

The White Cockatoo

by Mignon G. Eberhart

Synopsis: James Sundean shares a large hotel in Armons, southern Oregon, with a curious group of guests and a depleted staff. He distrusts the manager, Lovschien, and is till at ease with all the others—excepting an American girl named Tally. Suddenly he is awakened from a doze by Miss Tally's hysterical plea to be allowed to enter his room. He calms her, learns she has just escaped an abductor who followed her into the hotel. She will not permit Sundean to give an alarm, but allows him to go for the key of her room, which she has left in the hotel office. Sundean bids his frightened guest to remain under cover until he returns.

Chapter 6 DRIPPING HANDS

The corridors were still dimly lit. I glanced over the railing into the lounge as I went past, but it was a black well with a lightish strip along the floor from the faint light of the corridor back of me. I had no trouble getting down the stairs, for I could follow the railing, but when I had once crossed the twilight of the faintly lighted stairs in the lounge I was in complete darkness.

Thus it took me some time to fumble about in the blackness for the electric light switches, and all the time the wind was rattling and shrieking in the court just outside. I couldn't find a match in my pockets, and although in hunting for the light switch my fingers encountered the keyboard, I couldn't, of

WINDUP STORIES

THE TRACKS
By Mary Graham Bonner

Rip wandered here and he wandered there. He looked back of clumps of bushes and he looked in marshy places where he thought Jelly Bear might have fallen.

The little lantern was lighted and hanging around Rip's neck so he would be ready for darkness. "Bow-wow, oh, dear dog me," he said to himself, "I can't stand it if anything has happened to Jelly Bear. He is so dear and friendly and just the sight of that big black devoted bear is enough to make a creature feel better."

"He was always so ready to help, too. And he saved the life of our dear Willy Nilly that cold winter night when Willy Nilly was ready to drop down with cold and weariness. Oh, Jelly Bear, Jelly Bear, you have no idea how much we love you."

Tears began to fall from Rip's eyes. He blinked them away and continued his search, barking as he ran along.

And then he thought how dear and funny Jelly Bear had looked when they had the circus, and of the tricks he had performed.

Suddenly he noticed some tracks in the muddy ground. Rip barked for joy. He had discovered a clue for the tracks were the tracks of a bear.

"Jelly Bear, Jelly Bear!" shouted Rip. "Where are you?" He listened for an answer, but all he heard was the sound of the wind whistling through the trees.

"I'll just rush home and tell them so they can all have a little comfort," Rip thought, and immediately acted upon his thought.

Tomorrow—"False Clue."

ACROSS

1. Murder
5. Style of poetry
9. Having foot
11. Punctuation
13. Hindu queen
15. Wear away
17. Correct
19. Poet
21. Rise and fall
23. Type measure
25. Kentucky
27. Color
29. Historical festival
31. Employer
33. Portent
35. African tribe
37. Small island
39. Cravat
41. Look
43. Caricature
45. Anglo-Saxon
47. City of the ex-
49. Near
51. Geographical dictionary
53. Hypocritical
55. Oriental feast
57. Direction
59. Beards of
61. Article
63. Sharp pro-
65. Extremist
67. Alack

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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IRAN	FONT	
NOVATELL	TALE	
ANENTRAVE	AL	
CIDETAPE	SKI	
RODAIS	DOPED	
ENGORGES	WISE	
HOLE	AGAR	
STORE	TILLAGE	
HAS	STALE	EAR
EAT	SOUSE	AYE

61. Incense
62. Scepter
63. Poker term
64. Parent
65. Color
66. Subsequently
67. Take cargo
68. Malign
69. Killed
70. Country
71. Company in a
72. Down
73. Sarcophagus
74. Blot

75. Worthy to be published
76. To honor
77. Ship cannot
78. The Mollie
79. Jean and
80. One of an
81. Ancient race
82. Force outward
83. Alliance
84. Metal
85. Concludes
86. Greenland
87. Not without
88. Spoken
89. White matter
90. Volcano
91. Animal food
92. Prosperity
93. Requests
94. "The gloomy
95. Mechanical bar
96. After song of
97. Rich brown
98. Religious
99. "Home"
100. "Home"
101. Low tide
102. Fishes
103. Diligent
104. "Home"
105. Boat in church
106. As far as
107. The Indian
108. Mulberry
109. A brother of
110. Chin

ing, I dragged him into the corridor and saw he was dead and rang." He looked at me disbelievingly. Finally he lowered his eyes. He reached out a hand to the small ornamental hill of the knife, drew his hand back as if it shrunk from touching the wetness about it, and then stretched it out again. "The jewels winked evilly at me, I said. "You'd better leave it alone, hadn't you? It seems to be murder. And the police won't want things touched."

His hand fell back, and his face turned up to me, looked faintly green. "The police. But the police—I am ruined. I am ruined! There's no need to call the police. I can't have gendarmes nosing about. I—" He recalled that he was speaking aloud and to me and checked himself with a quick sidelong glance at me.

"It's murder," I said. "You'll have to call the police." His narrow gaze measured me, tried to plumb my own eyes. Finally he said: "I was thinking of the hotel. Anything like this is very bad for the place. Do you know the man?" "I never saw him before."

"I don't know him either. I never saw him before. He certainly had no business in the hotel." (To be Continued.)

RICKEY STARTS FIFTH SEASON

Rickey—Booster jubilee night, celebrated the beginning of the fifth year of the Rickey community. A large birthday cake baked by the J. Crabb family was cut by B. B. Gerner, oldest man in the community. The four candles were blown out by Mr. and Mrs. Felix LaBranch, the only couple in the community who have been married 50 years.

The club was led in its club song by Harry Mason, first vice-president of the club and Hazel Dell Sheridan led the yell. During the business meeting a motion was made to change no club dues. This will be voted on at the next meeting of the club which will be held the second Friday in May, due to the fact that an amendment to the constitution now reads that of 35 cents a person and not more than 75 cents a family shall be paid at the time the person becomes a member of the club.

A program to which all families in the community were asked to contribute consisted of: Violin solo, Vernon Shelton; song, "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling," Nita Taylor, Edna Hensel, La June Gerner and Dorothy McElroy; reading, "Little Brown Bulls," Virginia Carothers; reading, "An Oration," Claire Ridge-

way; song, "Jolly Boys," Frances Waser, Loyd Crabb, Carol Dean and Calvin Courtner; play, "Joint Owners in Spain," Dorothy McElroy, La June Gerner, Edna Hensel and Hazel Magee; guitar solo, Mrs. Marvin Wells; reading, "By Heck I'm Ready for a Full Day's Work," Phyll Phillips; vocal duet, "Carolina Moon," Inez and Iota Miller; play, "Nonsensical School," Gladys Crabb, Margaret Courtner, Hazel Dell Sheridan and Raymond Beard; reading, Stella Cutner; vocal solo, Donald LaBranch; piano solo, Francis Waser; reading, Virgil Haven; harmonica solo, Willis Horner.

Clinic Is Given

Hayesville—Dr. V. A. Douglas and Miss Johnston from the Salem health center were in charge of the clinic held at the Hayesville school Monday morning. All first and fifth grade students were examined as well as several others, the first grade pupils receiving the first of the tetanus anti-toxin serum. Many of the parents visited at the school during the clinic hours. Several of the pupils examined were A-1 perfect.

HUDSON IS BACK

Falls City—J. H. Hudson has given up his work with the Longview Fibre company at Kelso, Wash., and accepted a position as sawyer for the Christiansen Lumber company at Kings Valley.

PUFFY

"My friends!" says the Barker, from up on the stand. "We have an attraction you'll all think is grand. It's BLOPPO, the wrestler, the heavyweight champ—He'll pay anyone he can't take into camp!"

MUTT AND JEFF

NOW, PONCHO, IT'S YOUR TURN TO FACE THE CAMERA—YOU ARE SHOWN ENGAGED IN BATTLE WITH A DESPERATE INDIAN—HM—WE NEED AN INDIAN!

JEFF, RUSH BACK TO THE STUDIO AND DIG UP AN INDIAN—I'LL TAKE CLOSEUPS OF PONCHO WHILE YOU'RE GONE!

ONE INDIAN, MUTT, \$8 C.O.D.

FOR SALE CHEAP

FLORISSA (SINGING)

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

By Frederic J. Haskin

What question can we answer for you? There is no charge at all except three cents in coin or stamps for return postage. Do not use post-cards. Address your letter to the Capital Journal Information Bureau, Frederic J. Haskin, Director, Washington, D. C.

Q. How fast can an ice boat go? G.M.

A. An ice boat sails faster than the wind; in fact, sails out of the wind if not properly handled. Ice boats will sail over a measured distance at speeds from 70 to 80 miles per hour and at other times at an estimated speed of close to 100 miles and over for a short distance.

Q. Is gas ever given for senile-ness? M.C.

A. The public health service says that there now exists a gas which is given to persons who suffer from mal de mer (seasickness). This gas is given to persons on shipboard usually in their rooms.

Q. How much legal, tax-paid liquor was produced last year? H.T.

A. The bureau of internal revenue reports that in 1932 legal, tax-paid distilled spirits amounted to 6,936,942 gallons and rectified wines and spirits to 2,425 gallons.

Q. Is it true that the road to President Hoover's summer camp was constructed by United States marines? M.S.

A. The following extract is taken from a letter of Secretary of the Navy Adams: "No work was done upon this road by the marines. At one time in the summer of 1930 an

engineer road regiment was employed for a few weeks in their annual road-building exercise in surfacing two or three miles of this road. It cost the federal government nothing as these men would have been occupied in road construction at some other point as part of their annual training. The upkeep of the road is paid for by Madison county and the (Virginia) conservation commission."

Q. Is Count von Luckner, sea deity of the World War, married? F.C.

A. Count Felix von Luckner is married. His wife is Ingeborg, Countess von Luckner. They have no children.

Q. Was there any opposition to an unrestricted immigration policy prior to the Civil War? O.D.

A. In the 1830's a political movement developed against "increasing foreign influence." It resulted in the "Native American" or "Know Nothing" movement of the 1850's. In 1845 a labor paper published at Cohasset, Mass., protested against unrestricted immigration and the use of immigrants as strike breakers.

Q. Who was the sculptor of the statue, "The Divine Healer," at John Hopkins hospital? L.P.L.

A. The director of the Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore, Md., says: "The Divine Healer" which stands in our lobby is a replica of a work by the Danish sculptor, Bertel Thorvaldsen. This particular copy was made by Professor Stein, director of the Royal Academy of Arts in Copenhagen. Our statue was

the gift of William Wallace Spence and was unveiled in 1896. It is carved from a single block of white Carrara marble, leaving a figure ten and a half feet high. On its base is carved the following inscription: "Come unto Me all ye that are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest."

Q. In medieval Europe was kneeling upon knee an act of worship? W.C.

A. It was an act of homage. Kneeling on both knees was an act of worship. Generally speaking, the difference still exists.

Q. How do alligators differ from crocodiles? H.J.S.

A. True alligators differ from crocodiles in the following respects: The feet are less webbed; the head is shorter and flatter; the lower jaw and fourth teeth of the lower jaw fit into pits in the upper jaw, and not into notches between the teeth, and this causes the whole head to be broader and the snout more obtuse than in crocodiles.

Q. What is the federal tax on playing cards? P.J.B.

A. There is a tax of 10 cents on each pack of playing cards of 54 or less. The number 54 allows the inclusion of two extra cards in the pack by the manufacturer.

Q. What is the origin of the word "technocracy"? R.M.

A. According to Dr. Vitely, this word was coined by the engineer, inventor and social economist, Wm. H. Smyth of Berkeley, Cal., and used by him in the magazine Industrial Management, for March, 1919. Subsequently it was used by him in other magazine and newspaper articles. In his book, Concerning Irresistible Strong (1926), his definition of the term is, "scientific reorganization of national energy and resources, coordinating industrial democracy to effect the will of the people."

OLD OFFICERS SHERIDAN PTA SERVE AGAIN

Sheridan—The April meeting of Sheridan Parent-Teachers association was held in the high school auditorium Monday evening with a large attendance.

Mrs. Harold Hadley in the absence of Mrs. Otis J. White, chairman of the program committee, presided during the presentation of the program, regularly preceding the business session. The entertainment was in the nature of a radio broadcast by the seventh grade, "listened to" by a family composed of the other eight members of the class. The play part was entirely original. Lynn Lady was the announcer for the following numbers: Song by the class, musical readings, Barbara Brandt, Lily Schatz at the piano; harmonium solo, John Merrifield; piano duet, Lily Schatz and Lola Hans; reading, William Ray Atwood; piano solo, Lily Schatz; chorus, class.

The Boy Scouts were presented by Scoutmaster Ted Hunter, who gave an outline of the scout movement. Demonstrations were then given by tenderfeet in which various knots were tied and their uses explained. Adrian Franklin was the victim for the first aid demonstration in bandaging by Eugene Ritter, Wallace Kaufman and Frances Kelly. Wallace Wells demonstrated firemanship and Adrian Gage wigwagging. Before the business session Mrs. C. Adrian Sias played a piano solo.

Mrs. S. M. Johnson, president, presided during the business session. James Morrissey, membership chairman, reported 89 members to date. The treasurer, George Kreutzer, reported \$53.20 in the treasury. The

nominating committee, of which Otis J. White was chairman, reported a renomination of the entire present set of officers of next year. The are: President, Mrs. S. M. Johnson; vice president, Otis J. White; secretary, Miss Frances Pritzell; treasurer, George Kreutzer.

Action was taken whereby the association will put on the dinner for the chamber of commerce in May. It was decided to hold the "Summer Round-up" and Mrs. H. B. Skinner, Mrs. John Gutbrod, Mrs. Roy Malo, and Mrs. Walter Grace were placed on the committee. Mrs. Malo and Mrs. Homer Frick were made a committee to confer with Mrs. Cecil Harrison, domestic science teacher, in regard to needed dishes and linen in the home economics department. Mrs. Clifford Coof and Mrs. Walter Grace were appointed to confer with Mrs. Alison Fry, librarian, in regard to needed magazines for the high school library. Ted Hunter, Harold Hadley and Philip Myers were appointed to get estimates on a projecting machine.

The seventh grade won in attendance of parents.

Summit Hill Man Is Critically Ill

Turner—Frank Neer was reported near death at the Willamette sanitarium Wednesday morning as the result of complications developing from blood poisoning contracted several weeks ago while working in the woods. Neer and his son Clayton were operating a drag saw when the saw blade slipped, the teeth penetrating his knee from which infection set in. He had only recently recovered from blood poisoning in his hand. Years ago Neer lost one arm in an accident, but had managed the large farm and driven his own car regardless of a disability. He has been a farmer and sheep raiser of the Summit Hill district for many years.

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE

WHILE WE HAVE PROVED, BEYOND ANY DOUBT, THAT THE HOUSE WAS DELIBERATELY SET AFIRE, WE ARE CONVINCED YOU PEOPLE HAD ABSOLUTELY NO KNOWLEDGE OF OR CONNECTION WITH THIS INCENDIARY ACTION.

THEREFORE, HERE IS OUR COMPANY'S CHECK TO YOU, FOR THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE INSURANCE CARRIED ON HOUSE AND CONTENTS.

THANK YOU—THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MY-MY—JUST LOOK AT THAT—THAT REPRESENTS MORE MONEY'N MOST FOLKS IN THIS TOWN EVER SAW—JUST WAIT'LL I SHOW THIS CHECK TO A FEW PEOPLE AROUND HERE—

YOU'LL DO NOTHING OF THE KIND—YOU'D LOSE IT, SURE—

WE HAVE ANNIE TO THANK, THAT WE'RE NOT RUINED—AND THAT MONEY IS GOING TO BE USED TO BUILD US A NEW HOUSE AND BUY FURNITURE—

YES—AND IN TH' MEAN TIME THIS CHECK IS GOIN INTO TH' BANK—WELL BE TOY HOARDERS—

REG'LAR FELLERS

HOW BIG IS A CORD FOR JIMMIE? \$9 A CORD

IT COMES IN TWO DIFFERENT SIZES! IT ALL DEPENDS!

IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT?

IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHETHER YOU'RE BURNING OR CHOPPIN' IT!

THE GUMPS

THE FLOWERS THAT BLOOM IN THE SPRING TRAIL ARE NOTHING ON MAMA DICKSON'S FOR SMELLS NOW THAT MILLIE HAS GROWN UP ROLAND FOR ONCE AND FOR ALL—

AND IS "MAMA MAKING THE MOST OF IT" YOU BET SHE IS!

SHE'S GOING TO CALL UP RIM GUMP THIS VERY MORNING AND SPREAD THE GLAD TIDINGS OF THE DE STRESSSES, KNOW THAT BIM SAW MILLIE ON THE STAIRS WITH ROLAND ON HIS KNEES BEFORE HER

HELLO, MR. GUMP? OH, MR. GUMP I DO HOPE YOU'LL PARDON MY BOTHERING YOU, BUT DID YOU KNOW, YOU LEFT YOUR CAR AT OUR HOUSE THE LAST TIME YOU WERE HERE—YES—INDEED—I'VE BEEN QUITE THE STRANGER OF LATE—

NOW—LET'S SHIFT THE SCENE TO THE OTHER END OF THE LINE AS UNCLE BIM LISTENS IN—

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO STOP IN TO DINNER TO-MORROW NIGHT—MILLIE'S ASKED FOR YOU SO MANY TIMES OF LATE—SHE WONDER'S WHY YOU HADN'T CALLED—SHE'S SO FOND OF YOU—YOU KNOW I TELL HER YOU'RE A VERY BUSY MAN, BUT SHE DOES MISS YOU TERRIBLY—SHE GREW SO SHE JUST COULDN'T STAND THAT YOU SHOULD BE COME OVER—YOUNG MEN BORE HER SO—

AND THIS IS WHO HE HEARS—

OH YEAH!

WON'T YOU COME OVER TO MY HOUSE

TAILSPIN TOMMY

IT'S SURE THAT GONDY AND "MIM" ARE GONING MORE GONING TREASURE—SO YOU'VE ELECTED TO PLAY DECK TENNIS WITH ME!

ALL RIGHT—BUT IT'LL BE AWFUL EXPENSIVE FOR YOU—

UNLESS YOU GOT A GOOD WATER SPONGE TO GET THE BALLS IN TO THE OCEAN!

YOU SAY THE NORTH COAST OF ASTORIA ISLAND IS A SMALL LAKE—AND COSTS TO TRY TREASURE MAP IT SHOULD BE LARGE ENOUGH TO AFFORD A LANDING PLACE FOR YOUR PLANE—

YES—BUT INLAND A FEW HUNDRED YARDS IS A SMALL LAKE—AND COSTS TO TRY TREASURE MAP IT SHOULD BE LARGE ENOUGH TO AFFORD A LANDING PLACE FOR YOUR PLANE—

THE TREASURE IS "OTHERS" THEN WE'RE BURIED BETWEEN 2 TO HAVE COMPETITION. THE LAKE AND THE 2, THIS IS INTERESTING. THE LAKE SHALL PROVIDE A NEW PLAN FROM "OTHERS" UNLESS WE!

JEFF MUST THINK HOLLYWOOD HAS GONE INTO THE CIGAR BUSINESS

ONE INDIAN, MUTT, \$8 C.O.D.

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