



MURDER IN TIN

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Chapter 9

I repeated, "Where is your father? Never mind about getting down. I'll take you down."

"I don't know," she said, looking at me helplessly.

She had to do better than that, I thought. My skepticism must have shown on my face, for she added:

"I don't know where my father is. How many times must I tell all of you that I don't know where my father is!"

I released the elevator brake and pressed the street level button for there was no point in listening to her stereotype of innocence.

We walked down the lobby and through the door to San Juan de Letran.

"Your father—" I began.

She put her hand on my arm and removed it in the second. I wondered whether the gesture was on the level or premeditated. Anyway, it made me remember that we weren't exactly alone. The Gestapo and our people had undoubtedly supplied anonymous companions. Our Gestapo escort had the more difficult job; he or she had to stay out of notice of our men.

My heart began to beat faster. I put my arm through her's. Let the Gestapo man, I thought, report intimacy between us. That was my conscious reason. Half-suppressed was the another, a simpler reason.

She said, "I think we can dispense with that."

"Ordinary procedure," I said. "We're both a long way from home."

"And we're both Americans," she added sarcastically.

"That's something most people are proud of."

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"I don't believe you."

"I'll tell you at dinner. You may as well come along."

She smiled at me. It was her chilly smile.

"Your father interests me very much," I said. "His specialty interests me. Exploration for new bodies has almost stopped and yet he has continued to discover new bodies. His reputation is almost legendary."

We were walking up the Avenida Juarez, past the fashionable stores. "In former years, your father would discover new bodies and sometimes he would forget to report them to his employers. Later on, he would sell these locations to speculators of the Mirtillo type. It was a semi-illicit business your father was engaged in. But we're at war now and his tin location presents a bigger issue."

"May I ask the point of this rambling lecture?"

"Just a general outline," I wondered how effective I was in this dust-thriving game. "You can't set a peso value on your father's discovery. Is it worth five million pesos? Ten? It's tin and we're short of tin in a war for our existence."

"Look here," she said. "If you sincerely and honestly will protect my father, I'll do my best to help you."

"I'll do my best," I said.

"Do you know who Chevalle is?"

"No."

"He's a Frenchman, the owner of several novelty shops who came to Mexico years ago. I phoned Chevalle about an appointment—Chevalle was a poor man when he first came to Mexico. I remember dad saying he had made Chevalle rich and that if he ever was in a tough spot he could count on the man he had made rich."

"You feel Chevalle can aid you? But why this particular man in this particular city? Your father's grateful backers can be found in Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires—"

"I don't like your sneering tone."

"Is it Mexico City because you know your father's here now? Why Chevalle?"

She glared at me, her eyes open wide, her lips parted and I felt what she wanted me to feel. That I was rude and stupid and clumsily suspicious.

"Let's get some dinner," I said.

She hesitated. "All right."

To be continued

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Bustle
2. Moving wagons
3. Kind of coffee
4. Flap
5. Alga
6. Musical instrument: colloq.
7. Age
8. News gatherers
9. Small depressions
10. Crusted dish
11. Earthworm
12. Paid respects to
13. Clear profit
14. Isabella
15. Color with
16. Article
17. Be dizzy
18. Mechanical bar
19. Abominable
20. Legislative body
21. Twin crystal
22. Symbol for tellurium
23. Harvester
24. Roman date
25. Feminine name
26. Edit under ground
27. Among
28. Hawaiian word
29. Small islands
30. Lasting for years
31. Make lace
32. Arid
33. Near
34. Mother of Peor
35. Gyn
36. Bird's home
37. Goes down
38. Stitch

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