

# MRS. MURDOCK TAKES A CASE

by George Harmon Cox

Chapter 25  
O'Connor

"WHAT about the bonds?" Thorndike was not yet mollified and his manner continued hostile and aggressive.

"They haven't turned up?"

"No."

"We'd like the dope on them. Denominations, names, numbers, things like that."

"They're not registered," Thorndike said. "They're all coupon bonds. Clarke insisted on that. Anyone could sell them. I haven't a list with me but you can get one at my office any time."

"Good," Bacon said. "Then we'll know what we're looking for." He had pressed a button on the desk as he spoke and presently a plain-clothes man looked in. "Get Mr. Allen," Bacon said.

Della Stewart was on her feet when the door opened again and ran along the length of the table to meet Ward Allen, who stopped at the right of her eyes widening with surprise—and something else that might have been alarm.

"Oh, Ward!" There was a catch in her voice and she stumbled on. "You're all right, aren't you, darling?"

She put her arms about his waist, but even then he did not touch her, standing quite stiff with hands at his side, a straight, tall figure in chalk-striped gray. Only the pallor of his face suggested that anything was wrong; that and the tightness in his voice.

"What are you doing here, Della?"

She lifted her head. "I had to come. I would have come anyway. And you mustn't worry, darling. Please. Everything will be all right. I know."

Joyce caught the strange remoteness of his voice; so did Della. She drew back, looking up and searching his face. Only once had he looked at her and now his gaze was directed over her head and he seemed intent on getting her back to her seat as he touched her arm and turned her towards it.

Della went along in front of him, her eyes hurt and bewildered. She sat down and looked at the table.

Vaguely, Joyce heard Bacon introduce O'Connor, but it was not until the investigation began that she could really listen to him, her eyes on the grim lines of Ward Allen's face.

"There's no stenographer this time," Bacon was saying. "All I want you to do is give Mr. O'Connor the real story of what happened the other night."

**Tight Spot**

"YOU'RE in a pretty tight spot," Mr. Allen, O'Connor said. "If you can explain—"

"I've already told the lieutenant my story," Ward Allen said. "Yesterday morning."

"I read that part," O'Connor said. "But there's more now."

"Is there?"

"A lot more. Where did you get the gun you threw away at about eleven thirty the night before last?"

Joyce stared in dismay, hearing Della's muffled gasp.

Without moving, Ward Allen seemed to flinch. His cheeks grew ashen and although the protective mask he had fashioned to hide his feelings was still pretty good something had happened to him. Inside he was scared and shaken; it showed in his eyes.

"Well, Mr. Allen?" O'Connor said.

"I'm afraid I don't follow you," Allen's voice was cold again. "What gun is that?"

"Was there more than one?"

O'Connor was leaning forward a little, smiling. Joyce hated him right then because something told her that in this battle of words the District Attorney's man held all the cards. Allen looked across the table saying nothing.

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## On the Radio Chains

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### Wednesday

5:00 p. m.—H. V. Kaitenbom, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Nelson Eddy, KEX, KOIN, KSL; Flying Patrol, KEX, KGO, KJB; Stars of Today, KGW, Walrus Rhythm, KPO.

5:30 p. m.—Dr. Christian, KSL; It Happened in the Service, KOMO; KGO; News, KGO; Harry W. Flannery, KEX, KOIN.

6:00 p. m.—Shirley Temple in Junior Miss, KEX, KOIN; Those We Love, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Basin Street Chamber Music, KGO, KEX, KJX, KJB; Sports, KSL.

6:30 p. m.—Goldman Band Concert, KGO, KJB; Mr. District Attorney, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KEX, KGO, KJB; Great Moments in Music, KOIN, KSL, KEX; Kay Kyser's Musical Show, KPO, KGW, KOMO.

7:30 p. m.—Lightning Jim, KGO, KJB, KEX; Suspense, KOIN, KOIN; Army Recruit, KEX, KOIN.

8:00 p. m.—Earl Godwin, KGO, KEX, KJB; Amos 'n' Andy, KEX, KOIN, KSL; Point Sublime, KPO, KGW, KOMO.

8:15 p. m.—Glenn Miller's Orch., KEX, KSL, KOIN; Lum and Abner, KGO, KEX, KJB.

8:30 p. m.—Dr. Christian, KEX, KOIN; Paul Martin's Orch., KPO, KGO; Manhattan at Midnight, KGO, KJB, KEX; News, KSL.

9:00 p. m.—News Here and Abroad, KGO; Organist, KEX; Down Memory Lane, KEX; Most Honored Music, KGW; Studio, KJB; Highlight Hour, KOMO; Light and Mellow, KPO, Sports, KSL.

9:30 p. m.—Teddy Powell's Orch., KOMO; KGW; Sing for Dough, KGO; News, KSL; KJB; Northwest Neighbor, KOIN; News, KEX; William Winter, KEX; Who's Who on the Home Front, KOMO; Toast to America's Allies, KPO.

10:00 p. m.—Reporter News, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Del Courtney's Orch., KGO, KEX; News, KEX, KOIN; Chamber Music Society, KJB; Masterworks of Music, KEX, KOIN.

10:30 p. m.—Freddie Martin's Orch., KGO, KJB; Sports, KEX, KSL; Harry Owens' Hawaiians, KPO, KOMO; Broadway Bandwagon, KEX; Moonlight Sonata, KGW; War Time Women, KOIN.

11:00 p. m.—Organ, KPO; Lud Gluskin's Orch., KOIN; This Moving World, KEX, News, KGO, KEX; Dance Orch., KGW; Folk Music, KJB; Evening Reveries, KOMO.

## Navy Attacks ON JAPS IN ALEUTS TOLD BY WITNESS

Thursday

5:00 p. m.—Jim Backus Show, KSL, Maurice's Orch., KPO, KGW; Flying Patrol, KEX, KGO, KJB; Stars of Today, KGW; Afternoon Dances, KEX; Eyes of the World, KOIN; Dance Orch., KOMO.

5:30 p. m.—Death Valley Days, KSL; Clete Roberts Reports, KGO, KEX; Harry W. Flannery, KEX, KOIN; Folk Music From Many Lands, KJB; Afternoon Dances, KEX; Streamlined Fairy Tales; Parade, KPO.

6:00 p. m.—Major Bowes Original Amateur Hour, KEX, KSL, KOIN; Music Hall, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Sur Les Boulevards, KEX, KJB; Voice of Victory, KGO.

6:30 p. m.—Fifteen Minutes From Broadway, KGO; News, KEX; Armchair Cruises, KJB.

7:00 p. m.—How I Do It, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Rudy Vallee Show, KGO, KEX, KJB; First Line, KEX, KOIN, KSL.

7:30 p. m.—Red Ryder, KGO, KJB, KEX; March of Time, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Time Out For Melody, KEX; Leon F. Drews, KOIN; Musical Memories, KSL.

8:00 p. m.—Amos 'n' Andy, KEX, KSL, KOIN; Fred Waring in Pleasures Time, KPO, KOMO, KGW; East Godwin, KGO, KJB; Flowers for the Living, KEX.

8:30 p. m.—Death Valley Days, KEX, KOIN; Fanny Brice, KPO, KOMO, KGW; This Nation at War, KGO, KJB, KEX; News, KSL.

9:00 p. m.—News Here and Abroad, KGO; United We Sing, KEX; Down Memory Lane, KEX; Old Times, KJB; Company at Ease, KOIN; Toast to America's Allies, KPO; Maudie's Diary, KSL.

9:30 p. m.—Freddie Martin's Orch., KGO, KGW; Maudie's Diary, KEX, KOIN; News, KJB, KSL, KEX.

10:00 p. m.—America's Town Meeting of the Air, KJB; Reporter News, KPO, KOMO, KGW; News, KEX; On With the Dance, KEX; Five Star Final, KOIN; Masterworks of Music, KSL.

10:30 p. m.—Sports, KEX, KSL; Carl Kalash's Orch., KOMO, KPO; Broadway Bandwagon, KEX; Moonlight Sonata, KGW; Sports, KEX; War Time Women, KOIN.

11:00 p. m.—Swing Your Partner, KPO, KGW; This Moving World, KEX, KJB; News, KGO, KEX; Dance Orch., KOIN; Evening Reveries, KOMO.

## Evacuees Describe Work of Young Fliers — Native Aleuts Scatter to Camps.

An Alaskan Port, July 15—(P)—In the first eye witness account of operations against Japanese occupying Kiska in the western Aleutians, evacuees from a lonesome Aleutian island described the courageous work of young navy fliers who blasted enemy forces with thousands of pounds of bombs in continued attacks.

They told, too, of a futile Japanese bombing of an unprotected Aleutian island, witnessed by natives who hid in a near-by sod hut awaiting evacuation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. McGee, Indian service teachers, said a force of navy pilots dropped their flying boats into their little harbor one evening after Japanese had occupied Kiska.

**Sink Transport**

Then, for two days and nights, McGee said, the navy pilots, working in two-hour shifts, dropped bombs on the Japanese at Kiska, sinking a large transport, a submarine, and other ships; downing two defending Japanese Zero fighters.

(Attacks on Kiska and sinking of Japanese warships by army and navy aircraft have been announced in navy communiques, and the evacuation of natives and whites from Atka and the Pribilof islands was reported June 26.)

"The young navy fliers got tougher after each raid," the teacher reported. "The procedure was to fly high over Kiska, dive through the clouds, level out, sight objectives and then dive to bomb from about 300 feet. There were two zero fighters there for the first attack. These were shot down."

**Pilots Puzzled**

"Some of the pilots were puzzled when they scored direct hits on a large transport and it failed to go completely under. They found that rocks were holding the smashed vessel up."

Mr. and Mrs. McGee (she was an ex-marine from San Diego, and her home is Ottawa, Kansas) turned their schoolhouse over to the navy for barracks where the pilots grabbed catnaps. Most of the planes came back with bullet holes in their pontoons. The McGees remedied that by donating the school's stock of pencils which were broken and stuffed into the pontoons to keep them floating.

Then, the McGees reported, a Japanese reconnaissance plane was sighted. The navy ordered the evacuation, and the fun was over, with the score much in the navy's favor.

While the navy was using their village as a temporary base, the native Aleuts had scattered to fishing camps. The navy pilots left for their home base, and a vessel took the McGees and 62 of the natives.

The Japanese attack on the island was described by Steve Gardner, young chief of the natives, who was among 24 left behind by the vessel. He and his

## tribesmen were hiding in a barabara, or sod hut, near the village when Gardner sighted five four-motored Japanese bombers coming in from the east.

**Hit Vacant School**

"The planes' first target was a small island in the harbor, used only the day before for stores of gasoline," Gardner related. "Next the bombers made two trips over the village, and scored a hit on the vacant school house. Then they dropped six bombs—all wasted."

Returning, the enemy planes swooped low to machine gun villages. Then they left, roaring directly over the hut in which the natives hid, unharmed.

Gardner and his 23 companions were flown out the next day by two navy planes. None of the Aleuts had been in a plane before. Said one 68-year-old native: "Very good ride. Alla same like duck."



**BUXOM BRITON**—Largest quartermaster stores in England are run by Corporal E. C. Watt (above), mother of eight children, two of whom are in the armed forces. Formerly Mrs. Watt served in the A. T. S., driving a truck.

## STRANGE AS IT SEEMS

by JOHN HIX



**CHARLES STEWART PARNELL**, great Irish statesman, ALWAYS WORE 2 OVERCOATS, EVEN HIS STATUE IN DUBLIN HAS 2 COATS!

**PARNELL**  
Charles Stewart Parnell, 19th century Irish statesman, fought the cause of "Home rule for Ireland," and was acquitted of charges for outrages committed by an extremist Hibernian faction. Named in a divorce suit, the subsequent disgrace ruined his career and did irreparable damage to Ireland's fight for freedom.

**CROW SONG**  
The song of the crow was mentioned by Shakespeare, but many naturalists ignored it until recent times.

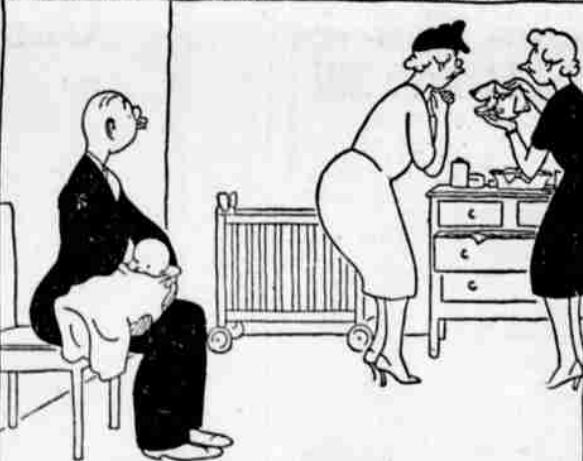
## Navy Patrol Boat Aground at Gate

San Francisco, July 15—(P)—An eighty-three foot U. S. naval patrol boat ran aground early yesterday on the Seal rocks near the entrance to the Golden Gate, but the ship's company of three officers and 10 men were rescued by breeches buoy.

The men, under the command of ensign W. B. Sims, were treated for submersion and exposure, but no one was injured seriously, the navy announced.

## THE WORLD AT ITS WORST

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



## Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- Form of musical composition
  - South American animal
  - Straightness of the margin
  - Charm
  - Withdraw
  - Live up
  - About
  - Jointed brittle
  - Peacock butterfly
  - Play point
  - Untruth
  - Young demon
  - African antelope
  - Nodules
  - Old-time dagger
  - Derelict from collection
  - Female deer
- DOWN**
- Free from defect
  - Rhythmic swing
  - Pinpoints the lip
  - Coat of certain animal
  - Island in the Aegean Sea
  - Light, woody substance
  - Old-time
  - Pottery weight
  - Pronoun
  - Size of coal
  - Green letter
  - Symbol for nickel
  - Hiked
  - Registered nurse
  - Kind of pastry
  - Derived from fatty or oily substances
  - Household utensil
  - Long abusive speech
  - Serpents
  - Cubic meters

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### Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle

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**NOT A CAGE**—But an engine nacelle in a Canadian over-haul plant surrounds this pretty girl worker.

