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### LAST INSTALLMENT

Theodore Ashton faced the Theo. pseudo officer and sized him up as he made his concluout int sions. "Mr. Officer, I demand put m. to see your authority and your papers.

The man besitated and cast a sur-reptitious glance at Bolton. He opened his coat to display a badge which he as quickly covered. "This isn't any affair of yours," he mumbled to

"Ashton, you've got enough on your hands to take care of already with-out interfering with the law," Bolton

Marcia rose from her chair and stood by her escort. "Theo, don't pay any attention to this man. He is an impostor and I know his game. He came in on the same train I did, and shadowed me in the South.

"That's all right, dear, but he is

he does any more impersonating," against the wall, Theo declared, "Call this number and get Brown and Kearns here at

"Come on, Jim." Bolton advised We'll attend to this case tomorrow.

"Oh, I guess not, Bolton. You'll do well to go on your way. I'm not just ready to settle matters with you yet, but if you aggravate the situation I'll change my mind.

"Who in the hell do you think you are, anyway?" Bolton hissed, as he made a move to reach into his pocket.

But the big man was not quick enough, and he looked into the muzzle of the gun Theo held on him.
"Either one of you that makes a
move is a goner," Theo warned, as
Marcia returned from the phone booth.

#### Bolton Arrested

Brown and Kearns entered the cafe and took charge of Bolton and his companion. A large automatic re-volver was found on Bolton, and he was booked on charges of carrying concealed weapons.

Taking Brown aside, Theo

his request, then returned to Marcia to partake of their long delayed meal. When they had finished, Theo escort-ed Marcia out to a cab and they were driven rapidly to his home, where Theo's mother greeted Marcia with the love which had continued to grow for her

Theo called Harry Bruce by phone, Theo called Harry Bruce by phone, then turned to the two women. "Mother, I'm going back to the police station. You are appointed Marcia's temporary guardian until next Thursday. This is her new home, and she is entirely in your hands," Theo laughed and embraced the two women.

"And, son, she'll be well guarded."

"Don't worry, dear. I have no de-"Don't worry, dear. I have no de-sire to go any place until this trou-ble is over, and I'll be perfectly happy and content to stay right here with mother." Marcia smiled as he held her tightly. "But you be care-ful and don't form the habit of stay, ing away from home. It won't last ing away from home-it won't last

Back at the police station Theo found much activity, even at that very early hour in the morning. Sevvery early hour in the morning. Several squad cars left the place with full instructions. The officer in charge called Theo to his side, pinned a detective badge on his vest, and authorized him to carry a revolver. To the last aguad of officers, including Brown and Kearns, he detailed his orders.

"You are in charge of Ashton, to whom is due the clews and evidence we have to work on. Follow out his orders and co-operate with him in every particular." Turning to Theo, he continued, "Ashton, bring in every character that has been mixed up in this deal, and go the limit in rounding them up. That means everying them up. That means every-body. Now go and do the job up right. The other squada have all been instructed as to what to do."

#### Foo's Place Raided

In the big squad car with Theo and Harry Bruce there were five detec-tives, including Brown and Kearns, and the chauffeur. The car passed the entraffees to Foo Chang's Paradise and proceeded around to the lonely looking barbecue stand. The party filed into the place, and Emm the busy proprietress, each into the ing patrol. Downstairs the raiders crept, and then action began.

With drawn guns and police axes, door after door was broken open and men and women of all nationaliwere herded into the waiting patrol wagons. The ranks were rap-idly filled by uniformed policemen who took possession of opium outfits and the inmates.

Leading his own squad, Theo finally found the secret passage where he had so recently battled for his life, and with hasty instructions to the men, left on guard, he, with Brown and Kearns, retraced their course to the street and entered the blind alley. This led to what pur-posed to be a private garage, and

going to do some expiaining before the several attendants were lined up manager's side, Theo forced the as-

With his gun poked against the

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