To Kiss, or Kill

By DAY KEENE

(AP Newsfeatures)

CHAPTER 2

Mandell got to his feet and wrapped a bath towel around his loins. "Just a minute."

The towel slipped and fell on top of the girl. He snatched another towel from the rack and padded across the room. Almost to the door he looked back. He'd left the bathroom door open and the dead girl's foot and leg showed plainly.

He walked back and closed the bathroom door. He had to have time to think. Had he come to the room with the girl, or hadn't he? And after that, what had happened?

The room-service waiter was a middle-aged man with tired eyes. He was carrying the pint of whiskey on a silver tray, with two glasses and a silver pitcher of cracked ice.

"Just put it on the dresser," Mandell said.

"Yes, sir."

Mandell extracted the bills from his pocket and laid a five and a one, all he had left except some silver, on the tray. "That cover it?"

The waiter loosened the cap on the pint and set it and the glasses on the dresser. "That's fine, Mr. Mandell. Thank you. Thank you a lot." He permitted himself a smile. "You're pitching a little one, eh?"

He picked up the silver pitcher and started for the bathroom.

Mandell stopped him. "No. No water. I—I never use it. That's fine, just as it is."

The waiter emptied the silver pitcher of cracked ice into the glass pitcher on the dresser. "Whatever you say, Mr. Mandell. Some men use a chaser, some don't."

"I don't," Mandell said.

The waiter turned. "Will there be anything else, Mr. Mandell?"

"No," Mandell said. "Nothing."

The waiter walked to the door, carrying the tray and pitcher. Then, with his hand on the knob, he turned and looked pointedly at the closed door of the bathroom.

"Look. It's none of my business, Mr. Mandell. But I wouldn't want to see you get into trouble. Have fun. But be quiet about it, see?" He made a deprecatory gesture.

Alone, Mandell locked the door and leaned against it.

"Have fun," the room waiter had said.

Mandell uncapped the pint and let whisky trickle down his throat to nerve himself to look at the girl again. She was still there. There were no marks of violence on her body except for a faint purple bruise on her jaw.

He sat on the edge of the bathtub, looking at the girl's face. There was no doubt about it. She was the same blonde he'd talked to in Johnny's Bar. He remembered the mole on her cheek. He remembered handing her a line about how pretty her earrings were. She was still wearing the earrings.

It was close in the bathroom and hot. The dead girl used the same perfume Gale did. She had used the same perfume.

Mandell walked into the other room, picked up the phone, and asked for an outside wire. The day barman in Johnny's had gone off duty, but he was still in the place.

"Did I walk out of there with a blonde?" Mandell asked him.

"Yes, you did, Barney," the barman said.

"What time was that?"

"I'd say it was around one o'clock this afternoon. Maybe a little later."

"How long was I gone?"

The barman chuckled. "Long enough."

Mandell gripped the phone so hard his hand hurt. "Did I say anything when I came back?"

"No, you didn't," the barman said. "And I didn't ask. I figured it was none of my business. But why all the questions, Barney?"

Mandell cradled the phone and walked back into the bathroom. He was breathing hard again. His chest muscles hurt. His head ached.

He ran cold water in the bowl and, filling his hands with it, ran them over his face and hair, allowing the water to trickle down his cheek. It felt good.

He splashed more water on his face and chest. Then what had happened? They had walked out of the bar together. He remembered that. Then, to the best of his recollection, he had changed his mind and had told her so. On the corner of Dearborn Street. And the little blonde had cursed him. She'd called him everything in the book, including a big, dumb Polack.

He dried his face and hair with a towel and combed his hair. And realized his hands were trembling. One thing was certain. He wasn't going back to the asylum. He'd had enough of that.

Hiding the body wouldn't do him any good. Once she was found, someone would remember seeing her enter the hotel. Thinking he could leave her in the hall or put her in another room was just more crazy thinking. Even the room waiter had known there was someone in his bathroom.

Mandell washed his face and hands again, with hot water and soap this time. Then he went out in the other room and picked his shorts and pants from the floor and put them on. The room had been cleaned. The maid wouldn't come in again until tomorrow morning. By that time, he could be in San Francisco. He could take a boat from there to Hawaii, or maybe the Philippines.

(To Be Continued)

WOODBURN POET

Woodburn — A suite of seven poems, written by Mrs. Maude Mochel of Woodburn, was read over station KSLM, Salem, Sunday night during the poetry hour. A poem, written by Mrs. Mochel and read a few weeks ago, won the prize as the "poem of the week."

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RADIO PROGRAMS

FRIDAY—P. M.

	KGW 620 NBC	KOIN 970 CBS	KEX 1190 ABC	KSLM 1360 MBC	KGAE 1430 K.C.	KOCO 1400 LBS
12:00	News	News	Paul Harvey	Top Tunes	Spider	News
12:15	Band of Life	Come Get It	News Editor	NW News	Spider	Mal. League
12:30	Pop. Young	Wendy Warren	Jack Owens	Gay 90s	Spider	Major
12:45	Sunshiners	Aunt Jenny	Jack Owens	Music	Spider	League
1:00	Bobby Wile	Bishop Sun.	Kay West	Kirkwood	Spider	Major
1:15	Stella Dallas	Godfrey	Kay West	Kirkwood	Spider	League
1:30	Widow Brown	Godfrey	Kay West	Lonky U	Spider	Major
1:45	Wom. in Rhythm	Godfrey	Kay West	Ranch	Spider	League
2:00	Pinin' Bill	Godfrey	Cal Tinney	News	Rec. Room	Major
2:15	F. F. Farrell	Godfrey	Cal Tinney	Music	Rec. Room	League
2:30	L. Jones	Godfrey	Live Like	Music	Rec. Room	Music
2:45	Doc's Wife	Curt Massey	Millionaire	Shoppers	Rec. Room	Melody
3:00	Welcome	Ruth Ashton	Music Revue	News	Jim Dandy	Music
3:15	Traveler	Jim Wahsly	Bill Ring	Music	Jim Dandy	Melody
3:30	Dr. Paul	Rosemary	For Girls	Music	Jim Dandy	Music
3:45	Governor	Tumafully	For Girls	Music	Jim Dandy	Melody
4:00	Life Beautiful	Kirkham	Tiny Tunes	Full. Lewis	Kiddies Krue	Music You
4:15	Music Box	Aunt Jemima	Squirrel Cage	Rumingway	Music Mart	Want
4:30	Music Box	Kirkham	Squirrel Cage	Curt Massey	Music Mart	Music You
4:45	Art Baker	Kirkham	Happy Time	Sam Hayes	Music Mart	Want
5:00	Bill Stern	Ed Murrow	Merry Circle	B-Bar-B	Traffic	Fr'n'd Mars
5:15	News Parade	News	V. Pinkley	B-Bar-B	Jamboree	Second Look
5:30	L. McCall	World Today	Chet Huntley	Wild Bill	Supper Club	Yally Report
5:45	E. Peterson	Frank Gess	Bob Garred	Hickok	Supper Club	Fishmaster
6:00	Relax With	Youth	Weatherman	Gab. Hunter	Supper Club	Candlelight
6:15	Music	Spotlight	Hme Edition	NW News	Supper Club	Candlelight
6:30	Judy Canova	Sports	Gd. Listning	Sports News	Supper Club	News
6:45	Judy Canova	Meditation	B. Blackburn	Sam Hayes	Supper Club	20 Kers
7:00	Dinah Shore	L. Thomas	Fights	Music	Jim'y Fidler	Rosary
7:15	64,000 Child.	On Spot	Fights	Music	Legislative	Star Sing
7:30	Hunt-Fishing	Rocky	Fights	Sign Off	Cisco Kid	Bandstand
7:45	Hunt.-Fish.	Jordan	Fights		Cisco Kid	Bandstand
8:00	Man's Family	Mr. Keen	Symphonette	John Steele		Dugout Depot
8:15	World News	Mr. Keen	Symphonette	Adventurer		Baseball
8:30	Eddie Fisher	Jo Stafford	Fun for All	Harmonies		Baseball
8:45	R. Clooney	Jr. Miss	Fun for All	Dia. Concert		Baseball
9:00	Best Plays	Mr. J. C.	Onie-Harriett	Glen Hardy		Baseball
9:15	Best Plays	Reporter	Curtis	Fulton Lewis		Baseball
9:30	Best Plays	Capitol	Archer	Music		Baseball
9:45	Best Plays	Clockroom		Music		Baseball
10:00	Reporter	5 Star Final	Final Edit.	Behind Story		Baseball
10:15	Sports Page	You & Work	Dance Time	Newsreel		Night Song
10:30	Dangerous	Treasury	Dance Time	News		Night Song
10:45	Assignment.	Bandstand	Dance Time	Official Det.		Night Song
11:00	News	City Club	Dance Time	Official Det.		Night Song
11:15	L. McCall	Address	Dance Time	Music		Night Song
11:30	City Council	Music	Dance Time	News		Night Song
11:45	City Council	Music	Dance Time	Music		Night Song
12:00	Sign Off	Silent	Dance Time	Melody Man		Sign Off

SATURDAY—6 A.M. TO 11:45 A.M.

6:00	Record Room	West. Stars	Farm Hour	News	Saturday	Western
6:15	Record Room	KOIN Klock	Farm Hour	Timekeeper	Salute	Melodies
6:30	Record Room	KOIN Klock	Farm Hour	March Time	Saturday	Farm News
6:45	Record Room	KOIN Klock	Farm Hour	NW News	Salute	News
7:00	Record Room	KOIN Klock	1st Edition	Hemingway	Saturday	KOCO Klock
7:15	Record Room	News	Agronsky	Breakfast	Salute	KOCO Klock
7:30	Record Room	News	Vets News	Breakfast	Saturday	KOCO Klock
7:45	K. Manning	Consumer	Bob Mason	News	Salute	Exten Serv.
8:00	Record	Theater of	Smiling Ed	Carter Show	Saturday	Friendly Hall
8:15	Room	Today	McConnell	Music	Salute	Friendly Hall
8:30	Record	Stars Over	What's New	Haven of	Saturday	Concert
8:45	Room	Hollywood	Home Agent	Rest	Salute	Concert
9:00	Howdy Doodi	Fun for All	Tarland	News	Folk County	News
9:15	Howdy Doodi	Fun for All	Time	March Time	Platter Party	Public Healt
9:30	Howdy Doodi	City Hospital	Space Patrol	Pastor's Call	Platter Party	Club Time
9:45	Howdy Doodi	City Hospital	Space Patrol	Bargain	Platter Party	Kids Corner
10:00	Adventure	Music with	Stars of	Glen Hardy	Platter Party	Aunt Mattie
10:15	Mr. Carnival	Girls	Tomorrow	Carter Show	Platter Party	Aunt Mattie
10:30	Hollywood	Grand	Stars of	Music	Platter Party	Serenade
10:45	Breakfast	Central	Tomorrow	Music	Platter Party	Sat. Serenad
11:00	Mary Lee	Give and	News	High School	Platter Party	Major
11:15	Taylor	Take	Playland	Music Hour	Platter Party	League
11:30	Farm and	Meet the	USA	Farm Press	Platter Party	Major
11:45	Home Hour	Missus	Playland	Farm Press	Platter Party	League

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KOAC Friday P.M. — 12:00, News; 12:15, Noon Farm Hour, Marion county agent; 1:00, Music; 2:00, Especially for Women; 3:00, Oregon Reporter; 4:00, Sports Forecast; 5:00, Children's Theater; 6:00, News, Weather; 7:15, Farm Hour; 30:0, Cooper Union Forum; 9:00, Music; 9:45, Meditation; 10:00, Sign Off.

KOAC Sat. A.M.—10:00 News; 10:15, Especially for Women; 11:00, Concert Hall; 12:00, News; 2:00, Music of Masters; 4:00, Excursions in Science.

Dayton

Dayton — On Sunday morning at 8:45, a breakfast was served at the Christian church honoring three seniors of the high school class who will graduate on Wednesday, May 20. They are Norman Robinson, Robert Reeder and Lois Hopkins. Mrs. Harry Sherman has been their Sunday school teacher.

The Country Flower club met Wednesday, May 13, with Mrs. Delaurice Melming, at Alderman Farms.

Mrs. Harry Gray, president, had charge of the business meeting, after which Mrs. Jim Penland led a discussion on Roses.

During refreshments, Mrs. Helming played piano selections.

Mrs. A. F. Wilson spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. Charles Hagan while Mr. Hagan was in the General hospital. Mr. Hagen returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Finley had as dinner guests his sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Willson on Sunday.

In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Jess Harris and son Lester of LaFayette, called in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Coburn entertained a group of relatives and friends over the weekend, (May 16-17) on their pleasure boat, "The Malihini," which is docked at Newport.

Early Sunday morning the group sailed about 15 miles and caught about 90 red snapper and ling cod.

Mr. Coburn's mother, Mrs. Nelle Coburn, was the star fisherman of the group. She reeled in a red snapper and ling cod on the same line.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon C. Troyer and family have moved to Crescent City, Calif., where he has employment.

Mrs. Carl Rasaka entertained a group of old friends and relatives of Mrs. Kenneth Bell of McMinnville, on Friday evening, May 15. The occasion being a "pink and blue" shower for Mrs. Bell, who was formerly Jeanne Westfall.

Mrs. Johnnie Becker of Salem was co-hostess. Refreshments were served at a late hour.

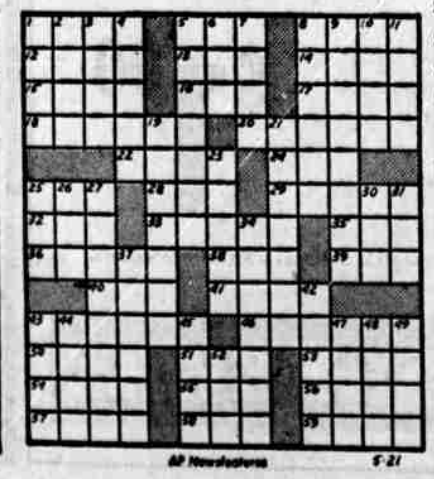
Former Washington Redskin pro football star Tommy Mont is now backfield coach at his alma mater, the University of Maryland.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Masculine
5. Astern
8. Infant
12. Dry
13. Brazilian coin
14. Toward the mouth
15. Coarse grass stem
16. Female sandpiper
17. Food fish
18. Kind of melon
20. Stylish
22. Slender
24. Craft
25. Hebrew letter
28. Self
29. Browned bread
32. Danish money of account
33. Legislate
35. Also
36. Stepped
38. Sesame
39. Sheep
40. Soft drink
41. Stair
43. Garb
46. Smoothed
50. Manner of walking
51. Dickens's pen name
53. Military assistant
54. Medicinal plant
55. Short poem
56. Coil into a ball
57. Tear
58. Feminine nickname
59. Domestic fowls

DOWN
1. Grape refuse
2. Region
3. Untruths
4. Icelandic tales
5. Bring up in court
6. Charge
7. Bound
8. Short jacket
9. Awned
10. Wedding announcement
11. Sharp
19. One who bleeds profusely
21. Poisonous snake
23. Defensive ditches
25. Highest point
26. Constellation
27. Holiday
30. Plant
31. Pedal digit
34. One who enjoys civic privileges
37. Prepared to publish
42. Cook eggs in water
43. Edible seaweed
44. Narrative
45. Very black
47. Egyptian river
48. Paradise
49. Light moistures
52. Room in a harem

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle



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