

Only the Brave

By PAUL EVAN LEHMAN

(Chapter 23)
The wagon was gone; the wagon and twenty-five thousand dollars in gold. It had vanished while Jeff and his men slept and he knew now that the sleep was not a natural one.

He strode to where the wagon had stood, his face white and cold. Here were horse tracks, of course, and he noticed almost automatically that the left hind print showed a broken calk.

He came back to where Glenn stood watching.
"Slug Benjamin," he announced tersely. "That broken shoe's a dead giveaway, Glenn."
He spoke wearily. "I'm going to trail the wagon. You get these fellows awake. Then ride to Cougar and get both my deputies and some horses for these four men. I'll be camping here by the time you get back. If I'm not here, wait until daylight and then have the boys follow the wagon tracks."

His brain was rapidly clearing but his throat and mouth were hot and dry and his head ached. He laughed at his thoughtless laugh. They had been tricked like so many children. Drugged; heavily drugged. And while they lay in helpless slumber Slug had ridden up, calmly hitched the horses to the wagon, and had driven away.

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At last in a shallow gully choked with brush he found the wagon with the team still in the traces. By dint of miter, labored and grimy skillful maneuvering, he succeeded in getting the wagon out of the gully, and, tying his horse behind it, drove back to the camp.

He found his men awake and grimly quiet. It was pitch dark by now and they had built a fire to warm the remaining beans.
Jeff reported briefly. "It was Slug," he concluded. "Those tracks tell the story. Somehow he slipped something in the coffee and followed us at a distance. Where's the coffee pot?"

"Glendon took it back with him," answered a sober Wilks. "It had boiled dry and was burned black." He groaned. "And me, I thought that coffee was so good."
Jeff walked to the basket and peered into it. The bag with the rest of the coffee was still there. "This is just as good," he said. "I'll take it to the drugstore at Briscoe and have it examined, but I'm sure that's what knocked us out. It has to be."

When it was daylight they rode to the ford and crossed to the far bank to begin their search.
Where they gathered at the gully where Jeff had found the wagon, all reported that the terrain they had covered had not been disturbed by the passage of a man or a horse.

"It's a big job, and we'll need help. You boys ride back to the camp; I'll scout over to the Crown and break the news to Jeb. I'll fetch the Crown crew back with me."
He started at once. It was a humiliating job he had to do, but he faced it with his usual courage. He rode fast and by cutting across the country reached the Crown by midnight. The house was dark, but his knock brought Jeb with a lighted lamp. At sight of Jeff the Crown owner spoke quietly.

"Trouble?"
"Plenty," said Jeff, and entered the house. He sat down in the chair Jeb indicated and told the

Woodburn Rotarian Officers Installed

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Woodburn—New officers of the Woodburn Rotary club were installed and the retiring president, Winton J. Hunt, handed over the gavel to the new president, Dr. John M. Hanrahan, at the close of the meeting. Other officers are P. C. McLaughlin, secretary (re-elected), William E. Dunn, Jr., assistant secretary; Philip LaBarr, Dr. Delbert Reed, William Merriott and Pat DeJardin, directors.

Books Presented Library at Amity

Amity—The Amity city library has been presented with six new novels, a gift from Mrs. Charles H. Law: "Lydia Bailey" by Kenneth Roberts, "B. F.'s Daughter," by John P. Marguard, and "Earth and High Heaven," by Gwethalyn Graham, "Hard Facts," by Howard Spring, "The Way of All Flesh," Samuel Butler, and "Great Son," by Edna Ferber. The library will be open July 5 instead of Monday next week.

Amity—Final tabulation of the census takers for Amity shows that there are 709 residents in the city, a gain of 164 over the 1940 tabulation, which was 545.

STEVE ROOPER

THE LADY DROPPED THIS—PERHAPS I SHOULD RISK ANOTHER VOLLEY OF ICICLES AND RETURN IT—

YOU'LL HAVE TO HURRY, SIR! SHE GETS OFF AT LINCOLN CITY—AND WE'RE PULLING INTO THE STATION THERE RIGHT NOW!

A TEARSOAKED HANKY—WITH THE INITIALS "R.K."—A WHITE BAND BLEACHED IN THE TAN ON HER ENGAGEMENT RING FINGER!—NOW WHY IS ROBBIE KAYNE HEADING FOR LINCOLN CITY?

TOO BAD! I CAN'T WIRE CHARLIE HARRIS WHERE TO FIND HIS JILTING JILL—BUT SOMETHING TELLS ME I HAVEN'T SEEN THE LAST OF HER!

HENRY

WANT ADS

EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

SCRAM!

CANDY PACKERS WANTED

ORPHAN ANNE

HOLD IT, KIDS—THIS IS AS FAR AS YOU CAN GO—

WHADDYUH MEAN, FAR AS WE CAN GO? WE GOT BUSINESS UP THAT WAY—SEE?

THE ARMY'S TAKEN OVER—THAT'S ALL I KNOW—ORDERS—NOBODY GETS BY HERE—

I'LL SEE ABOUT THAT—C'MON—WHERE'S THAT COLOREL?

SORRY! ORDERS! THIS AREA IS UNDER QUARANTINE—THAT'S ALL THAT I CAN TELL YOU—

ORDERS! ORDERS! WHOSE ORDERS? WHOSE QUARANTINE IS THIS, ANYWAY? WHO HAS A BETTER RIGHT HERE THAN I HAVE?

THE NEBS

YOU'VE GOT TO HAND IT TO WILBUR AMBY. HE'S CERTAINLY AN ENTERPRISING GUY!

WELL, HE AIN'T SO ENTERPRISING THAT HE CAN MAKE THAT VACANT LOT WORTH ANYTHING!

THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK. WHY DON'T YOU GO OVER AND SEE FOR YOURSELF!

I AIN'T THAT CURIOUS, AND BESIDES MY RHEUMATIZ IS BOTHERIN' ME EVEN MORE THAN YOU ARE, AND THAT'S SAVIN' A MOUTH FULL!

LIBRARY

OH-OH! JEFF'S SLEEPWALKING AGAIN!

Y'ASHOULDN'T AROUSE A SLEEPWALKER BECAUSE IT'S A SHOCK TO THE NERVOUS SYSTEM! I'LL WATCH JEFF SO HE DON'T GET HURT!

RIGHT OUT THE BACK DOOR!

AH! THERE HE GOES! BACK IN AGAIN!

WHY! HE LOOKED ME OUT! HEY! JEFF! WAKE UP! LET ME IN!!

MUTT? WHAT ARE YOU DOIN' OUT HERE AT THIS HOUR OF THE NIGHT? ARE YOU CRAZY OR SOMETHIN'?

MUTTS

SWING HIM TOWARD THE PEDESTAL BOYS—AND BE CAREFUL NOT TO CHIP ANY LARGE PIECES OFF THE HEAD—ALTHO, LAST TIME I LOOKED, THAT PART SEEMED TO BE SOLID ROCK ALREADY!

THAT WAS USING MY BRAIN—IF THE MODEL HIMSELF TURNS TO STONE—WHY BOTHER CARVING A STATUE?

ONE HOUR LATER

KNOCCK! KNOCK!

RUSTY

I'VE GOT TO REST A MINUTE, RUSTY. THESE BOOTS ARE NO GOOD FOR LONG WALKS!

GOLLY! I'M SURE SORRY, FATTY, THAT WAS PURE A MEAN TRICK, STEALING OUR HORSES!

WE'LL DRIVE OVER TO CACTUS KNOB IN MY CAR AND DRAW UP THE DEED TO THE CANYON, MR. MARKLE!

FINE, MR. PALMER, I'M ANXIOUS TO GET THIS SETTLED.

WHAT'S UP, ARKANSAS? YOU'RE ALL HEAT UP OVER SOMETHIN'!

SURE I AM, TONY! THEM TWO HORSES THE KIDS TOOK OUT JUST COME BACK BY THEMSELVES—WITHOUT THE KIDS!

DONALD DUCK

NO? WELL, WE HAVE HUNDREDS MORE TO CHOOSE FROM!

NECKWEAR TO SUIT PERSONALITY \$1.50

C'MON, MACK, YOU'RE MISSING ANY PERSONALITY A MILE!

STILL, AH, I THINK I'VE GOT WAY OFF!

MAY I SUGGEST THIS, SIR?

MARY WORTH

JORGE RUSHES DOWN TO THE SHORE—AND FINDS NO SIGN OF EITHER BEBE OR HIS EMPLOYER!

SEÑORITA LACROSSE—!

—A MOMENT OF WAITING, WHEN SECONDS SEEM LIKE HOURS!—...SUDDENLY A DARK HEAD BREAKS THE SURFACE...—

—FOLLOWED BY ONE OF SILVER—!

RADIO PROGRAMS

TUESDAY—P.M.

Time	KSLM 1280	KGW 830	KOCO 400	KOIN 870
5:00	Frank Lewis Jr. News	Woman's Secret News	Rhythm Ranch News	Curt Maesy Little Show
5:30	Passing Parade	Richard Barkness Musical Cocktail	Bing Crosby Sport Page	Columbia Feature Larry Lester
6:00	Bob Bar Brand	Alan Young Show	Candlelight and Silver	Columbia Feature
6:30	Adv. of Champ. Curly Bradley	Alan Young Show	Isaac Walton	Chet Huntley
7:00	Gabriel Heister	Marlin & Lewis	Pat O'Brien	Lynn Cole
7:30	Northwest News	Marlin & Lewis	Pat O'Brien	Bob Young Show
8:00	Medicine Drama	Hollywood Theatre	Here's to Yeta	Bob Young Show
8:30	Riders in the Sky	Hollywood Theatre	Here's to Yeta	Bob Young Show
9:00	Men's Grove	Supper Club	Bandstand	World Tonight
9:30	Favorite Story	News of World	Walt Disney	World Tonight
10:00	Local News	News of World	Walt Disney	World Tonight
10:30	Local News	News of World	Walt Disney	World Tonight
11:00	Local News	News of World	Walt Disney	World Tonight
11:30	Local News	News of World	Walt Disney	World Tonight
12:00	Local News	News of World	Walt Disney	World Tonight

WEDNESDAY—6 A.M. TO 4:45 P.M.

Time	KSLM 1280	KGW 830	KOCO 400	KOIN 870
6:00	News	News	News	News
6:30	Dawn Patrol	News	News	News
7:00	Dawn Patrol	News	News	News
7:30	Dawn Patrol	News	News	News
8:00	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
8:30	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
9:00	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
9:30	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
10:00	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
10:30	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
11:00	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
11:30	Breakfast Club	News	News	News
12:00	Breakfast Club	News	News	News

DIAL LISTINGS: KEX, 1190; KOAC, 550

KEX Tuesday P.M.—5:00, Squirrel Cakes; 5:30, Johnny Luckick; 6:00, Responder; 6:30, Home Editor; 7:00, Modern Romances; 7:30, Edwin C. Hill; 7:45, Elmer Davis; 7:50, Report to the People; 7:55, Boyer; 8:00, Country; 8:10, Town Meeting; 8:30, Monitor News; 9:45, Book Advertisements; 10:00, Highfield Reporter; 10:15, Intermission; 10:30, Concert Hour; 11:30, Movies; 12:00, Kay West; 1:00, Stan O'Leary.

KOAC Tuesday P.M.—5:00, On the Go; 5:30, News; 6:00, Music; 6:30, Round the Campfire; 7:15, Evening News; 8:00, Artistry in Classics; 8:30, Great Songs; 8:45, Loggers' Fire Weather Forecast; 9:00, Music; 9:15, That Endure; 9:45, Lift Up Thy Voice; 10:00, Excursions in Science; 10:15, Serenade; 10:45, News; 11:00, News.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Poor
4. Habituation
9. Shoemaker's tool
11. American
12. Card game
13. Golf peg
14. Indian
17. Matched in contest
19. Employ
20. Kind of coffee
21. Classification process
22. Small round
23. Frayed
27. Baling
28. Patagonian
29. Body joint
30. Abrahama's birthplace

DOWN

2. Connected
3. Mountain ash
5. Playing
6. Epoch
7. Cracks
8. Lair
10. Amorous look
15. Mechanical
16. Bar
18. French painter
24. Kind
25. Distillation
26. Hawaiian
28. geese
29. Black liquid
31. Exactly
32. Scotch weight
33. Engine
34. Product

ROOM AND BOARD By Gene Ahern

WHEN YOU WENT OUT BEFORE TO SELL THE CORING GADGET FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE, THE PRICE FOR IT WAS 30¢—BUT NOW JUNIOR, WHEN THE HOUSEWIVES SEE HOW THE CORER CAN QUICKLY PREPARE THIS CULINARY DELIGHT, THE "WEEENEE-PO," THEY GLADLY PAY 75¢ FOR THE GADGET!

I WISH IT WAS A DOLLAR, SO I WOULDN'T GET BUDDY-HEAD THINKIN' HOW TUN MAKE CHANGE!

45¢ INCREASE BECAUSE OF THE RECIPE

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