

### BRITISH SUSPEND CONSTRUCTION ON CRUISER PROGRAM

LONDON, July 23.—(AP)—Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald announced in the house of commons today the British government had decided to suspend work on the cruisers Surrey and Northumberland to cancel the building of the submarine depot ship, Maldstone, to cancel two contracts for submarines and to slow down dockyard work and other naval construction.

### PORTLAND BANDITS ROB RESTAURANTS

PORTLAND, July 24.—(AP)—Bandits, one of them a woman, took \$230 from victims in the heart of the downtown district early this morning. The first report to reach police was the robbery of the Damascus restaurant where a large, dark man took \$20 in cash from the cash drawer.

### MACDONALD TO VISIT STATES IN OCTOBER

LONDON, July 24.—(AP)—Premier Ramsay MacDonald announced in the house of commons this afternoon that he would probably visit the United States in October.

### Reviews of the SCREEN

At Hunt's Criterion Today. Singing the songs that Paris and New York went crazy about, Maurice Chevalier, tui of the French music halls, comes to Hunt's Criterion today in "Innocence of Paris." Chevalier's songs include his famous "Valentine" as well as eight numbers written specially for this picture.

Paris forms the whole background of the tale, scenes of the picturesque Flea Market district alternating with views of the music halls and boulevard cafes. The story deals with a happy-go-lucky junk dealer who sings his way to fame and happiness.

George Fawcett and his wife, Percy Haswell, will be seen as Chevalier's parents. Sylvia Beecher plays opposite and Davie Dund, called "The Little Boy Blue of Radio Land," Russell Simpson, John Miljan and Margaret Livingston carry principal roles.

At Hialto Thursday. George O'Brien and Farrell MacDonald starred first in "The Iron Horse." O'Brien portrayed the leading role and started the critics by his masterful performance, while MacDonald won wide acclaim for his portrayal of "Casey."

These two performers are together again, this time in "Masked Emotions," an adaptation of Ben Ames Williams' Saturday Evening Post story, "A Son of Anak." O'Brien has the lead while MacDonald portrays one of the most prominent character roles. The picture comes to the Hialto theatre tomorrow.

Organize Mines Group. SAN FRANCISCO, July 24.—(AP) Organization was announced of American Mines, Inc., a \$10,000,000 corporation formed to take over groups of California gold and silver mines and operate them on a large scale.

WILL DO ALL IT CLAIMS TO DO Mrs. Steele Says of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Pratt, W. Va.—"I was so weak and nervous that I was in bed most all the time and couldn't sit up and I am only 20 years old. I saw your advertising in a magazine and after I had taken three doses of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I could feel that I was better. After taking two bottles I began doing my work and I feel like a new woman. I recommend the Vegetable Compound to my friends and say it will do all it claims to do and more. I will gladly answer all letters I receive."—Mrs. S. E. STEELE, Pratt, W. Va.

## For the Love of a Lady

by Jeffery Farnol

SYNOPSIS: A cat's-eye ring worn by Julian's murderer! Find this ring, urges an anonymous note, found by Helen Despard, and the "guilty man stands confessed." Viscount Brocklehurst hands the message to Titus Oldcraft, a London detective investigating Julian's death. Meanwhile, a spy-like country fellow is about the Guyford Arms Inn, incessantly peering but keenly vigilant despite his appearance. Hen, who is keeper of the D'Arcy estate, takes a fancy to the dapper rustic and gives him a job at the Mount House.

Chapter 27

### FOUND—THE CAT'S-EYE RING

MADAME LA DUCHESSE had given a garden-fete, for it was her birthday. Consequently the Mount House lawns were gay with colour—being an occasion, the whole country was here to pay due homage to rank, typified by the Duchess, and wealth and beauty, in the shapely person of my lady Helen.

Now, remote from all this babbling splendour, yet within earshot, a dark-visaged country fellow laboured in the herb garden and now and then stared at all this magnificence through a gap in the intervening hedge.

And the country, male and female, chattered of the late Julian Guyford, his murder, the inquest, and "that blood-guilty wretch" Sir Richard—and agreed that the sooner he was taken and made a dreadful example, an object lesson to like-minded murderous villains, the better for the world.

"Lad, Sir John," nodded the Duchess as he bowed, "ye look a troife warrin, 'tis hot weather for hunting elusive murderers. Have ye enny news, Sir John?"

"Affairs promise, madam," puffed Sir John, handkerchief aflutter, "tomorrow, today even, ye may hear of his—him—his capture. And what's more, madam—'tis now known that the murderer wore a cat's-eye ring, madam!"

"Aha, and what then?" "Why, madam, we have but to find this same ring—and—our case is brought to successful issue."

"Ay, sure, Sir John, always supposing this ring has the murderer safe inside it!"

Nearly, along a shady walk, stood my lady Helen and the Viscount.

"So you peralst?," he demanded breathlessly, "is it because you love another?"

My lady turned and swept him with withering glance; his pale cheeks glowed, between his lips was a glimmer of sharp teeth, as he hissed:

"Stint your lofty pride, madam, 'tis well known you ride out o' nights to keep tryst with . . . a murderer!"

Helen gasped, and turning, stood appalled, so fearful was the change in him; lips back-drawn from gnashing teeth, eyes that burned with demoniac glare; she turned and left him. And she tried to laugh even while her flesh crept with sudden, strange, unaccountable dread; thus when she found Captain Despard walking beside her, his assured air and pleasant voice were alike, for once, unfeignedly welcome.

"Our Brocklehurst," said he smiling, "shows something peevish!" "He is—insufferable!" cried my lady.

"And I think dangerous, Helen, and this pleases me." "And wherefore?" "Because to protect you will be my supreme and constant joy."

They now paused by the rustic arbour. "But," said she, "how if I refuse such protection?" "You cannot," he answered gently, "for I have made for you an armour of my love. Nay, hear me, Helen, for dost know I love thee; my eyes have spoke it since first they looked on thee!" His voice shook, his cheek glowed, his long-lashed eyes held hers; and then, from somewhere nearby came a doleful whistling. The whistling came nearer; Captain Despard glanced anxiously about; then, sighing her relief, Helen turned and sped away. Hardly was she gone than a fierce hand clutched the captain's arm and he beheld the contorted features of Viscount Brocklehurst.

"So?" nodded the captain. "Prig, were you?" "Curse your double-dealing!" exclaimed the Viscount wildly. "So

now you'll—you'll protect her against me, will ye?" "Never doubt it, Viscount." "Then, Despard, I—I'll see ye in fetters, ha!"

"Tush, man, don't bluster! And mark this—attempt your damnable plot against her at your peril!" "My plot—mine?" cried the Viscount. "Mine, why, 'twas you suggested it!"

"Well, I now forbid it!" The Viscount staggered in his rage: "I see it now! You want her for yourself . . . you grow desperate reckless—sure you take my meaning, Despard?"

"Not I!" "Why then I mean . . . that I know . . . what Julian knew."

"Ah?" murmured the captain. "And Julian—is dead!" For a long moment they stood staring eye to eye and utterly motionless, then Captain Despard strode away, but the Viscount leaned there against the arbour. Someone nearby began to whistle dolefully, and the Viscount beheld the broad back of a gardener bowed to his labour, and staring at this back became aware that the company had drawn apart to make way for the lank, grim figure of Master Titus Oldcraft.

Viscount Brocklehurst started forward so suddenly that he collided with the gardener, pushed him aside and hastened to join the silent and curious company now grouped about Master Oldcraft who spoke in voice authoritative yet highly respectful.

"Sir John Parret, my lords, ladies and gentlemen, by reason of devotion to duty, of zeal unremitting and dogged determination we ha' lately discovered that the malefactor wanted for the late heinous crime o' murder bore upon his hand . . . a cat's-eye ring. Therefore I set about a seeking o' this same ring—and—here Master Oldcraft nodded portentously and held up his clenched right hand; quoth he:

"Sir John, my lords, ladies and gentlemen, with this happy and fortunate result!" Master Oldcraft opened his hairy fingers to show a slim, gold circlet whence the cat's-eye stone seemed to glare at them. Master Oldcraft continued:

"My lords, ladies and gentlemen, now is there ever a gentleman present as claims knowledge o' this ring?"

Silence, deep and breathless, while eye questioned eye until Master Oldcraft spoke again:

"Why then, it now behooves me to say precisely where I found this deadly evidence. Yesterday I turned my attention to this village—to the Guyford Arms. I hunted high and low, and at last my determination was rewarded and I found this ring in—a gentleman's valise—in the valise of—Captain Despard!"

Captain Despard smiled and reached out his hand: "May I see this ring more nearly?"

Master Oldcraft hesitated, but at stealthy nod from Sir John he placed the ring upon the captain's open hand.

"Now, sir," questioned Sir John, "ha' you ever seen this ring ere now?"

"Why, yes, I fancy I have, Sir John."

"Aha, and where sir, where?" "That, sir, I do not feel called upon to say."

"Why, then, Captain Despard, perhaps you will be so obliging to tell us how it came hid in your valise?"

"Ah, Sir John, this I propose to discover at the very earliest opportunity," smiled the captain. "Meantime, you tell me this ring was actually upon the murderer's hand, officer?"

"Indeed, sir!" nodded Master Oldcraft. "'Twas on the villain's deadly pistol hand, sir."

"Why then—see now!" said the captain. "Your murderer's hand was something smaller than mine!" And holding up his right hand Captain Despard showed the ring perched upon the tip of his little finger.

Despard laughed gently and tossed the ring at Master Oldcraft, who, contriving to catch it with an effort, thereafter stood scowling down at the cat's-eye ring as if it had bitten him.

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Captain Despard is vindicated, but faces further misfortune. Continue the story with tomorrow's installment.

### FLORIDA BEAUTY OBTAINS LICENSE



Ada Williams, formerly "Miss Florida," and William Thomas (left), son of the late motion picture producer, have procured a permit in Los Angeles to wed.

development and installation of facilities. A hangar 100 feet square is to be built.

### HAWLEY DEFENDS TARIFF PROPOSAL

SALEM, Ore., July 24.—(AP)—Speaking before the Kiwanis club here Tuesday, Congressman W. C. Hawley defended the pending tariff bill which bears his name as being of chief concern to the American people who provide the consuming market for 98 per cent of the products affected, and characterized the protests of foreign powers to its provisions as being of minor consequence in determining a tariff policy.

### ANGELINO PILOTS PLAN NEW TRIAL

SALEM, Ore., July 24.—(AP)—R. B. (Pete) Reinhart and Loren Mendell, who recently established the endurance flight record of 244 hours, exceeded Tuesday by Dale Jackson and Forrest O'Brien in their monoplane "St. Louis Robin," contemplate another assault upon the endurance mark for refueling airplanes. It was revealed here by Reinhart's wife, who has arrived for a visit with her mother.

### MRS. KEARNS ALLEGES JACK ENGINEERED RAID

NEW YORK, July 24.—(AP)—Mrs. Jack Kearns was quoted in newspapers today as threatening court action over a raid on her apartment yesterday by four men. Mrs. Kearns, who is estranged from her husband, Jack Dempsey's former manager, said the raiders were probably seeking evidence upon which Kearns might avoid further payment of alimony. She obtained a separation five years ago.

### FLORIDA LIMES MAY MOVE INTER-STATE

WASHINGTON, July 24.—(AP)—Secretary Hyde announced today that limes produced in Monroe and Dade counties, Florida, may, until further notice, be moved interstate throughout the United States under permit.

### EASIER FOR AMELIA TO GO UP THAN DOWN

BLOCK ISLAND, R. I., July 24.—(AP) It is easier for Amelia Earhart to look down at the top of the ocean than up at it. In a diver's suit, all ready to go to the depths, she yanked at a signal rope and was pulled aboard a boat. "These divers certainly must have their nerve," the trans-Atlantic flyer remarked.

### CAR CRASH KILLS GRIDIRON ACE OF IDAHO UNIVERSITY

PORTLAND, Ore., July 24.—(AP) Grover Fred O'Donnell, 23, University of Idaho football star, and well known here as a halfback on Commerce high school football teams, was killed late last night when an automobile in which he was riding, abandoned a freight car on a downtown track.

Hamilton F. Ewen, 23, driver of the car, was in jail today charged with involuntary manslaughter, and Arthur Kuehn, 25, was held as a material witness. Ewen's bail was set at \$2500, and Kuehn's at \$1000.

Ewen surrendered to police to-day after he had been sought since midnight.

Ewen told police he did not see the box-car which carried two lights. Kuehn, he said, grabbed the steering wheel to avoid the collision, the automobile swerved and crashed into the car.

O'Donnell was fatally injured in the crash but Ewen drove his car away. O'Donnell's body was found some time later lying on a parking strip.

### BLAME AIR BRAKE FOR BEND WRECK

BEND, Ore., July 24.—(AP)—Investigation of the wrecking of a logging train on the Brooks-Scanlon line late Monday night, with the death of one man and destruction of the locomotive and 30 cars, was completed last night. The wreck occurred on a steep grade 20 miles south of Bend. Del G. Smith, 50, fireman on the locomotive, was killed.

Investigation brought out that the airbrakes failed to hold, although they were tested and found secure before the train started on the trip.

M. E. Johnson, conductor; Kenneth Brown, engineer; and Marvin Prosser, brakeman, leaped from the runaway train as it shot down a grade at 40 miles an hour.

The train crashed on the track on a turn as it was traveling approximately 60 miles an hour. Smith was crushed to death under the boiler.

### OXYGEN EXPLODES AT BERLIN PLANT

BERLIN, July 24.—(AP)—Two workmen were fatally injured and many fatalities were feared to have occurred in one of the biggest explosions in the history of Berlin at the United Oxygen works today. Four workers, two of them gravely injured, were rescued by firemen.

A big steel container at the oxygen works fell over while it was being refilled and the contents came in contact with a fire. A flame 400 feet high shot out from the container and was followed by a series of explosions from other steel bottles.

The works is located in the suburbs of Borsigwald.

### CHINESE DROWN

SHANGHAI, July 23.—(AP)—Sixty-two Chinese passengers of the China Merchants Steam Navigation company steamer Hainkong were drowned Sunday afternoon when the ship collided with the Japanese steamer Tatsuno Maru of Weikhaiwei during a heavy fog.

### CROPS SUFFERING IN SASKATCHEWAN

REGINA, Sask., July 24.—(AP)—Although rain has fallen in some districts, the weather during the past two weeks has been generally hot and dry, and crops in many places continue to suffer, according to telegraphic reports received today by the Saskatchewan department of agriculture.

Wheat and coarse grains are reported in fairly satisfactory condition in northern districts although rain would be welcome in many localities. In the eastern and southern section of the province the condition of the crop varies from fair to poor. In some sections the stubble crop is already a failure.

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