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R-- C-- was born in 1983 in New York City. Her parents were Italian, her father a fruit peddler. R-- was brought up very strictly, she says, never being allowed to go out to picture shows or dances or to bring company home. She went to school regularly and completed the 7th Grammar grade. She worked in a shirt waist factory making from $4.50 to $5.50 a week and turning her pay-envelope over to her mother regularly. Shortly after she was fourteen, she went to Red Bank to visit and while there fell in love with an Italian and married him.

She lived with him only six months when he tried to put her on the streets She refused to go and he mistreated her until she ran away and left him.

R-- went to Long Branch to a friend who kept a hotel there and soon fell in love with a professional base ball player who had already a wife and child. He was making money and supporting his family but sent R-- on the street to support herself and him. This time she seems to have gone on the streets without hesitation, giving as one reason that she loved the man and couldn't resist doing as he wanted her to. She solicited regularly every night except five usually in the month, making from $35.00 to $60.00 a night and turning over to her man " enough for his food and clothes. She went to a Doctor once a week and rested secure in the belief that venereal diseases were perfectly curable. To avoid the suspicion of the police she took a job as cashier in a resturant where she knew the landlord and he knew her business. He only paid her $3.50 a week where he had paid her predecessor a decent girl who was trying to live off her earnings, $6.00 and board. R-- seemed perfectly satisfied with this arrangement saying that of course, she couldn't expect the landlord to pay her any more for he knew that she was making more out of every man who came into the restaurant than he was.

She says that she wanted clothes and a gaytime and money for these made easily, but since she was working by day as well as by night we amy question

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whether the money was really"easy". There is scarcely any economic reason for this girl's entering a life of prostitution for it would have been quite possible for her to have lived on the salary paid regularly to cashiers, $6.00 and board. She is rather dull, ignorant girl incapable of analysing her motives, but there is every reason to suppose that she was giving more money than she is willing to admit to the man she cared for and was put on the street and kept there by him.

She evaded the police for almost a year when she was caught and committed to Bedford.

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B--L-- was born in 1885 on a small place in McKeesport, Pa. Her earliest recollections are of a miserable neglected childhood. She was never sent to school and seems to have had no training of any sort. Her mother died when B- was twelve, leaving her and her younger sister to the care of a grandmother who was cruel and harsh to her and a father for whom she remembers no feeling but one of terror.

He would curse and do "bad things" before the children. One day he threw a knife at B-- and the child determined to run away. The small saving banks we were taken into the woods and smashed open with a stone and holding the carefully hoarded pennies in one hand and her small sister by the other, B-- started off for her uncle's in Camden. Their money took them as far as Phila. but with the assistance of a kindly policeman, they reached thier uncle's safely.

B--, now fourteen years of age, wentto work at once to support herself and sister. She went out to service at $3.00 a week, paying her aunt $1.50 a week for her sister's board. Then she tried several varities of factory work, hampered always by some avarian trouble and some kind of fainting spells (probably epilepsy). Because of her own difficulties she made up her mind that her sister should not work and she managed to keep this resolve, supporting her sister until she married at 19.

After her sister's marriage B-- says it seemed as though her purpose in life was gone. She was sick, and thoroughly worn out and lacked the will and the strength to fight to make a decent living any longer. One day a girl frien friend took her to a house where there were lots of girls all gay and sociable and having a good time. They gave B-- fine clothes to wear and made her welcom until she wished to go when she was shown a bill for clothes of $190 and told she must stay and work off her debt. She tried to get out, by writing a note

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to the policeman and dropping it out the window, where it was picked up by the policeman and duly presented to the Madame, B-- being locked in a room for her pains. Soon she became used to the place and ceased to rebel against being there, she liked the girls and the gay times they had,- all except the idea of having to go with any man who presented himself.

The Madame was very careful about disease and each girl was instructed how to take care of herself and how to tell whether or not a man was infected. A Doctor visited the house regularly once a week and a diseased girl was promptly laid on the shelf. Most of the girls had operations of some kind performed to prevent conception. The girls were paid in checks but as they were nearly al- in debt to the house for clothes there was very seldom any money coming to them at the end of the week.

There was a raid on this house and B-- escaped to get into a worse one where she was virtually a prisoner begind locked doors and barred shutters. A raid again released her ans she drifted to Baltimore where conditions were fine under licenced prostitution. Here she met a man who wanted to marry her and went with her to New York. But in New York, her husband got in with pimps and wanted B-- to go on the streets. This she refused to do and ran away hoping to get a job and support herself but work was hard to find, she had no mone and soon she was driven to the streets to earn a living. At first she shrank from it, she couldn't dress up and couldn't solicit. For a week she made nothing, then one night she solicited several men, made good money, and got arrested.

In Bedford she was one of the best girls and made the Honor Cottage and the Vice-Presidency of its Counsil. She was far from strong until an operation was performed and her ovaries found in a very enlarged tumerous condition, removed. She hopes to be s trong enough to work steadily when she gets out and is sure that she can keep straight if she can keep at work

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E-- H-- is a rather nice looking defined and delicate, and not very strong. From all accounts she has poor heredity;- on her father's side, an uncle died of tuberculous; on her mother's, an aunt went insane. E-- mother's died of kidney disease when E-- was a child of four and her father was an immoral man and that she has suffered, physically for his immorality attributing a discharge which she has has as long as she can remember to this cause.

The step-mother had children of her own and hard work and beating fell to E-- lot until finally she was driven out of the house. Then she went to live with a married sister. Here things were even worse for the brother-in-law began to persue her and the sister became so jealous that E-- was forced to leave She had gone as far as the fourth reader in school and attained the age of 12 when she began to support herself.

For some years she did all the work, including washing and caring for a baby, for a family of three receiving in return for these services her board clothes and $,50 a week. E-- has the kindest feelings and the happiest recollections of this home, her complaint being that she found the washing very hard.

For several years, a boy next door, three years younger than herself had been her playmate. When she was nineteen and he was sixteen they had intercourse for the first time. E-- says that she had had absolutely no training on sex matters except a warning from her sister against going with boys over fifteen. She had been curious and learned some things from other girls. personally she was much happier just playing with the boy but she was too fond of him to refuse himwhat he wanted. For six months they went together with im (?) then E-- became pregnant.

The people for whom she worked were most kind to her during her pregnancy letting her stay with them until the child was born and safely bestowed upon a Foundling Asylum. E-- wished to

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a Foundling Asylum. E-- wished to keep the baby and would have been able to do so if she could have gotten any help from its father but the boy denied his relation with E-- and his mother when faced with the story took his word instead of E--.

For three years after the birth of the baby E-- had no relation with any other man, except the lad for whom she still cared but with whom she led a rather miserable existence, tormented by a knowledge of his feeling for her, a mixture of shame, contempt and passion. Hoping that he would marry her if she could get something better to do than being a "servant-girl", she tried to get a job at factory work but failed.

About Christmas, 1909, E-- was in sore need of money for Christmas gifts Since she was only making $2.00 a month at the time, the temptation to make as much in one evening was too strong for her, she solicited a man who smiled at her on the street and went to a hotel with him. He promised her $3.00 but instead of giving it to her told her to wait until morning. E-- never saw him again but shortly afterwards found herself pregnant and infected with gonrhoea Other girls tried to stop the child's coming for her with medicine but it was no use.

She went to the King's County Hospital and took care of ten babies for three months until her own came. When the Hospital people found this was her second illegimate child they sent her to Bedford.

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