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Synopsis

When the United League season opens Pop Clark's New York Blues are a 200 to 1 shot, Terry Burke being the only sports writer to give them a chance at the pennant. In the Blues' first game Whitper, Philadelphia's star pitcher, is killed with a bullet through the heart after smashing out a home run. Both Burke and Larry Doyle, the Blues' rookie short-stop, for whom Clark's pretty daughter Frances had shown her preference over Whitper, are suspected at first by Detective Kelly. Death or injury cripple every team the Blues meet, and almost always Burke gets a beat for his paper on these sensational happenings. It is Burke who discovers it was a notorious gunman who sent four Boston players to the hospital with a bullet through their taxi tire. Dirkin, Chicago star, dies on the diamond from poison on a phonograph needle fixed in the handle of his bat. Pietro, Chicago's boy, disappears. Clark sends Doyle to Newark but he is soon sold to Boston. The Blues are in fourth place when they go to St. Louis, where Scotter, pitching ace, is found dead from gas given off by a mysterious powder in the box with a jigsaw puzzle sent to him anonymously. Masked gunmen truss Burke up, question him and warn him he knows too much. Rawlins, the Chicago manager, is hanged in a hotel room adjoining his own. Penny, Detroit's star pitcher, refuses to play against the Blues. Baseball's czar temporarily suspends the playing schedule and at a meeting of club owners Terry agrees to risk helping them uncover the murder gang.

"That has always puzzled me," Kelly admitted.

"A gang would have bumped me off and let it go at that. Instead, I was properly frightened. Why have I been allowed to go unmolested since St. Louis? I'm not dangerous at the moment, and I have police protection. The brain behind these crimes knows about my protection and will not risk exposure and a mix-up with the police."

"Where is Pietro?"

"Either dead or held captive somewhere."

Kelly scratched his head. "If it ain't a gang, then we have to begin all over again.

"I'm worried about Doyle," Terry said. "He is being too spectacular now for his own good. If he stands in the way of the pennant, he will be sure to go. They won't quit now. Murallo may come into it at a time like this. He won't want to see the Blues lose when just one man will mean success for his bet."

"You've something on your mind. What is it?" Kelly asked.

Terry began at the very beginning and elaborated his theory from the first murder right down to Planer's strange poisoning. "I may be wrong," he finished, "but it's an idea, anyhow."

"What do you want us to do about it?" Kelly asked.

"Nothing, but keep an eye on me. If I give you the sign to lay off, quit watching me."

"Why should you want us to stop watching you?"

"I am going to make myself very objectionable. I'll write things that you won't understand, but the murderers will suspect my meaning. It might help a lot if I were kidnapped."

"They won't stop at kidnapping. They will polish you off and where will you be?"

"I don't believe they will. They may take me and hold me. They may set a trap for me. If they do, I'm going to walk right into it."

"I think you are all wet. If they want to get Doyle, they can do it any time. They don't have to wait until a game is being played."

"That's where I think you are wrong. If Doyle is killed in the ball park during a game, if his death means victory for the Blues, can't you see the demoralizing effect it will have on the Washington team?"

"Maybe the Washingtons won't be able to keep their lead?"

"If they don't, we will have to watch whichever team is likely to beat out the Blues. It looks like Washington now. I had a letter from Larry the other day and he says the team is beginning to get nervous."

"Will you keep me posted on your plans?"

"Sure, but I'll have to watch the standings of the teams carefully. In the meantime, keep your eyes open."

"It hardly seems possible that you can be right," Kelly said doubtfully.

The next day Terry began a new series of articles reviving the earlier murders. "It's rather obvious that the police are on the wrong track. The murders have been carefully planned and executed to fool the police and misdirect attention. Why aren't the police convinced by now that it is not gangdom in the accepted sense which is behind these crimes? Tinkey of St. Louis, Dorfer of Chicago and Bernstein of New York, are anxious to have these mysteries solved. Murallo has a clean bill of health from the police. Given the power of the police, it is this correspondent's firm belief that the culprits could be brought to justice before they could do more harm. Gangdom does not permit itself to be mulcted by gangsters, so the answer is that gangsters are not behind these crimes."

These were a few of the sentences with which Terry interpolated his articles. They caused a great furor in the press of the country. Other writers suggested that the Star, since its staff knew so much, be allowed to solve the crimes. Terry was pleased by the reaction of the press. It was exactly what he had hoped would happen, so far as publicity was concerned, but nothing had happened to him. Not even one of those melodramatic warnings had come through since his articles began. He began to fear that the criminals were going to trust to luck and hope that the Blues would overtake the Washington team and win. A good psychologist would be willing to take that chance because the Washington team was worried.

The games went on until it reached the point where there was no question of the outcome of the pennant race. It had to be either the Feds or the Blues and the betting on the outcome of the series became very wild. The last series between the Blues and the Feds was to be played in Washington. There had to be two games and one double-header to finish the schedule and every fan in the country focused his attention on the outcome of the four games to be played.

"It's now or never," Terry said to Kelly as he started for Washington the afternoon before the first game of the last series was to be played.

"Just what are you going to do?" Kelly asked.

"Im going to see Doyle and have a long talk with him and tell him what I suspect, so that he can have his eyes open and be prepared. I want Doyle watched every minute of the time."

"But why should he risk his life because you have an idea?" Kelly was insistent.

"I'm going to tell Doyle the whole story, so that he can be on his guard."

"If they try to kill Doyle, how will they do it?"

"I don't know what they will do or how they will do it. They may not even try. If the Blues win the first game, they may make no effort; on the other hand, if the Blues take the first and the Feds the second it will be bad. The Blues must win three out of the four games. Would you quit now if you had been operating this thing?"

"No."

"And I don't think they will quit, either. We've got to be on the jump for anything that might happen."

"And suppose they get you—what then?"

"That's the chance I'm taking. If I disappear you will know where to look and whom to watch."

"That's just the point, I won't know where to look, at all!"

"I'll try to get a message through to you somehow," Terry promised.

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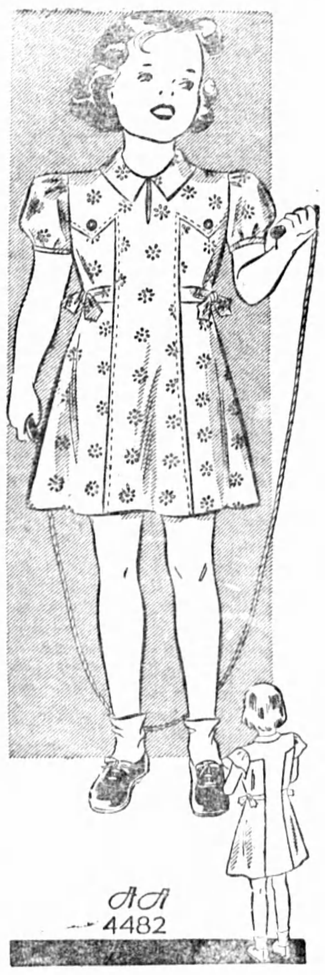

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3 To 1 Chance That Flyers Still Alive

Viljalmur Stefanson, Noted Explorer, Holds Out Hope for Russian Aviators

Chances are about 3 to 1 the lost Russian trans-Polar flyers are still alive, Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Arctic explorer, said this week as he rushed additional purchases of silk tents and concentrated foods from New York for Sir Hubert Wilkins' rescue expedition.

Weather reports prepared by Stroker Storkenson, a member of Stefansson's 1913-18 Arctic expedition, while drifting on ice in the Arctic ocean at this time of year, have been telegraphed in summary to Fairbanks, Alaska, for the use of the rescue pilots, he said.

"The Russians are believed to be in the neighborhood of 82 or 83 degrees north latitude and 146 west longitude," said the explorer.

Provided They Landed Safely

"The chances they are alive are good provided they made a safe landing.

"North of 80 degrees, where the flyers were last heard from on their flight from Russia to the United States, the ice at this time of year is fairly level, whereas south of that latitude a landing would be difficult, the ice being furrowed by channels of rain water and by thawing."

Fog Was Too Thick

Stefansson said Sir Hubert's search party passed close to the spot where Sigismund Levanevsky and his five companions were believed to have been forced down. He reached longitude 92.10 north and latitude 145 west but fog was so thick nothing could be seen. Sir Hubert is now waiting for favorable weather before taking off again.

The Russians should have no difficulty in finding food, Stefansson said, the Polar bears, which can smell a camp at a distance of 12 or more miles, would come to investigate. Seals also should be obtainable, while the sea beneath the ice is full of marine life, such as shrimps.

In mid-Winter of 1918 Strokerson made a journey north from the Alaskan coast by dog sled and drifted on the ice for about six months. During September and October he drifted along a line about 450 miles south of the point where the Russians are believed to be.

Stefansson obtained a copy of Storkerson's weather observations from the Canadian Department of Mines and Resources at Ottawa and forwarded a summary to the rescue expedition.

Film Star Has Private Army

Victor McLaglen Maintains Force of 700 Men

Film stars have many ways of spending money, but the strangest—and perhaps the most useful—is surely that adopted by Victor McLaglen, famous for his tough, he-man roles. He has invested $150,000 of his fortune in maintaining a private army.

Seven hundred strong, the force is highly organized, and has been in existence for three years. It has all types of units, including a horse brigade 250 strong, and an air force of 30 machines for which there are 150 qualified pilots.

The only things the army does not possess are guns, yet the organization is run on strict military lines. Every member, on joining, pays an entrance fee of $60, and has to provide his own horse, aeroplane, or motor-cycle, according to the unit.

The uniform is a gay one of light blue, and when the army carries out route marches through Hollywood, all the young women turn out to see the troops swing past, with McLaglen, on a magnificent horse, at their head. He is the army's colonel-in-chief.

An American magazine recently aroused the army's wrath by describing it as a Fascist organization. It is nothing of the sort, its leader declares. It is non-political and non-sectarian. The only oath its members take is to uphold the American Constitution, and to be prepared to support the authorities in the event of large fires or floods.

Women Do Not Steal For Gain

There Is Tragedy Behind Almost Every Case of Women's Thievery, Investigation Shows.

American investigators have just completed a strange probe into crime—the crime of embezzlement by women. They wanted to find out what prompted seemingly respectable women to betray their employers by embezzling funds.

Analysing 400 tragic lives, the investigators found that the average embezzler was about 35, and had no criminal instincts. She lived in a respectable suburb and did not drink, gamble, or speculate. Then why did she steal?

The answer is that she has to make up the wages of an inefficient husband who could not earn enough to keep the home going, or provide comforts which misfortune had made impossible.

One woman stole $150 to buy her crippled husband an artificial limb, and having done this she promptly confessed.

Another woman, a spinster of 50, found loneliness too much for her, and when a charming stranger came along to pay her ardent attention, she threw respectability to the winds and stole $12,500 in an attempt to get him out of the trouble which he confessed he was in. She never saw the money again—nor the man.

Women, declare the investigators, never go in for riotous living on the money they steal. Behind almost every case there is tragedy, the tragedy of poverty or loneliness.

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Paint rolls can be applied cheaply and rapidly, it is claimed, and one layer covers blisters, cracks and bad spots very effectively. What is more, the manufacturers say that it will last from ten to 15 years in the worst kind of weather!

Uncover Tools of "Mystery" Race

Hammered Copper Implements of Lost Indian People Found on Oneida Lake, N.Y.

Hidden for more than a thousand years on the shores of Oneida Lake, a "mystery" Indian civilization has been turned up by a field party from the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences.

Hammered copper implements and an unusual variety of pottery were discovered underground, said Dr. Arthur C. Parker, director of the museum. Never before, he said, has hammered copper been found underground, although plenty has been picked up on the surface.

William A. Ritchie, assistant archaeologist of the museum, who headed the party, said that the articles found by his men show skilled workmanship. There is evidence also that the ancient workmen changed the forms of their products. For example, an adze was reshaped to a chisel. The field has yielded barbed harpoons and barbed fishhooks.

Five or six skeletons were dug from a large bone pit. Dr. Parker said he believed that the ancient people lived between 1,000 and 2,000 years ago.

Jam-Jars Cure Echoes

Preachers at All Saints' Episcopal Church, Inveraray, Scotland, labored under a long-standing difficulty whenever they tried to give a sermon. None of the congregation could hear them because of the echoes.

Now jam-jars have solved the problem. Long rows of jars, placed in various parts of the church, have banished the confusing echoes.

Home Hints

By LAURA KNIGHT

Dressed Up Fruit

At this time of the year your family will want fresh fruits morning, noon and night. Between meals and for breakfast they will want it plain and unadorned, but at dinner and supper time they want it in desserts that looked "dressed up."

There are a variety of ways in which you can serve the fresh fruits that are so plentiful right now and one of the simplest is by combining them with jelly. It is easy to use and you can make inspired desserts in a few minutes. Another advantage of combining fresh fruits with jelly is that sometimes you get a batch of fruit that is not as flavoury as usual but the fresh, fruity flavour of the jelly will liven up the fruit and make a tasty dessert combination. Besides accentuating the flavour of fruits, jelly adds rare and beautiful colors to desserts as well.

The following dishes are party looking concoctions made out of simple things. The children love them because they are so pretty and you will love them because they are so good for the children.

Two of these desserts are fluffy, pastel colored moulds in lovely shapes and two are clear, colorful and jewel-like-plain jelly powder combined with fruits in out-of-the-ordinary, attractive ways. Fresh Plum Snow, Pear Whip, Peach Nests and Apple Cider Tang, — tempting names and the desserts are just as tempting as they sound.

Fresh Plum Snow

1 package raspberry jelly powder.
1 pint boiling water.
1 cup plum pulp, slightly crushed.
¼ cup powdered sugar.
2 egg whites, unbeaten.

Dissolve jelly in boiling water. Chill. Combine plum pulp and sugar. When jelly is cold and syrupy, place in a bowl of cracked ice or ice water, add egg whites, and beat with rotary egg beater until fluffy. Add plum pulp, folding gently, and let stand until slightly thickened. Pour into individual molds. Chill until firm. Unmold. Garnish with whipped cream, if desired. Serves 8.

Peach Nests

1 package lime jelly powder.
1 pint boiling water.
3 fresh peaches.

Dissolve jelly in boiling water. Cool slightly. Pour part of jelly mixture in to 6 sherbert glasses, filling each ¼ full. Chill until firm. Pour remaining jelly into shallow pan and chill until firm. Slice peaches onto firm jelly in sherbert glasses. Cover with remaining jelly, cut in cubes. Serves 6.

Pear Whip

1 package strawberry jelly powder.
1 pint boiling water.
1 cup pear pulp.

Dissolve jelly in boiling water. Chill until cold and syrupy. Place in bowl of cracked ice or ice water and whip with rotary egg beater until fluffy and thick like whipped cream. Fold in the pear pulp. Turn into mold. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve with whipped cream, if desired. Serves 6.

Apple Cider Tang

1 package lemon jelly powder.
1 cup warm water.
1 cup sweet cider.
1½ cups red apples, cut in matchstick pieces.

Dissolve jelly in warm water; add cider. Chill. When slightly thickened, fold in apples. Turn into individual molds. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serves 6.

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