As Red struck the match at th

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side of her face was illumined by th

light in the assistant cashler's office

and-could it be true?-yes, Doyle wa

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******** Alias Jimmy Valentine"

Novelized by FREDERICK R. TOOMBS From the Great Play by PAUL ARMSTRONG

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SYNOPSIS.

Warden Handler of Sing Sing prison and Detective George Doyle endeavor to prevail on Bill Avery, a released prisoner, to search out information against a for-mer "pal," a young convict known as Jimmy Valentine. Avery refuses, and

Doyle and Handler threaten to attack him. Valentine had a trick of opening safes solely by the sense of touch. Avery goes. Lieutenant Governor Pay, his beautiful nices, Rose Lane, and two women workers in a rescue mission visit, the prices. the prison. Warden Handler hears Rose Lane tell

how she was rescued from a thief on a train, and he is amazed at a coincidence. Convict Jimmy Valentine, No. 1389, is brought into the warden's office to open a safe as an object lesson to the visitors, and Rose recognizes him as the man who saved her from the thief Cotton.

Valentine says he can't open the safe, enraging Handler. The lieutenant governor and Rose talk with Valentine. Rose pleads with Fay to aid the young prisoner, who is handsome even in Sing Sing

Pay promises for Rose's sake to ask the governor to pardon Valentine. A stormy interview occurs between Handler and

Valentine waits patiently in prison for news. Finally he is pardoned and goes to Albany to thank the governor, Lieutenant Governor Fay and Rose. Valentine refuses positions offered by

the rescue mission workers. To his amazement, he meets Bill Avery and a former coworker, Red Flanagan.

ment, he means are covered and Avery try to dissuade Jimmy from "going square." Detective Doyle appears, and Red and Avery hide. Doyle wants Valentine to tell him where Avery wants to rearrest him. Valentine to rearrest him.

Doyle departs, threatening to send Val-entine back to Sing Sing prison. Avery now tries to kill Valentine. Valentine finally agrees to "go it crock-ed" again, but a note from Rose brings him back to his former determination to

be honest "In spite of the coppera."
Rose persuades her father to give Valeatine a position in his bank in Spring-field, Ill. He and Red go to work in the

For several years Valentine works exand rises to be assistant cashier. He and Rose love each other, but Valen-tine knows Doyle is on his track and dares not tell her of his affection for her. A mysterious Mr. Cronin turns out to be old Bill Avery, now reformed and a man

Valentine receives a telegram from Doyle. He tells Red how he has planned to outwit the detective by means of a cleverly concocted alibi. Rose Lane tells Valentine she loves him

and that they are going to marry. Val-entine reveals to her his love for her. Doyle appears on the scene to arrest Val-entine on a charge of robbing a Massa-

chusetts bank many years before.
Doyle is astounded when Valentine announces that he was never in Sing Sing or in Massachusetts in his life and that his name is Lee Randall.

Doyle is finally convinced by a sensa-tional ruse employed by Valentine that Valentine is not Valentine after all. "I'll land him if it takes a lifetime," he says, Kitty, Rose's little alater, becomes acciin a new vault in the bank, Red Flanagan rushes in to "Ran-dall's" office, crying, "Jimmy, Jimmy!" Doyle recognizes Red and realizes that Randall is really Jimmy Valentine.

CHAPTER XVII. FTER a few moments Valentine shook his bend angrily and drew back a step from the

"Red, got a handkerchief?" he snap-"Well, get moving. Come on-blind fold me so that I can't see, so that every nerve will be centered on hear

ing the tumblers click-you know-th. nick blo "Sure thing." Red scrambled to his teet and has tily fied a handkerchief tightly around Valentine's land, completely covering his eyes. Valentine stepped back to

the vault, and Red crouched again at Deftly, intently, the ex-convict ma-

simulated the intricate mechanism of the vanit

"Hurry, Jimmy, that kid," urged Red, to whom the suspense was be oming unbearable.

"D-n you, be quiet! If you say another word I'll knock your head off -my hands are like tenther."

He again sandpapered his fingers. "You're bleeding!" exclaimed Red. "What of it?" returning to his task 'Don't talk, I fell you. I heard it elick-I missed it again" turning the combinuation slowly-"but a felt it that time-I felt the dog ifft"-Valen-

tine was intensely excited. "Red. there It is! Hurry with a match!" Red, well acquainted with the dutles required of him, by reason of thorough education he had received from Valentine in the past, had been waiting expectantly with a match rendy for the striking. At the word be illuminated the combination's

dial with a tiny flame. "What is it?" cried Valentine.

The other stretched himself upward and peered at the numbers on the metal soucer-"It points to twenty-one!" he ex-

claimed.

Valentine again drew away from the

"Sandpaper!" he cried. Red handed him another sheet. He rubbed his fingers softly across it. His raw, bleeding flesh could not stand more than the slightest contact with the rasping surface. "I'll feel every jar clean to my eyeballs now." he added. He turned the dial back and then forward and then four complete reverse revolu-"That's the way to get them. Red"-two more forward revolutions-"bare, bleeding nerves"-a half turn back-"raw, throbbing nerves-a toothache in every finfier end-ch. Redthere-match!"

After a moment: "Fifty-two!"

"How many bolts did this door have?" asked Valentine. "Did you notice?" He went on turning the dial.

"Thought so," jubilantly, "Can you hear her any more, Red? Red's ear was pressed against the crack of the vault door,

"No. And God knows I don't want

"Oh, yes, you do. So long as she calls we know she's alive"-turning the dial slowly back-"here we are again. If this is eleven I know this old rotation-match!"

"Eleven!" shricked Red joyously after a moment of racking suspense. "I've got it! I've got it!" cried Valentine. "If this is it, Red"-reversing the dial again-"she's ours in another minute. Match!"

Red struck another match. "Ten!" he cried.

A half turn of the dial forward. Valentine's sharp ear detected the of rescue to turn for an instant from

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sound as though another bolt had | their task drawn back. "Here we are again! Match!

"Forty-two," exclaimed Red. "That's it-forty-two-that's what it should be. Do you hear Kitty now?" "No. Good God, Jimmy, suppose, after all, she's dead?"

Two more turns of the dial. "Keep your nerve, old pal-there-

To George Doyle, standing in the doorway, the scene was one of gripping interest. The consummate, almost uhennny, skill of Jimmy Valentine was something to cause in the detective, experienced even as he was with resourceful and intelligent cracksmen, a thrill of genuine admira tion. No wonder Valentine had proved the despair of the safe makers, the banking officials and the sleuths of half a dozen states. And a lieutenant governor had pardoned him!

As Doyle surveyed intently the operations of Red Flangan and Jimmy Valentine in their superhuman effort to rescue their beloved little playmate. Kitty Lane, from the stiffing clutches of the steel vault be became aware of a sudden though very slight change in the darkened room, the windows of which, opening into a shaft, gave almost no aid at all to inquisitive eyes. He glanced across the room to the point from which the light seemed to



A GURLISH FIGURE APPEARED.

come and saw that the door leading from the assistant cashier's office had been partly opened. Next, to his after Honest, Jimmy, I don't believe amazement, he saw a plumed has thrust forward into the opening, and then a girlish figure appeared. The figure imited and turned its face to ward the vault where Red Flanagar and Jimmy Valentine were at work. In practically the same position ahimself, though at the opposite sid of the room. Doyle recognized that the girl could watch the operations of the two expert cracksmen without deneglect his work and glance in her direction, and, as he thoroughly appreciated, both Valentine and Flans

gan were too intent on their mission

in the opposite doorway was none oth er than that of the young girl whhad seen Jimmy Valentine in Warder Handler's office at Sing Sing and whhad prevailed on the lieutenant gov ernor to obtain his release.

Doyle's memory had not betrayed him. It was Rose Lane, who, return ing to her lover's office in quest of him, had opened the door of the vault room and had, just as Doyle had done. caught him "red handed." She moved forward a step, as though to speak. but her attention was attracted by Doyle, who moved slightly. She saw him put his fingers to his lips, coun seling silence. The girl therefore stood mute, watching the man she fondly loved "cop the gopher" in the

father owned. "One," announced Red as the match flared into a blue bright sulphurous

bank that between them she and her

"That's it! That's the old rotation!" cried Valentine enthusiastically. "Ten



"SHE'S DEAD," HE CHOKED.

off the first"-turning the combination-"then one-two-and three"turning the dial on the reverse-"then back, Match"

"Twenty-one!" was Red's frenzied response. Valentine tossed his bead back tri-

umphantly. "Twenty-one, that's it?" he almost "That's it. I've done the

Valentine tore the bandage from his eyes and, groping forward, gripped the handles of the vanit doors in his hands. He threw his weight back and tugged mightily. At first the eight inch steel barrier refused to move. Red, who had lunged to one side out of the way of his superior. gazed apprehensively at Valentine. tection unless either of them should fearing that after all there had been some mistake.

Then, of a sudden, the crack in the black, sheer, forbidding face of the great safe widened, and Valentine's body, tensely set, fell back as the ponderous door swung open.

And as it did so a wee, white clad body, crouching against the heavy door, rolled out on to the vault room floor and lay limp and apparently lifeless before Red Flanagan and Jimmy

"Get that kid," cried Valentine to "She's out, but I think she'll She needs air and a doctor. quick." With these words the exconvict, almost overcome by the excitement and the nervous strain under which he had been laboring, leaned exhaustedly against the cold steet walls of the vault.

Red turched forward, seized the moionless form of Kitty in his arms and dutched it to his breast. "She's dead," he choked, looking

down into her white, drawn face, her closed eyes and the tips from which the blond bad fled. "No: sho'll be all right in five min-

utes," histracted Valentine with as much force as he could muster. "Take her to the doctor on the corner."

Red straightened and with his helpess burden dashed through the door of the assistant cashier's room-only to come face to face with Rose Lane. who, in an agonized impulse, had drawn back into the office, hardly knowing what to do.

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