SERIAL STORY

THE EDGE OF DARKNESS BY WILLIAM WOODS

THE STORY: As Major Ruck press resilency in his room, wall-ing for the boat that will carry the to strict, his altention is al-fug and to Sistus Andresen, com-fig and the Sistus Andresen, com-fig and the Sistus Andresen, com-fig and the Sistus Andresen, com-diants, to black his suframes to the building.

PENT UP ANIMALS

CHAPTER XIV

SIXTUS ANDRESEN'S knock a the captain's door was very quiet. He had to repeat it before he heard a "Come in," barked from the other side. Konig was stand-ing spread-legged with his back to the entrance, examining a large the entrance, examining a large map of Norway pinned on the wall, "Yes," he snapped, without turning

"Good morning." "Good morning." "Yes." He wheeled, hands locked behind his back. Sixtus stood in the doorway, small and thin, swept off his plain black hat with the hint of a flourish, and nodded very constantion. His success which back hint of a flourish, and nodded very courteously. His sparse, white hair was carefully combed back. His lean body, looking almost pinched in the old black suit, assumed a pride and dignity that made it seem taller than it really was. "Good morning," said the cap-tain, a little more quickly.

tain, a little more quickly. Sixtus nodded. "My name is Six-tus Andresen. I am the schoolmas-ter of Troilness, retired seven years. Your men came to see me years. Work in the see me lind enough to offer me forty-eight hours to move my things. What little odds and ends I have, and my books, you know." Sixtus sat down. His eyes fell en a box of cigarets on the desk.

on a box of cigarets on the desk. "Do you mind?" He leaned for-ward and took one. "What with the scarcity these days, it has been some time since I have smoked. "What do you want?" the captain asked.

Another moment passed. Then Sixtus said slowly, "I thought it only right, considering that you ate de facto commandant of the

"You can see that I am very busy." Konig spoke more gruffly than he had intended.

than he had intended. "I know. I hope you will for-give me. I am heing selish. You see . . ." and Sixtus gazed for a moment, smiling, at the gray smoke from his cigaret, "you see. I am a scholar of the science of thinking, so to speak, and you . . . you are a scholar of the science of war. So we are more or less broth-

war. So we are more or less broth-ers, and I am sure we will under-stand each other." Konig thought of his plan. This old fellow might have more sense than showed on the surface. "You datter me," he said, also smiling, "I don't imagine I have as many books as you, but in my own way

out?" The question came, sharp and imperative. The captain frowned. "I don't think you understand." "It must be a very fine light not to go out in so much dark-ness," said Sixtus. He spoke slow-ly, as if he were thinking of some-thing quite different. "Why did you want my house?"

"Why did you want my house?" he asked, finally.

THE captain started. "Well," he said. "Well, I hardly... For a blockhouse, to be sure." He stopped himself and picked up a cigaret. "But what was it you wanted to see me about? You still have an hour and a half. I sure. wanted to see me about? You still have an hour and a half. I sup-pose you came to ask for an ex-tension of time. If that's what it is, we may be a little lement in your case. How much time do you want?" While he lighted his cig-aret, he kept a shrewd eye on the old man's face.

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Sixtus closed his eyes and fell back. "You forbid, do you? You forbid?" The captain forced him across the room, shaking him all the while like a cat, kicked the door open with his boot, dragged him out to the porch and thrus him tumbling among the soldiers. "He forbids," he roared. "This ani-mal forbids!" He stood straddled in the doorway, hands on hips, and the sunight flickering over his face. "I give you forty-five minutes to clear everything out of his house. And him too. Clear him out. We have no room for philoso-phers. He is to be cleared out. That is an order." And he wheeled back into the hotel and alammed the door behind him. Sixtus lay where he had fallen, his mouth a little bloody, and his eyes still closed.

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. . . THE men came toward him slowly from all sides. The soldier he had called a Slav was at the head of a group that came from the steps, dark and heavy, with a head mouth and heavy,

the steps, dark and heavy, with a broad mouth and narrow eyes. Sixtus turned, as if only half compresending, and wanting to escape between them, but some-body pushed him back. They for-got about the mailboat they had been waiting for. They were all watching the one he had called a Slav. "You don't like us very much do you?" the Slav asked. The old man smilled with his bloody lips. "That is right." The soldter lashed out and struck him in the face. The blow came like a signal. Their heads all lifted. One or two winced and turned away. The Slav struck him again. "That's how we treat ani-mals like you," he cried. When the old man feil they plunged for-ward, and dragged him down the

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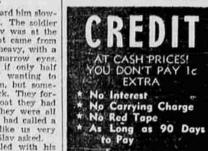
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IRAQ WAS TELL ME ALL ABOUT

Out Our Way By J. R. Williams

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MANY ANOTHER JOB, JUST AS DARING AND DIFFICULT, LIES AHEAD. NOT ALL WILL SUCCEED, BUT IF EACH ONE RECEIVES THE SAME CAREFUL PLANNING, INTELLIGENT EXECUTION, AND UN-SELFISH CO-OPERATION OF ALL CONCERNED, THEN I KNOW WHICH SIDE IS GOING TO WIN THE WAR!

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They closed in with kicks and

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down meaninglessly. The red leaves stirred gently in the autumn wind,

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