CHAPTER XII

WITH A GENERAL FOR

ESCORT

For a reason best known to his Ma-

Albert Hardisty to go out of his way

The thin smoke, from the moors'

tings and traceries of the great cath-

A lean cat crossed a lawn beneath

a huge cedar. The five-fold west win-

Carol snuggled into her coat

The admirable Hannah had

scuttled her cat and had put aside

her parashutist-chopper. As though it

were the most usual thing for a dis-

tinguished and highly decorated Gen-

eral to arrive at the house at one in

the morning, escorting its daughter,

John Gilroy's study. Everything was

just as Carol had said it would be-

there was the coddled Irish setter,

Hardisty laughed, and explained.

she primly showed them into

opened on the table.

cherrywood pipe.

confide in this man.

a low, dry laughter.

his work I want to talk."

knows him as 'Karl Eisenhausen."

The solicitor slowly removed his

got to his feet and moved to the windows, motioning Gilroy to follow him.

"Does this look out on to the Close?"

"Yes," the puzzled solicitor replied,

"it has a view across the Close to the

"I shall be careful of your black-

out, Mr. Gilroy," the General ginger-

he inquired.

Cathedral."

The lawyer slowly expanded into a

burning, was not unpleasant here.

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PRINCIPAL CHARACTERS

GILES MORETON: Twenty-five, handsome but temperamental. Reputed to be a former R.A.F. pilot, invalided out. Now works as an inspector in the Lowood tank plant.

CAROL GILROY: Daughter of local solicitor, who has taken up war work as a viewer in the Lowood plant. She is interested in Moreton, who mystifies;

HECTOR FLANAGAN: Works superintendent. Hostile to Moreton.

"RATTY" HELME: Progress clerk, who toadies to Flanagan. MAJOR - GENERAL SIR ALBERT Moreton recognibed a Jewish refugee, HARDISTY: General-Officer

wood works are situated. CAPTAIN CALTHROP: Intelligence Flanagan's skull. Officer on Hardisty's staff, specially interested in security questions.

Captain Calthrop drove, soberly, into the crimson blast of Lowood. Fused telephone wires sprang about his wheels and jangled. Golden blizzards of burning heath sped overhead. He ignored them for his thoughts.

This fellow Moreton was revealing himself anew at every turn. Here he had shown a mysticism, a lyricism, profoundly at variance from the hardened and supercilious casement he exhibited to ordinary observation.

There was an odd power in his personality which Calthrop found most difficult to analyse-a power which could resolve discordant complexities into strangly simple forms of harm-

A light waved through a billow of smoke. Men clustered the road, waving and shouting.

"Hey! Pull up there," came one raucous shout. "You're running slap into a bomb crater!"

Calthrop pulled up. Getting out they saw a huge depression barricaded by hastily interlocked larch poles. A special constable, looking important, strode forward-an impressive effort. "Why now, gentlemen, and where

might you be bound for?" "Oy!" roafed a jovial voice, "it's our own little orphan, come back from the storm! Howdy, Giles!" Fruity Flintoff, the fat inspector with a penchant

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for carolling extempore jingles, stepped up. He carried three dead and horribly singed rabbits, an exceedingly bald grouse, and a tail-less pheasant. "What-ho, m' bonny boy! Look what Hitler's given us, off rations!"

But Moreton was not interested in Fruity's giant humours. He looked I'd fell you! So bite on that!" beyond him-at the narraw and vicious face of Hector Flanagan.

And, beyond Flanagan - to a tered shape, which came out of the smoke and drew, menacingly near, to the machine-shop superintendent, Com- a Czech called Banni-who rocked on manding the district in which the Lo- agonized feet and slowly lifted an iron bar-to crush in the unsuspecting

CHAPPTER XI DEATH CLAIMS ONE

As he saw the iron bar raised above Flanagan's head, Morton was paralysed for a second, in a frightful clamp of facination.

Ludwig Banni meant murder. That iron bar had only to describe its arc, and the problem of the renegade Flanagan would be solved. Convincied of the superintendent's complicity in the sabotage work which had already taken place. Moreton was ions strangely inclined to the evil of compounding with this fearful thing. Of all the sins, he had so recently said to

All this flashed through Moreton's mind with incredible swiftness. Then, fascination fled. He yelled a waning

and leapt forward. Everything became confused. Men room. became aware and shouted. Hector Flanagan cowered away. The bar

almost at his feet. Banni carried off his balance by the stroke, collapsed upon it as it clanged and splashed fire from the road metal. on the ground and he mouthed hoarsed gibberish which Cathrop recognized as Czech but could not understand.

bent over the man, urgently.

"Banni! Banni!" he railed the torlanguage, "pull yourself together. Leave things to me! I think I know why you attempted this crime. If you are sensible I can keep you free-free, Banni! Can you hear me-free! You ly, "soviel ich weiss-" don't want to see the inside of another prison, do you now?"

The mention of that one word "prison" was all-sufficient. Ludwig Banni crossed his arms over his chest, shrinking. His burst and stringy fingers pluckd at his mouth and chin. His wild, burnt eyes looked up, with manacal lights in them at Moreton. He trembled coarsely, and was silent.

"Now then, what's all this here to-The special constable, whose overweening importance had so amused Fruity Flintoff, put out rough hands

to yank Banni to his feet. "No you don't!" Calthrop snapped

Moreton flashed him a grateful look "Good man," he applauded. "So the spurs are going to sprout at last, eh? I've been waiting for your-asser-

After which sryptic utterance he interposted himself between Banni and the constable Calthrop, remembering something, rushed back to the

"This poor fellow," Moreton rapidly told the policeman, "cannot be held in any way responsible for his actions. he's halfmad, delirious if you like that better, with pain. He-"

"Cut it out, mister! Don't you interfere wi' me in the execution of mi dooty. I saw that bloke tek a swipe 3 Days of Nazi Brutality at Mr. Flanagan, and I'm running him for it. Don't know who you imagine y'self to be-but come on, out o' my road, will you?"

> Fruity Flintoff had taken off his inspector's white linen coat. An in-

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had somehow contrived to keep it his tired face. presentable throughout his "Well, and what's the night's fire-fighting. Gently the giant here?" Superintendent Millwell preslifted the litle Jew and began to cov- sed forward, but halted when he saw er him.

the stilly shape under Flintoff's linen Moreton noticed Flintoff's horror as coat. "Oh," he gasped, as he slowly at the annual meeting of the Timmins he saw Banni's bare back. The flesh saluted, "I-I didn,t know. Who-is it was corrugated by long purple marks, "Merely," said Moreton, in a hard, livid folds, time-healed. cracked voice, his eyes closed and his

"Gestapo rubber truncheons did throat working, "another Jew that, long ago," Moreton made a bit- has died upon a hill." ter aside. "He was once in a consentration camp." Then Moreton turned again to the ill-cast special constable "Before," he gritted, "I'd allow you to attempt to imitate their methods I- chiavellian self, it pleased General Sir

It was then that Giles Moreton in cultivating Carol Gilroy's aquaintfound testimony to the ascendancy he ance. So soon as the raid was over he had obtained among his workmates, contrived, by some deft method, to shambling, half-naked, and redly-blis- One after another, five of the ma- leave his wife to her own occasionschine-shop personnel, tired men, while he gallantly escorted the girl to smelling of smoke and charred cloth, her home, in the Cathedral Close. ranged themselves quite grimly beween Banni and the constable.

"Lay off," one of them growled at Indeed, it had an aromatic and heady the constable, "Y' oughter be fair a- essence in its moonlit veils. Those shamed o' yoursel! Badgering a pore ghostly, golden vapours moved with a bloke what's very likely dying at yer breath-taking beauty above the fret-

Dying? Moreton flinched. For Lud- edral. wig Banni to die would be a calamity for his investigations. Moreton was convinced that Banni knew a tremen- dow of the fane reflected jewelled dous lot about the mysterious sabo- gleams, and a rain of most delicate teurs. He had been waiting, deadly in white ash sifted from the gentle his patience, for the little fellow's winds like the fall of midnight manconfidences. Cultivating Banni was na-on roses and clematis and cold one of the reasons for his association yews. with the Czechs and Austrians who! operated the bar-lathes - conduct eral, "I wouldn't have missed this which had aroused so many suspic- little walk for words! This-is peace."

By now Calthrop had returned. He looked at him. How very boyish were carried a box of first-aid appliances his eyes, just now. taken from the car. To Moreton's as-Calthrop, he held treachery to be the tonishment he noticed Calthrop was most abominable. Then ...let this tra- busy with a hypodermic syringe.

"It is all," Calthrop said solemnly, in answer to Moreton's stunned look of inquiry, "I can do for him, Didn't you know-I'm a doctor." He looked wry. "The Intelligence Corps' back-

"But-but he's not that-" "I'm sorry, old man. He cannot last; plunged down and struck the earth too far gone." He sighed. "A shot of and the book on Horatian discourses,

this will make it-easier." Banni's gaze caught the gleam of the syringe. He struggled upright and wildness went out of his face. He act-His blackened hands beat impotently ually smilled. But he waved the needle away.

"But-but he's not that-"

"I'm sorry, old man. He cannot last this will make it-easier."

Banni's gaze caught the gleam of contact into real friendship. mented Czech, in his own spattering the syringe. He struggled upright and wildness went out of his face. He actually smiled. But he waved the needle away.

"They lied to you. Is-is that why you

"That is why," answered the Jew. almost as good as that of Moreton's Karl Eidenhauson. he assured Banni that he, personally, denied that his friend was called "Ei- childhood.

and explanations to Calthrop's assur- to bed. ances-still Banni lay without expressing interest in either of them.

The blustering "special" had found moves. He placed a rotund sycamore The Advance noted twenty years ago mal school." "Daily newspapers have another opportunity for the exercise log on the fire, settled the tobacco jar that J. A. Legris had been elected of his talents. A motor cycle and a- and the whisky within easy reach, mayor of Haileybury for 1925 by a nother car were approching. He yell- then meditatively filled his big majority of 25 over Mr. Poppleton.

ed. valiantly ... er-flushed "special."

"Hello, Baxter, what brings you out Gilroys ran true to breed-elimina-

idly in an acknowledgment, and be- hearth-side, waiting the same hufor the constable could have his official say the rider had wheeled his machine and was on his way back to dignity.

From the car stepped Sergeant Pilbeam and Superintendent Millwell, of the Lowood police. The "special" stiffened and soon disappeared.

There arose a queerly plaintive wail fully, looked into his pipe-bowl. "So from Ludwig Banni; the disordered I'll have to risk your daughter's evencadences of a lament half as old as tual displeasure by asking you-do time-a mourning movement of sweet you know your-ah-future son-inminor chords, which Babylon might law very well? have heard from the captived by her was the whole long-patient travail of at his iron-grey thatch, then gusted I want you to peep out here." an infinite race.

looked up, read something from daughter wore her late mother's quarded the tall Georgian house. Moreton's pitying face, then weakly pearls for the first time. I noticed her "Not because I am here," the Gen collapsed until his head rested on | face."

Moreton's forearm. Asche gelegt," Moreton automatically interpreted: "lightnings, reduced to ashes." Then Banni muttered on, in Czech, his mother-tongue: "Too late Corporation, I understand." -too late. This thing have I left too late steel that is eaten tubes that rection: burn explode! Flanagan - take you man tubes-ashes of light- of the Foreign Office and one of our time in the near future."

Twenty Years Ago

There was only a small attendance

Board of Trade twenty years ago, and more than once during the evening the old question was asked, "Why do the merchants and others interested show so little interest in the meetings of the Board of Trade, and especially the annual meeting?" No one had the answer to that one. T. F. King, president for 1924, was in the chair. W. S. Macpherson, secretary of the board, presented his report for the year. The total membership for the year was 68, he said. "Should be many times that number," was the comment "The average attendance at meetings was 12," the report continued. Tha seemed beyond attempt at comment President King referred to the meeting of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade to be held in February at Timmins and urged that every effort be made to make the occasion a notable one. He said that smaller places like Cochrane, Englehart, Cobalt and other centres in the North had presented notable meetings of the Associated Boards and he hoped that Timmins would do as well the next month. Max Ryan mentioned the new rate on ties on the T. & N. O. Railway This new freight rate added about practically put the industry out of business in this part of the country. was nominated for president for 1925, 1924. two first named withdrawing in favour vote being polled.

The men had met before, in their to select. The Advance twenty years ago men- Knight was re-elected mayor of New official capacities-for Gilroy, as senior city Alderman and deputy Lord tioned that Mr. Chas. Pierce had re- Liskeard for 1925 by acclamation." "At Mayor, had never missed any hospit- turned from a visit to his pine limits a children's party in town the other able function concerning the troops in Sisk township, some fifty miles day a little boy was attempting to under Hardisty's command. Now they from North Bay. Mr. Pierce expressed twist a little girl's arm. The little But Giles Moreton undertood. He too far gone." He sighed, "A shot of approved one another and setted down himself as delighted with the limits girl, a vigorous and determined young to the solid effort of making casual and the pine thereon. He thought person, managed to struggle free, and the pine the finest in the North. There as she did so, hurled at her tormentor, Carol was somewhat alarmed. Her were 26 square miles in the limits.

experiences with the General, up to "Fire did much damage at the Dome son, I am not your wife." "Some days this point, had taught her that he Mine offices about 3 o'clock on Sunday ago some party unknown threw a brick rarely wasted a word of action. And morning, Jan. 6th," said The Advance through the window of the house of "Eidenhausen," he said, quite clear- what she new of her father's legal twenty years ago, "The blaze started the constable at Elk Lake, narrowly gift for seeing as far through a brick in one of the offices, the cause of the missing th constable's head." "Provin-"Then," Moreton said in English, wall as possible, made her wonder. fire not being known. Before the fire cial Officer Fenwick, of Porquois Junc-There was a distinct purpose in this was brought under control the lower tion leaves this week for Toronto to haven't talked to me, as you might midnight visit. It was also a purpose part of the building was gutted and undergo an operation for a peculiar recievant to her own intimate affairs, considerable damage done to the upper condition of the jaw. Some months and those of the still mysterious Giles portion of the structure. The office ago while making a search of a farm Calthrop bent over him. In German Moreton ... or Ponsonby-Moreton ... or of the geologist was the worst sufferer, house in the Connaught area, he was but the general manager's office and struck over the neck and jaw by a She comforted her mind with recol- that of the general superintendent broom wielded by the lady of the house. as a British officer, could vouch for lections of Giles's assurance that the were also injured by the flames. No Since then he has been unable to rem-Moreton's integrity... He vehemently General had known him since his maps or other records were spoiled edy the injury. It is thought the blows except in the geologist's office, the from the broom must have injured a Yes, she had many reasons for her other offices having put their materials nerve. In any event he has been de-But Banni seemed unimpressed. He bewilderment. But, being a sensible in the vault for the night. The in- prived of the proper use of his jaw, fell back weakly, and moaned. More- and diplomatic young woman, see tense cold made fire-fighting very and the doctors have ordered an opton added his whispered protestations soon took herself and her speculations difficult, but the fire brigade did ex- eration to remedy the trouble." "Mr cellent wrok. It will be about three W. J. Post is the new reeve of Bucke When she had retired, John Gilroy weeks before the necessary repairs can township." "There are 292 students made certain adroit and significant be completed."

One of the big feaures of this week The motor cyclist was a dispatch The General gazed at a portrait, in twenty years ago was the "Bachelors' rider. He stalked straight over to Kit-Kat framing on the panelled wall Night" at the Timmins Caledonian Captain Calthrop, ignoring the pow- obviously a judge of the 18th century, Society. The programme, entertainlimned by Godfrey Kneller. These ment, arrangements and everything even to the refreshments, were in tion of that big brown periwig would charge of bachelor membrs of the Baxter saluted and passed over a result in an astounding likeness to Society, though the bachelors are said message. Calthrop read it, wrote rap- this prosperous solicitor sitting by the to have kidnapped Andy Roberts for the evening and passed him off as a morous square face, sparkling brown bachelor. However, the evening took eyes, the same investment of patient parture of two valued members of the occasion to refer to the expected de-Yes, Sir Albert decided, he could Society, Mr. and Mrs. Hill, who were returning to Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. "I like cutting cackle," the soldier Hill were made life members of the abruptly stated, and warmed to John Society and wished the best of good Gilroy's approving smile as he carefortune and happiness whereever they

> A report of the work of the Cochrane District Children's Aid Society for the period from May, 1924, to Dec. 1924,

waters. Somehow held in the sound, series of rich chucklings. He rubbed ly pulled the curtainings aside, "But John Gilroy looked down into the

Moreton went back to Banni. He "To-night I met, for the first time moon-lit quadrangle. A grim shape in put his arms around the stricken a fair-haired and singularly impres- full battle-order, a gleaming bayonet little man. Banni ceased to sing. He sive young pirate called Moreton. My protruding from his sloped rifle,

eral sombrely stated, "but because "Um! That's adequate! That's the your daughter lies asleep in this "Blitz," he moaned in German, "in fellow I mean. And it's about him and house." He took a long and searching look at John Gilroy as he let the cur-"He's an inspector in Carols' de- tains fall again. "I have come to talk partment at the Lowood Tractors to you about a not insignificant affair of State security and to warn The General made a trifling cor- you that your daughter, as well as Giles Ponsonby-Moreton, will go in "He is the son of Ponsonby-Moreton some considerable danger for some

brilliant Secret Service officers. In- "And, General, can you give me cidently, he is my nephew. Germany reason?"

"They know too much..."

(To be Continued.) pipe. "The devil, you say!" He paused The characters in this story are enand asked, "Is Carol aware of all tirely imaginary. No reference is intended to any living person or to any "No, she isn't," Sir Albert Hardisty public or private company.

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was published in The Advance twenty been publishing pictures of a new Oscar Robertson, then the local sup- climb a set of stairs. Wonderful imhowever, the Cochrane Society was spring and fall." organized, with headquarters at Timmins. Officers were: Chas. V. Gallagher, South Porcupine, president; Albert Taylor, Cochrane, first vice-president; F. K. Ebbitt, Iroquois Falls, second vice-president; D. Johnson, Matheson, third vice-president; D. Sutherland, Timmins, treasurer; O. Robertson, secretary. During the time covered by the report seven applications were re-| 15 cents per tie to the cost of shipping received from the Juvenile Court; 13 to North Bay and he thought it would ceived for children; 24 children were were made wards; six were sent to Industrial schools. It will be noted This brought on a general discussion how largely the work has extended of T. & N. O. freight rates and it was in the twenty years, more being handeventually decided to take the matter led in the ordinary month now than up again with the T. & N. O. F. King were dealt with in eight months in

had held the office for two successive School Board for 1925 in Timmins years and felt that someone else should were:-D. Laprairie, J. E. Newton and take it up for 1925. G. A. Macdonald, F. Kehoe. There was a very great H. G. Laidlaw and F. M. Wallingford amout of interest in the election, a

by acclamation as president for 1925, in The Advance ten years ago, there Mr. Laidlaw was elected vice-president were the following: - "Miss Millie Leofficers were left for another meeting ptomaine poisoning, thought to be due Red Cross. to eating some canned fruit." "W. Mcthe indignant protest, "Herbert Johnenrolled this year at North Bay Nor-

years ago. The report was given by motor car that is said to be able to rintendent. Cochrane District Child- provements have been made and are ren's Aid was organized in May, 1924. being made in automobiles. Ina few Previously the work in the Porcupine years it is possible that there may be a Camp and North had been under the motor car that will be able to travel Temiskaming Society. In May, 1924, on North Country roads even in the

Prisoner-of-War Gives Thanks to the Red Cros

During the war there have been many references in The Advance to the wonderful work done by the Red Cross for prisoner-of-war. Early in the war, Mr. Frank McDowell, of Timmins, who was a prisoner-of-war in the last war, told of the fact that he felt that he owed his very life to the Red Cross, as he would have been starved to death as a prisoner-of-war if it had not been for the parcels sent by the Red Cross then. Since that time similar expressions have come from prisoners-of-war in the present war. A Cochrane soldier, Sergeant but would not stand, saying that he Members elected to the Separate Lloyd McCauley, puts the matter in a way that is a comfort to those at home, as well as a word of praise for the Red Cross. He says in a recent letter home from a German prison were then nominated for president, the very large percentage of the possible camp that his neck and shoulder wounds are now healed and that he of F. M. Wallingford who was elected Among the local and personal notes is able to play ball. He adds that he is both comfortable and contented, and has plenty of food, for which he by acclamation and the rest of the hman, of Matheson, is reported ill with gives great praise to the Canadian

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