

Nothing Venture

by Patricia Wentworth

SYNOPSIS: Jervis Weare is taken at 8 o'clock in the morning by Rosemund Green, the girl who lifted him in an effort to secure his fortune for herself, and goes with her to help with a car she says she has ditched nearby. Following Jervis through the night in the memory of his wife Nan as he saw her a short while before, when he comforted her terror of Jervis dreamed that he was dead.

Chapter 36
WHERE IS JERVIS?
NAN came early to breakfast, and Ferdinand Francis lapped, with his red hair sticky and rumpled from the sea. He had made some attempt to brush it, but except for the color it looked a good deal like the coat of a Scottish terrier. Jervis did not come to breakfast at all.

"Alfred says he went out early," said Ferdinand over his bacon. "It's going to be hotter than ever, so I guess he's wiser to get through with anything strenuous before the thermometer breaks."

By eleven o'clock Alfred was being questioned.
"Did Mr. Weare say he was going to be late?"
"No, ma'am."
"Well, did he say where he was going?"
"No, sir."
"Did he say anything at all, Alfred?"
"No, ma'am."
"Well, did you see which way he went?"

Alfred looked agonized. He was a shy lad with a strong objection to committing himself.
"No, sir."
Nan made a flashing guess.
"Did you see him at all, Alfred?"
"No, ma'am, I can't say I did."
"He wasn't there when you went to wake him?"
"No, ma'am, I can't say he was."
There wasn't anything more to be said. It was the most ordinary thing in the world for Jervis to get up and go out before the servants were afoot. He would go down to the sea for a swim at three in the morning if the fancy took him. Since Nan had been at Weare he had been out every morning. Once he had walked into Croyston and breakfasted there because he wanted to see a man about a deal in sheep. He might have done the same thing again, and he would certainly be frightfully angry if he were pursued by fussy inquiries.

Lunch time passed. At four o'clock she got up from her chair as Ferdinand came into the library, and went to meet him. When they met, she looked at him, and then looked quickly away.
"We've got to do something," she said.
"Well, what do you want to do?"
"I don't know. I'm—frightened."
"Oh, I wouldn't be frightened."
"He'd never stay away like this—would he?"
"Well—he might. But we'll do some telephoning and see if we can't get him. If he went into Croyston, he'd go to the hotel."
Jervis had not been in the hotel, nor in any of the other places that they tried. They rang up the Tetterleys, and Rosemund answered.

"Did you want Janet? She's away. She and Basher went off last night to put in a couple of days with his sister. Jervis? No, he hasn't been here. Has he gone off? Well, he does, you know—he always has. I expect he's forgotten he's married. I shouldn't ask too many questions if I were you—he won't like it." She laughed.
Nan's voice came small, and steady, and clear.
"You haven't seen him?"
"Not since yesterday."
Nan hung up the receiver. She turned a composed, colorless face on Ferdinand.
"What are we to do?"
"What did she say?"
"The Tetterleys are away. She says they went away last night. She says she hasn't seen him. She says he goes off—suddenly—like this. Is that true?"
F. F. ran his hands through his ginger hair.
"Well—his sudden. Jervis has always been extraordinarily sudden. It's his temperament. If he gets an idea, he doesn't want to wait and turn it over in his mind—he wants to get going and do something about it quick."
"Without letting anyone know?"
Ferdinand rumbled his hair again.
"Well, he might give a telegram to someone to send, and they might

point especially emphasized by Mr. Irvine.
He also said: "When you give a student an education you are giving him something that never can be taken away from him."
Plans are under way at the normal school for formation of a men's league. It is felt that the men's league can do a lot in promoting the activities and that by working with the women's league the social life will be boosted to new heights.

At an assembly last week Effie Herbert Yeoman and Genieve Brown of Medford entertained with a fine musical program, including a clever piano duet. Miss Brown, winner of the local Atwater Kent audition, presented three beautiful vocal solos. Their closing number was another piano duet, the theme song of the motion picture, "Cuban Love Song."
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MICHAEL MAHONEY DIES, BUTTE FALLS

Michael Mahoney, a resident of Butte Falls for the past 25 years, died at his home there Saturday evening from heart trouble after a year's illness. He was born in Nova

Scotia, June 20, 1844, to parents moving to Wisconsin when he was four years old. He was a veteran of the Civil war, enlisting at Madison, Wis., as a private in Co. L, Regiment 2nd Wisconsin Cavalry, and was discharged at Vicksburg, Miss., in 1864.
He married Elizabeth Davis at Menominee, Wis., March 30, 1875, and to this union were born four daughters. Mrs. Mary Woolf, Medford; Miss Jennie Mahoney, deceased; Mrs. C. L. Ritchie, Medford, and Mrs. R. L. Larson, Butte Falls, Ore. Six grand

CRATER ERUPTION WENESDAY NIGHT

E. C. (Jerry) Jerome, big eruption of the Craters club, has announced the first fall meeting of the Medford booster organization to be held Wednesday evening at the Hotel Medford, 6:30 p. m., and that plans

will there be made for a Craters' pilgrimage to Yreka next Saturday, to participate in the Yreka Miners' celebration in that city.
Jerry attended the meeting of the board of directors of the local chamber of commerce last Friday, and promised that the Craters would take care of Medford's representation at the Yreka affair. A large number of Craters are expected to attend the Wednesday night session, and many of them will undoubtedly make the trip to Yreka on Saturday.

Miss Lyon Wins Trip To Seattle

Miss Hylda Lyon of Mann's Department store left Sunday morning for Seattle, having been chosen by the Dorothy Gray company as one of the outstanding girls on the coast, handling the Dorothy Gray products, which are carried at Mann's.
The trip and a week's training in beauty culture have been presented Miss Lyon by the company. She will take the week's course in Seattle, then return to Medford.

TAILSPIN TOMMY—Something Down Skeeter's A lley!



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