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HAS LOVE PASSED HIM BY?

giving him a chance to relax and be alone with his thoughts. He shuddered a little as the thought of possibly being alone forever entered his mind. Alone for the rest of his life! The words seemed to become a teasing chant—repeating themselves over and over again in his head...

OLD FEAR

It was an old fear which had bothered him ever since his career had begun! After he was familiar with rushed schedules, the long hectic hours and the pressures of his career, his social life had been almost impossible to maintain, too.

He was either too tired to go out or else had to work late. Even when he was free, it was very difficult to find a girl willing to go out on such short notice. And he hated to ask a girl out unless he was absolutely sure he would be there on time!

There had been that one time when he had met a girl, a person introduced to him by a mutual friend. She was friendly and warm and he had liked her from the very moment they had met. She was witty and David was pleased when he discovered that she had a sense of humor similar to his own. Soon, they had started dating.

FOR A TIME

David saw her every chance he could. They had so many mutual interests! The first night she cooked dinner for him, it was seafood—his favorite! And she, too, loved to sit quietly after dinner, listening to soft music. There had been other likes they shared.

Moments together spent in walking around town, looking into the shop windows, pointing out the objects they would buy someday when the time and money came! Or the times they had finally reached the top of a hill they had set as a goal for climbing one afternoon. They had both been so happy! There was never any need between them to talk of the future because it was something they felt would happen when it did—their being together. David sighed as those happy scenes once more came into his mind. Then, the one scene he wished had never happened

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