'The SEA BRIDE'

By BEN AMES WILLIAMS

CHAPTER XLII.

Noll shook Faith away and went up to the deck with Dan'l at his heels. The Sally, riding high, as whalers do, was reasonably dry; but she was fighting desperately in the gale, racking her rigging. The wind seemed to clear Noll's head. He looked about, aloft; bellowed an order to get sail on her.

Faith protested.

"Noll, she'll never stand—"

He brushed her away with clenched fist. She took shelter in a corner by the deckhouse, ten feet from him. Noll Wing took the ship, and under his hand the Sally did miracles.

That fight with the storm was a deed men still talk about; they say it was an inhuman and a marvelous thing. Noll stood aft, legs braced, scorning a handhold. His voice rang through the singing wind to the remotest corner of the Sally and the highest spar. Regardless of wind and sea, he crowded on sail, brought her around to the course he wished to take, and drove her into it.

Time and time again, during that afternoon and that long night, every sane man aboard thought her very masts must be torn out of her. Three times sails did go; but Noll would never slacken. On the after deck, he raved like a madman, but his commands were seamanly. A miracle of seamanship and stark madness, but madness that succeeded. The Sally drove into the gale, she fought as madly as Noll himself was fighting; and Noll, aft, screamed through the night and drove them on.

Faith never left her post, so near him. No man aboard had sleep that night. No man dared sleep, lest death find him in his dreams. Willis Cox and Tichel came to Noll more than once, beseeching; but he drove them away. Dan'l never interfered with the captain; it seemed there was a madness on him, too. And Brander and Dan'l Tobey between them were Noll's right hand and his left, driving the men to the tasks Noll set them, holding them sternly in hand.

They could only guess how far they had come through the darkness and the storm. An hour before daylight Dan'l stopped to gasp to Faith:

"We're near there, I'm thinking—if we're not nearer the bottom!"

Brander took more practical steps. He found Mauger, set the one-eyed man well forward, and bade him watch and listen for the first sign of land. Mauger nodded chuckingly; he gripped a hold on the taut lines, set his one eye into the darkness, and turned his ear to the storm.

The wind by this time was moderating; even Faith could feel a slackening of the pressure of it that had torn at her garments the night through. She was weak with fighting it; nevertheless, she held her post. And the steady thrust of the gale slowly modified and gave way. The first hints of light showed in the skies. They caught glimpses of scudding clouds low overhead, but the worst was past, and every man knew it.

Noll, still standing like a colossus at his post, knew it; he shook his fist at the skies and the sea and he cussed the wind and dared it. Faith could see him dimly in the growing light—his head bare, his eyes frantic, his cheeks sunken; an enormous but wasted figure of a man.

The very waters about them were quieting somewhat. Their nerves and their muscles relaxed; they were straining their eyes to see into the dimness of the coming day.

It was Mauger, in the bows, who caught the first hint of danger. He saw that they drove abruptly from long-rolling swells into quieter waters. He stared off to windward, looking to see what had broken the force of the seas. He saw nothing; but thought he heard a rumbling roar there. Then he looked forward, where the less turbulent waters were piling ahead of them.

He looked forward and glimpsed a line of white that lived and never died, and he turned and screamed a warning aft—ran, to carry the word, screaming as he ran.

Brander, amidships, heard him and shouted to Noll Wing, but Noll did not hear. The captain was intoxicated with the long battle; he was delirious with the cry of tortured nerves and starved body. He did not hear.

Mauger flashed past Brander as he ran. The one-eyed man's screams were inarticulate now. It was too late to swing the ship clear, in any case.

Noll saw Mauger coming. He put up his hands and his eyes glared. He shrieked with overwhelming terror. Mauger flung on. Then the Sally's bows drove on the solid sand; Mauger sprawled; men everywhere fell headlong. Noll was thrown back against the after rail.

Mauger rolled over and over where he fell, and it chanced that his sheath-knife dropped out in the fall and touched his hand. He had it in his fingers when he scrambled to his feet, still intent on bearing his warning. He had the knife in his hand as he leaped toward the wheel. He did not yet realize that it was too late to swerve the Sally. Toward the wheel he ran, knife in hand, forgetting knife and Noll Wing.

To Noll's eyes, where he stood behind the wheel, Mauger must have looked like a charging fiend. He saw the knife. He screamed again, and turned and flung himself out over the after rail.

He was instantly gone. Perhaps the undertow, perhaps some creature of the sea, perhaps the fates that had hung over him struck then; but those aboard the Sally Sims were never to see Noll Wing again, nor Noll's dead body.

Dawn came abruptly; a lowering dawn, with gray and greasy clouds racing past so low that they seemed to scrape and tear themselves upon the tips of the masts. No sun showed; there was no light in the sky. The dawn was evidenced only by a lessening of the blackness of the night. They could see, that was all. There was no fog, but a steady rain sprang up and clouded objects at a little distance.

This rain had one good effect—it beat down the turbulence of the waves. Faith, from the bow, could see that they had grounded upon a sandy beach which spread like a crescent to right and left. The tips of the crescent were rocky points which sheltered the Sally from the full force of the seas. She was not pounding upon the sand; she lay where she had struck, heeled a little to one side. There were breakers about her and ahead of her upon the sand; They were caused by the reflex tumult of the waters, stirred up in this sheltered bay in sympathy with the storm outside.

The gale was dying now. Above them the wind still raced and played with the flying clouds; but there was no pressure of it upon what little canvas the Sally still flew. They were at peace.

At peace! Faith, studying the position of the Sally, was herself at peace. This was her first reaction to her husband's death; she was at peace.

Noll was gone. Noll Wing whom she had loved and married. Poor Noll! She pitied him; she was conscious of a still-living affection for him. There was no hate in her; there was little sorrow. He was gone, but life had burdened him too long. He was well rid of it, she thought; well rid of his tormented flesh; well rid of the terror which had pursued him.

When Noll went over the stern, Dan'l Tobey appeared from nowhere, and saw Mauger with the knife in his hand, standing paralyzed with horror. Dan'l fell upon Mauger, fists flying. He downed the little man, dropped on him with both knees, gripped for his throat.

Then Brander, coming from the waist of the ship on Mauger's heels, caught Dan'l by the collar and jerked him to his feet. Dan'l's hands, clenched on Mauger's throat, lifted the little man a foot from the deck before they let go to grip for Brander. The men clustered aft; old Tichel's teeth bared. In another moment, there would have been a death-battle upon the littered decks.

But Faith cried through the gloom:

"Dan'l! Mr. Brander! Drop it! Stand away"

There was a command in her clear tones which Dan'l must have obeyed, and Brander did as she bade instinctively. The two still faced each other, heads forward, shoulders lowered. Behind Brander, Mauger crawled to his feet, choking and fumbling at his throat. Faith said to Dan'l:

"I saw what happened, Dan'l. It was not the fault of Mauger."

"He had a knife—"

"He fell," she said. "I saw. He fell when the Sally struck; his knife dropped from its sheath. He picked it up. That was all."

"All?" Dan'l protested. "He drove Noll Wing to death"

She shook her head.

"No. It was Noll's own terrors. Noll was mad."

"What was Mauger doing aft, then? He'd no place here."

"I had him forward, watching for breakers," Brander explained. "He saw them and yelled, and when no one heard, he raced to give the word."

Faith nodded.

"Yes, he was gripping for the wheel to swing it down, even when Noll—"

Dan'l swung to Brander.

"You're overquick to come between me and the mate, Mr. Brander," he said harshly. "Best mend that."

"I'll not see Mauger smashed for no fault," Brander told him steadily.

Dan'l took a step nearer the other.

"You'll understand I'm master here now!"

There was battle in Brander's eyes. Men's blood was hot that morning. But Faith stepped between.

"Dan'l, Noll's gone. First thing is to get the Sally free."

Dan'l still eyed Brander for a moment; then he drew back, swung away, looked around. The island they had struck was barely visible through the drifting rain.

"This is not where we headed," he said.

"You know this place?"

"No."

"Then we'll get the ship clear as quick as may be."

He smiled sneeringly.

"I'm thinking we're here to stay, Faith. Leastwise, the Sally is."

"The Sally does not stay here," Faith told him sternly. "She floats; she fills her casks; she goes safely home to Jonathan Felt. Mark that, Dan'l."

"You're not overconcerned for Noll's going," Dan'l said sullenly.

"He's gone," said Faith. "An end to that. But the Sally was his charge; shes my charge now. I mean to see her safe home."

"Your charge?" Dan'l echoed "It's in my mind that when the captain dies, the mate succeeds."

"You take his place if I choose," Faith told him.

(To be Continued on Tuesday)

MRS. EARL AGEE NAMED PRESIDENT DOUGLAS W. C. T. U.

County Convention Listens to Addresses on Liquor Evil, Hits Tobacco Advertisements.

Mrs. Earl Agee was re-elected president of the Douglas County W. C. T. U., at the convention held Thursday at Green. Mrs. Helen R. Ferguson was chosen vice-president; Lillian B. Davis, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. B. Busenbark, recording secretary, and Mrs. V. J. Micelli, treasurer.

The county union held its annual meeting in the school house, with Mrs. Agee presiding. The devotional service, opening the morning session, was led by Mrs. D. C. McGhehey and was followed by reports from county officers and department directors. Following a vocal solo by Miss Neva Agee, reports were received from the local union presidents, Mrs. E. Willis reporting for Roseburg, Mrs. Zadie Bishop for Yoncalla, Mrs. Luthill for Sutherlin, Mrs. Ben Irving for Wilbur, Mrs. D. C. McGhehey for Glengary. Mrs. A. C. Marsters reported on the work of the fairs and exhibits committee. A W. C. T. U. booth has been secured at the state fair grounds in Salem, this year, Mrs. Marsters stated.

A potluck dinner was enjoyed at noon and was followed by a devotional service conducted by Mrs. C. A. Edwards. The memorial service was led by Mrs. Helen R. Ferguson. A group of musical readings was given by Miss E. Williams and an entertaining program was presented by a group of campfire girls.

A fine address told the delegates of the evil effects of alcohol and narcotics on the body.

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The address was followed by a piano solo by Miss Katherine Cooper.

Rev. R. B. Shoun gave an interesting talk on the importance of education for young people, stressing three phases of prohibition, economic gains, higher standards of living, increased investments in property.

Rev. Shoun's address was followed by a reading by Miss Katherine Cooper.

The evening devotional service was led by Mrs. C. A. Chamberlain, after which there was a piano duet by Miss Agee and Miss Burroughs.

The principal speaker of the evening program was H. A. Canaday of Roseburg, who discussed the prohibition issues of the day in a most interesting manner

The evening program concluded with a gold medal contest directed by Mrs. Edith Ackert, the medal being won by Miss Greta Wright

Resolutions were adopted pledging continued effort toward prohibition enforcement and the cause of temperance, opposing the display of tobacco advertisements depicting women smoking, and expressing appreciation to newspapers for publication of W. C. T. U. news.

BALTIMORE WINS LEGION B. B. TITLE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 30 — Baltimore overwhelmed New Orleans, 10 to 4, to win the American Legion Junior baseball championship here yesterday, in their second and final game of the series.

Baltimore started with one run in the first inning, but the Southerners took the lead with three in the second. The eastern boys tied it up with two in the third, then piled up five in the fourth to one for New Orleans. Two more runs were added, one in the fifth and the other in the ninth. Score:

	R.	H.	E
Baltimore	10	9	3
New Orleans	4	7	5

Batteries: Koslowski and Kaun; Rizzo, Butzman and Sellers.

ANGELS CUT DOWN HOLLYWOOD'S LEAD

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

While Hollywood and Los Angeles, the two top-notchers of the Pacific coast league, were dropping games yesterday, a battle was in progress between the two tail-enders, Seattle and Oakland.

Seattle, down at the bottom, has turned into a team of sluggers. Last night at Seattle, the Indians defeated the Oaks, 8 to 4, to reduce their five game space behind the Oaks to four, and take a three to one lead in the series.

The lead of Hollywood was reduced to two and a half games when the Stars lost to the Mission Reds, 8 to 3, at Los Angeles last night.

Los Angeles and San Francisco, battling for second place, evened the series when the Seals took the Angels, 6 to 4, in San Francisco. The Angels, however, remain one game ahead of the northern team. And the remaining three games will decide which is to trail the Stars at the end of the series.

Portland won another from the Sacramento Senators, 2 to 0, at Portland last night. The Ducks hammered out 10 hits. Keating held the Solons to four.

FEDERAL PROGRAM HAILED BOON TO LUMBER INDUSTRY

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

PORTLAND, Aug. 29 — Pacific coast lumbermen today saw in the federal trade commission's program for promoting new construction and eliminating certain unnecessary costs a salutary effect on the lumber and building industries.

The plan of bringing the builders and materials men together with the financial group, so as to reduce both building and financing costs, as originally suggested by the Associated General Contractors of America, is beginning to bear fruit in curbing activities of unethical builders, it was said.

Lumbermen said all this will act as a stimulant to residential construction and consequently mean a revival of the market for lumber. Economic loss through the agency of irresponsible contractors and curbstone loan brokers, which normally runs into millions of dollars annually, can now be reduced a large extent by operation of the new plan sponsored by the federal trade commission and the contractors' association, they said.

BOXER KILLED IN TRAINING BATTLE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

OCONOMOWOC, Wis., Aug. 30 —Dean Spaulding, 28, White Water boxer, died in a hospital today of a fractured skull, suffered when his head hit the floor after being knocked out by Davis Maier, Milwaukee light heavyweight, in a training bout.

The state boxing commission ordered an investigation and Coroner John M. Schaffel an inquest.

AGED MAN BURNED TO DEATH BY BOYS

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 29—Three boys all under twelve years of age, were arrested today in connection with the fatal burning August 13 of an elderly man in a junk yard.

Police said the lads confessed piling brush over James Wright, 69, an itinerant laborer, as he slept, and setting it on fire. Wright died.

When the boys, whose names were withheld because of their ages, 8, 9 and 11, were asked why they started the blaze their only answer was "Just for fun."

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CUBS GET REVENGE ON CARDINALS IN 13-INNING GAME

By Hugh S. Fullerton, Jr.
Associated Press Sports Writer.

The struggle for supremacy in the national league is showing few signs of letup as the four first-division clubs approach the ends of their "crucial" series. Brooklyn and New York, with only today's game left, are locked in a fight for second place while the league leading Chicago cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals are even after two overtime struggles.

The Giants have regained second place, but are not yet back to their starting point of a 1 1-2 game margin over the Robins. A 3 to 2 victory yesterday placed them a half game ahead.

Chicago made a comeback to triumph over St. Louis, 9 to 3, in a 13 inning struggle that put the Cubs 5 1-2 games ahead of New York and six in front of the Robins. They assaulted Haines and Herman Bell for five hits and as many runs in the ninth to tie the score.

In the eleventh Jim Bottomley clouted a home run for St. Louis with two on base but the Cubs made it 8 with four effective hits. The end came when "Old Hoss" Stephenson opened the Cub half of the thirteenth with a triple off Grimes and scored on Lester Bell's single.

Rain checked the threatening gestures of Pittsburgh against Cincinnatti.

Boston and Philadelphia completed the league's schedule for the day with the Braves winning 9 to 8 in a hectic eleven inning struggle.

Caraway Stars

In the American league Chicago and Cleveland battled for twelve innings before either scored. Pat Caraway of Chicago continued his shutout hurling through the thirteenth after his batting in the first half of the frame had played an important part in giving the White Sox a 3 to 0 victory. Caraway drove in the first Chicago run with a double in the thirteenth after his rival, Clint Brown, had given Clancy a single and had fumbled Watwood's attempted sacrifice. Mulleavy singled Watwood and Caraway home. Caraway allowed only three hits.

In the only other American league game the St. Louis Brown trounced Detroit for the third straight time to keep pace with the White Sox. The score was 9 to 6.

UTILITIES CONCERN SPLITS OPERATION

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—Formation of the Portland General Electric company to take over the electric properties of Pacific Northwest Public Service Co., was announced today by Franklin T. Griffith, president of Pacific Northwest.

The step is part of a plan by Pacific Northwest to segregate its electric, gas and railway properties into separate operating companies. Seattle Gas Co. will own and operate the gas properties. The subsidiaries will be owned by Pacific Northwest Public Service Co., which in turn is one of the sub-holding companies of General Public Service system.

Go to Portland — Mr. and Mrs. Birney West are preparing to leave tomorrow for Portland to visit for two days at the home of Abner Thompan.

Visitor from Riddle — Miss Faunie Poole of Riddle spent a short time here yesterday evening visiting and attending to business affairs.

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