

# UNCLE SAM STINGY IN ROAD WORK

## THE LUXURY HUSBAND

BY MARY KARLIS

American Association of State Road Officials urges Congress shoulder Greater Share of Highway Expense—Ask Increase of Fifty Million for Fiscal Year.

## Chapter 43

## THE NEW YORKER

PETE ANHEIM'S eyes lit up as he saw Rita e flying into the room, a glorious sight in her scanty home draperies with her bare slim legs and silver sandals on her feet.

He rose quickly from the wooden office rocking chair. Taking both her hands he clapped them together excitedly.

"You were right, Rita! Your Cinderella boy has come out on top... As for yourself—you were great, my dear, stunning..."

She was looking up at him, too, studying him with eyes newly critical. A rugged, comfortable quality

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Nov. 16.—(P) Congress was urged to increase the appropriation for federal aid highway projects to \$125,000,000 annually, an increase of \$50,000,000 by the American Association of State Highway Officials, completing its annual convention.

The increase was asked for the fiscal years 1932 and 1933, while it was requested that the present appropriation for the fiscal year 1931 be raised from \$75,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

The resolution declared that during the past year less than ten percent of the funds used in construction of state trunk line highways was contributed by the federal government and that several states in answer to public demands had built more miles of the federal aid highway system without federal aid than with it.

It was suggested that a law be enacted permitting the construction of toll bridges by the governments with a provision that tolls may be charged for their use until they are paid for, after which they would become free bridges.

**State Regulation.** The federal government was called on to leave the regulation of motor buses and trucks for commercial purposes in interstate traffic "entirely in the hands of the various states," intervening only in case the states concerned are unable to reach some satisfactory agreement as to the regulation of this traffic."

The convention went on record as being "unalterably opposed to privately owned and controlled toll bridges upon state and federal aid systems of highways."

The association endorsed increasing authorization for forest highways for 1931 to \$10,000,000 and proposed legislation increasing the 1932 and 1933 allotments to \$12,000,000 per year.

Samuel Eickel, chief engineer of the Pennsylvania highway department, was elected president.

Vice presidents chosen included J. D. Wood, Idaho.

The next meeting place will be chosen by the executive committee.

## VICTIM LEFT IN CAR AT CURB IN GOTHAM

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—(P)—Police today intensified search for a gang of killers that leaves the bodies of victims in cars parked on busy thoroughfares in Upper Manhattan.

The body of Mortimer Schubert, 31, Harlem gangster and ex-con, with six bullet wounds, an ear cut off and burns on it, was found yesterday at Broadway and LaSalle street.

Schubert was formerly a partner in the vending machine business with Joseph Barto, whose body was found in an automobile at Fifth avenue and 105th street last September 11.

## CITY OFFICIAL'S HOME BOMBED IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—(P)—Terrorists struck at the city administration today when they bombed the South Side home of James Breen, first assistant corporation counsel.

Breen and his wife were thrown from bed by the explosion, but were not hurt. The property damage was estimated by Breen to be about \$5000. Several patients in the Evangelical deaconess hospital several blocks away were awakened and frightened by the detonation.

## PAINT FUMES CAUSE DEATH ON WARCRFT

NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 16.—(P)—Gas fumes, apparently spontaneously generated from paint in an enclosed compartment on the battleship New York, yesterday caused nine men to be overcome and two of them died.

The two men who lost their lives were Lieut. R. H. Hollenbeck, who had gone into the compartment, known as a blower, to inspect it, and Boatswain's Mate Thomas George Weber, who attempted to rescue him. Both men fell about 40 feet, suffering injuries from which they died.

Ferry Hit Steamer.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 16.—(P)—Twenty-one persons were injured, seven seriously, in a collision be-

tween the ferry steamer Marlowe and a local vessel laden with automobiles today. There were 2600 passengers on the ferry.

## COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS

The following is a schedule of expenditures of Jackson County, Oregon, together with a list of the claimants and articles of service for which the claim is made and which were passed upon by the County of Jackson during the month of October, 1929.

The following bills were filed, as follows, with the exceptions shown:

## LIBRARY FUND

Mary Niver, services \$10.00

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Marion Chrysler, salary 89.00

struck the dresser, a fat little woman. "I've tripped and done something to my ankle."

Behind the woman's back she winked prodigiously at Barbara.

The dresser was hardly out of the room when Barbara expostulated: "Rita—this idea is crazy—insane. I—may be a failure, spoil the whole show! You'd better do the dance yourself. You'd better."

"It's too late to back out of it now, Barbara!" Rita said, exasperated.

The stage manager literally wrung his hands. But it was terrible, a calamity. Of course there was always the understudy, but she wasn't much good at it.

No Rita agreed, she was rotten. She didn't seem to get the swing of the thing at all. But—She paused and looked across at Barbara—her friend over there could do it. She should do it fine. If Jimmy persuaded her sufficiently perhaps she would consent to do it.

The stage manager looked at Barbara dubiously, as he invariably looked at any one whose talent had not, as yet, the stamp of public approval. Was Rita sure that her friend wouldn't get stage fright? That she knew all the steps? Yes, Rita was sure.

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Barbara's toes tapped out the steps of Rita's dance at a furious pace.

was in his features and his lean, vigorous body.

"You're a regular Midas," she told him. "Tell me, Pete, what do you intend doing with all the money you're going to make out of this show?"

He smiled at her crookedly. She was perched on the desk, one hand clutching her chin.

"I guess it will go the way of the rest of it," he said. "Accumulate it in a bank or put it into fresh speculations. Any suggestions to offer?"

She looked at him queerly. Just for one moment she hesitated. Then she smiled.

"Sure, Pete. How would you like to spend it on me?"

"Oh you, Rita!"

"That's what I said. I guess I'm getting a bit tired of New York. Pete, I've a notion I'd like to travel. Be real reckless and extravagant like... How about it, Pete?"

"I may seem awfully dumb, but I don't get you, Rita..."

"Sure you're dumb, Pete. Must I go down on my knees and beg you to become my husband?"

His teeth set—he was standing over her, taut and grim looking. "I don't mind your making fun of most everything..."

"I'm not making fun, Pete..."

"Then I don't understand. I thought that you and this boy, Pete..."

A slight pause. Rita's face was averted.

"You were wrong. We're—we're mighty good pals, but—there's a wife in the question, quite a dear. I'm not much of a hand at home keeping, Pete."

She laughed. Rita could always laugh.

"You know, Rita..."

His voice broke. She stretched out her hand and touched his face, patting his cheek gently.

"Sure I know, Pete. I've always known. We'll play together, we'll have fun together, we'll go honeymooning."

But now in some measure he realized his amazing good fortune. He laughed with her gladly and, gripping her hands, he drew her tightly into his arms.

Like something possessed she fled to the dressing room, slamming the door and collapsing into one of the chairs. Minutes passed, now many never knew, endless minutes—minutes without meaning.

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The answer is in Mandie's chapter 2.

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H. E. Warner, salary \$185.58

E. H. Ostman, salary 117.00

Medford Printing Co., in-

Dog License Fund	
Bill Welch, sheep killed by dogs	\$ 20.00
<b>General County Fund</b>	
Council Court and Commissioners	146.68
Victor Burrell, salary	48.00
Geo. Alford, salary	38.00
Nina Young, salary	80.00
Home Tel. & Tel. Co. services	5.40
Total	\$ 338.06

spection certi.	9.25
Total	\$ 341.75
<b>Assessor's Office</b>	
J. H. Coleman, salary	106.67
George Stow, salary	126.00
Victor Burrell, salary	16.50
Linnie Hamman, salary	116.00
Clair Norris, salary	92.00
Eva C. Mitchell, salary	92.00
Home Tel. & Tel. Co. services	7.75
Total	\$ 465.18

Circuit Court	


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