

1 GAVE THAT \$5,000,000 TO PRUDENCE PIMPLETON, SO SHE COULD AFFORD TO MARRY MY BABY!!

-BUT, NOW, THAT HORSE-FACED THING CAN AFFORD **NOT** TO!! SIGH!!-PLAN NUMBER ONE, FAILED!!-AND SO, ON TO PLAN NUMBER TWO!!

I CAN REVEAL THE IDENTITY OF MISS PIMPLETON'S SECRET BENEFACTOR. **ME!!**

THIS IS **BIG NEWS!!**

IT'S-CHUCKLE!!-BIGGER THAN YOU THINK!!-I'M THE LADY IN RED!!

GASP!!-THE FAMOUS INTERNATIONAL CROOK!!

HERE'S A LIST OF THE SUCKERS I STOLE THAT MONEY FROM!!

DIAMOND JIM BRADY-ANDREW CARNEGIE-COMMODORE VANDERBILT-NELSON EDDY!!

SO, TELL THE D.A. TO GRAB IT BACK FROM THAT PIMPLETON SNIP!!-AND NOW-**GOODBYE!!**

SHE'S NO LONGER RICH!!-AND THEREFORE-CHUCKLE!!-NO LONGER POPULAR!! SHE'LL COME CRAWLING BACK TO HIM!!

(-AND NOW TO GET MY BABY A RAISE--SO HE CAN AFFORD TO MARRY **HER!!**-)

WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU, MADAM?

ARREST ME!! I'M THE NOTORIOUS LADY IN RED!!-

SORRY, MAM-BUT I LEFT MY GUN AT THE STATION. IF YOU COULD MEET ME THERE, TOMORROW----

USE MINE!! (-IT'S THE SOB-LEAST A MOTHER CAN DO!!-)

THANK YOU!! **STICK 'EM UP-YOU OLD HAG!!**

LATER

99 YEARS!!

(-ANY MOTHER WOULD MAKE THIS SACRIFICE FOR HER BABY BOY!!-)

FOSDICK-I RAISE YOU TO \$32.50 A WEEK!!

A \$10 RAISE!! I CAN MARRY MISS PIMPLETON!!

THE LADY IN RED

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AND VAL MUST CHOOSE HIS OWN SON FOR THIS DANGEROUS WORK. THOUGH THE YOUNGEST AND SMALLEST, ARN IS YET THE MOST NIMBLE RIDER OF THE LOT.



BEFORE THE STOUT WALLS OF CARLISLE, CIDWIC KNOWS DEFEAT AS HIS ARMY Melts AWAY. HIS MEN HAVE SERVED THEIR ALLOTTED TIME AND ARE ANXIOUS TO RETURN TO THEIR FARMS AND VILLAGES TO PREPARE FOR THE COMING WINTER.



BUT GIDWIC IS A MAN OF ACTION: HE ORDERS A SWIFT RETREAT. IF HE CAN REACH HIS STRONGHOLD BEFORE KING ARTHUR'S ARMY ARRIVES, HE MAY HOLD OUT UNTIL WINTER PUTS AN END TO THE FIGHTING. AND HIS ARMY GROWS AS IT CATCHES UP WITH HOME-BOUND STRAGGLERS.



A SCOUT RIDES IN WITH WORD OF THIS MANUEVER. VAL KNOWS THAT IF IT IS SUCCESSFUL THE WAR MAY GO ON FOR ANOTHER YEAR. HE SENDS HIS SWIFTEST MESSENGER TO THE KING.



AND THAT MESSENGER IS ARN.



ONLY SIR KAY'S OUTPOST STANDS BETWEEN CIDWIC AND HIS STRONGHOLD, AND THAT SMALL OUTPOST MUST HOLD OUT UNTIL THE KING ARRIVES.

NEXT WEEK-Conflict