

## Confessions of an Every-Day Wife

By Idah McGlone Gibson

### THE MORNING AFTER

All through the night I was sleepless and I heard him tossing and muttering to himself, but he evidently didn't awaken enough to realize where he was.

He was still heavily sleeping at half-past seven when the maid came to the door with our breakfast tray. For a moment I didn't know what to do and then I softly closed the door between Theo's room and mine and said to her:

"Mary, you may bring the breakfast in here this morning."

Again I wished, oh how I wished, that we were not in Father Symone's house, for I knew that he would expect Theo to go with him to the office that morning to start in his new work. I opened the door and looked at my husband. His face was red, his hair mussed and his clothes unkempt. His mouth was open. Even I could not imagine that on that face I had ever seen his beautiful smile. For a moment I was filled with disgust and loathing. I looked across the room at my beautiful new lingerie, and thought: "Beauty and the beast. What right has a man like this to come into the presence of a dainty woman? Why should he think that I could care for him after I had seen him mlooking like that?"

And then I realized that whatever my repugnance, my duty was plain. In less than an hour I had to make Theo presentable to his father, and through my mind flashed the query: "Was it right to shield him from his father?"

I moved him gently, but it made no impression. Growing desperate I pulled him to a sitting posture and shook him with all my strength. He opened his eyes and said:

"What's the matter, Margot, am I hurt?"

"No, but you will be if you are not ready in about an hour to go down town with your father."

"How'd I get here?" he asked, looking around. And then he groaned as he moved his head.

I explained the situation to him.

"Say, Margot, you're not going to cut up rough about this, are you?" he asked, as he rose slowly to his feet.

Theo viewed himself in a mirror and then said: "Margot, dear, I look awful and I feel worse."

He glanced at me, inviting pity, and then said in surprise: "You're looking seedy, too, old girl. For the first time that frilly pink negligee doesn't become you. You haven't looked at yourself in the glass this morning, have you?"

"I know I am pale and hollow-eyed, but at least I am not uncouth and unkempt and it is through no fault of mine that I look as I do. Because of you I have not slept all night."

"That was very silly of you," said Theo, snatching a big Turkish towel from his dresser and making for his bath.

"Aren't you going to get ready to go with your father?" I asked anxiously.

"Why, of course," he answered with a trace of his old smile.

"Will you be in time?" I asked nervously.

For an answer he twisted the towel into a ball and threw it at me. It hit me squarely in the face, and though it didn't hurt it threw me into a towering rage. He intended it playfully, but it seemed to be the last straw. I heard Theo laugh, and I rushed through the door, hardly knowing what I was going to do. He was standing under the shower and when he saw me coming he turned the shower squarely on me and I was drenched from head to foot.

"Theo Symone, I'll never forgive you."

Theo was laughing so hard he didn't hear me.

"You can make your peace with your father or anyone else you care to, but I'm through."

I went into my room and locked my door. As I did so I caught a view of myself in the long mirror and I was a forlorn looking object. The water was still running out of my hair and every step made little pools where the ruffles of my negligee touched the floor. Regardless of consequences, I threw myself on the bed and commenced to cry. As Theo heard my sobs he tried to get to me.

"Margot, Margot, unlock this door."

(Tomorrow—"Thoughtless Husband, Thoughtful Friend")

## HON. MR. ROWELL SAYS GLOBE IS FLOOR-CROSSER

Okanagan Centre, B. C., July 26.—"I have not changed either my position or my political principles since I, with the strong support of the Toronto Globe, entered the Union Government and The Globe and I are not agreed today as we were at that time. The change is not due to any act of mine."

"I was elected in Durham as a Liberal supporter of Union Government. I am this today; if I find I cannot continue to be both a real Liberal—and by that I mean a real Progressive—and a supporter of Union Government, I shall advise my constituents of the fact and tender my resignation. I do not anticipate that my resignation will be necessary on that ground."

The foregoing were two of the outstanding statements made by Hon. N. W. Rowell, President of the Privy Council, in the course of an interview accorded The Vancouver World's Okanagan representative on Wednesday evening at Okanagan Centre, where he is spending a holiday on his ranch and in which he remarked he sought

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to get away from politics for a time.

"I have just had the opportunity," he said referring to The Globe's recent attack on himself, "of reading its editorial on July 15, entitled 'Mr.

## GOVT. MAY FIX A MINIMUM PRICE TO SOLVE THE WHEAT PROBLEM

Ottawa, July 28.—A conference between members of the government and men interested in the grain trade opened this morning with Sir Robert Borden presiding. Problems of handling this year's wheat crop are admittedly serious, especially in view of the action of the United States government in fixing the price for 1919. As intimated some days ago, there is a likelihood of the Dominion government fixing a minimum price. Such a means of meeting the problem, at any rate, finds fairly wide acceptance. Those favoring it argue that it would give stability to the financing of the crop and safeguard prices from too violent speculation.

On the other hand, the plea is made that banks would be disinclined to give credit beyond the minimum price. The suggestion is also made that a director should be appointed to handle the marketing of the crop. Similar suggestion was offered at a conference held some weeks ago, but a definite policy was not determined. Hon. T. A. Crerar, former Minister of Agriculture, was one of those attending today's conference. E. W. Beatty, president of the C. P. R., was also present.

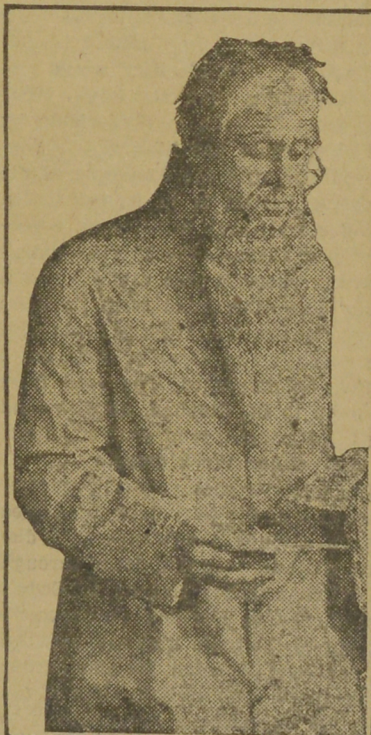
### The Civil Service Bonus

The civil service commission today published the report on which the payment of the \$10,000,000 bonus to government employees is based. The report explains the accepted method of measuring changes in the cost of living, shows the effect which increases in Canada have had on the income of the average person, and indicates the method of computing the new bonus. It is stated that 1,000 a year supported a family of five in moderate comfort before the war, while \$1,550 would be needed today, as the cost of living has increased more than 53 per cent. A bonus of \$420 a year to householders with an increase of \$1,200 or less, is recommended and a proportionate bonus to persons without dependents. From this point the bonus scales downwards according to a fixed percentage.

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Rowell crosses the floor, and I must confess my great surprise at the tone and character of the editorial. The Globe and myself have been old and warm political friends for many years. While we have not always agreed, I believe I am correct in saying we have entertained the same general political ideals and have stood for the same progressive policies, and if The Globe and I are not agreed today it is because The Globe has "crossed the floor" and not I. I cannot believe, however, that The Globe has really changed its political ideal, and the difference between us is in reality a difference in method rather than in principle.

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### NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS OF LABOR.

Whereas on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1919, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Council did by Order-in-Council bring within the scope of Part 1 of the "Workmen's Compensation Act, 1918," from and after August 1st, 1919, the following industries, viz.:

"Persons employed in the woods in logging, cutting of timber, pulpwood, firewood, railroad ties or sleepers, river driving, rafting, booming or the transportation of logs, timber pulpwood, firewood or railroad ties or sleepers."

Notice is hereby given that all persons engaged in any of the above mentioned industries are required to file a statement of their estimated payroll from August 1st, 1919, to December 31st, 1919, inclusive, with the said Board, on or before the 1st day of August, 1919.

And further notice, that any employer neglecting or refusing to furnish such estimate or information is liable to a penalty not exceeding \$20.00 per day for each day of such default, and is further liable for damages, as provided by Part 2 of said Act, in respect of any injury to any workman in his employ during the period of such default.

Note.—Forms for furnishing such information will be supplied on application.

Also please take note of the following regulation passed by the Board and coming into force on the 1st day of August, 1919:

**First Aid Kit.**—In an industry where ten or more persons are employed, it shall be the duty of the employer to provide a suitable FIRST AID KIT approved of by the Board and in charge of a suitable person.

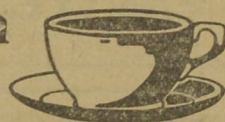
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