

# BURNED FINGERS

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

CHAPTER 18

"Oh," Jennifer said with a thick throat. "If he only wouldn't! He—he's a little—I guess most musicians are a little crazy, aren't they?" she asked timidly.

"Think that was crazy, do you?" Monty asked, over his pipe.

"Well, not that, maybe." She managed a shred of laughter. "But he wrote me," she said. And, leaving her chair, she carried the Stan Lichtenstein's letter to Monty and stood like a child beside his shoulder while he read it.

She saw his face darken; his eyes followed the lines of the letter a second time.

"He has no right to send you anything like this!" he said. Jennifer's heart sank; she knew how deep was the affection between them.

"Well, he only says there that he—she liked me," she began placatingly. "He says—he says that he had a wife and all that. All he meant was something perhaps you don't understand."

Monty said, "I know damn well what he meant! Just because women flock to his concerts and faint when he plays he thinks he can get away with this sort of thing. He meets you at my house and hasn't any more respect for you—or for me either, than he—"

"Oh, Monty, Monty!" she protested, half laughing, dropping to her knees beside his chair and linking her fingers over his. "Don't get mad at him! He's—I guess he's just flirtatious—affectionate maybe. Don't pay any attention to it. I'll not even answer him."

"I ought to answer him," Monty said darkly.

"Oh, no, no, no!" She caught the letter from his hands, twisted it lightly into a ball, leaped forward without rising from her knees, and tossed it in at the open stove door. Slamming the door shut upon the smoky flames, she turned back to the man, her hands against his, her bright face and soft tangle of her hair close to his own. "I'm sorry I showed it to you, Monty!" she said laughing at his scowl. "It doesn't mean anything. Forget it! He's probably forgotten it himself by now!"

Somewhat roughly he put her hands aside and rose to his feet.

"I'm going for a walk," he said abruptly. Jennifer, bewildered and hurt, sat back on her heels for a moment, regarding him with troubled eyes.

"Forgotten it? No, of course he hasn't forgotten it!" he said angrily. "He knows damn well what he's offering you to somebody else; they live in a nest of starving musicians out in the panhandle somewhere. All right, I'll get in touch with them. And you don't have to believe what the letter said. You won't, will you?"

"I was the one who thought from the beginning that it was all nonsense," Monty said, reminding him. "I did believe what a man said once," Jennifer added after a moment. There was a silence. Monty watching her with sudden attention. "But not again," she said in a low tone.

"You're still remembering that man," Monty said.

"Still remembering?" She echoed the words in a mild wonder as if to herself. "Yes, I'm still remembering. Monty," she said reasonably. "Then, with a long deep sigh, she got to her feet. I have to go. I said I'd be only a few minutes."

Monty walked with her to the window that opened on the roof terrace.

"No other man would ever have a chance, eh? I'm glad, Jinny. You wouldn't want to make your old professor jealous."

"You? Nobody will ever do for me what you've done, Monty," she said. "Nobody will ever take your place. My one hope," she went on with a sudden feeling, laying her small warm hand upon him as they stood together under the stars. "Is that someday I can show you how grateful I am to you."

"Well," he said in an odd voice. "someday I'll tell you."

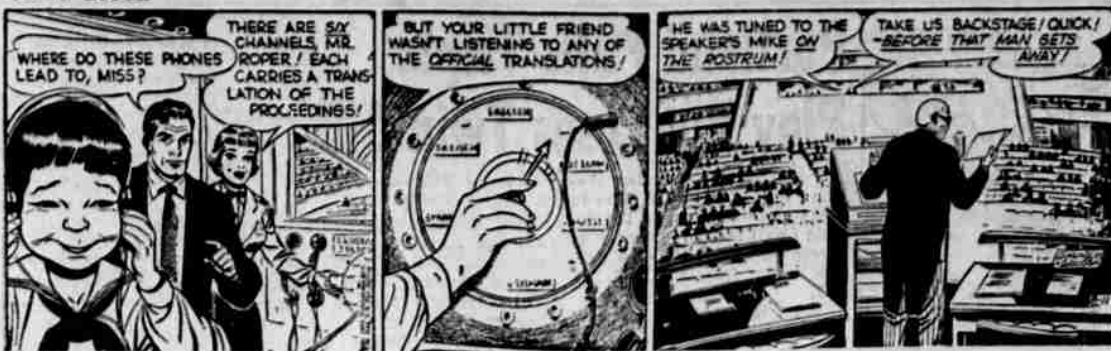
She stopped short, a moment later, crossing the gritty dark roof, and spun half around.

"He didn't mean... he couldn't have meant... not Monty. That would spoil everything! No, he didn't mean that!"

The concert was less thrilling than her anticipation of it. It was exciting to enter the big opera house, to mount superbly to the wings, to settle herself beside little Mme. Coppini, who was quite speechless with felicity. But Betty showed on this occasion a sort of mingling, an affected haughtiness that was entirely new to Jennifer and that bewildered her. Betty would under no persuasion take a front seat. "Nobody wants to see me!"

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**Young Doctor Saved Hundreds of POWs**

Bailey said Anderson was in "good health" and "coming back soon."

Freedom Villa, Korea (AP)—A courageous young Army doctor saved hundreds of American soldiers in a Chinese Red prison camp with "practically no medicine," returned prisoners said today.

They said his name was Capt. Clarence Anderson of Long Beach, Calif.

"He worked miracles," said Sgt. Richard D. Bailey, 22, Powatton Beach, Pasadena, Maryland, who was captured in November, 1950.

"He had practically nothing to do it with except a couple of scalpels," he said. "He saved hundreds of men from certain death."

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YOU MAY BE OF THE UPPER CRUST, BUT YOU'RE HALF-BAKED TO ME!

FLOOR HIM WITH IT, JUDGE!