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Joan's Motherly Sacrifice

By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

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JOAN was not anticipating with the usual eagerness her sister Carol's homecoming from college. "Centally before her mind the end of the vacation when she would be faced with two alternatives. Either that of telling Carol she could not afford to send her back for the rest of the college year or of saying 'yes' to Stephen Trent for his money.

For three years Joan had scribbled and shrewd out of a primary school teacher's salary that her young sister should have the education she herself had missed.

And now all her small reserve had been swept away by the recent hospital illness of which she had kept Carol in ignorance. Foolish to worry the child just at examination time, especially as Carol was none too strong herself and was not having the easiest job in the world keeping up with her work. This loss she had hoped to replace by tutoring. Her next month's salary check would barely meet expenses. No, Carol simply must leave college. Well, there was always Stephen!

Ever since the death of the girl's parents in an automobile accident, young Trent had made himself an older brother to them. A month ago he had astonished Joan by suggesting that he drop that role and take on one of a more intimate nature.

"Hang it, Joan!" he had exclaimed. "Can this school-marm stuff and marry me this afternoon. Makes me seem to have you staying away the best years of your life when I might be taking you and Carol for a cruise on the Mediterranean!"

But Joan knew she had only a sisterly affection for Steve, and told him as much, with the understanding, however, that she would let him know at once of any change of heart. "But Joan knew what love was. It was the emotion she felt toward John Randolph, the young interne at the hospital, who had dropped in now and then during her convalescence to cheer her.

John had called several times since her return home and intuition told her that he loved her even as she loved him, but there had been no mention of love between them. How could there be when it would be years before they could think of marriage?

Were it not for Carol, Joan would have asked no greater blessing than to keep on teaching while John finished his internship, set out his shingle and built up practice enough for two.

When Carol stepped off the train and Joan took the slender, blue-suited figure in her arms, she knew she must carry away somehow for this dear sister. Marrying Stephen wouldn't be so dreadful. That is, if there were no John!

The next few days Joan threw herself into making Carol's vacation one to remember. Never was she so lively, so interested in all Carol had to tell. If she felt a strange reticence behind Carol's usual bluntness she passed it by as one, will who has to wear worries to brand over.

The day before Carol's return, a picnic had been planned with Stephen up the Hudson.

Now, either as a culmination of unkind thoughts or as an aftermath of her illness, Joan woke that morning with, as she expressed it, a "rip snort" of a headache.

"You go with Stephen, Carol, dear," she urged. "Peace and a wet cloth on my forehead are all I want."

In the end Carol had yielded. Such a glorious day! Steve would be so disappointed! If Joan was sure she didn't mind!

Twilight had come before Joan, who had recovered from her headache towards afternoon only to fall prey to a miserable despondency, heard the familiar roll of Stephen's car. Wistly she reached for her powder puff.

Then, as she turned to greet them, she was rushed by Carol and Stephen simultaneously.

"Darling, I'm Mrs. Stephen Trent!" "Joan, dear, forgive me, but I married Carol this afternoon in Connecticut and we sail at midnight on a round-the-world cruise. Send us now but bless us in the end!"

There were more disclosures before the day was over. Carol, with an official authority, settled Stephen with the evening paper and drew Joan out into the kitchen. "I've been dreading the end of vacation so because I would have to tell you this. That I failed in every examination and am flunked, absolutely out!"

Then Stephen had a word with her later. "Young Randolph came to me, Joan," he said, "as a friend of the family and asked me if I thought he would be all right for him to ask you to marry him, considering there would have to be a long engagement. Why, Joan, you love him! You are blushing!"

That night she stood with John and watched the great liner, bearing Carol and Stephen, slowly detach herself and move out to sea.

She was thinking that Stephen would hardly have married Carol unless he loved her. Surely he would not have done it that she might be free to marry John! Yet, if any man would do that sort of thing, it would be Stephen.

She drew close to her young doctor. "I hope they are as happy as you and I are," she said wistfully.

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