

At Sea

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WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Death strikes Garrett Folsom while bathing with a party at the Hotel Majestic, where they had been guests, an inquiry is begun, after a doctor, perfunctorily examining him on the beach, pronounces him dead.

Folsom's companions had been Roger Neville, Mrs. Helen Barnaby and Carmelita Valdon. It is established that Folsom, just before his death, had been standing next to Ned Barron, known as the cop-killer.

Folsom's sister, Anastasia, is sent for in New York. Then the startling announcement is made that Folsom had been stabbed to death in the water. Ross, his valet, is questioned, as are Barron and his wife, but no light is shed on the mystery.

Anastasia Folsom, eccentric and masterful, takes command. An inquest is ordered and many attend.

Now go on with the story:

CHAPTER XV

The first witness called was, of course, Doctor Manning.

He testified that he was in the ocean for his daily salt-water bath.

"That he heard a commotion near him."

"Just what was the commotion?" the coroner asked. "Describe it, please."

"It's not easy to describe," Doctor Manning said, thinking deeply.

The coroner held out to him a long sharp knife.

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She looked like an avenging faun as her strong, stern face set itself into an expression of accusation.

Yet it was obvious that the man, Meeker, could not have been implicated in the crime, or he would not have offered the scabbard of the weapon as evidence.

"It came," Everard Meeker stated, "from a shop on the boardwalk. It was sold there Thursday evening at an auction of Oriental curios. I was at the auction as I am, in a small way, a collector of rare objects of art, and especially interested in Oriental metal work."

"And you know this dagger and its scabbard, together, were sold that night?" Hubbard eagerly inquired.

"I know it was in the collection that was sold that night. I examined the whole collection before the sale, and I remember perfectly well that pichag, with its carved ivory hilt and its worn violet velvet scabbard. A pichag, as you may or may not know, is a weapon snapped almost exactly like a small carving knife. It has a straight blade, not curved, and is a type made in India, Persia or Turkey in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Any collector of arms would recognize it at once, but to the layman it looks astonishingly like a steak carver."

"Your information, Mr. Meeker, is of the greatest importance. Have you any idea who bought this—er—pichag?"

"No, it was sold after I left the auction room. I went there for the express purpose of acquiring an Indian parade dagger, that I desired. I bought it within the price I had set as my limit, and greatly pleased with my purchase, I went home."

(To be continued.)

More developments are brought out at the inquest. Read them in the next chapter.

GANGSTER THREAT PUTS CITIZENS OF CANTON ON GUARD

(Associated Press Local Wire.)

CANTON, Ohio, Feb. 23.—Canton today was armed against gangsters reported in anonymous warnings to city officials as planning a jail delivery of Ben R. Mellett, Canton publisher, if he is convicted.

After receipt of the warnings, the Stark county jail was hastily converted into an ammunition storehouse, double guards were placed at doors and at street entrances near the jail. A machine gun protected the jail door and police and deputy sheriffs carrying extra rounds of ammunition patrolled streets near the jail and courthouse.

Strict precautionary orders were issued last night after Mayor S. W. Swarts received warnings which he characterized as "bona fide" that Toledo gangsters were enroute to Canton to free Rudner if he is convicted. Arguments in the case were completed yesterday and instructions to the jury today complete the case.

"Avoid Poorly Balanced Breakfasts"

Start the day with Quaker Oats—food that "stands by" you.

If you feel tired, hungry, "fidgety," hours before lunch, don't jump to the conclusion of poor health. Thousands have unenergetic mornings because they start the day with wrong breakfasts.

To feel right, you must have a well-balanced, complete breakfast ration. At most other meals—lunch and dinner—you get it. But breakfast is a hurried meal, often badly chosen.

Thus Quaker Oats, containing 16% protein, food's great tissue builder, 65% carbohydrate, its great energy element, plus all-important vitamins and the "bulk" that makes laxatives seldom needed, is the dietetic urge of the world today.

Don't deny yourself the natural stimulation this rich food offers you. Get Quaker Oats today. Grocers have two kinds: Quick Quaker, which cooks in 2½ to 5 minutes, and Quaker Oats.

LIBERTY THEATRE

New War Picture Immortalizes Idea By Pure Sincerity.

The immortalization of an idea—that is the cinematographic achievement of Renand Hoffman, noted Producer-Director, who made the war epic, "The Unknown Soldier," which will be on view at the Liberty theatre for two days beginning today.

For the first time in motion pic-

GIANT STILL FOUND IN RAIDS IN WISCONSIN

One Valued at \$100,000 Is Too Huge to Be Broken With Dynamite.

FIVE MEN ARRESTED

Second Plant Located Has Turned Out Nearly Two Million Dollars in Illicit Liquor.

(Associated Press Local Wire.)

TOMAHAWK, Wis., Feb. 23.—A sudden raid into the desolate hill country near Tomahawk has uncovered a \$100,000 distillery, with equipment so extensive that officials, coming armed with explosives to dynamite the plant, found they had not enough to destroy it.

Followed in their plan to solve the problem of transportation by destruction, the raiders looked forward to a month's work in bringing from the secluded hiding place the machinery and supplies which had been laboriously assembled over winding roads.

A formidable store of shot guns, rifles and pistols was found at the place, but the official assault was so well timed that five men arrested in a house were two women and several babies.

At almost the same time yesterday, a still with a capacity of 5,000 gallons of mash a day, and estimated to have produced alcohol worth \$1,800,000 in its life of three months, was seized near Kenosha, Wis. Two men were arrested there, and three moving vans were employed to transport the dismantled still and vats, with an estimated value of \$25,000 to Kenosha.

In the Tomahawk raid a casual inventory showed that among machinery and supplies were:

Seven gasoline engines; an engine driven electric light system; a water system, motor driven, with an aqueduct from a spring forty rods distant; machinery filling a barn 36 by 60 feet; two stills, 400 and 200 gallon capacity; 1,200 gallons of alcohol; 15,000 gallons of corn sugar mash; twenty tons of sugar and scores of bright red gasoline barrels in which liquor was transported.

About the distillery were several sheds. Alcohol in the red gasoline barrels was hauled over the roads by sled, officials believed, and later transferred to motor trucks at a trunk highway for re-distribution to Milwaukee, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Green Bay, Oshkosh and Madison.