

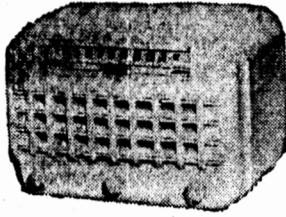
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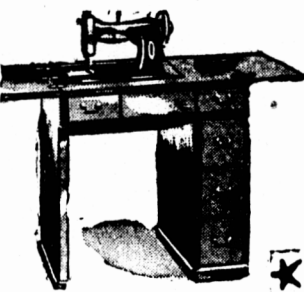
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### Outpost in China

By Val Gielgud

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Thrust and riposte had followed each other with such deadly speed and sickness that Gerald had not realized how close he had been pushed to a guillotine in his married life, without even appreciating that guillotine's existence. He found himself gripping the arms of his chair, and having to check the twitching of his lips before he spoke again.

"I see," he said quietly. "I thought—well, that you were fond of me, fond enough of me to put up with things—"

He couldn't go on. And that appealing helplessness and charm, which had won her heart originally, came back to check Sheila's anger, like some unhappy ghost.

"I'm fond of you, Gerry," she said. "But how long am I going on being fond of you in Tan Fu? Can't you see that's what's worrying me so much? If only there was something—anything in the world—for me to do? What am I to do, Gerry? You've your job. But I can't do plain sewing, and read, and listen to a gramophone and take a little ride, all day and every day. It's vilely uncomfortable—and Chinese good works don't appeal to me. It isn't as if there was even the society of the average Treaty port. I'm alone, Gerry, eight hours a day. And you're telling me that I'm going on being alone eight hours a day for two years! It's a long time, Gerry. Can't you understand?"

"There are James and his wife," Gerald protested, without much conviction. "In whose company I foresee orgies of fun!"

"You knew I was coming to China when we got married!"

"You talked a good bit about the delights of Hong Kong and the wealth of Harwood and Greer. I don't remember much about the glorious prospects of Tan Fu!"

"I'd never heard of the piece till I got to head office. For heaven's sake be reasonable Sheila! Or is all this a backhanded way of saying that you want to go back to Shanghai?"

"So that you can tell everyone how your wife left you in the lurch? No thank you, Gerry." "Then," said Gerald savagely, "I think you might make the best of it instead of nagging!"

"But this time Sheila ignored the challenge. "There's another alternative," she said slowly.

"Throw in your hand! Leslie's breaking his heart at having to quit. If you threw it up he could stay on, and you could persuade Mr. Greer to confirm it."

Gerald laughed bitterly. "Old Greer wants Dale shifted, I tell you. His blessed independence has got them properly steamed up. Besides—how could I quit, after all the fuss we both made to get the job? Be sensible, Sheila!"

Sheila looked at him steadily. "You could do it perfectly easily—if you'd start thinking of me, and leave yourself out of the picture for a little."

"You wouldn't," sneered Gerald. "Be thinking of yourself!"

"Of course I am," said Sheila calmly. "But my selfishness is commonsense, for both our sakes. You know as well as I do that you'll never be up to tackling this job, however long you stay."

"That," said Gerald, "is absurd!" "It's not absurd—it's common sense. You've plenty of advantages over Leslie, Gerald, but even a child could see that you've not his knack for business, quite apart from his gift for handling Chinese."

"THAT'S ABOUT ENOUGH SHEILA!"

During that last sentence a queer choking feeling rose, in Gerald Havelock's chest, and seemed to spread upwards stifling into his throat. He got out of his chair with a quick, desperately jerked movement of his limbs—almost as if repelling a physical assault. And when he spoke, he was almost surprised to hear his own words, so sure had he been that his feelings were strangled them before they could be formed by his lips.

"Has Dale been discussing me with you, Sheila?" he demanded. "Of course not!"

"Well—you're infernally considerate of his interests all of a sudden!"

"I'm much more concerned about our own Gerald."

"I can look after them, thanks!" "That's just the point. I don't believe you can. It's rotten to mess up our lives for your vanity!"

Gerald took a step forward. The breath stilled between his teeth, and his nostrils dilated. There was something ridiculous in the primitive quality of his anger. For a moment Sheila believed he would strike her.

"I think that's about enough, Sheila," he said at last. "But the girl knew in that instant that she had won. And she pressed home her advantage remorselessly: "I don't agree. When you asked me to marry you, you said that you loved me. If you love me at all, you'll do what I ask you and chuck this job." She dropped her voice and held out her hands to him. "Please, Gerry—just because I ask you—for my sake!"

His eyes wavered away from hers. "And once we're back in Shanghai, you'll sneer at me for having been weak enough to throw it up, and even weaker in giving way to you! I'm beginning to know you rather well, my dear."

### Strange But True

By F. M. MacArthur

A good excuse — In the Court of Sessions in Scotland the judges, who fall to show up or give a proper excuse for their absence, are, by law, liable to a fine. But it is common on the first day of the session for the absentees to send an excuse to the lord president. Lord Stonesfield, having sent such an excuse, and the president mentioning it, the late Lord Justice clerk Boxfield said, "What excuse can a stout fellow like him have?" "My lord," observed the president, "he just lost his wife." Indeed, snorted the justice. "Has he? That's a fine excuse. I wish we had the same!"

The heathens considered it unlawful to erect temples because they thought no temple large enough for the sun. Hence the saying, "The whole world is a temple of the sun." Hills and mountains became their places of worship. These consecrated hills are no doubt the "high places" so often forbidden in the Bible.

That there are some curious and amusing epitaphs goes without saying. Read this one copied by a traveler from the tombstone standing in an old cemetery in Bakerswell, England. "Know posterity, that on the 8th of April, 1737, the rambling remains of John Dale were, in the 88th year of his age, laid upon his two vines."

Below the epigraph appeared the following verse: "This thing, in life, might raise Here all three lie together lovingly; But from embraces here no pleasure flows. Alike are here all human joys and woes. Here Sarah's chiding John no longer hears. A period's come to all their toilsome lives. The good man quiet — still are both his vines."

The first instance in which public bribery was exercised in England by a foreign power occurred when Charles V sent over a sum of money to be distributed among members of Parliament to bribe them to confirm a marriage between Mary and his son Philip.

The ancient Jews told time by means of a dial that was a kind of stairs. The time of day was distinguished, not by lines, but by steps.

Timid mothers would wilt at this christening custom which once was in usage in certain parts of Scotland. On returning against a backcloth of savagery and the unknown. Then Sheila wearily picked up the half-empty bottle of nail-varnish, and began again on her hands.

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from church, the parents took the newly baptized infant, and, passing it gently over a flame, would say, "Let the flames consume thee now or never, meaning, of course, that it would be better that the child be burned up rather than grow up in sin. . . . There is a superstition that a baby who does not cry when baptized will never live to grow up. But an ancient Ireland, the mother, at the birth of a boy, put the first meat into the child's mouth on the point of her husband's sword, wishing at the same time that it might die only in battle. Nowadays, mothers pray that their baby boys may not grow up and fill soldiers' graves, but alas, too many of them do!

In 1766, the minister of the parish of South Burray, Orkney Islands, was interviewed while administering baptism to a female child, before the male child. "You have done a great wrong," chanted the people, for when the little girl grows up, she will have a beard and the boy will have a woman's face. . . . It is a vulgar notion, that children, wise beyond their years, are short lived. Even in our age, we frequently hear the remark: "That child was too wise to live."

There was a time, too, when it was generally believed that hogs tormented infants. This is borne out in a stanza penned by the poet, Herrick:

"Bring the holy crust of bread, Lay it underneath the head; 'Tis a certain charm to keep Hogs away while children sleep."

Odo Tenet Mulum, Madidam mappam tenet Anna. The above line is a perfect verse and strange but true every word is the same both backward and forward. . . . It was considered a mark of the strongest affection by the ancients that a son, when his father was dying, should lean over him and inhale his last breath.

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