## The Gringo Privateer

By PETER B. KYNE

SYNOPSIS.

Kenneth Burney, adventurer and onetime gentleman, comes to Bradley Bardin, king of the cattle country, for a job.
Burney has had a fight with Martin
Bruce, a rival cattle owner who has been
stealing, the king's stock, aided by Mignuel Gallegos, a Mexican bundit. The
king, liking young Burney, makes him
general manager of the ranch on condition that he put Bruce and Gallegos out
of the way. Burney meets Bruce, who
has sworn to kill him. They both draw
their guns, but Burney outwitts the wily
old cattle thief.

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Meanwhile Muriel Bardin, beautiful daughter of the king, becomes interested in Burney. She tries to persuade her father not to let Burney tackle the cattle thieves. But Burney continues to lay his plans for the battle that is sure to

## CHAPTER XV .- (Cont'd.)

Bonita is certainly worth fighting for, Tom. It's well watered and I never did see such a thick growth of grama grass anywhere eise. So the situation has resolved itself to this. We've got to keep a force of men down there sufficient to stand off Gallegos. That's switched off the light, too expensive and dangerous. To leave our cattle there alone and unprotected means that presently every head of stock we've got there will disappear. That's too expensive also. So the third alternative is to go down there and wipe this fellow Gallegos and his men clear off the map! And that's the plan I've adopted."

"Ain't no other out," the gloomy Quaker assented. "But Art Graydon, Fledsoe reported to the new general he never suggested that an the king manager. "Well, I lave thirty good in computing movement of the moon couldn't on account o' bein' respon- men signed up for thee, Mr. Burney," and in forecasting future eclipses. sible, if he did, for the killin' of a lot, he announced. o' his good men. An' then there's the. international complications to consid- horses have you got in the remuda?" er. Mr. Burney, the situation has sure had the king goin."

Well, he isn't sending me down I finish, antil he gets the news of the cuts, two palar inos, one sovieno and the prominences.

The prominences with the collar tied in scarf effect. were known to a nicely by every two block-and-white pintos. Here's the Changes in coronal forms shown by A brown leather beit defines the self-respecting thief, brigand, hold-up read non I can take care of two hun-list to aid your memory."

the successive spectra indicated vio-diced of the Galicons followers, but to "Gues we can fill that bill, Mr. lent motions in the inner chroma. Style No. 2775 is designed in sizes Khyber hills. arnined and have a centile plan of Bruce will keep clear of El Cajon Bon- automobile and these three are to be successful beyond expectations. A another bandit adventurer undertakes While I'm gone rake up a few men and veloping. This became a difficult silk pique.

ing the king's calves himself."

acts of his servants, Tom, and the use the ranch ear that day, servants will be easier to catch than the cautions Mr. Bruce. Once I get an indictment voted against him in this state he'll remain in Arigona; then some night we'll sweep down on his hendquarters on the Triangle B. manded. burn it, and run his criminal riders off . I want to borrow your car for the berry-shaped domes, were conspicuthe range, unless by doing good der day."

"This situation duesn't present any Wait a minute." plan and a ruthless tollow-through, me you want to borrow my car, Mr. Before I get through with Martin Burney." Bruce he'll self his range and all his aftle to the king and pair out of New ed it's a five-passenger one." Mexico forever."

has found the man, Mr. Burney., I'll going into Mexico," he replied jestbe right proud to help out."

"Thanks Tong I know you will. 11. expect to clean the structure up in Not to save me a forty-mile ride farmers have again begun to raise therty days, atthough unforeseen com- on horseback to Huachita?" plications may require more time. It

Ken Burney watched him depart rto the night. "Good old sergeantmajor," he narmured. "And what a the eastern veranda, reminded her, tain the horse is kept among the As with a stinging, flicking whip

blood-thirsty old Quaker you turned "Seems to me gan'te unnecessarily farmers instead of going away off It hurries on my pace. out to be." He picked up the tele- nasty toward that boy." phone and called the king. Muriel . "When you get through with him; Bardin answered. "I want to speak Rad, you should buy him a first-class to His Majesty," he announced,

not be disturbed. I'll take the mes-

I have raised Tom Bledsee's wages to after Burney's been killed." fifty dollars a month, because I have discovered in him a man after my own he and those three ruffians with him his strength, as does the average heart. If the king had been acquaint- going to do now?" ed even remotely with Tom Biedsoe, I

o other sweet lasts so long, costs so little or

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wouldn't be his general manager to

shrewd little smile on his humorous turn the job over to Tom Bledsoe right mobile mouth. Furious, she returned away, Mr. Burney? I'm sure it is not to the king.

when I return."

He lifted his hat and rode on, bu

(To be continued.)

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taken, Miss Bardin. I'm going to Sun Eclipse Gives

ney. I thought you were a gentle-"Oh, no, no, no. Nothing like that,

Miss Muriel. No gentleman ever gets the thrill out of life that I do. Il know, because I've been a gentleman. "Well, as a cattle range, El Cajon Now I prefer to be a roughneck." "That's much too bad, Mr. Burney.

Good night." And she hung up... "Poor old king," Ken Burney murmured, "she must be giving him a rough ride about me. As if it's any of her business," he murmured and

At the same moment Muriel Bardin stood beside the king's bed and de- on October 22. livered his general manager's message. Whereat His Majesty smiled a! s cisfied smile.

"I'm not going to invite him over to inner after all," Muriel announced. heretofore unknown wave length, "Jake with me," said the king, which showed itself at 6,770 angstrom Good night, honey."

Immediately after breakfast Tom hundred-millionth of a centimeter.

"Fast work. How many saddle east and west edges of the sun were "About three nundred."

with black points, five light cays with spectrographic lines of the coronium slenderly from the snug hipline, creat- along one of the oldest trading routes there. I've volunteered and he isn't blazed faces and white socks, five (chief constitutent gas of the corona) ing a very slim s lhouette.

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To start something with a same round up the "He's too smart to be caught brand- Art Graydon's chauffeur when he was blown in by trade winds. not otherwise engaged, and he had "A master is responsible for the to report that Mr. Graydon planned to and detail were obtained, especially

CHAPTER XVI.

Ken Burney telephoned the king. "Well, what now." His Majesty de-

feetive work, we are gode his; to land ! Sorry; Ken. I haven't one, but I'll ask my daughter to loan you hers.

insuperable obstacles, Tom. All it res !- The minute passed and then Muriel quires is some resolution, a definite Rardin came on the line. "Father tells beginning and end of totality."

"It you please, Miss Muriel, provid-It is. What do you want it for "All the king has a ver housed is the and where do you wish to go?"right general manager and in the he . Want it for a murder car. I'm

> fingly. "You can't have it."

would the fair to have a good man. You have a leart of stone," he re- of these faithful creatures. The delike you marking time on the same old pixed and hung up. Half an hour later cline salary so from the first of July your she saw him, on his pinto horse, ac- mules caused the farmer to take a salary samped fifty dollars a month." companied by three heavily armed lower price for his grain and hay and Or wildly race the heaving waves Thunks. That makes me the high-riders, pass down the road in front of it made farming more expensive be- From skyline to the ships riders, pass down the waved to her; cause of the high prices of power or on the petal of a rose, A bevelled crystal gem rell. con't it?" Bledsoe replied pride- she shock her small fist at him, where- machinery and the running of same. fully. He rose. "Well, I recken I'd at he drew a carbine from the saddlebetter be off. I'll tell the boys of thy boot and eshibited it. "I may never farm will mean increased prosperity

"Who cares?" she cried back. "I do" the king, from his seat on and money spent to rear and main-

passage to China and give him a let- sentiment but can be verified by talk-"About Tom Bledsoe?" she queried ter of introduction to Chang-tso-lin. ing to harness makers and dealers Chang could doubtless use him at a who report increased sales of har-"His Majesty has retired and may huge salary to murder missionaries." ness and harness equipment. Farm-"Is that so?" said the king. "Well, ers as a class are kind and considerwell, well: Notice that horse he was are of their horses, and the outdoor "Wery well. Tell him please, that riding? That's the one you fall heir life of the farm horse 's confincive to

"I shall not accept him. What are does not work as hard according to "I should say, offhand, however that he's going down to El Cajon Bon-

ita to bump off Miguel Gallegos.' "Oh, Dad, this is dreadful." "Interesting; at any rate."

"You must stop him." The king dropped his chin on his east and commenced to snore loudly. "Then I'll stop him," the girl cried." His Majesty opened one eye and

axed upon his progeny. "Why?" "I don't want him to kill Miguei Gallegos." "That the only reason?"

"I dont want Miguel Gallegos to kill him."

"Why?" "Because-"Who cares?" he taunted her and commenced to weep. "Hey! Hey!" said the king. He was instantly distressed. Very well, honey. You hop into your car and overtake Sir Knight and tell him your father says he is not to kill Miguel Gallegos today unless Miguel Gallegos kills him first; in which event imagine those three rowdies with

him will take care of Gallegos." Ten minutes later Ken Burney and his riders pulled off to one side of "And better fish you've never seen." | football team." the road to let a car go by. To Ken's amazement it stopped, and Muriel

fishmonger has made a mistake again. "My father says you're not to kill He's charged us for eight."

What New York Miguel Gallegos today," she cried ex-Is Wearing He touched two fingers to his fore

nished With Every Pattern

head in the Oriental sign of fealty.
"I hear and I obey. I hadn't intended BY ANNABELLE WORTHINGTON killing him today, anyhow." "And you are not to permit him to Illustrated Dressmaking Lesson Furkill you, either, Mr. Burney."



New Data on Moon Discovery of an Unknown Niuafou Island-The discovery of a ew wave length in the spectra of the sun's corona and further information on the movements of the moon were announced recently by American scientists as the fruits of their observation of the solar eclipse here on October 22.

Spectrographs obtained by Dr. -S. A. Michell, scientific head of the American Naval Observatory expedition, daught manifestations of the units. An angstrom unit is one-

Coronal disturbances on both the 'A lightweight brown and white ried peace along the road to Kabul recorded. These appeared to have flecked woolen that is outstandingly His was the influence that protected had their origin in eruptive promi- smart with deep buttoned hipline. "Cut me out six bays, two buckskins bonces. The detail shown in the The box-plaits of the skirt fail moved with their armed protectors

going to know when start or when blacks or very dark bays, five chests did not resemble that exhibited by The neckline is especially becoming his figure, and his skill with a revolution of the cuts, two palar hos, one sovieno and the prominences.

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Lessful we must be superbly Burney. We got all colors in that These disturbances could be traced to 14, 16, 18, 20 years, 36, 38 and 49 the message came to his office about

ton crepe with white crepe collar. diverge, once the action is joined. Once wearing two guns each. I'm going to Development of photographic plates Dark green crepy woolen is lovely place was exactly indicated. The obvious the Gaileges gang. Martin Hunchitz in the general manager's indicated the expedition had been with eggshell faile crepe silk collar, ject of the raid was detailed and the ita and it will be a long time before my bodyguard. Hand-pick em, Tom. shortage of fresh water delayed de is ultra-smart with collar of white whole, it promised to be an ably-

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I rather like the sound of rain As steadily it falls spectrum were obtained both at the Upon the upturned, shining leaves, Upon the paths and walls.

It plays a fairy kettledrum Upon a roof of tin: While each drip in the water-butt Sounds like a mandolin.

rather like the smell of rain, noticeable that horses and That earthen, woody scent, mules are coming back on the farms The thirst of gardens being quenched of the Middle West. | For a time it | In pungent, deep content; looked as if their day was over, but The warm aroma of the moss Beneath some gnarled old tree; horses and mules. This is because Or, walking on a sandy shore, they are coming to realize the value The tang of rain-swept sea.

rather like to see the rain From skyline to the shore; A bevelled crystal gem; The return of more horses to the Or clinging to a spider's wcb

Upon a bracken stem. to the farmer because what the horse eats comes directly from the farm, I rather like to feel the rain never to return, as is the case when But though I rather like all these,

When all is said and done, This item is not a piece of mere To tell the truth, must confess I much prefer the sun!



"You've go; a cold, old man." A fish story is generally weighed "Yes. Don't know how I caught if but it scems---

Well Placed

"Well, my little man," said the fond

"Fine," replied the boy, without

looking up from the newspaper re-

grandfather. "How are you getting

and found wanting. Too many spend. resterday what "Now, look here. I know a sure they were going to save to-day. No man can think well of himself cure—that is, if you take it right away." who does not think well of others. Cavemen used to knock girls sense-"No use. Seven men have made me

less, but now that is no longer neces- promise to try theirs first and I can't

on at school?"

What a jolly old world this would any good at all. Sorry." commenced to snore again. Muriel be if we could see others as we see ourselves. If you want to see a small boy look ungrateful, present him with a manicure set.—Answers.

Caught Again

How many fish was it you caught on Friday, Jack?" she asked. ports of the afternoon football "Six, dear," returned her husband. matches. "I'm centre-forward in the She looked at the bill in her hand. "I thought so," she replied. "That father.

"And your lessons?" asked grand-"I'm right back in the lessons," re plied the boy.

Chivalry on the Indian Frontier

Afghan Border Told by British Official The Kohat Road is shut. No Europeans are allowed beyond the barriers of the British camps. And the old Frontier game at which there is none so cunning as the Afridi and his nei. bouring tribesmen, is-with intermit-

tent lulis-much, in the news with a

bigger stake for the winner than has

Adventure Over the

ever been offered before. So it is easy, in reading brief official communiques, to remember a night, little more than a year ago. when I slept amid the frowning hills over the Frontier, the wrong side; of the barbed wire.

There is something uncanny about passing over that theoretical line that divides India from Afghanistan. There is something in the look of the pinchfaced Bengalees, aflutter with fountain pens, who let you go through. There is something thrilling in the last salute of the British-Indian sentry. There is a "lost" feeling as you pass from the orderly array of a British camp to the wilderness, and the loneliness of the bleak land that nobody claims. Here in these hills had been en-

acted adventures which read like the old story books of danger, daring, and often chivalry. In these villages there had been whispered the names of Englishmen who had impressed their personality and their word on even the hardiest of the mountain chiefs, so that they could do no wrong. And it was one such, now retired to a pleasant and honorable obscurity in South Kensington, who told me a tale of the Frontier which shows the

chivalry of the wild lands. He was Political Officer for the Khyber. His was the word which car the caravans and the tribes which merchant, and ransom expert in the

"Thanks. Send over to me three of sun's surface and, as far as is known, It's perfectly stunning in black can the proposed murder and looting that the message came to his office about night. The time was given. The Wool jersey in the new raisin shade Political Officer thought that, on the thought-out, systematically executed

And also, he added, an entertaining evening, though only in the course of his routine.

Picked Men Picked men and personal arms were arranged five miles away. An orderly ty-five-foot horizontal camera, con- patterns as you want. Enclose 20c in brought the Political Officer's twoseater round to the office. A junior it carefully) for each number, and European applied for an evening's Beautiful coronal streamers, with address your order to Wilson Pattern "fun." And just as night was falling with especially interesting straw Service 73 West Adelaide St., Toronto. in its abbreviated imitation of a West ern dusk, the "brains" of British discipline in the Khyber drove off to the

.The car was not going well that night. Headlights were witched on; and two miles from the rendezvous the car entered a tiny ravine where a mountain path crossed.

The Political Officer cursed bleakly and staccato as he pulled at the hand brake. The little car skidded and stopped, engine stalled. And in the light of the headlamps the man who sat his horse in the centre of the road jerked his rifle sharp to his shoulder and fired.

.There was a cry from behind him, and he laid his rifle across his knee. The shot had gone wide, and at sound of that voice the Political Officer quietened the impulsive rising of his junior and sat at ease at the wheel of the car.

The Procession

Then from the mountain road there emerged a curious procession. It was headed by the man who had given that order. He swaggered into the roadway. He fronted the lights bravely enough. He had his rifle slung His attitude, you would say, indicated that he cared neither for Political Officers nor their juniors.

The car was one of those which, go ing, went on going. Did you still its reverberating engine, however, i needed a walk round to its imposing bonnet to swing at a handle.

The armed procession crossed the road. There were more mounted men. there were armed tribesmen, then a rope, then the elderly, bent figure of a Hindu, attached to the rone, then more rope; and in single file the half-dozen remaining members of one of the boldest and most actively-operating looting bands in the Frontier Hills.

The watching horsemen in the road wheeled and ioined his leader. They waited with the calm of men who have waited for years, and can wait for another five minutes to see what an unarmed Political Officer, at the wheel of an ancient car with a stalled en gine, will do in strange circumstances The Political Officer fumbled in his pocket. Slowly he drew dut a pipe; then tobacco. He filled the bowl and stuck the pipe in his mouth; let the

match flare up to light his face as he applied it to the brown strands in the bowl. Then he opened the door. Paving great attention to his pipe, which did not seem to please him, he walked to take yours right away, so it won't be the front of the car. Half a swing

. . the engine coughed and died

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Half a swing . . . worn and dirty plugs gave hesitating spark to sluggish petrol. The Political Officer walked back to the wheel, examined! his pipe again and turned the little ground again in turned a very pale car round in the narrow road not very face to the pilot skillfully, while the two silent watch-ers waited. "Sure and begoingth, but I thank your waited."

It is perhaps to the credit of the Indian Civil Service that the Political Officer did not swear before he had only had one traversed a mile of the journey back to camp. The raid had been over before he started. The prisoners had been taken. The loot had, been hidden. The victims had been perhaps already disposed of by the peculiarly artistic means, known to that particular tribal leader. And another rich caravan had paid the price, in spite of the ceaseless vigil of the British

in the Khyber. The Political Officer's language was startling, however, on the following morning as he sat at his desk reading the daily pile of personal letters which awaited him.

The junior, then in the room, left. The orderly, methodically slitting the envelopes with an ivory knife, inadvertently cut a headquarter communique in half. The table shook its paraphernalia from the crash of his fist

on the table. Yet it seemed an ordinary enough etter for a Political Officer to receive. The envelope was cheap and trans parent. The writing was careful and neat-the hand of a village profes sional writer. There was but one sheet inside. It read:

"Dear Sahib .--"It was indeed fortunate that I re cognized your Honour's motor car. 1 was indeed an act of Allah that I was able to warn my men to spare your life. It was your Honour's wisdom that brought him tunermed along the road. Would your Honour remembe in the future not to drive along dangerous roads at night without a

"Yours faithfally," (The signature was a thumb print)

At Grips "Is your wife at home?" askell Mrs. Pilson, of her neighbour's husband, "No.' he replied: "she's out with

bunch of prizefighters." "Prizefighters?" echoed Mrs. Pilson "Yes." returned the husband sorrow

fully. "She went to a whist-drive." Skeptic's Argument

lieve in burglars."

Little Mae, four years old, when told that a noise from the cellar was a burglar, replied, "Oh, but I don't beTwo in One

It was Paddy's Erst trip in an aeroplane, and which he reached the

The pilot looked puzzled. "Two rides," linkechoed. "But you've

blied the Irishman. "No. two." "My furst and larst and all."



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