

GYPSY GIRL

THE STORY OF AN IMPASSIONED ROMANCE

READ THIS FIRST:

Consuelo, a beautiful gypsy girl who longs to dance, is loved by the Dummy, a deaf mute, and Marcu. She despises her mother, Anica, but is fond of her father, Girtza. Marcu tempts Consuelo with a huge diamond and she agrees to marry him. But on her wedding day she boards a train for New York on which are riding Stewart Blackmire, theatrical producer; Doug, his secretary, and Bill, a friend. Consuelo had danced for them ten days previously when their private car had been waiting on a railroad siding in town. Doug takes the gypsy into Stewart's car. Stewart telegraphs his publicity agent and also his friend, Louise, telling her not to meet the train. Consuelo throws her arms around him.

and go back to the gypsy camp. You know you can't do that, don't you?" "Yes, I could not go back. My papa would beat me. Marcu would put his strong fingers about my throat and kill me—I think." She looked full at him. "I tell you this, white man, I shall not turn back until the dream within me has given me all that I ask of it. I shall be the greatest dancer New York has ever known and all the people of all the lands shall come and see me and bring gifts in their arms. Do you believe me?" "I'd believe anything you told me," Stewart said after a moment of silence. "But, gypsy girl, you must promise me one thing. Promise me that if you are too lonesome for the trees and the brooks and for your gypsy man that you will come to me and not go running off."

CHAPTER 21

THE GIRL was the first to move. Doug coughed.

"Sorry to interrupt this passionate love scene, Don Juan, but here's the reply from Dalstrom." He handed the wire to Stewart. As he turned he caught the girl under the chin. "You little passion flower, didn't I tell you to stop loving in public? Don't you realize I'm still a day and a night from home?"

"Listen, gypsy," Blackmire was all business now, "there will be a man to meet you in the station. He will ask you what you came to New York for and you are to tell him. He's planted a fellow there acting as a newsboy who will start to play the harmonica for you and you will dance in the station. Dalstrom will take care of the rest. It's a peach of a gag. If you see me or Bill or Doug you are not to speak. Pretend not to know us, understand? It would not do to let on that we are arranging this, see? Under no circumstances are you to mention my name or recognize me if you see me. Dalstrom will take care of you. Do everything that he says. I'm depending on you, gypsy girl, to carry this out with us. Remember that I'm giving you this chance to dance—"

"It is a serious business, this dancing?"

"Yes."

"I have not found it so. It is like the wind in the mountains that blows and the leaves on the trees dance and no one asks why. It is like the music that plays in the brooks—" Her voice grew wistful. "I used to dance for him beside the brook. It always seemed that he understood my dream."

"The man you were going to marry?"

"No, this other one. I wonder if he will keep on painting me. I wonder if he will miss me—" The Dummy—kiss and forgive.

"You're in love with this man?"

"No—"

"Listen, gypsy, I'm not doing all this just to have you get the idea one of these bright days that you'll pull out

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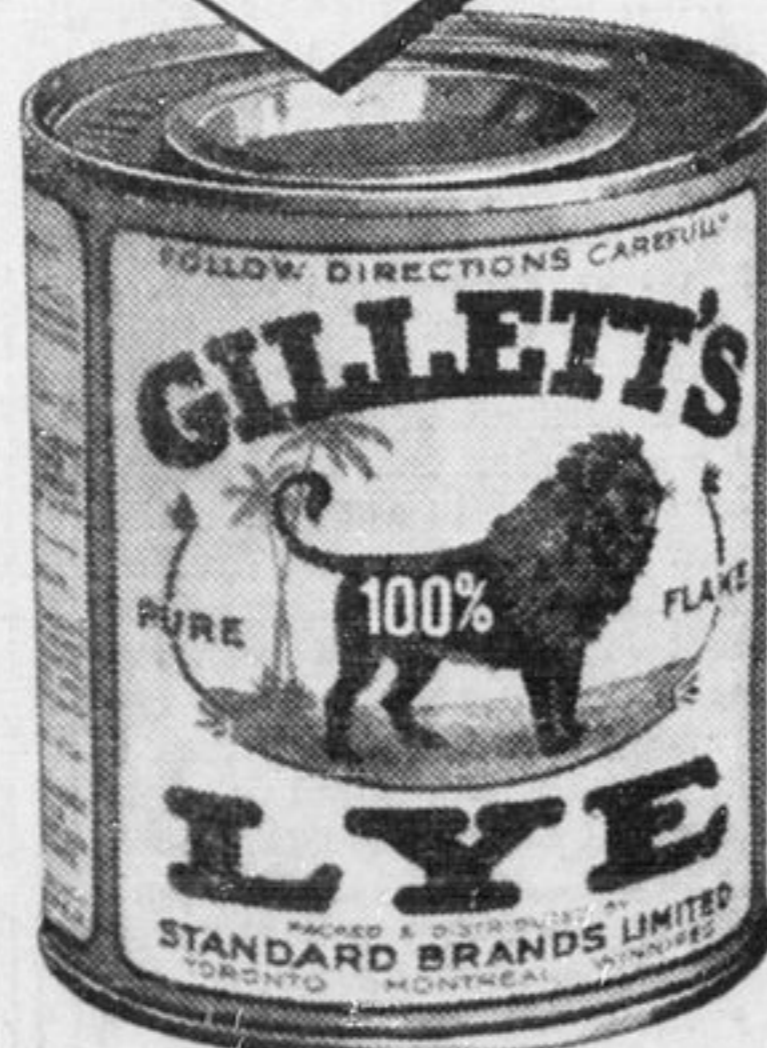
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went like wildfire. The gypsy had stirred the imagination of base New York and it was ready to receive her with open arms if she lived up to the things which were said about her in the papers.

Consuelo was breathless with all this. If she so much as left the suite of rooms people crowded after her. Like a shadow at her elbow Dalstrom followed her. He kept her from dancing in the hotel lobby or on the streets and refused to let her tell fortunes. He procured a Swedish woman as a maid. The Swedish woman had been a masseuse. She stood almost six feet in her stockings. She towered like a mountain over the gypsy. She had shoulders like a man. She found the girl dangling her feet in the bath tub and splashing water.

She explained in her slow way that a bath tub was for other purposes. Consuelo didn't understand. She had never seen one before. A few minutes later she was stripped of her clothing and Ann was scrubbing her as she had never been scrubbed before, and Consuelo was sitting like a lamb and letting big Ann scrub her.

When Ann had finished she washed the long raven hair and the water was black with dirt and Consuelo was screaming with rage because the water would spoil her hair. But when it was dried and brushed she stood before the mirror admiring herself and saw that Ann was right. Her hair shone like rippling black satin, no longer dusty velvet.

Gypsy clothes were sent up to her. Skirts of lovelier silk than she had ever dreamed of; blouses and scarves; lingerie and pyjamas and negligees; and it was like fairyland to the girl. Dalstrom let her go to some of the shops with him and pictures were taken of her buying perfumes and jewelry and the papers printed all they could get about her.

Now for almost the first time she was alone. She was standing at the window looking down 30 stories onto the street that was a black line below her. As she watched, lights began to turn on here and there and the tiny glows competed against the waning light of day.

Away down the street she could just make out the lights that Dalstrom had told her was the theatre where she would dance. She knew that there were pictures of her in front. As yet she had not been allowed to stop and look and the only glimpses she had had were when the taxi slowed down in traffic. Several times she had been taken up the alley into the back of the theatre.

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The annual report of the Power Corporation of Canada has just been received and it shows that not only is the company conducting a successful business, but its subsidiary companies are providing a very valuable service to large areas in Canada. One of the subsidiaries is the Canada Northern Power Corporation. This company pioneered Northern Ontario and Northern Quebec, providing electrical power for the new industries and the people at a time when all others—including the Hydro Electric Commission of Ontario—refused to consider this country "Too speculative," they said, leaving the work of providing power for mines and people to the private company which risked its money. It is all very well for those who did not know the North in its earlier days to say that the power company has done well, but those here years ago will be inclined to add that they took big chances and deserved to do well. It is a fact also that they lost quite frequently in their

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Men Not on Relief Who Deserve Consideration

The case of men who have managed to keep off relief but who have specially felt the pinch of the depression was recently brought before the town council when some of these good citizens found it difficult to raise the amount of their taxes. The council very rightly had sympathy for these people and felt that something should be done to help them. Had they been less thrifty and industrious or less independent and resourceful they would have been on relief. The council's idea was to put them at certain town public works. The attitude of the Heppburn government in regard to town expenditures however, stopped this plan.

Apparently there is a similar class in Sudbury and The Sudbury Star feels they are entitled to any special consideration that may be given. In discussing their cases the Star says:—

"While it does not by any means constitute a new angle to the relief situation, the case presented by Sudbury aldermen at a council meeting this week, in behalf of thirty ones who are unemployed but who have stayed off the relief lists by subsisting as best they could on their meagre savings, will meet with a certain measure of endorsement on the part of a large number of people.

"It's a case where thrift is being penalized," remarked one of the aldermen in referring to the fact that working men who had been thrifty during the days of prosperity and had "put away for a rainy day" but who, in common with many others, became unemployed during the depression, are not able to obtain municipal assistance. Because they had saved a little out of their wages when times were good, they were now compelled to sacrifice the rights enjoyed by those who took no thought of the morrow when they had the opportunity.

"It is no secret that many now jobless, who would in the ordinary course be entitled to unemployment insurance, have not gone on the relief lists, but have struggled along and maintained themselves and their families without becoming a burden upon the state. The attitude taken by members of Sudbury council that some consideration should be given to such men when jobs were available on public works seems a reasonable one to take. At least there is an angle to the problem that appeals to the moderate-thinking man, and that is that there actually exists a certain element of inconsistency and that in many cases at least the situation has been placed upon indifference and wastefulness, where good care and foresight are penalized."

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Believe Trade Agreement Not Likely to be Reached

There is little likelihood of a trade agreement between Canada and the United States, it was revealed by Premier Bennett at Ottawa on Monday, when he released the Canadian proposals and the reply of the United States.

Canada is willing to enter into such an agreement, the proposals show, but the United States government remains hesitant. And while Canada was broaching the matter, the United States shut the door on a reduction in lumber duties by imposing an excise tax of \$3 a thousand feet on Canadian lumber. One of the specific things asked by Canada was discontinuance of this \$3 impost on lumber.

Winnipeg Free Press:—We are informed that resuscitation of the dead, rejuvenation of the living, trans-Atlantic passenger aviation routes, stratosphere flying, perpetual motion and television are just around the corner—but, like prosperity, they linger there.

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The New Yorker:—Halle Selassie asks us to remember what David did to Goliath. David is not available for this war, but the Emperor might sign up Joe Louis.

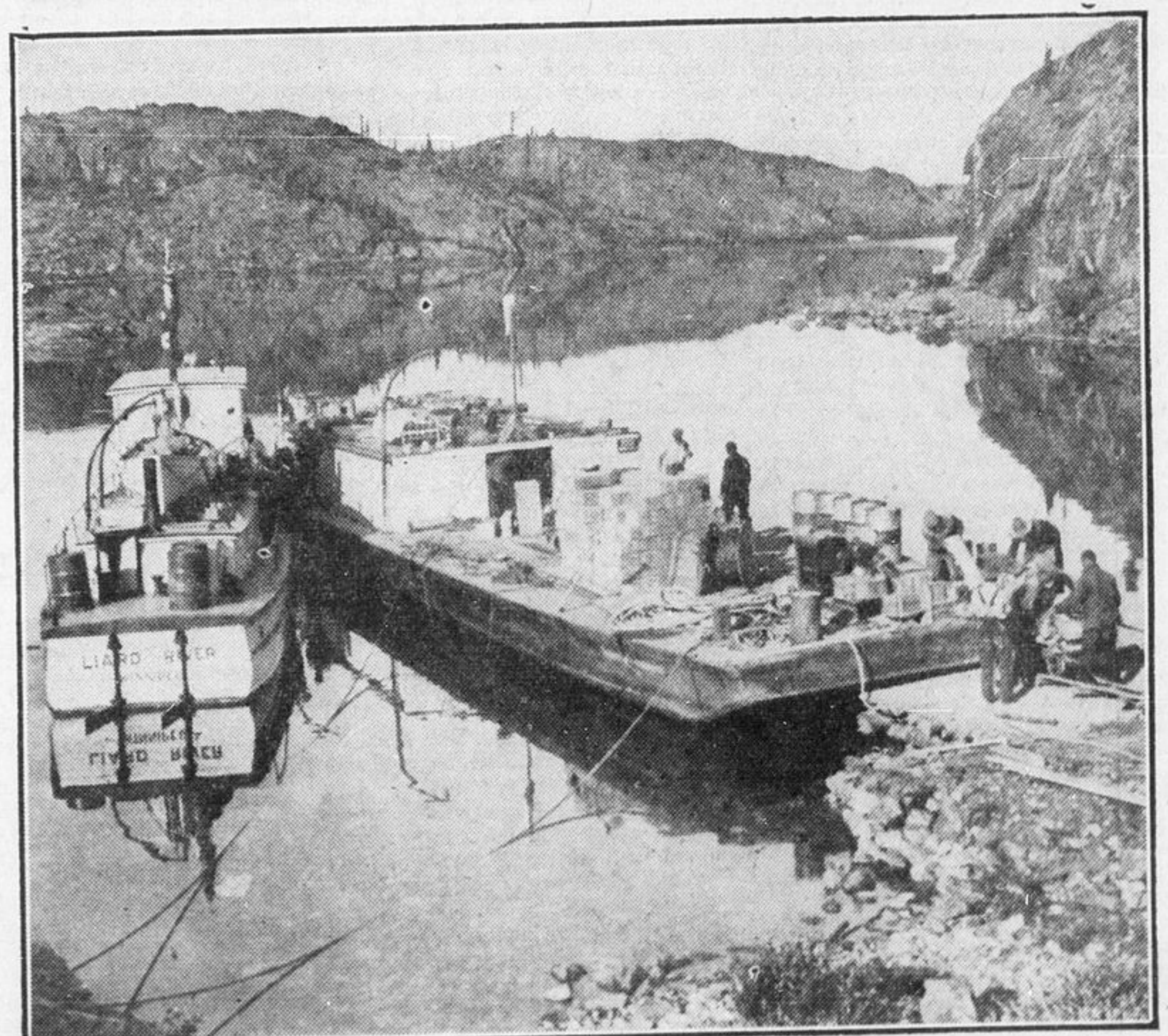
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