

# NEVER MIND THE LADY

by David Garth

## Chapter 29 TENSE MOMENT

IT WAS around fifteen minutes later that there was a knock on the door and the knob was rattled imperatively. Puff jumped up quickly, her lips forming the words: "Who is it?"

"George Fox, I guess," he said, looking at her in surprise.

She skipped discreetly across to the door of the bath, touched her lips with her forefinger in warning, and then closed the door behind her.

Williett smiled slightly. Hurray for the United States Senate; he'd forgotten about that. Her action made him feel a party to backdoor intrigue.

He went over and opened the room door. Fox and two other men were standing there.

"Hello, George!" he greeted. "This is a surprise. The Ambassador from Wayback! How are you, boy?"

They grinned tensely at each other and shook hands. The other two men brushed by Williett and went into the room.

They looked keenly around and suddenly one of them uttered a triumphant exclamation and picked up Puff's cigarette case from the table. It was a thin gold thing with a small vanity mirror set in platinum on the cover.

Terry regarded them unfavorably. "Who are those birds, George?"

Fox closed the door behind him. "They're private detectives. Terry. They want to ask you a few questions. Allaire West has disappeared, and her father has an idea you know something about it—"

"And he does," said one of the men, holding up the case. "This is my mate's trinket. There's been a woman here. Where is she, buddy?"

"Wait a minute," ordered Fox. He turned to Terry.

"Don't get angry, son. Allaire's been missing two days. Have you any idea—where she is?"

"Disappeared!" repeated Terry. Something seemed to chase up and down his spine. "Disappeared!"

The detectives were inspecting the room. One of them started for the bathroom door. Williett acted swiftly and headed the man off. Puff had put him in a rotten position.

"Hold on!" he said, "who asked you in?"

"Oh—! So that's where she is!"

"Terry—!" It was Fox's voice, despairing, disappointed, the voice of a man stricken.

"It isn't Allaire," said Williett steadily.

"Tess? We'll believe it when we see her!"

# TWO WEEKS SEPARATE FARM WIVES CHILDREN

POLKTON, N. C., Jan. 16.—(P)—Dr. J. M. Boyce today reported the birth of two children two weeks apart. One in 1935 and the other in 1936, to Mrs. Clyde Sikes, farm woman.

# RUSSIAN ARMY NOW LARGEST IN WORLD

MOSCOW, Jan. 16.—(P)—Assistant Commissar of War Mikhail Tukhachevsky announced today the Soviet army has been raised to 1,800,000 men, making it the largest standing army in the world.

# CLEARED FOR ACTION

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

GOES UP TO HIS ROOM TO DO HIS EVENING'S STUDYING

FINDS DESK STILL LITTERED WITH RADIO EQUIPMENT BECAUSE HE WAS WORKING ON HIS SHORT WAVE SET THIS AFTERNOON

CLEAR'S TOP OF DESK WONDERING WHERE TO PUT THE STUFF SO IT WILL BE SAFE

SETS IT DOWN ON FLOOR, REMOVES BOOKS FROM PART OF SHELF, AND PUTS RADIO STUFF IN THEIR PLACE

CRAWLS UNDER DESK TO PLUG LAMP IN, IT HAVING BEEN DISCONNECTED DURING RADIO WORK

FINDS HE PILED BOOKS HE TOOK FROM SHELF IN DESK CHAIR. STOWS THEM ON FLOOR IN CORNER

AT LONG LAST HAS GOT DESK, CHAIR AND LAMP READY FOR ACTION

DOES HIS STUDYING SPRAWLED ACROSS BED

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# STRANGE AS IT SEEMS—By JOHN HIX

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THE WORD "SACK" MEANS THE SAME IN ALMOST IDENTICAL FORM IN 28 LANGUAGES

ENGLISH - SACK  
FRENCH - SAC  
SPANISH - SACO  
PORTUGUESE - SACO  
ITALIAN - SACCO  
GERMAN - SACK  
HEBREW - SAKK  
JEWISH ARAMAIC - SAQ  
SYRIAC - SAQ  
ASSYRIAN - SAQQU  
GOTHIC - SAKKUS  
DUTCH - ZAK  
OLD HIGH GERMAN - SACH  
MIDDLE HIGH GERMAN - SACH  
MODERN GERMAN - SACH  
OLD HIGHER SAKH-R  
LATIN - SACCUS  
SWEDISH - SAKK  
DANISH - SAKK  
IRISH - SAC  
GAELIC - SAC  
WELSH - SACH  
HUNGARIAN - ZSAK  
RUSSIAN - SAKH  
POLISH - SAKH  
CZECH - SAKH  
SERBIAN - SAKH  
ALBANIAN - SAKH

ALL MY STRENGTH HAS LEFT ME! OLD AND WEAK AM I.

THESE WORDS, THE LAST LINES OF HIS LAST QUARTET, WERE USED ON A CALLING CARD BY HAYDN THE GREAT COMPOSER DURING THE LAST YEARS OF HIS LIFE.

MAN AND THE ANT ARE THE ONLY CREATURES THAT CAN ADAPT THEMSELVES TO ANY CLIMATE - HOT, COLD, WET OR DRY...

KING KALAKAUA - Ruler of Hawaii - RODE IN A CIRCUS PARADE IN NEW YORK CITY.

Strange as it seems, animal life is found on almost every bit of ground on earth—some especially adapted to the severe cold of the north and far south, others suited to the sweltering heat of tropical areas. Man has been able to survive in the extremes of heat and cold—and the only other creature that can adapt itself to any climate is the ant.

Ants can withstand an amazing change in temperature without abandoning their homes. They simply burrow deeper into the ground when heat or cold threatens them. Drought and flood are also withstood by the ants in their nest and when a scarcity of food threatens it does not wipe them out—for the remnant can go for months without eating. Many authorities rank ants at the top of the insect scale. Like man, they cooperate in their communities for food, shelter, and protection.

The great showman, P. T. Barnum, tricked a ruling sovereign into riding in a gaudy circus parade to advertise the Barnum circus opening in New York. Half a century ago, when King Kalakaua of Hawaii was visiting in New York, Barnum invited him to attend the opening of the show. The king accepted and Barnum quickly offered to provide a carriage for his royal guest.

The carriage he sent was a golden chariot drawn by six white horses. Behind it were other chariots, and on the sides were huge posters announcing that King Kalakaua was going to the circus. Instead of going directly to the show, Barnum had his royal parade wind around through New York's streets for miles before pulling up before the circus gates.

Tomorrow: The Death Coronation.

# SMATTER POP—By C. M. PAYNE

HOW COME YA GOT STOOD IN THE CORNER

BECAUSE I ASKED THE LADY IF SHE COULD TASTE MAW'S CAKE

SHE SAID YES, AND I SAID I WAS PLEASED TO HEAR SO.

WHAT DID SHE SAY?

THEN WHO SAYS NEXT?

SHE SAID, WHY? AN I SAID, BECAUSE I HEARD MAW TELL POP, YOU HAVE NO TASTE

WHO SAID NEXT?

NODODY, MAW JUST THREW ME OUT!

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# TAILSPIN TOMMY—Another Hope Blasted!

WHILE TOMMY AND SKETER ARE PRISONERS IN "THE ISLAND IN THE SKY," LET'S PICK UP A SCENE AT THE NATIONAL AIRDROME IN MEXICO CITY

CORONEL, WE HAVE COMPLETELY COVERED EVERY FOOT OF THE TERRITORY ASSIGNED US! WE FOUND NO TRACE OF TAILSPIN TOMMY AND HIS COMPADRE.

BUT WE MUST CONTINUE THE SEARCH. MANNANA YOU START AGAIN, CAPITAN!

CORONEL, THERE IS HERE IN MEXICO, D.F. ONE FLYER KNOWN AS PANCHO PISTOLA—WHO KNOWS THE YUCATAN COUNTRY—

AH, SI! THE AERONAUTA WHO FOUND THE SPANISH PILOT! WHERE IS HE?

HE LIVES AT CALLE INSURGENTES, 247, CORONEL— BUT WE CANNOT CONTACT HIM—

HAL FORREST

# BEN WEBSTER'S CAREER—Friends?

GUESS HE GOT THERE IN TIME! HEY, WHERE YA GOIN'?

AH! NOW I'LL SEE SOMETHING!

WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT? THEY KNOW EACH OTHER!

EDWIN ALGER

# THE NEBBS—Lost Opportunity

I WENT OUT TO BUY ALL THE PROPERTY FRONTING ON THE NEW HIGHWAY NEAR THE HOTEL AND SOMEBODY HAS AN OPTION ON ALL OF IT!

IF I HADN'T BEEN SICK IN BED WHEN THE NEWS BROKE ABOUT THIS NEW ROAD, I'D HAVE HAD THOSE OPTIONS—I GET THE BREAKS BUT THEY ALL NEED REINING!

MAYBE YOU'D HAVE BEEN BETTER OFF IF YOU HADN'T GOT WELL— THEN YOU'D HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT— WHEN YOU GAVE THAT FREE-FOR-ALL PARTY NEW YEARS EVE YOU MADE A SPEECH SAYING IT WAS IN GRATITUDE FOR YOUR RETURN TO HEALTH!

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# OREGON TRAFFIC FATALITIES CUT APPROVE BUYING GAME REFUGES

SALISBURY, Jan. 16.—(P)—The annual report of the state department today revealed that motor vehicle fatalities in Oregon decreased from 518 in 1934 to 250 in 1935.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(P)—Approval of purchase of 23 new wild life refuges embracing 145,622 acres to cost \$858,827, was announced today by the biological survey.

# OREGON TRAFFIC FATALITIES CUT

This was considered an exceptionally good showing by Secretary Earl Snell, considering the increased number of cars on the road, and the fact that gasoline sales for the year increased 9.8 percent.

# APPROVE BUYING GAME REFUGES

Refuge approved for purchase and the number of acres included: Billzen valley, refuge, Oregon, 1,008 acres; Lake Malheur, refuge, 4,081 acres; Turnbull, refuge, Washington, 1,939 acres; Camas, refuge, Idaho, 8,888.