


Mr. and Mrs. Sallie
being the Confessions of a new wife
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Sallie Grows Dissatisfied
 Finding an attractive house at a rental Curtis thought was reasonable, was no easy matter. While he was working on his plans for the mining sub-division, I looked at many places. One afternoon Harriet Crawford took me, in her new limousine, on a house-hunting expedition. Salsby Crawford, to whom she was married, was the scion of a fabulously wealthy family and we had become quite intimate with them because of the fact that he and Curtis had been classmates at college.

It didn't take me long, however, to analyze the feminine member of the House of Crawford. She was undeniably snobbish. Herself a child of luxury, she was absolutely unaware that there were others who were not in the same financial status. Naturally she took me to see large and prepossessing places whose owners were abroad or in Florida and who wished to lease their homes for the season.

Finally I thought I might as well be frank with her about the type house that we wanted.

"Just a small place," I explained, "we can't afford anything very good-looking."

"Nonsense," she interrupted, "Salsby told me just last night that Curtis Wright had already made a name for himself as an engineering-architect (I believe that's what he called him) anyway, he mentioned several developments that he already has to his credit."

I couldn't bring myself to go into detail about our recent financial trouble and besides my new acquaintance was not the sort to inspire confidential disclosures. With her beautiful home, her smart clothes and endless



servants it would be impossible for her to understand or sympathize with a less prosperous condition.

Later I gave the excuse of letter-writing and she ordered the chauffeur to turn back and take me to the Tutwiler hotel at which we were staying.

When Curtis came in at twilight he found me sitting beside the window, unsmiling and sullen.

"What's up dearest? Where's my little Life of the Party?"

No answer.

"Come now, tell us all about it," he pleaded, coming over and gently tilting my face so that he could study my expression.

"Oh, I guess I'm still under the influence of Harriet Crawford," I said as he sat down beside me. My tone was sullen.

"She does act a bit Ritzie," he admitted, "but, my dear, you're so much more attractive that you should get quite a kick out of being in the presence of Mrs. Crawford."

"It isn't that, Curtis, it's just that they have such an awful lot of everything," I concluded. "Look at their home, it's simply stunning!"

"Ought to be, it cost over a hundred thousand. Besides Salsby had a bunch of gold-dust handed to him on a silver platter. In fact all the chaps I've met here have seemed to hit it off in one way or another. You mustn't let that make you unhappy. Besides you'll naturally be thrown with girls who have plenty. You know, 'water seeks its own level,' and the crowd you'll be congenial with will

MY WIFE. Do you understand that Sallie?" His voice gained in emotion, "the help-mate of a working man, a doer, a common, ordinary go-getter. If you wish to remain with me under those conditions and act pleasantly about it you can make me very happy, if not, then there is only one other course that is open. You may return to your father until I can woo you back WITH A FORTUNE."

I started to reply. What my answer would have been, I do not know but woman-like I suppose I would have attempted to defend my position. However, he silenced me before the opening words of the sentence had been uttered.

"No, I don't want you to decide in a hurry. This is a serious and vital moment in our lives, Sallie, and I want you to think it over. I'm going out for a walk and when I return you can give me your decision." (Don't miss Sallie's answer next week!)

COOLIDGE ECONOMY MUST BECOME HABIT
 Congressman Warns of Tendency Toward Lavish Expenditure; Have Money

Coolidge economy must become an American habit and not a mere passing impulse. There are a few optimistic spirits who have rather assumed by reason of the extraordinary gains made in the economical and efficient administration of governmental functions, that the tale had been told and that nothing further remained to be done. The recent passage of the tax-bill with the cuts which it provides in the taxes to be paid by all the people has given stability to that impression. The gains made in tax reduction have apparently created in the mind of some congressmen, mainly Democratic, the impression that what was saved should be spent. As a result a multitude of bills are before congress calling for expenditures which completely wipe out all the savings made by the Coolidge program.

Representative Tilson, of Connecticut, house leader, has already noted this situation, and has served notice

on his fellow members that the organization of the house is strongly opposed to this grab-bag method. Able as the congressman is, he cannot do it all. What is now needed is a new and public assertion of the desire of the people that the old spirit of thrift and decent administration be continued. With reasonable backing from the taxpayers, the public expenditure bills will vanish like snowbanks in the sunshine.

The attitude of the congressmen who have introduced these measures is based on their feeling that the people approve of the spending program. Once it is made plain to them that governmental expenditures for all of these reductions are still regarded as far too high by the average taxpayer, they will develop an equal earnestness in smothering the measures which they introduced with the purpose of meeting what they thought were popular demands. We must remember that after all the margin between a federal surplus and a federal deficiency bill is none too large.

A New Jersey bootlegger is said to have shown the prohibition officers how to make liquor out of hair tonic. But it still retains the property of growing fur in your throat by the morning after.

Did you know that man ate meat before agriculture and the cereals were known?

HIS RIGHT

"Why is old Riley Bessidow bucking and snorting so about the new post office hours?" asked Dr. Slash of Potomis. "He seldom gets a letter, anyhow."

"That's a fact, Doc!" replied Constable Sam T. Slackpitter. "But he might get one some time, you know, and he stands square on his great American right to make as much trouble for public servants as he chooses." —Kansas City Star.

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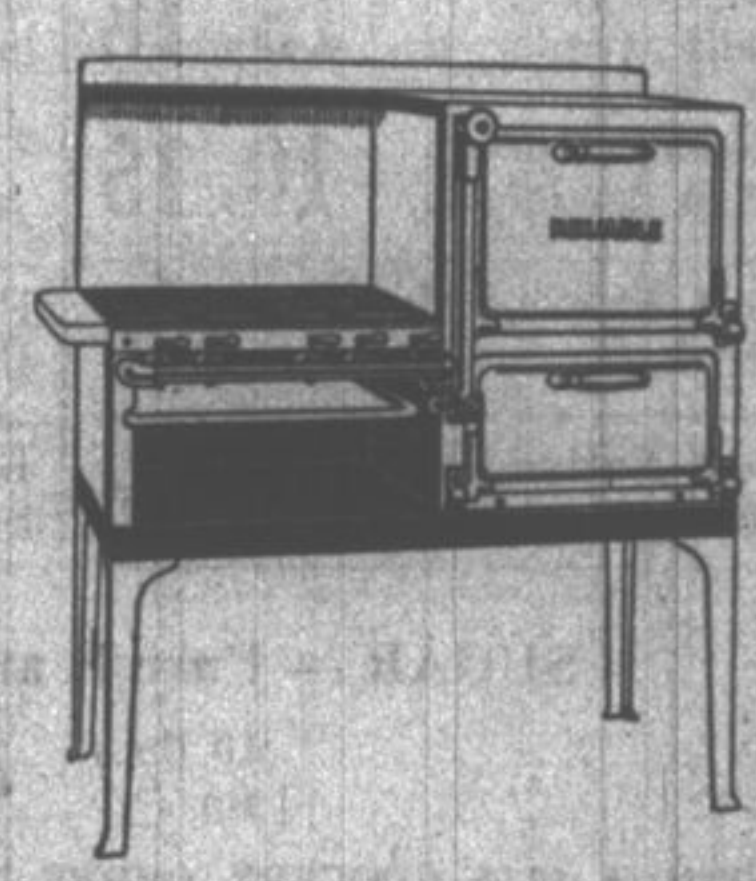
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THURSDAY
 EXPLOSION
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 The topography of the United States is being mapped by the Department of the Interior, and the work is being done by the Geological Survey, in thousands of miles of dead of equally true.
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TRYING THROUGH
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