

Chapter 1.—As Alan Garth, prospector, is preparing to leave for his mining claim in the Far North, a plane lands at the airway emergency station. In it are Burton Ramill, millionaire mining magnate, his daughter, Lilith, and Vivian Huxby, pilot and mining engineer. Now go on with story.

looked crude. The air was choky from the smell of cheap bacon. Huxby sprang up to place the chair at the near end of the table. He lifted the boiling teapot from the stove and started to fill a tin cup with the black brew.

"Pardon our waiting, Lilith," he apologized. "I did not wish to waken you with the refueling. Planned to do it while you breakfasted."

"Quite thoughtful of you darling. But you need not think I'll drink this lye or eat any of your beastly messes. Not for me. You can have your stearage garbage. I'll keep to cabin fare."

She faced about and went back through the passage. Huxby stood hesitating. Mr. Ramill motioned him to sit down.

"You stocked the cabin with enough wines and delicatessen to last several days. Finish your meal."

The mining engineer shot a glance at Garth. "I've had enough oats to founder a Scotch cow. May as well see to the refueling."

Tobin rose stiffly and followed Huxby into the storeroom. Mr. Ramill took a last sip of the boiling tea, favored Garth with a patronizing smile, and opened his gold-mounted cigar case to offer one of the choice Havanas.

Garth declined. "I never smoke. It degrades the nose."

"Though man has the sense of smell," he commented with dog's head, "it lacks the ability to scent yet even a trace of it may be of use in the bush."

The investor's portly body quivered to his chuckle. "I've heard of noting out prospects! First time though, it's been done to my knowledge." He caught himself up. "At least, Mr. Huxby considers it possible your discovery may be worth an examination. That leaves only the question of terms, in case we find the mine promising enough for me to make an offer."

Garth spared an inquiring glance to the portly gentleman. "The portly gentleman gave him a bland smile. "I believe in encouraging prospectors. They find new districts. With that in view, I buy numbers of undeveloped prospects, taking the risk of heavy losses. Though I drop thousands on some mines, I have made a fortune from others. But the average prospector, like yourself, stakes his all. Ninety-nine times in a hundred, he is cleaned out by total failure. If I drop thousands on some mines, I'll pay you up to a thousand dollars cash for it."

"I'm not selling," Garth said. "I like to play a game through to the end, win or lose."

The investor's eyes hardened. "What's your idea?"

"One year's lease and sixty per cent of the gross returns to me." Mr. Ramill blinked. "Sixty per cent of gross? You're crazy?"

"Like a fox. Some kind of nose." It was Garth's turn to smile. "Not so keen, though, for galena. Better for scenting out alloys of gold, iridium and platinum."

The last word knocked the benevolent encourager of prospectors speechless. Yet, after a moment of blank staring, he managed a half-pitying look.

"Dart!" he muttered. "That must be these prospectors, alone in the wilds for months at a time!" He raised his voice. "Too bad, young man. If you'd make it gold and silver, I might have been able to swallow the bait. But platinum! That's a bit too thick. Platinum is found in quantity only in Russia. Very little anywhere else. Only a minute quantity in North America."

He rose as if to go. Garth gave him a regretful look.

"Yes—too bad, sir. Now I'll have to go outside. I may even have to wait until the ice goes out next year before I can dupe a gull into taking that lease."

Mr. Ramill left the kitchen without seeming to heed this plaint. When Garth followed him into the storeroom, he was quiet some dispute between Huxby and Tobin. The visitors put on their headsets and walked down to the wharf.

Garth went into the bunkroom. Before long Tobin came to open the door a handbreadth. He chuckled.

"Uh—lad, you got your hook in their gills. Pilot's tinkering with the motor. Changed the oil, but so far to refuse. Ain't rushin' to flop off."

Garth kept on lathering his beard. When he came out, his cartridge belt was buckled about his waist. It held his sheath-knife and belt-ax. In one hand he carried his rifle, in the other the rest of his small outfit, strapped on his pack board.

Down on the wharf Mr. Ramill puffed cigar smoke through his headnet while he watched Huxby's examination of the motor and propeller. Miss Ramill was not in sight.

"Right-o, Tobin," said Garth. "Shaming it is. When that bus came down, you never heard a sweeter motor—every cylinder hitting true. Wish I felt as sure of that southbound Belanca."

"Don't fash yourself, Mr. Garth. She'll make Fort Smith on schedule."

"Then here goes for my next play."

He went down the slope to lay his pack and rifle a little way out from the base of the wharf. After that he fetched his canoe from the bank. He swung it down into the shallow water within close reach of the pack.

Mr. Ramill came shoreward rather hurriedly for so dignified a gentleman. "One moment, Garth. I've consulted with my engineer partner. He still thinks it may be worth our while to investigate your prospect."

"What! In view of my terms?"

"They're outrageous! Still, it is just possible—the engine might justify them. The least we can do is to inspect the lode. I make no deals sight unseen."

Garth spoke as if to himself. "An air ride, free, and only a few hours' delay. Time enough to make the trip out before the freeze-up."

He lifted his pack up again on the wharf, and swung the canoe over his head to take it back to its previous position, bottom up, on the bank. When he returned he carried his pack and rifle out to the airplane. From the cabin came the rhythmic dissonance of a jazz-dance tune. The plane evidently was equipped with a long-distance radio receiver.

Through the wire gauze of the big rear window he saw Miss Ramill reclining on the heaped pillows of an unmade berth. The seat at her elbow held tinned cases of gasoline and a wine bottle. Garth laid down his rifle and pack on the wharf near the door steps.

Ashore, at the storeroom, he found Huxby trying to boss Tobin into helping to tote the gasoline. Annoyed by the old man's refusal, and still more by the indignity of mechanic's labor, the pilot engineer took up a case of twin five-gallon gasoline tins in his arms and started cautiously down the slope to the wharf.

Had Garth taken the same load, either he or Huxby would have had to return for the other two cases. He roped three cases together and tipped the thirty-gallon load upon his back. As if the pack had been a feather-weight, he went down the stony slope with the smooth gliding step of a moccasin wearer.

Out at the end of the wharf, a deaf stomp and twist lowered his heavy pack upon the planks without a jar. As he straightened up he saw Miss Ramill step down from the cabin. She had donned her leather pilot trousers and a jacket but held the helmet in her hand.

Through the mesh of her headnet he saw that her eyes were lustrous from wine. They gazed out at him with a keen, reluctant admiration. No man of her acquaintance had ever toted such a back-breaking pack, either lightly or at all. But her forced respect placed to a show of disdain when he ventured a friendly smile.

"How gallant!" she jeered. "He has sacrificed his whiskers. Can it be he hopes to enervate his fair sex?"

"Was that why I shaved?" Garth inquired. "Feminine intuition is

Kinton Group Plans Bazaar

Bible Meet Tuesday; Roll at School is 35

(By Mrs. E. L. Cox)

KINTON—Home Economic club met at the hall last Thursday afternoon and decided to hold a bazaar and entertainment in October, the exact date to be announced later. Many useful articles are being made by members of the club, which will make ideal Christmas gifts. A program will be given by people from Hillsdale, also by local talent.

Lawrence Crowder of Scholls and E. L. Cox have been employed during the past week or more on shingling jobs in Aloha. They were on houses owned by Conrad Algesheimer.

Group to Meet

Next meeting of Bible study and business session of the church will be held at the church on Tuesday evening. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The following from here, most of them graduates of Kinton school, are attending Beaverton high school: Dorothy VanKleeck, James Richards, Eunice Snider, Rosemary Mary Kathryn Hall, Lucille VanHorn, Dean Bowne, Clifford VanKleeck, Lois Bierly, Rudolph Karpstein, Glenn Pringle, Eugene VanKleeck, Raymond Herrich, Robert Richards and Albert Karpstein.

Services at church Sunday are as follows: Preaching by Rev. Virgil Speece at 9:45 followed by Bible school at 10:15. Everybody is invited.

Miss Pauline Shaver of Beaverton, who formerly resided here, has been spending the past two weeks or so with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bierly.

The road school signs have been put on the posts at last year.

A new electric water pump is being installed by Rene Meltebeke

Interesting Bits of News Gleaned in County Trips

(By Francis S. Barr)

Visiting last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harms of Cornelius route 1 were their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. W. Schwachewald of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Schwachewald, who are observing their silver wedding anniversary by making this trip left Cleveland on August 31, visiting relatives and friends in Virginia, Chicago, Ill., and Washington. From there they go to Los Angeles, the San Diego Exposition, Salt Lake City, Colorado Springs, and Denver, Col., and expect to reach home by October 1. Mr. Schwachewald is C. P. & T. agent of the Nickel Plate road at Cleveland, and has been with the company for the past 30 years. They have a son and two daughters residing at Cleveland.

In the midst of the housecleaning and preparing for the visit from Mr. and Mrs. Schwachewald, who are also cousins of R. J. Schwanke, Mrs. Schwanke took time out to talk to the Argus representative and give praise to the results received from Argus classified advertising. Mrs. Dan Ennis was found carrying fruit and Mr. Ennis was helping out siloing at the W. Heinrichs farm.

Will Chalmers was looking for rain and hoped it would come soon so as to help his corn and beans, which needed it badly.

Theo. Vangrunsen, who operates the Verboort store, added his name among the many Argus subscribers. He also reports a general business improvement over last year.

Visiting with Mrs. R. L. Rockwell, Cornelius route 1, is her daughter, Mrs. Mabel of Seattle. In a modern home on top of a hill overlooking the county road lives W. C. DeMers. Mr. DeMers was splitting his supply of winter wood.

Apple season being here, A. S. Henry is now working at Knight packing plant and has worked there for several years. The Henrys have a very fine filbert orchard and Mrs. Henry reports an excellent crop for this year.

Light wires have just been put in from the main line to the Rene Taghon farm. Taghon is milking 10 cows and doing general farming on his 75 acres.

"It takes lots of work to make a farm look good," was the expression of Mrs. E. Wyffels. Mr. and Mrs. Wyffels have a very well-kept appearing farm, the result of much hard work.

Stanley Smith of Portland is visiting with Leland, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, for several weeks.

One of the largest bands of turkey in the county, an 1500 strong is owned by John Marsh, Cornelius route 1. The turkey market hasn't been very strong so far this year, but turkey grow-

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One team, one with foal; 1 heifer, coming fresh in February; 6-month-old heifer; McCormick binder; mower; rake; hay tedder; disc; spike-tooth harrow; spring-tooth harrow; roller; manure spreader; John Deer riding plow; new walking plow; 2 wagons; feed cooker with stove; 1 dozen White Leghorn pullets; 1 dozen White Leghorn hens; and all small tools usually found on a farm.

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Five miles northwest of Forest Grove on the Gales Creek road, turn at the first bridge north of Rippling Waters Park.

Team of black horses, weight 3000 lbs., must be seen to be appreciated. Set of harness, 7 grade Jersey cows, 3 fresh, balance to freshen later, yearling bull, Hog, weight 200 lbs. Mower, 14-inch plow, harrow, spring-tooth harrow, disc harrow, cultivator, grindstone, wheelbarrow, milk cans, forge, iron-wheel wagon, and all small tools to be found on a well kept farm.

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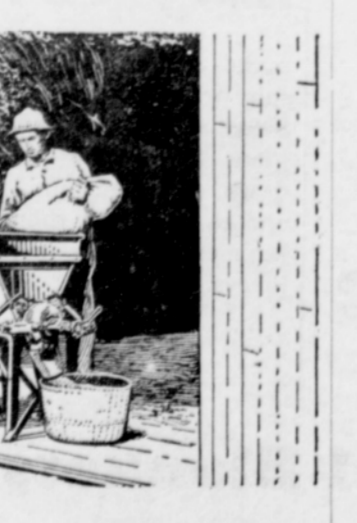
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