

# Casual Slaughters

By VIRGINIA HANSON

YESTERDAY: Sandra tells Kay she is afraid of Jeff. She stays in Kay's room while Kay goes to the Pennant's to help them plan parties for the bride and groom. When Kay returns Sandra finishes the typing of Kay's sweetest love story.

## Spot Of Detecting

"YOU send these right to the magazine," she said curiously. "I thought writers had agents to handle things for them."

"Good agents don't care to be bothered with pulp stories—there isn't enough money in them."

"You've sent these people other things? They know who you are?"

"Oh yes. I sell them a story every month or so."

"What becomes of it if they don't take it?"

"I enclose return postage and they send it back. So then I try someone else."

"How long before they send it back—I mean, if they don't buy it?"

"Couple of weeks, more or less."

"Do they ever lose a manuscript?"

"Sometimes, I suppose. I've never had one lost. But I keep a copy, just in case."

"People are always asking questions like that, but maybe I would have begun to wonder why she pursued the subject so relentlessly if we hadn't reached the post office just then. She stamped her two envelopes and stuck them in the chute without a second glance, but I was vaguely conscious that she kept her gaze riveted on the manila envelope while I inserted return postage, affixed the outer stamps and sealed the envelope."

"It's easy to look back now and say that I was stupid, that I should have known something was up. But what? What possible connection with the mystery could I assign to Sandra's voluntary assistance? She was imposing on me to the extent of asking to share my room at night. This, I thought, was her gesture of repayment."

"That was a break for me," I said as I turned Adam's car once more toward home. "How much would you charge to take the job on permanently?"

"I'll be glad to help you while you're here," she said seriously. "But I couldn't take any pay."

word for now. Be ready in half an hour."

With an impudent grin, he departed.

"And now we girls are going to take down our hair and have a good old gossip," Gerald announced as we sat down to dinner that evening.

Julia laughed so happily that people at a neighboring table looked around in smiling sympathy.

"You sound like Felicia," Gerald gave her a reproving glance. "I'm sure I don't know what you mean," he said primly. "Mrs. Bridewell is one of my dearest friends—and speaking of gossip, I've had some lovely intimate chats with her."

"Go on, Geraldine! Do tell us what she said!"

"Well, for instance—did you know that the late lamented Mr. Bridewell was a federal agent who was killed in pursuit of his duty? And that he was so hated by the criminal element that she moved away from her home and changed her name to escape the threats of his enemies?"

"Go on—she was pulling your leg," Julia scoffed.

Gerald looked crestfallen. "Do you think so? Well, you must you take the joy out of life like that? She even told me his name—Morse or Morris or something of the kind. And I had such a nice theory all fixed up—"

"Besides, FBI men are always young," Julia went on patronizingly.

"Oh, but you see Felicia isn't old. Her hair turned white because of worry over her husband!"

"Geraldine! You wouldn't be a little touched in the head, too, would you? But go on—what else did she tell you? Did she tell you about her little niece who was here for a visit in June?"

"No! And me so fond of the little tota too. Tell me, was she a dear little dimpled darling with golden curls? Oh, I must ask Felicia about her."

Nearly Blind  
"No, Gerald, don't. The poor kid is lanky and her hair is like black string. And she wears glasses—she's nearly blind. Felicia had her out at the beach one day—a happy little thing, about six."

I talked to her, and she told me cheerfully that her Aunt Felicia was going to take her to Chicago the next day to see a new doctor who would make her eyes strong. Felicia told me privately that the Chicago specialist was a sort of last hope—they weren't counting too heavily on the results of the examination. And apparently there was nothing he could do, for Felicia never mentioned the subject again, and I didn't like to bring it up. She brought the child back for a few days before she shipped her home, but they didn't come out to the beach again—kept indoors during the day. I saw them out walking one evening, and they both looked pretty subdued. Poor Felicia was like a different person while she was here—read to her, played games with her, never left her side. I would have thought she had a soft spot, but I guess that kid is it."

"Where does the child live?" Gerald asked, dropping for a moment his idiotic posturing.

"In New York, I think she said. Her brother's child."

"That! That proves it! I told you I had a theory. Ten to one Felicia lived in or near New York herself. Some of those terrible gangsters that you have over here—we're so much more clever about these things in dear old blighty—look it into their heads to bounce off her husband because he knew too much about them, and then they got chills of the pedal extremities for fear he might have told his wife. But, do you see, when they thought of that it was already too late for she had taken a blowout powder."

"You needn't laugh," he protested after our hilarious interruption. "I really like your colorful speech. What was I saying—Oh yes, so they got busy and traced her, which proved to take some time—how long has she been here by the way?"

## On the Radio Chains

Where to Find Them on the Dial:  
KEX, 1160, Portland; KFI, 640, Los Angeles; KGA, 1470, Spokane; KGO, 790, San Francisco; KGW, 120, Portland; KJR, 970, Seattle; KXN, 1050, Los Angeles; KOA, 830, Denver; KOIN, 840, Portland; KOMO, 920, Seattle; KPO, 630, San Francisco; KSL, 1130, Salt Lake.

Wednesday:  
8:00—Summer Show, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Green Hornet, KGO, KGA; Organist, KGW; Introducing, KPO.  
8:30—Boy Rhythms, KGO, KEX; Ricardo, KPO; Lewishin Stadium Concert, KNX, KSL, KOIN.  
9:00—Hoste and Her Guitar, KGO; Kay Kyster, KPO, KFI, KGW; News, KGA; Miller's Orch., KNX, KSL, KOIN.  
9:30—War News, KNX, KSL, KJIN; Easy Aces, KGO, KGA.  
7:00—Joy's Orch., KGO, KGA; Amos and Andy, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Hollywood Playhouse, KPO, KFI, KGW.  
7:30—Metropolitan Airport, KGO, KGA; Plantation Party, KPO, KFI, KGW; Dr. Christian, KNX, KSL, KOIN.  
8:00—Hour of Smiles, KPO, KGW; Adventures of Mr. Meek, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Sports, KGO.  
8:30—Mr. District Attorney, KPO, KGW; Question Bee, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Donahue's Orch., KFI; Baseball, KEX.  
9:00—Paul Sullivan, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Martin's Orch., KPO.  
9:30—Stanford U., KPO, KGW; Public Affairs, KNX; Kent's Orch., KEX.

KSL: Baker Theater Players, KOIN, 10:00—News, KPO, KFI, KGW; Juggins' Orch., KNX, KSL.  
19:30—Garber's Orch., KNX, KOIN; Duchin's Orch., KPO, KGW; Sady's Orch., KGO, KGA.  
11:00—Fitzpatrick's Orch., KSL, KOIN; News, KNX, KGO, KGW; This Moving World, KGA.

Thursday:  
5:00—Singing and Swinging, KGO, KEX; Music Hall, KPO, KFI, KGW; Major Bowes, KNX, KSL, KOIN.  
6:00—Quartet, KGO; Miller's Orch., KNX, KSL, KOIN; Crosby's Orch., KPO, KGW; News, KGA, KEX.  
6:30—War News, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Easy Aces, KGO, KGA; Concert, KPO, KGW.  
7:00—Fred Waring, KPO, KFI, KGW; Amos and Andy, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Kinney's Orch., KGO.  
7:30—Dorsey's Orch., KGO, KGA; Aak-It-Basket, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Good News, KPO, KFI, KGW.  
8:00—Strange As It Seems, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Aldrich Family, KPO, KFI, KGW; Sports, KGO.  
8:30—Symphony Orch., KPO, KFI, KGW; Herbeck's Orch., KSL; Anaver Auction, KNX, KOIN.  
9:00—Paul Sullivan, KNX, KSL, KOIN.  
9:30—Dance Orch., KPO, KGW; Goodman's Orch., KOIN.  
10:00—News, KPO, KFI, KGW; Juggins' Orch., KNX; Kent's Orch., KSL, KOIN; Safety First, KPO; Garber's Orch., KNX, KSL, KOIN; Priml, Jr., Orch., KGO, KGA.  
11:00—Owens' Orch., KPO; This Moving World, KGA, KEX; Buse's

## EDUCATION BOARD RENAMES MARKS

Portland, July 24.—(P)—Wilford L. Marks of Albany was named president of the state board of higher education for the eighth time at the annual election meeting here Tuesday.

## Hitler Lifts Ban On Public Dancing

Berlin, July 24.—(AP via Radio)—Germans may dance in public again.

By order of Adolf Hitler, Germans who have been forbidden to dance since April when the Norwegian campaign began, can now dance on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 7 p. m. onward, says the Berlin radio.

## WOMEN'S LEADER FAVORS WILLKIE

Tulsa, Okla., July 24.—(P)—Mrs. Roberta Campbell Lawson, former president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of America, declared today that "all independent Americans who still believe in democracy" should support Wendell

L. Willkie, the Republican presidential nominee.

Mrs. Lawson, with two former new dealers, John W. Hanes and Lewis Douglas, offered to work for Willkie's election.

"I've always been a Democrat, and am still a Democrat, and though I know there will be some who won't agree with me, my conscience is clear," Mrs. Lawson said.

Polio in Ellensburg  
Ellensburg, Wash., July 24.—(P)—With the report of two in-

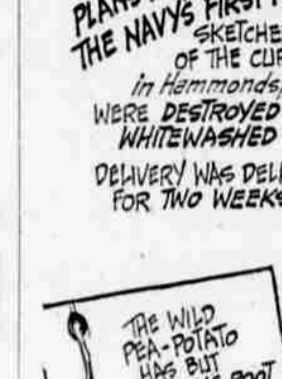
fantile paralysis cases here the park board yesterday ordered the municipal swimming pool and the children's wading pool closed and activities at the city playground curtailed sharply.

Tender Chicks.  
Felham, Ga., July 24.—(U.S.—H. T. Brooks, conductor on a train running between here and Doerun, Ga., reported today that his pet hen—which roosts in the tender—had hatched two chickens en route.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 3:30 p. m.

## STRANGE AS IT SEEMS

DOLLARS FROM SCENTS!  
KREMLIN'S LADY ELLIS -- pedigree bird dog of W.M. Ellis, "POINTED" A WALLET CONTAINING \$16! - Woodstock, Va. -



TELEPHONE CALLS FROM INDEPENDENCE, Va., TO SPARTA, N.C., ONLY 10 MILES AWAY, MUST TRAVEL 425 MILES!  
(Via Elkin, Winston-Salem, Roanoke, Radford and Galax)



## ICE CREAM CONES

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



GOES INTO STORE TO BUY ICE CREAM CONES FOR FAMILY WAITING IN THE CAR



HAS TO SHIFT CONES TO ONE HAND IN ORDER TO GET AT MONEY TO PAY FOR THEM



SHIFTS THEM BACK TO BOTH HANDS, DRIBBLING A LITTLE ICE CREAM DOWN HIS WRISTS, AND TRIES TO OPEN SCREEN DOOR WITH HIS FOOT



HAS TO SHIFT CONES AGAIN IN ORDER TO UNLATCH DOOR, GETS THROUGH AND RE-SHIFTS CONES, CLERK CALLING HE'S FORGOTTEN HIS CHANGE



GOES THROUGH WHOLE PROCEEDING AGAIN IN REVERSE, AND IS FORCED TO MOP HIMSELF UP WITH HANDKERCHIEF, ICE CREAM HAVING STARTED TO MELT



GETS OUT TO CAR AND FINDS FAMILY ARE OFF SOMEWHERE BUYING PICTURE POST CARDS

## TAILSPIN TOMMY

Who Else Does He Mean, Tommy?



WHY ALL THE MYSTERY OF OUR FLIGHT HERE, PAN? THE CHIEF SAID YOU'D GIVE US FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.



SURE! A PICTURE OF A FLOATING TARGET, A SEADROME, BUT ????



CORRECT! IT'S THE NEW INTERNATIONAL SEADROME IN MID-ATLANTIC, AND IT HAS HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR TRANS-OCEANIC PASSENGERS. IT WAS ANCHORED AT THAT SPOT YESTERDAY... BY THREE-POINT-TRANS-ATLANTIC AIRWAYS!



A SEADROME?? BUT WHY??? CLIPPER PLANES, TODAY HAVE CRUISING RANGE TO MAKE ROUND TRIP NON-STOP FLIGHTS TO EUROPE....

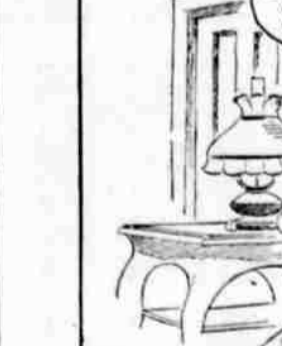


RIGHT! BUT OUR CLIPPER SHIPS CAN'T LAND IN FOREIGN WAR ZONES... SO YOU'LL HAVE TO LAND YOUR PASSENGERS AND CARGO ON NEUTRAL TERRITORY... SPECIFICALLY... ON THIS SEADROME!



...WILL HAVE TO SAY? DO YOU MEAN, SKIRTS AND I AM GOING TO FLY A CLIPPER SHIP?

## BEN WEBSTER'S CAREER—Help!



## THE NEBBS—Old Man Experience



## WELLES DENOUNCES SOVIET ABSORPTION OF BALTIC NATIONS

Washington, July 24.—(P)—Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, today denounced as "deliberate annihilation" the absorption of three Baltic republics—Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania—by Soviet Russia.

Although the Communist parliaments of the three small nations have voted to seek union with Soviet Russia, after red troops had moved into their countries, the acting secretary of state said the United States would continue to recognize the ministers of the Baltic republics as the ministers of sovereign governments now under duress.

German Ship Sunk  
Shanghai, July 24.—(P)—The 1,000-ton motorship Karsten, flying the German flag, was reported today to have been sunk off Ningpo, presumably by Chinese artillery fire. The ship had been plying between Shanghai and Ningpo for three years.