DECEMBER WAS RECORD MONTH FOR MOISTURE

With one exception the month of December, 1929, was the wettest month on record since the beginning of weather bureau records in 1911. The total rainfall for the month was 6:45 inches which is 0.21 inches short of the greatest amount ever falling during one month. A total of 6.66 inches of precipitation fell in this locality in November, 1926, says the monthly meteorology report of W. J. Hutchison, head of the Medford weather station.

The rainy period began with a light fall on December 7 and continued at intervals with daily amounts ranging from 1.70 inches which was the greatest daily amount, to 0.11 inches until the 18th. Of the monthly total of 6:45 inches, 6:39 inches fell during this period.

Following the ending of the rain the balance of the month was notable by the prevalence of fog, dense fog having occurred on eight days of the remaining 13 days.

The month as a whole averaged several degrees warmer than is usual for December, the mean temperature being 41 degrees which is 3.2 degrees higher than the average. The maximum temperature for the month was 71 degrees on the 13th and the minimum 18 degrees on the 7th, making a range in temperature for the month of 53 degrees.

With rain and fog prevailing during the month the cloudiness was excessive. There were only five clear days and five partly cloudy days. The remainder were all cloudy with the resulting lack of sunshine.

South winds prevailed during December with a total wind movement of 2159 miles at an average velocity of 2.9 miles per hour. The maximum velocity reached was 27 miles per hour, blowing from the southeast on the 9th.

The rainfall of December was of considerable benefit to the community after the extensive drouth of the summer and fall. While the ground was made entirely too wet for much farm activities, it received a much needed drenching which was welcomed by the ranchers of Rogue Valley.

The monthly summary follows:

	Mx.	Mn.	Mn.	Pre.	
1	56	21	38	....	Clear
2	60	21	42	....	Clear
3	51	20	36	....	Clear
4	53	20	36	T	Pt. Cldy.
5	55	24	40	....	Clear
6	55	18	36	....	Clear
7	41	18	30	.01	Cloudy
8	43	35	39	.22	Cloudy
9	52	41	46	1.70	Cloudy
10	54	40	47	.33	Cloudy
11	51	36	44	.28	Cloudy
12	58	43	50	.71	Cloudy
13	17	47	59	.26	Cloudy
14	61	50	56	.86	Cloudy
15	52	46	49	1.08	Cloudy
16	45	36	40	.11	Cloudy
17	43	36	40	.64	Cloudy
18	50	40	45	.24	Cloudy
19	57	37	47	....	Pt. Cldy.
20	43	35	39	....	Cloudy
21	46	37	42	.01	Cloudy
22	42	34	38	....	Cloudy
23	49	36	42	T	Cloudy
24	46	35	40	....	Cloudy
25	53	38	46	.03	Pt. Cldy.
26	45	30	38	....	Pt. Cldy.
27	35	31	33	....	Cloudy
28	33	28	30	....	Cloudy
29	32	26	29	....	Foggy
30	46	29	38	.02	Cloudy
31	45	27	36	....	Pt. Cldy.

BOEING SHIPS DO 3,600,000 MILES

With last night's flights, Boeing system, operators of the Los Angeles-Medford-Seattle and San Francisco-Chicago air mail routes, completed the flying of 3,600,000 miles during 1929, said local Boeing officials. Approximately two and three-quarter million miles were flown on the transcontinental, an increase of nearly a million miles over 1928.

The increase was largely due to inauguration, May 1, of the "Night Transcontinental," an added round trip of the air mail between New York and San Francisco-Boeing flying the Great Lakes-Pacific Coast section. Pending government figures, officials estimate that Boeing system carried approximately 1033 tons of mail during 1929, contrasted with 561 tons the previous year.

Tot On Long Trip.

CHICAGO—(AP)—Isobel McPhail, 4, orphaned in Seattle, is on the way to Springburn, Scotland, to live with an aunt. She travels alone except for a rag doll.

ISIS
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TONIGHT!
A Thrilling Westerner
"Hoof Marks"
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Matinee 1:30, Night 7:00

"On the Air"

6 to 7 p.m.—General Electric hour. A musical picture of the events taking place in the opera "Rienzi," based on the novel by that name, is contained in the overture to this work which Walter Damrosch and his symphonic orchestra will play tonight. Broadcast through KGO, KHQ, KOMO, KGW, KFI.

7 to 8 p.m.—B. A. Rolfe and his Lucky Strike Orchestra. B. A. Rolfe will send rhythmic melodies across the continent so that the nationwide audience of the NBC system may dance to the music of his Lucky Strike orchestra. Broadcast through KGO, KHQ, KOMO, KGW, KFI.

8 to 8:30 p.m.—Pacific Serenaders. With John Teel, baritone, to assist them, the Pacific Serenaders will launch forth into the ether lanes with another of their characteristic programs for release over KGO, KOMO, KGW, KPO.

8:30 to 8:45 p.m.—Amos 'n' Andy. Broadcast through KGO, KHQ, KGW, KOMO, KECA.

9 to 9:30 pm. — "Launderland Lyrics." Vocal solos and duets will alternate with orchestral selections in the "Launderland Lyrics" program. Barbara Blanchard, soprano, and Myron Niesley, tenor, will be the singers. Broadcast through KGO, KHQ, KOMO, KGW, KFI.

9:30 to 10 p.m.—Staff Conference. Members of the National Broadcasting staff of program builders will be among those present in the Staff Conference program offered over KGO, KOMO, KECA and KOA.

10 to 10:15 p.m. — Sports talk, KGO, KHQ and KOA.

10:15 to 11 p.m.—Tales Never Told. Based on three songs whose lyrics range from the sentimental and romantic to the comic, a trio of dramatic vignettes will be broadcast through KGO, KOMO, KOA.

11 to 12 p. m.—Musical Musketeers. Walter Beban and the Musical Musketeers will offer an hour of dance music in a broad cast. Special arrangements of the latest syncopated melodies will be used by this ensemble of dance Musicians. Broadcast through KGO and KOMO.

Radio Program KMED
Mail Tribune-Virgin Station

228.9 Meters—1310 Key.

Saturday, January 4.

P. M.—

6 to 6:15—Pierce-Allen Motor Co.

6:15 to 6:30—News and market reports, Mail Tribune.

6:30—Educational feature.

6:30 to 7—Magills Drug Store.

Sunday, January 5.

A. M.—

10 to 10:30—KMED.

10:30 to 11 — Clover Radio Shop.

11 to 12:30—KMED.

12:30 to 1—Colonial Bakery.

1 to 1:30 — Children's Gold Bond Radio Half Hour.

1:30 to 2—Grimes Battery & Electric Shop.

2 to 2:30—Beebe Service Station, Central Point.

3:30 to 4—Farmers Cooperative Exchange.

4 to 6—Delfel, Inc.

8 to 9—alley Radio Church.

9 to 9:30—International Bible Students Association.

Monday, January 6.

A. M.—

8 to 8:30 — Children's Gold Bond Radio Half Hour.

8:30 to 8:45—Parker's Potato Chips.

8:45 to 9 — Fickelsen Radio Shop.

9:30 to 10—Westside Pharmacy.

10 to 10:30—American Laundry.

10:30—Market News Service.

10:30 to 11—Alexander Grocery.

11 to 11:30—Southern Oregon Gas Corp.

11:30 to 12—Unique Cleaners.

12 to 12:30—Lewis Super Service.

12:30—News flashes by Mail Tribune.

12:30 to 1—Sanderson Motor Co.

1 to 1:30—McNair's Pharmacy.

1:30 to 2—Snider's Dairy.

2 to 2:30—KMED.

2:30—Selected poem.

2:30 to 3—XL Battery Service, Ashland.

3 to 4—Jacksonville hour.

6 to 6:15—Orthophonics.

6:15 to 6:30—News and market reports by Mail Tribune.

6:30—Educational feature.

6:30 to 7—Orthophonics.

8 to 8:30—Eads Transfer.

8:30 to 9:30—Mono-Motor Oil Co.

New York Life Opens Office in Medford

G. R. Hilt, representing the New York Life Insurance company has located in Medford and will open an office soon. For the present Mr. and Mrs. Hitt are located at the Hotel Medford.

Mr. Hitt has been with the company on the coast eight years, five of which have been in Oregon. The come here from Klamath Falls.

Mr. Hitt is very optomistic about the future of southern Oregon, especially Medford, which accounts for his locating here.

PHOENIX GROUP TO PRESENT PAGEANT FOR M. E. CHURCH

Thirty young people from the community Presbyterian church in Phoenix, responding to the invitation of Alexander G. Bennett, pastor of the Medford Medford church, will present the pageant, "From Isles of Fear to Isles of Faith," in the Medford church Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Pastor

Several episodes in the history of the Philippines, and vivid portrayal of the American Christians in the islands, with musical accompaniment, make a fine impression, and greatly pleased a large audience recently in Phoenix.

Mrs. J. E. Roberts directs the presentation, assisted by Mesdames J. G. Vial, Mrs. C. C. Hartley, Mrs. J. N. O. Poling, Mrs. Frank Denzer reads the running story, and introduces the various characters.

C. C. Hartley takes the part of "Magellan," J. N. O. Poling, "Priest;" Mildred Coats, "Miss Filipinas"; Theodore Andreanoff, "Rizal," Dr. Dan E. Standard the "Doctor." Mrs. C. O. Maust the missionary nurse.

Beggars are Calins Hartley, Ida May Higginbothin, Grace Garrison; gamblers, Marshal Denzer, Oliver Chaplin; Filipino soldier, Leroy Hariss; American soldier, Edward Smith; American sailor, Roy Maust; school teacher, Eunice Coates; boy scout, Billy Sheets.

Joe Hartley is the athlete; Lottie Watkins, nurse; Mrs. Thompson, Sunday school teacher; Winifred Innman, theological student; Myrna Pettus, girl student; Helen Chapin, high school girl.

Filipino girls are Mildred and Margaret Poling; American girls, Doris Rose, Evelyn Coats, Maxine Cobleigh, Georgianna Coats, June Roberts, Helen and Harriet Briscoe, Anna Laura Parks, Fern Briscoe; Filipino young people, Jean Rose, Edna Briscoe, Mable Hardesty, Mary Jean and Donald Barnes, Eugene Coats.

SCANDINAVIAN CHURCH SERVICES ON SUNDAY

Scandinavian services will be held in the First Baptist church next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 with Rev. E. Iverson in charge. This meeting is being called at the request of several Scandinavians residing in this valley who want to hear the old gospel in their mother tongue. Singing in both Swedish and English with sermon in Swedish by Rev. Iverson. A large attendance is expected and all Scandinavians in the valley are looking forward to a good meeting.

FREE METHODISTS WILL HAVE REVIVAL SERVICE

Rev. Dr. Sims, wife and daughter of Seattle, will conduct revival meetings at the Free Methodist church, corner Ivy and West Tenth streets, beginning with Sunday's services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A hearty welcome is extended to all.

DEMONSTRATE UNITY PRESBYTERIAN MUSIC

A unique demonstration of the possibility of and the fact about church unity will be presented at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, in solos and organ music and with the use of but one hymn book. The topic is timely in these days and the effect will be surprising.

A. J. MacDonough, Miss Flora McMath and Mrs. Eva Hazelrigg Marsh will have parts in this demonstration.

"Tanned Legs" Is Craterian Picture

Youth, game enough to take a chance and eager enough to sing a song while the piper's being paid, is what the Fox Craterian theater will have tomorrow when Radio Pictures' "Tanned Legs" unrolls mirth, beauty and glee.

Here, probably for the first time on the screen, is a drama of modern youth that never gets morbidly serious and yet manages to hold its audience fascinated. Its chief purpose is to entertain and it accomplishes that with joyful ease.

MAXWELLS ENTERTAIN JACKSONVILLE PARTY

JACKSONVIELE, Ore., Jan. 4.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. George L. Maxwell entertained at a six-course dinner New Year's Day. The home was decorated in festive colors.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hanna, Rev. and Mrs. S. H. Jones, George Merritt, Miss Issie McCully and Mrs. Belle Parsons of Ashland were the invited guests.

Burns.— Local power and light service being improved.

News of the Churches

St. Mark's Episcopal

Corner Oakdale and Fifth street. 8:00 a. m.—Holy Communion. 10 a. m.—Sunday school. 11:15 a. m.—Holy Communion. Wm. B. Hamilton, Rector.

English Lutheran Church

Fourth at Oakdale avenue. "Where the way is made plain." Hour of worship, 11 a. m. Subject, "Living Life Over Again."

Special music. Mrs. F. J. Harris, organist.

Bible school, 10 a. m.

Dr. H. C. Funk, pastor. Phone 1424. Residence, 518 West Fourth street.

Watch Tower Program

Broadcast from the studio of KMED Sunday evening, December 5 from 9 to 9:30, Mr. J. G. Hall will give a lecture. Subejct, "Comfort For Those Who Mourn."

Lewis Parker will play a piano solo, "Etude in E Flat," by Felix Mendelsohn.

Mrs. Will Rogers will sing, "A Thousand Years."

Nazarene Church

Central and Jackson Street

Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Harry L. Liles, superintendent.

Preaching, 11 a m.

N. Y. P. S., 6:30 p. m. Lloyd Cowley, president.

Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m. Mid-week Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p. m., Wednesday.

G. O. Crow, pastor. Phone 1279. Residence, 702 Palm street.

First Christian Church.

Ninth and Oakdale Sts. Carman E. Mell, minister. Office and pastor's study in the church, phone 1007; residence phone 1337.

"Test Our Welcome."

Morning worship and communion, 10:55. Sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Facing the New Year."

Popular evening service, 7:30. Good singing and special music. The pastor will speak on "The Devil's Reception."

Bible school assembly, 9:45 a. m. Christian Endeavor groups, 6:30.

Valley Radio Church
(Undenominational)

Bill Ray, pastor. P. O. box 918. Office, Herald building, P. O. block. Phone 1054-R. Residence phone, Jacksonville 102.

Broadcasts from studio KMED Sunday night between 8 and 9.

Mrs. Raymond Doran, Gospel solos. Miss Joyce Doran at the piano.

A message of cheer by the pastor.

Come to the church over the radio It's the old time Gospel; old time sacred songs.

There is power, hope and cheer for you in our Old Time Gospel Hour, o'er "The Voice of a Great Country."

Latter Day Saints

An illustrated lecture on Ancient America. An answer as to what people inhabited cities recently discovered on both North and South American continents as well as when these cities were built and by whom.

To be given at the Odd Fellows hall, Sunday, January 5, 1930, 11 a. m.

This lecture is free to all and everyone is invited. Come and bring your friends, you will be welcome.

Sunday school held here each Sunday 10 a. m.

Classes for all.—L. D. S. Church. Jesse G. C. Elgan, branch president.

Talent Community Church

There are some questions that trouble folks today. Am I a Christian? Have I been born again? As Jesus told a great man long ago that he must be.

These and many other questions are bothering dear folks today. You will hear the answer to them all if you will attend the Community Methodist church at Talent every Sunday morning for the following six weeks.

You will find a warm welcome and a hearty people who will welcome you to worship with us.

Sunday school for every one. Morning worship 11 a. m., each Sunday. If you have no church home, come home with us.

F. Audley Brown, pastor.

First Methodist Church

Alexander G. Bennett, pastor.

New Year administration of the Lord's Supper, at the hour of morning worship, Sunday, at 11 o'clock, to which all who love the Saviour are cordially invited.

Pageant, "Making the Isles of Fear Isles of Faith," Sunday evening, 7:30 o'clock, presented by thirty people from the Community Presbyterian church of Phoenix.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., graded lessons for all ages.

Young people's Epworth League meetings at 6:30 p. m.

"The church emphasizes man's spiritual heritage and possibilities, and gives him contact with the Source of life, strengthening him for service." Folks are more than welcome in this church.

Main St. Methodist Church, South.

The Friendly Church on the Corner. James E. Conder, pastor.

Start the New Year right by being in your place at Sunday school on time next Sunday. A well graded Sunday school with efficient teachers for all ages.

Preaching at 11 a. m. Sermon subject, "Christ's Second Coming."

In the evening at 7:30, sermon subject, "New Year." Good singing at these services. You will enjoy it.

Leagues will meet in their devotional services at 6:30 p. m.

Mid-week services Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. Choir rehersal after these services.

Come and join our prayer meeting band. Good, inspiring services of song and testimony.

First Church of Christ, Scientist

Authorized branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in oston, Mass.

BServices are held every Sunday at 11 o'clock, church edifice, 212 North Oakdale. Subject for Sunday, Jan. 5th, God.

Sunday school at 9:45. Applicants under the age of twenty may be admitted.

Wednesday evening meetings, which include testimonies of Christian Science healings, at 8 o'clock.

The Reading Room, which is in the Medford Building, is open daily from 12 to 4, except Sundays and holidays. The Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

First Baptist Church.

Central Ave. at Fifth St.

W. H. Eaton, Ph.D., minister.

Phones: Office 1052; residence 704-H.

Sunday school at 9:45 sharp. If you are not attending Sunday school elsewhere, come and spend the hour with us. You will enjoy it. Classes for all ages and a fine corps of teachers. Mrs. E. E. Wilson, superintendent.

Dr. Eaton will speak at 11 a. m. on "What's New?" Choir will sing. At 2:30 p. m. a Scandinavian service will be held here under the leadership of Rev. E. Iverson. Sermon by Rev. Iverson will be in Scandinavian but the singing will be in Swedish and English.

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.

At 7:30 p. m. Dr. Eaton's subject will be "The Little Blind God." The Falkenberg string ensemble will furnish the special music at the evening service.

We welcome you to all services.

First Presbyterian Church.

Claude B. Porter, minister.

The sermon topic for Sunday morning will be "Wanted—A Modern Joshua."

In the evening there will be a unique demonstration of church unity. Solos and organ numbers will be included in this demonstration. Miss Betty Evanson will sing "The Gentle Shepherd," by Adams.

The music for Sunday will include:

Morning: Prelude, "Fountain Reverie," Fletcher; an them, "How Lovely Are Thy Messengers," Mendelssohn; ofertory, "Andante in D-Flat," Dunn; solo, "Help Me, Dear Lord," A. J. MacDonough; postlude, "Postlude in C," Hollins.

Evening: Prelude, "Cantilene in F-Minor," Marchant: offertory, "Shepherd Song," Merkel; postlude, "Festival Postlude," Seifert.

Ministry of music: Florence Hazelrigg McElhose, soprano; Edna Eifert Isaacs, contralto; A. J. MacDonough, tenor; Dr. W. W. Howard, bass. Eva Hazelrigg Marsh, organist and director. Margaret Arnold, director young people's choir.

EDEN PRECINCT

EDEN PRECINCT, Ore., Jan. 4.—(Special.) Mrs. Walter Allen of south highway has returned from Portland where she, in company with several other members of the Apostolic Faith church of Medford attended the special New Year's watch meeting and services.

The last meeting of the cattle exchange met at the Caster ranch in North Phoenix district Wednesday and the cattle owners got most of their strays.

Mrs. Edmonia Anderson and her sons Donald and his wife and Carl Anderson went to Medford on New Year's day and took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barneburg.

Pete Barneburg has about 60 acres of plowing done.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Shearer were pleasant visitors at the S. P. Barneburg home on New Year's day. Mrs. Barneburg is again able to be about her housework and is feeling real good.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Webster of Phoenix have returned from their holiday trip to San Francisco.

Harold Colver and Andrew Stevens of south highway and Roy Cofgfman of Phoenix are spending a two weeks holiday in Los Angeles, San Francisco and other southern cities.

Mrs. Hayman and daughter Bertha of Talent were in Phoenix on Thursday of this week.

We learn that B. N. French, former resident of this locality but now in Talent, is very ill.

The Thimble club of the Neighbors of Woodcraft met at the Woodman hall in Phoenix, Friday the 3rd, where they had a very enjoyable time.

The Southern Oregon Gas company put the gas across the highway the first of this week to supply the Hopkins place.

Ray Bonham is building a new double garage on the acre lately purchased from Mr. Bingman.

CENTRAL POINT

CENTRAL POINT, Ore., Jan. 4.—(Special.) Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Faber and family drove to Butte Falls on New Year's day as guests at a dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cleveland.

Watch meetings were held at both the Federated and Christian churches Tuesday night.

Mrs. Pearl Stewart returned to her home in Portland Thursday night.

Harry Bernhardt visited with his parents at Reedsport during the past week and reports it quite rainy along the coast.

Mrs. Fern Dow and children of Portland arrived Sunday evening to join the rest of the family at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Beebe.

Louis Gay and wife of Seattle are visiting in southern Oregon with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gay of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Farra of Central Point and other friends.

P. E. Sandoz and wife of Elk Creek were trading with our merchants Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Bonney were New Year's guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Anderson of Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boyle spent the week at Lakeview, their former home.

A QUESTION of HONOR
by Ruth Cross

SYNOPSIS: Anne Wilmot is the beautiful masterpiece Leon Morse, unscrupulous financier, plans to place in the rich frame of his home. Anne and her aunt, Emily Wilmot, are his guests at his lodge in the Sierras. Unknown to him, Anne already has accepted her aunt's edict that she marry him and solve their financial difficulties. Morse's pet project—a railway line through the mountains—is blocked by an irrigation dam. A bridge appears to be the only solution to his problem but Morse dismisses it. Through binoculars, Anne spies the unknown man she met while walking in the mountains, working on the dam.

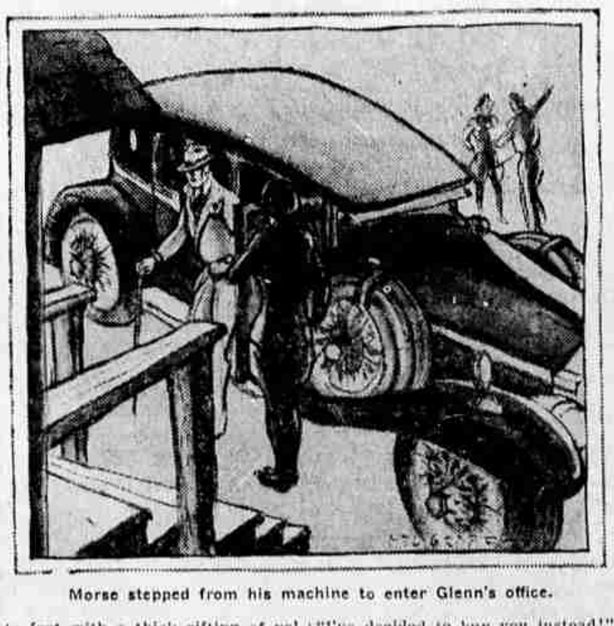
Chapter 6

AN ULTIMATUM

LEON MORSE'S luxurious limousine plowed slowly up the steep grade through the mouth-deep sand of the makeshift road to come to a halt directly in front of a small plain boarded shack.

Alighting Morse left Douglas and Anne seated in the car. He mounted the rickety steps and paused a moment on the threshold as he gazed in through the open door.

He took in the plain furnishings, the desk and drawing table, covered with blueprints, and the small safe. His eye finally settled on the tall man who sat at the desk, apparently unmindful of his presence. He was literally covered from head



Morse stepped from his machine to enter Glenn's office.

to foot with a thick sifting of yellowish cement dust. His flannel shirt was open at the throat; his boots caked with dried mud protruded from beneath the desk where he sat figuring.

Morse advanced a step into the room. "This is Mr. —er— Glenn?" he asked as Scott Glenn glanced up.

He nodded, and rose. "Is there anything I can do for you?"

His caller did not answer at once, but took out a card and handed it to him. Glenn looked down at it and motioned to a chair. "Will you sit down, Mr. ——," he paused to consult the card again, "Morse?"

Morse took the chair indicated and drew it a little closer to the one at the desk. "My business is of a distinctly private nature," he observed with a suggestive glance at the man who stood at the window.

Glenn turned to the assistant, a young engineer just out of college and pardonably susceptible, and smiled a little as he noted the lodestar of his attention—the lady in the car. The youth started when Glenn spoke to him but went out, closing the door behind him.

From the muddle of drawings, blue prints and papers, Glenn unearthed a box of cigars. His caller accepted one, bit off the end and lighted it.

"The most important business, as you know, Mr. ——er——."

"Glenn," the younger man added.

Morse nodded. "Exactly. The most important business, as I was about to say, is that which requires the least publicity. In spite of the tons of propaganda and the braying of newspapers and reformers, all of the real business of the world, governmental and otherwise, is carried on behind closed doors."

Glenn aimed a puff of smoke at a knot-hole in the ceiling a few feet above his head, but made no comment as Morse continued. "To get down to business—as you know, this proposed line of road is a pet scheme of mine—a hobby if you will—the dream of a lifetime. Railroad men, oldtimers at the game, say it can't be built, but I believe it can, and I mean to prove it."

Morse glanced at him sharply. He bent his long, lean body a little forward from the waist, rapped his knuckles impressively against the desk. "As I said before, this line of track is the dream of a lifetime, and anything or anybody that—gets—in—my—way——" He threw out his hands in a forceful, impatient gesture as of sweeping away obstacles.

The younger man nodded, rose and walked over to the window from which could be seen the great reservoir in the process of construction. A curious smile curved his lips. This great irrigation project, a river tunnelled through the mountains, hundreds of thousands of acres of barren sagebrush desert transformed into gardens and orchards and homes, represented another "pet scheme," another "dream of a lifetime" perhaps—— When he turned back, he saw that Morse was watching him intently. Glenn made a gesture towards the window which gave on the valley and the mountain range beyond.

"A bridge there will solve your problem," he said, "without lengthening your schedule appreciably."

The railroad magnate let himself back in his chair, blew a leisurely ring of smoke, then looked straight at Glenn. His smile was full of meaning. "Men come cheaper than bridges," he countered frankly, "I've decided to buy you instead!"

There was a moment's silence. The two men regarded each other attentively. Glenn's face whitened a little under the sunburn; his fist closed involuntarily over the edge of the desk. But an instant later, with a slight, noncommittal shrug, he seated himself again and lighted a fresh cigar.

"They say every man has his price," he admitted carelessly.

"Yes, and—every woman too, for that matter," Morse observed without interest.

The younger man glanced quickly towards the window—to the woman waiting in the automobile. The shrewd, weathered lines about his mouth and eyes registered a half contemptuous, half amused smile. He had known all along who the woman was, though he had not looked at her before.

When he looked back at Morse, he saw that the financier was keenly annoyed at the connection he had made between, "Every woman too ——," and his lovely guest. She was lovely; nobody could deny that.

Morse shifted his chair a little, so as to cut off the view toward the window and leaned forward. "My business is this. I want you in the employ of my corporation at—let us say, double—your present salary and at once."

"But I don't work on a salary," Glenn objected mildly, "and anyway, I'm not free to consider an other offer for some months to come."

The other man shrugged. "My company is never niggardly about terms. Say we treble your present contract—even quadruple it? My policy has always been that no price is too high to pay for any thing you know you want."

"That may be," Glenn agreed, "but unfortunately I am under contract to finish this job in a stated time."

Morse leaned closer to him. "I do not intend," he said slowly and emphatically, "that the irrigation project shall ever be finished."

(Copyright, Ruth Cross.)

Glenn hears more of Morse's intriguing proposal to buy him in Monday's installment.

"Vagabond" Lover Coming to Rialto

If Radio Pictures left anything out of "The Vagabond Lover" that makes for excellent entertainment, it is not evident.

"The Vagabond Lover" comes to the Fox Rialto theater tomorrow.

First of all, it features that beau ideal of millions, Rudy Vallee, peer of the saxophone, crooner of hot love songs which already have melted the collective hearts of Miss and Mrs. America. Backing this with a colorful orchestral background are the world famous Connecticut Yankees, in a varied number of selections.

Mr. Vallee, aside from crooning four new songs, reveals a natural acting ability that's unusually refreshing after seeing so many scenery masticators perform.

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9:45 a. m., School
6:30 p. m. Leagues
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