressed me as heartless.

ling. 'It was two hundred and fifty dol- you to explain yourself."

He studied her flushed face grimly for a moment. "You are Mr. Tolman sighed. "That's a lot of like an orchid, Lynn, Beautiful outside ugly within." "I know, Daddy; but the cabinet's

"I never want to see you again!" worth easily twice that. Oh: I wish you "That's mutual, unless you see fit to could see it. Really, it's a corgeous changel . . . But let me finish, for your father's sake, if not your own. This is no fun for me, but if I can make things moments, and his face showed an inward easier for one of the finest Christian gentlemen I've ever known, I'm going to morrow; Lynn," he said in a tired voice.

"You'd be unhappy if some one else "You mean Daddy?" "Yes . . . I never have felt so mean "Oh, I wouldn't think of letting you in my life as I did to-night when your spend so much money on me. Daddy. father ate that pitiful little day-old, Not after you bought me a new roadtwenty-five cent cake, after you'd wheedled a two-hundred-and-fifty-dollar cab-Lynn's forehead puckered. "I'll tell you inet out of him. The nearest I've ever come to feeling that mean was when on it, and you can get it for my birthyour father opened up that print. glad for his sake that he thought at save you the trouble of selecting a was ignorance of prints on vour part

> it isn't true. You know prints!" "I was trying to economize." David laughed bitterly 'Where your father is concerned -ves. Economize everywhere except with yourself Orchid But indulge your own selfishness to the

How Lynn had induced her father to hilt." "I wan't be so insulted in my own evening newspaper home! But before you go, I want you new, more expensive randster when to understand one thing. I didn't ask and we'll eat," Lynn said.

for that cabinet. Dad insisted-" David felt his heart construct as he looked at the older man. His face clear that you just couldn't live without chair, but-" spoke only to clearly of a man being it, depending on your father's love for "It means," said Lynn, solemnly, "that

"Your father is sparing you. I think end of things." surge of anger sweeping through his "Old wreck? Your other roadster was blood. A day-old cake, most probably, it's about time some one thought of David called later, but he did not Lynn was wonderful at comornising, him. His fondness for you has prac -- knock. He saw Mr. Tolman asleep in "Yes; but it had gone twenty seven where her father was concerned! When tically ruined him. Your selfishness, I the big chair, the lines of his face softthousand miles." Lynn sighed deeply. David tasted the cake, his suspicions should say. Lynn. In three months, ened by a smile. Lynn put her fingers when his business has crushed-"

> Lynn gripped David's arm. "It isn't! true! You're trying to frighten me." "Don't you know me better than that? if you will."

When they were in the den, Mr. Tol- into a cheaper one until your father has now."

"I've just seen your daughter going fashton?"

tucky one?" cented Robinson FIG. I

FIG.2 5-18

Fungus disease of beans The most serbits disease to attack which affects slems, foliage, seeds frequently are affected disease as shown in Figure 1 of the case lives over from one year to another "Don't think of it, David You've dorse it is important to obtain healthy seeds and to discard any which are applied

> As shown in Figure 2 the disease also causes brown abots on the bean "Toda Since the disease also attacks the stems and foliage of the plants, any affected scodlings-found in the veluciable garden should be impordiately removed and burned. Pressure of the disease can be recognized by the clongaled nunken derk-red cankers on the stem and leaf

Do not attempt to grow beans on land which contained infected beans the year before Do not cultivate, or pick beans even walk through the bean patch when it is wet for fear of apreading

To prevent the disease, aprav. the young seedlings with Bordeaux mixture when the plants are about five inches high Repeat the spraying at intervals of two weeks. Three such aprayings will usually suffice to check the discuse

weathered the storm. The difference is

"But I couldn't David We've always

"I knew naking you to give up anything would be futile, Lynn" Without mother word David Parrish strode out of the room picked up his hat in the hall, and went out.

Lynn threw heraelf on the davement her small lady racked with sola never want to see him again," she told herself over and over

heart told her differently. David was She saw herself for the first time as he "David." Lynn said sharply. "I'll ask must see her, and her mind revolted at the picture.

> The next evening Lynn was waiting at the station when her father's train came with him to the coupe

"Where's your car?" he inquired. "In dead storage, Daddy. enough for the upkeep of one car in

these times. And I've decided that I don't want the cabinet." "I'm glad" said her father might have pinched ... Where are we

"Home," said Lynn, and her heart

Mr. Tolman was slightly bewildered

"Are we invited out to dinner" he

"No," said Lynn, gaily, as she gripped "Fine," Mr. Tolman said with a But you know that isn't true and I know her father's arm and led him up the :) walk, and unlocked the door. She propelled him over to his favorite chair. and he sat down amazement showing in on a pair of comfortable slippers, gave him his glasses, and handed him the

"Now, I'll pop dinner into the oven

"Listen, young lady, what does this "I know: I know. You made it so mean? This is my favorite comfortable

Young Parrish put his car into a gar- crushed under sourden: The burden of you to do the rest. I suppose the we've rented our big house. Martha and Persian lamb jacket and the racdater James have gone out into the country to Then, dinner was announced, and came the same way. Lynn, I'd have buy that ranch they've always wanted to "Things must be picking up, judging they went in. During the dinner hour, more respect for you if you stood down get with their savings and I'm the maid. it did not seem an enamoring meal for on the street corner begging pennies be. We will be over five hundred dollars ahead monthly. It means a changed.

> to her lips and tiptoed out. "Lynn," he whispered with troubled

eyes, "I'm sorry about last night." "David," Lynn faltered, "I'm glad You could save your father, but I doubt about last night. It hurt terrib's at the time. But Daddy was so happy eating "How?" - Lynn's voice was barely aud - my wretched dinner, that I would have cried. For happiness, you know, David. "Let me rent this house and move because I feel as if my heart is diving

YES, INDEED!

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"Both Robinson and Johnson proposed to Mis Smith. I wonder which was the

"It's too soon to say yet but also us

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