

The makings of a GREAT SMOKE!

CRESCENT CARNIVAL

By FRANCES PARKISON KEYES

CHAPTER I

When Estelle Lenoir was a very little girl, her grandmother, whom she dearly loved, made a bright little dress, trimmed with bells for her to wear to Carnival. But she grew up without daring to dream that some day she, herself, would be the Queen of one of the Carnival Balls.

She had led a happy life, but on the whole it was a rather quiet one, aside from New Year's Eve and Twelfth Night and Mardi Gras. Besides going to school, Estelle took a singing lesson at home every Tuesday, and every Thursday she took a piano lesson. Usually, on Friday evenings, she joined a group of young people, for dancing, at the home of some member of the group. Estelle enjoyed these weekly dances especially when they were held at the Fontaines house, which was located on Bayou St. John, instead of in the heart of the city. The Fontaines were wealthy and hospitable and had quantities of company, which, in addition to their own family, kept the house very gay. There were four boys: Auguste, who was planning to be a priest, Octave, who was bold and boisterous, Marie, who was livelier than Auguste but quieter than Octave and nicer than either, and Narcisse, who was still only a child. There were also two girls: Aureole, a great beauty who was already grown-up, and Clarisse, who was Estelle's own age and her best friend.

Her father took her to the races, driving the family carriage himself to the spring meetings of the Jockey Club. She loved the old track, where the foremost breeders and sportsmen of the country were proud to race their best horses. Now, everyone was discussing the six-furlong dash, in which Mr. Williams' Carlton had defeated Brown & Company's Lida M. Mr. Brown was sure his entry had been carried out at the head of the stretch, so that Carlton might come on and win; he offered to run Carlton the same race over again any day that week, for thousand dollars a side. Feeling ran high, and might have run higher still, if a newcomer, Supreme, a superb black stallion, had not appeared almost unheralded in the field, and diverted public attention by unexpectedly beating the favorite by a nose under the wire.

"Whose horse is he, Papa?" Estelle asked excitedly, when the tumult began to subside and she could make herself heard. "The program only lists him as coming from the Splendida Stables."

"It appears that he is the property of a young man named Andrew Breckenridge, whose family originally came from Kentucky. His father was enormously wealthy and inordinately fond of sports. I believe the son is less wealthy, being also inordinately fond of sports and not so prudent in other respects as his father."

"And you don't know the son at all, Papa?"

"No, not at all."

The next evening, when Estelle went to one of the dancing parties at the Fontaines, she created an opportunity to ask Clarisse whether, by any chance, she had met Mr. Breckenridge.

"Yes, I have met him," Clarisse answered. "He was presented to Aureole at the Bal des Roses. I have not seen young Mr. Breckenridge since." Clarisse paused, and sighed softly. "I must confess to you, however, dear Estelle, that I should like to see more of him. I hear that he not only holds races at his plantation, but gives balls there which are as splendid as the place itself, and that, so they say, is superb. Mr. Breckenridge also owns a property on Fryland Street. It is also a superb establishment."

"And does he live in such a superb establishment all alone? Is he a bachelor?"

"No, he is a widower, but Aureole says he has been taking second notice for some time now. He has a small son nicknamed 'Breck', a beautiful bold-faced little boy about six years old."

"I wish I could meet Mr. Breckenridge, myself," said Estelle. "He must be charming, as you say."

The meeting took place at a soiree of private theatricals, given by Madame Felix Denis, who had included on her list all the pre-

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Sergeant R. "Bobby" Heare, of Toronto, R.C.O. in charge of the Armament School Workshops at Trenton shows AC2 George MacNeill of Charlottetown, P.E.I., just how the wrench AC2 MacNeill is

Koreans Sell Diluted Liquor To Troops

WITH THE CANADIANS IN KOREA, Feb. 13.—(CP)—A Korean native caught diluting rice liquor with urine—presumably for sale to Korean troops—was lodged in Miryang police station Monday.

The Korean was one of three spotted by a private of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry just outside camp limits. Two escaped.

A Canadian company sergeant major reported: "We had the same trouble previously. Once in Pusan we had the stuff analyzed and it was revealed to be 60 per cent sake (rice liquor) and 40 per cent urine."

The beer shortage has been a growing complaint among Canadian troops. No Canadian beer is available and the limited supply of American beer and two monthly shipments of British beer go principally to British units.

Capl. Andy Foulds of Vancouver, a former beer company executive, personally cabled Vancouver brewery about possibilities of remedying the situation, and learned it would cost \$4 a bottle to ship beer to Korea.

At Ottawa, army headquarters said today Canadian troops in Korea get beer from an Australian-run brewery in Japan and there is no

See Yugoslavia Danger Area For New War

By John M. Hightower

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP) A survey of top-level estimates on the danger of a new outbreak of war this spring disclosed today the following highly authoritative conclusions:

1. Yugoslavia is the peril point. A Soviet-Communist attack there would set off spreading hostilities that would almost certainly engulf other countries in a third world war.

2. The United States should do what it properly can to strengthen Yugoslavia and discourage an attack either this spring or later. The problem of what to do is under pressing consideration here and in consultation with Britain, France and Marshall Tito's Government at Belgrade. One good bet is that Tito eventually will get military supplies from the Western Powers.

3. The chances are that despite the dangers in the Yugoslav situation, general war will not break out this spring because Russia is not ready. Some high officials here intend to send them Canadian beer.

A headquarters official said no complaint has been forwarded here from Korea and it is assumed that the beer situation is satisfactory.

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believe Russia will not take a serious risk of war even during 1952.

4. Though the odds are in favor of maintaining the present half-peace, there is still a danger of war-by-incident. The Soviet-bloc countries have been stepping up their propaganda against Yugoslavia; grow and these, with the coming of spring, create an explosive situation.

5. On the peace side of the ledger are two developments. One is the prospect for a Big-Four foreign ministers meeting this spring, indicating the great powers will fight on the diplomatic rather than military front. The other is growing hope for a settlement in Korea now that the Chinese Communists have found out they probably can't win.

These questions of war or peace always get a cautiously modified answer from Washington officials in this vein — "I don't think the Russians will try anything very big but you never can tell."

Nevertheless at the highest levels of the Government there appears to be strong confidence that the U. S. and its Allies will get the time they need to rearm.

- WATERVALE SCHOOL**
- The Semi-Final results:
- Grade X—1. Marie Trainor; 2. Noreen Wisener.
- Grade IX—1. Marilyn McEwen; 2. Viola Trainor.
- Grade VIII—1. Ernest Trainor; 2. Helen Wisener; 3. Paul Wisener.
- Grade VII—1. Helen Wisener; 2. Cecil Curley; 3. Paul Wisener.
- Grade V (a)—1. Eugene Curley; 2. Mary I. Trainor; 3. Blanche Walsh.
- Grade 111 (a)—1. Cecil Shea.
- Grade 111 (b)—1. Basil Trainor; 2. Leonard Hayes; 3. Mary Hayes.
- Grade 1 (a)—1. Anita Curley; 2. Albert Hayes; 3. Teresa Trainor.
- Grade 1 (b)—1. Joseph Hayes; 2. Edna McLeod; 3. Marlon Quinn.
- No tests.
- Mary T. McLeod—(Teacher).

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Funeral Of Former Islander In Victoria, B. C.

VICTORIA, B. C.—An estimated 1,000 Victorians paid their last respects to barrister John Leitch Clay, Mr. Clay was the son of the late Rev. Dr. W. L. Clay, at one time Moderator of the Presbyterian Church and formerly of Summerside. His mother, Miss Leitch of Covehead. Cousins living in Charlottetown are Mr. Gordon Leitch and Mrs. Byron Bowness.

Fifteen minutes before funeral services began at 2 P. M., St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church was filled with mourners, and altar front was hidden by banks of floral tributes.

Services were widely-respected, conducted by Rev. J. L. W. McLean, assisted by Rev. W. G. Wilson.

Old Friends

Active pallbearers were Campbell Sanson, N. D. Hall, Gilling Scott, Alan MacFarlane, Lloyd McKenzie, George Gregory and Alderman W. Skillings.

Honorary pallbearers were Col. D. McGugan, Dr. J. D. Hunter, J. B. Clearhugh, Gordon Cameron, R. A. Wootton, J. R. Nicholson, Ernest Arnot, T. H. Burns, Oswald Dorman, Barney Olson and David Millar.

Both lists contained life-long friends of Mr. Clay, among them prominent members of the Victoria Bar Association, Union Club and Gyro Club, organizations with which the deceased was actively associated.

Active In City

Mr. Clay died Monday in Jubilee Hospital after a long illness, and almost a half-century of participation in Victoria's church, sport and professional activity.

Following the funeral rites at the church, a ceremony was conducted by Mr. McLean and Dr. Wilson, at the Royal Oak cremation chapel.

Hayward's Funeral Co. was in charge of arrangements.

(The Daily Colonist)

sentable young men about town and most of the young girls who had not yet made their debut, but who would soon be doing so, in the cases where she had asked their parents and their older brothers and sisters. Andrew Breckenridge came into the former category and Clarisse Fontaine into the latter. When she learned of this, Estelle, who had also been invited, persuaded Monsieur and Madame Lenoir to take her with them to the fête of Madame Felix Denis.

They had hardly reached the aisle, after the performance, when Octave Fontaine bore down on them, accompanied by two other young men, one fair and slight, the other dark and strong. Having greeted the Lenoirs himself, in his usual free fashion, Octave begged leave to present his neighbor, Napier Rutledge, and Napier's great friend, Mr. Andrew Breckenridge.

The acknowledgement of this presentation was as brief as courtesy permitted. Indeed, Monsieur and Madame Lenoir almost immediately indicated that they must seek other friends in the dining room.

"Would you and your friends not excuse Estelle, Madame?" asked Octave. "Some of the younger guests have made up a little group of their own, and Aureole hoped you would let Estelle join it. She sent me to ask."

"Very well, Octave. We shall count on you and Aureole to see that Estelle rejoins us within twenty minutes."

"It is understood, Madame. Thank you a thousand times."

Octave drew back to permit Monsieur and Madame Lenoir to precede the others up the aisle. Young Mr. Breckenridge had offered Estelle his arm, and she had taken it.

(To be continued)

Prominent Soldier, Business Man Dies

MONTREAL, Feb. 13.—(CP)—Lt. Col. Charles Wesley MacLean, 74, noted soldier, athlete, business man and philanthropist, died here Saturday.

Born in Lachine, he was educated in public schools in Montreal. At the time of his death he was president of the Consolidated Lithograph Manufacturing Co. Ltd. He also was a member of the board of directors of Canada Foundries and Forgings, Ltd., and Tooke Bros., Ltd.

An outstanding athlete, Col. MacLean excelled in swimming, paddling and football. He was captain of the Grand Trunk war canoe team which won the half-mile race in 1900 at Ottawa.

He captained the Grand Trunk war canoe crew which won the mile-long event of the Canadian Canoe Association four times in succession during the years 1902-1905 inclusive. He won the Dominion single blade championship at Ottawa in 1900 and the same year captured the Canadian swimming title and the single blade paddling title for Canada and the United States at the pan-American exhibition, in Buffalo.

In 1913, Col. MacLean was elected mayor of Brockville.

Colonel MacLean also was at one time president of MacLean, Benn and Nelson, Ltd., of Montreal; a director of Goodwin's Ltd.; a director of the Maritime Fish Corporation, and a director of Ames, Holden and McReady Co., Ltd.

1950 Operations Of Callow Welfare League

From institutions the two wheelchair coaches of the Callow Veterans and Invalids Welfare League have carried 1,166 veteran patients, 1061 civilian patients and 293 children. From private homes the coaches have taken 1,288 adults and 191 children, 160 patients from Ottawa and Toronto handled by the coach which attended the Central Canada and Canadian National Exhibitions bringing the grand total for the year to 4,180 patients.

The sponsored trips by generous business firms of the City enabled 166 invalids of Halifax city district to be taken by the coaches to the blossom area during the Festival season and enjoy a dinner at one of the local hotels before returning. Other long rides with dinner at a local hotel before returning were enjoyed by various groups of city patients as a result of this generous sponsorship.

A new service to patients of the Halifax district was added this year when the President made arrangements to take five of the patients living at home and three from the polio clinic to the Nova Scotia College of Art to Handicraft Classes in Leather Work and Jewelry. A class of five invalid children has also been accepted by the same college. This year also both coaches have been used for Sunday morning services so that all of the patients, both Protestant and Catholic may attend services every Sunday.

The total number of patients carried, about 80 per cent were served one or more meals, the others light refreshments.

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