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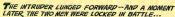


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OPERATOR! CONNECT ME WITH
THE POLICE AT OKEY! SOMETHING
TERRIBLE HAS HAPPENED!

HARRINGTON AND I HEARD THE POLICE BULLETIN AS WE DROVE FROM MY OFFICE AT 5:07 P.M. ...

CARS 7 AND 9... HMM... LET'S CHECK ON PROCEED TO THAT, HARRINGTON!
WE'RE RIGHT IN THE VICINITY!

THAT, HARRINGTON!
WE'RE RIGHT IN
THE VICINITY!

OKAY,
CHIEF!

THE SHOCKED LANDLORD WELCOMED OUR
ARRIVAL AND ESCORTED US DIRECTLY TO
BRAD FORD'S QUARTERS... (WELDE WEDE TO

ROBBERY? I...
ER...HAVEN'T
THE FAINTEST
IDEA WHAT
YOU'RE TALKING
ABOUT, D.A.!

MHAT? BUT
MR. BRADFORD-I SAW YOU
FIGHTING THE
THIEF! AND YOUR
ROOM... IT WAS

THIEF! AND YOU ROOM ... IT WAS TURNED UPSIDE DOWN! WHY ARE

DOWN! WHY ARE YOU LINES

STRANGELY ENOUGH, THIS WAS ONE OF THREE SIMILAR CASES THAT HAD MYSTIFIED MY OFFICE DURING THE PAST FEW WEEKS. IN EACH CASE, THE SUPPOSED VICTIM DEMIED A

REPORTED CRIME-

TAKE THE BULL BY THE HORNS...

THINK THIS DISPUTE CAN BE EASILY SETTLED IF YOU'LL ALLOW US TO LOOK OVER YOUR QUARTERS INDEED NOT MR. BRADFORD! DO COME IN. AFTER ALL, YOU GENTLEMEN!















CAME IN THE FOLLOWING MORNING ... WELL, I WAS RIGHT IN WHAT? THEN A WAY, CHIEF! BRADFORD THAT EXPLAINS

HAS A RECORD WITH THE WHY HE DIDN'T POLICE DEPARTMENT. BUT AS A MISSING PERSON! AFRAID OF BEING



I GUESS THAT'S IT. CHIEF! HIS REAL NAME IS JOE BURNS HE DISAPPEARED

FROM HIS HOME IN CARTERVILLE

DO YOU SUPPOSE THE VICTIMS OF THOSE OTHER TWO CASES WERE MISSING PERSONS TOO:

HARRINGTON, I'VE JUS

HAD A SHOCKING THOUGHT

OVER A YEAR AGO!

I DON'T WHAT IF THESE MISSING PERSONS FOLLOW WERE TARGETS FOR A CRIMINAL YOU, CHIEF! GANG -- TARGETS BECAUSE SOME

CLEVER THIEVES REALIZED THEIR. VICTIMS WOULDN'T DARE

INGERPRINTS OF THE TWO PEOPLE IN QUESTION WERE OBTAINED -- AND WE LEARNED THE GRIM TRUTH BEFORE NOON THAT DAY ... I WAS

THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, D.A.! AFRAID OF THAT THE FINGERPRINTS YOU BROUGHT ME HARRINGTON THIS MORNING CHECK WITH THOSE OF ALICE WINTERS AND BART GIVENS ...





WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN. IT'S THE CRIME ITSELF I'M AFRAID OF HARRINGTON! CHIEF? WE CAN'T ARREST THESE ODD THAT THREE MISSING MISSING PERSONS

YOU MEAN. YOU'RE CONVINCED THIS IS THE WORK OF SOME GANG, CHIEF?

EXACTLY, HARRINGTON! THE THREE CASES ARE ALL TOO SIMILAR! SOME CUNNING CRIMINAL HAS STRUCK ON A RUTHLESS SCHEME TO SINGLE OUT MISSING PER-











THE PHONY NAME OF THE MAN YOU ARE TO IMPERSONATE. THANKS, CHIEF ... NOW WHAT ARE MY

ORDERS?

HARRINGTON!

YOU'RE TO FOLLOW THE FAMILIAR PATTERN EMPLOYED BY MOST MISSING PERSONS ..

I GET IT, D.A .-- I'M GOING TO BE THE BAIT FOR OUR LITTLE TRAP! WELL, LET'S GET STARTED ...

IN THIS WAY, WE MAY BE ABLE TO LURE THE CRIMINALS





JUST ONE HOUR LATER, HARRINGTON ENTERED THE CITY BANK -- AND FROM THAT MOMENT ON. HE WAS UNDER THE CONSTANT SCRUTINY

OF MY DEPARTMENT ... OF COURSE I'D LIKE TO DRAW OUT ALL MR. FLOYD!

I SURE HOPE THE CHIEF REMEMBERED TO PLANT SOME CASH IN HUGH FLOYD'S PHONY BANK ACCOUNT:

AFTER WITHDRAWING \$7,000 FROM THE BANK, "HUGH FLOYD" TRAYELED TO THE OTHER END OF TOWN, WHERE ...

IT WILL BE A PLEASURE TO HAVE YOU WITH US, . FIFTY A MONTH? I'LL TAKE IT MR. DUNSTON!

IN THE FOLLOWING DAYS, HARRINGTON -- ALIAS

HARRINGTON GOT 4 THE ROOM, ALL RIGHT. D.A. ! BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY HE TOOK IT UNDER STILL ANOTHER ALIAS --DUNSTON "!

BECAUSE THAT'S ACTUALLY WHAT A MISSING PERSON WOULD DO, DETECTIVE BAKER! HARRINGTON MUST PLAY HIS PART TO THE LETTER IF WE ARE TO SUCCEED!

THERE GOES THAT MR. DUNSTON! HE'S A REAL STRANGE ONE. NEVER DOES ANYTHING BUT SIT IN HIS ROOM

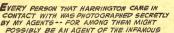
HUGH FLOYD. ALIAS GEORGE DUNSTON--LED A SHELTERED LIFE ... | HMPH ... I'D SUSPECT HIM OF BEING A CRIMINAL EXCEPT HARDLY LOOKS













ONCE HE WAS FIRMLY ESTABLISHED IN THE LOCALE, I ORDERED HARRINGTON TO MAKE THE NEXT PLAY -- THE ONE I WAS COUNTING



WAIT A MINUTE ... THIS WALLET BELONGS TO A GUY NAMED HUGH FLOYD!

DON'T BE RIDICULOUS .. IT'S MINE! GIVE IT TO ME!

D. A. TO AGENT MARSHALL ... HARRINGTON MADE HIS FIRST FALSE IDENTITY PLANT ON THE BOOTBLACK! I WANT YOU TO WATCH THAT MAN

ON THE STREET ... I SAW IT,

AGENT YOU SEE. WE REALIZED MARSHALL (THAT THE GANG COULDN'T POSSIBLY OBTAIN THE CAREFULLY GUARDED NAMES FROM LEGITIMATE

NIGHT AND DAY! D.A.! I'M MISSING PERSONS BUREAUS GETTING ON HIS TAIL NOW!

SO WE SOUGHT TO DIS-COVER THEIR METHOD THROUGH THIS TRAP WITH HARRINGTON ...

AS A TYPICAL MISSING PERSON IN HIDING, HE HOPED TO LURE THEIR AGENTS INTO THE OPEN BY CONSTANTLY CASTING SUSPICION ON HIM-











IN STUNNED SILENCE, WE WATCHED THE WHEELS OF THE INCREDIBLE UNDERWORLD ORGANIZATION START MOVING... HMM... HE COULD

NOPE! THAT CHARACTER FLOYD DOESN'T CHECK WITH ANY OF THE MISSING PERSONS IN OUR HOT" FILE, BOSS!

BE WEARING A
PISGUISE! HAVE
ONE OF THE
TOUCH-UP BOYS
ETCH OUT FLOYD'S
MUSTACHE AND

GLASSES!

THIS FORESIGNT ON THE PART OF THE GANG 8085 WAS TO PLUNGE ME INTO ONE OF MY MOST DIFFICULT SITUATIONS - FOR JUST AS THEY BEGAN STUDYING THE ALTERED PHOTO...

MEY. I'VE SEEN SO HAVE I! HE'S D.A.! THIS
THAT GUY SOMEWHERE BEFORE
WHERE BEFORE
BOSS!
ASSISTANT!
CAVING IN!



IT WAS AN UNFORTUNATE BREAK FOR US! IN SECONDS, BAKER AND I PLUMMETED RIGHT INTO THE UNDERWORLD NEST...

IT'S THE D.A. HIMSELF! GRAB THEM, MEN... THE POLICE ARE ON TO OUR LITTLE RACKET! DAZED BY THE FALL, BAKER AND I WERE UNABLE TO DEFEND OUR-SELYES-- AND WHEN WE REGAINED OUR SENSES, THE GANG WAS MAKING ELABORATE PREPARA-

TIONS...

I'M GONNA TEACH
THEM A LITTLE LESSON,
ARE WE TAKING
EDDIE! THEY'RE GONNA
THE P.A. AND
LIVE JUST LONG ENOUGH
HIS PAL WITH TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO



WE'RE GONNA FINISH OFF THAT DOUBLE-CROSSER JUST BEFORE WE LEAVE TOWN! AND TO MAKE OUR VENGEANCE SWEET. DA.







WAS THE TIGHTEST SPOT I'D EVER BEEN IN! THE GANG LEADER HAD ME COMING ...

AND GOING! HE'S GIVING HOW ARE YOU ME SOME CHOICE ... GONNA FIGURE HARRINGTON'S LIFE OR 3 YOUR WAY OUTA THIS ONE, D.A.? BAKER'S! IF YOU TRY TO CAN'T GIVE

UP HOPE ... PULL ANYTHING BEHIND THE WHEEL I'VE GOT TO THINK OF YOUR BOY IN THE BACK SEAT GETS SOMETHING IT-- AND IF YOU AND FAST.

DON'T, HARRINGTON GETS HIS ... HA, HA!

AN INSTANT LATER.

OF RELIEF AS ..

I BREATHED A SIGH

IT WAS THEN THAT A SUDDEN THOUGHT STRUCK ME-- BUT I DEMANDED ALL THE DEFINESS AT MY COMMAND ... / IT'S HEY WHAT

JUST THE D.A.! GIVES? HE'S SHAKING THIS HEAP IN HIS SHOES! IS HEAVING

HA, HA, HA LIKE A BRONCO!

GOOD WORK

HARRINGTON:

BAKER AND I WILL

BUNCH IN THE

HE'S SO SCARED

AND TAKE CARE OF

THE D. A.'S ASSISTANT! IF EITHER OF

THESE CHARACTERS MAKES A MOYE YOU KNOW WHAT

WE'LL GO UP

TO DO:

TWENTY MINUTES LATER, WE

TON'S APARTMENT ... I DON'T

PULLED UP BEFORE HARRING

DARE MAKE A

MOVE ... BAKER

A CHANCE!

WOULDN'T STAND

IF ONLY MY

PLAN WORKS

IT'S GOT

TO!

AND WHEN THE MISSING PERSONS GANG WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY ... WHEN THE D.A.

> WAIT A MINUTE! LET ME IN ON ONE THING BEFORE THEY TAKE ME OFF, D. A.! HOW'D YOU TIP OFF THE POLICE?

> > THAT'S

WHY THE

DRIVE

HERE

WAS SC

JERKY!

WAS DRIVING YOU OVER HERE RODE THE BRAKE OF THE CAR ... YOU WEREN'T OUT OF MY SIGHT FOR EVEN A SPLIT SECOND:

REST EASY, CHIEF CAR! WHAT ?? YOUR MESSAGE WAS FLASHED TO ATRAP US TEN MINUTES AGO!

> APPLYING JUST ENOUGH PRESSURE TO FLASH AN S.O.S. WITH THE REAR BRAKE



AN ALERT PATROLMAN SPOTTED THE SIGNAL AND RADIOED IT TO HEADQUARTERS:

GUESS THIS ... 50

BRINGS AN

MISSING

PERSONS

RACKET

CHIEF!

END TO THE

YES, HARRINGTON, ONE OF THE MOST VICIOUS RACKETS WE'VE EVER ENCOUNTERED! WONDER IF CRIMINALS

WILL EVER LEARN THAT THE ONLY PAYOFF FOR BEING CROOKED IS LONG JAIL TERM ?





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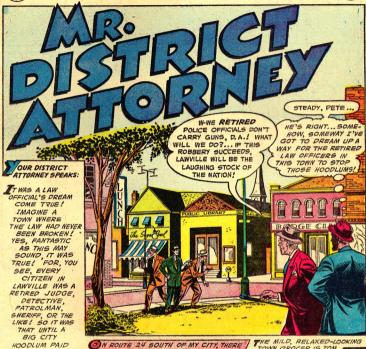
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THE TOWN WITHOUT A CRIMIE

US A VISIT WE

PROUDLY CALLED

OUR COMMUNITY ...

ON ROUTE 24 SOUTH OF MY CITY, THERE IS PROBABLY THE MOST UNUSUAL TOWN

THE MILD, RELAXED-LOOKING
TOWN GROCER IS TOM
MASTERS... YES, MRS, KENDAL

MY, YOUR MELONS THEY'RE THE CHOICEST I TODAY, LIEUTENANT COULD FIND!







MASTERS LIVES A QUIET LIFE NOW ... BUT NOT LONG AGO HE WAS A BOMB SQUAD EXPERT IN A NORTHERN CITY ...

YOU SAVED MY LIFE BY DISCOVERING THAT HOODLUM'S BOMB IN MY CAR, LIEUTENANT! I-- I HOPE YOU AREN'T HURT BADLY!

GUESS I'LL BE TICKING IN TIME TO WARN YOU!

OKAY ... GOOD THING I HEARD THE BOMB BECAUSE OF HIS INJURY, MASTERS TURNED IN HIS BADGE IN EXCHANGE FOR A LIFE PENSION. THEN THERE IS JUDGE JOHNSON .. AGE RETIREMENT BROUGHT HIM TO LAWVILLE WHERE HE BECAME PRESIDENT OF THE TOWN'S ONLY BANK ...

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ADVICE JUDGE JOHNSON! I GUESS I CAN GET BY WITHOUT

FINE! LIVING ON OUR PENSIONS, WE MUST BE CAREFUL OF DEBTS! WE'RE ALL FORTUNATE MR. D.A. PROPOSED THIS TOWN WHERE EX-LAW OFFICIALS CAN



AMAZING AS IT MAY APPEAR: JUST A YEAR BEFORE, THIS KINDLY BANK PRESIDENT HAD FACED ONE OF MY CITY'S MOST NOTORIOUS CRIMINALS ...

I'LL GET YOU FOR THIS , JUDGE JOHNSON! WHEN I GET OUT OF JAIL, I'LL FIX YOU TAKE THAT MAN BACK TO HIS CELL!

GOOD!

YES TES, HUNDREDS OF EX-POLICE OFFICIALS NOW LIVE IN LAWVILLE! MY OLD FRIEND, PETE DRAKE, IS ONE OF THEM ...

THERE I WAS IN THE POLICE LABORATORY MIXING AND TESTING MY CHEMICALS! IF I COULDN'T PROVE THE HOODLUMS HAD WALKED ON A FLAGSTONE TERRACE AT THE MURDER SCENE, THE D.A.'S

WELL, BY MORNING I HAD PROVEN IT AND THE D.A.'S SUSPECT WAS PLUNKED SMACK IN ONE OF THESE ESCAPE-PROOF JAIL CELLS YOU DESIGNED SHERIFF POTTER!

SURE WON'T EVER FORGET YOU WERE AN EXPERT POLICE LAB TECHNICIAN.

HA, HA! YOU & SO IT WAS THAT BECAUSE OF MY CLOSE CONNECTION WITH LAWVILLE I PLANNED TO VACATION THERE LAST JULY 35.

YES, HARRINGTON. WORKING HAND IN GLOVE AS WE DO ALL YEAR IT WILL DO US BOTH

RIGHT, CHIEF! I GUESS YOU'LL HAVE AS MUCH FUN TALKING OVER THE POLICE TRICKS YOUR OLD FRIEND PETE DRAKE TAUGHT YOU AS I WILL











HUNDREDS OF EX-POLICE OFFICIALS FROM ALL OVER THE NATION LIVING IN PEACE AND QUIET... WONDERFUL! NO WONDER THERE'S NEVER BEEN A CRIME THERE!



BUT AT THIS PRECISE MOMENT, FORTY

MILES AWAY... WE'RE SURE GOING TO MA, HA! "THE TOWN CHANGE THAT SLOGAN WITHOUT A CRIME."
THEY CALL LAWYILLE! GOING TO PULL ONEY WHAT A GAG, CRIME IN TOWN...BUT



"F-FLASHY") THAT'S RIGHT, GRANDPA! NOW
FLOYD ALL YOU HAS-BEEN POLICE
REARDON... LISSEN TO ME... AND
H-HERE! T LISSEN CLOSE!

W NOW THEN...YOU BROKEN-DOWN LAW BOYS ARE GOING TO PLAY A LITTLE GAME WITH US! REMEMBER HOW YOU USED TO WAIT US OUT TILL WE SLIPPED UP AND YOU COULD PUT THE PINCH ON ? WELL, THIS IS A WAITING GAME, 100...OHLY DIEFERENT!



HOODLUM, REARDON!

PETE DRAKE, PRE-CINCT 43 UPTOWN! 1 HEAR THEY STUCK YOU IN THE POLICE LAB WHEN YOU GOT TOO OLD TO POUND! A BEAT... HEY! WHAT'S THAT

MODEL ESCAPEPROOF CELL,
I INVENTED,
REARDON!
AND YOUR CAN
BET YOUR LAST
BULLET YOU'LL

A.1) HELLO, PETE, BOYS:
SAY... DID I INTERRUPT SOMETHING
SERIOUS? THE DOOR
WAS OPEN, SO I JUST
CAME IN... ANYTHING
WRONG?

I REACHED LAWVILLE AND

SOUGHT OUT PETE DRAKE

AT THE BADGE GLUB ...

G-GREAT SCOTT!
PETE'S POLICE BADGE
UPSIDE DOWN!













SOMEBODY HIDING HERE ... PETE WAS USING OUR OLD POLICE DANGER SIGNAL ALL RIGHT! GO TO IT. D.A.!

I RIPPED THE CURTAIN FREE OF THE LURKING HOODLUMS AND ... ALL RIGHT

BLAZING THUNDER! WHAT'S D.A.! STOP THE





D.A ANOTHER YOU LOSE. MOVE AND I START TARGET PRACTICE!

F-FLASHY" FLOYD REARDON!

WE CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT ARE IT, D. A.! THERE'S THEY NO MONEY HERE! UP TO. PETE

CRAZY LIKE THE FOX WHO WENT TO COLLEGE. GRAMP! IN ABOUT

WENTY MINUTES I'M SNATCHING ONE MILLION IRON MEN RIGHT

OUT OF LAWVILLE!

ACROSS THE STREET AND BLABBING ABOUT STEAKING A MILLION BUCKS

H-HE KEEPS

LOOKING AT

HIS WATCH

AND THAT

LUNCH ROOM

LUNCH ROOM! THAT'S THE STOP-OVER LUNCH ... HMM



SAFE ROUTE TO TAKE A AWVILLE! TO MY CITY! TO TAKE AND THE ACROSS THE STREET

S-SUFFERING GOSH! THE ARMORED CAR. I-- I FORGOT ABOUT THAT !

MILLION-DOLLAR PLUM RIGHT OUT FROM UNDER THE NOSES OF A THOUSAND EX-LAWMEN! THE GUARDS WILL BE OFF-GUARD ... BECAUSE THEY THINK THEY'RE SAFE WITH

BOYS, WE'RE PULLING THE

























OUTSIDE! OUTSIDE, JOEY, ROBERTS! THE ARMORED LET'S GO. OFFICERS .. CAR'S PULLING UP! WE'LL YOU'RE BACK HAVE TO RUSH IT OURSELVES! IN HARNESS WE CAN'T LET THOSE OLD ONCE AGAIN! DUFFERS SPOIL THIS



QUICKLY, WE DISPOSED OF THE TWO THUGS

THEY'RE PLANNING TO RUSH THE ARMORED CAR IN SPITE OF OUR BREAK-OUT! GOT TO STOP THEM ... THOSE GUARDS MAY HAVE LEFT THE CAR ALREADY!



LLET'S GET OUT OF HERE, FLASHY! THOSE OLD GUYS HAVE BUSTED OUR JOB WIDE OPEN!





AS PETE DRAKE AND I STARTED IN PURSUIT OF THE REMAINING MOB MEMBERS ...

LOOK GET THE CAR STARTED! I'LL KEEP THEM BACK OUT, JOEY!

W- WE CAN'T LET THEM GET AWAY, D. A.! IF REARDON ESCAPES FROM A WHOLE TOWN

I KNOW, PETE BUT YOU DON'T HAVE ANY WEAPONS A HERE! I'M

QUICKLY, I RUSHED TO WHERE MY CAR WAS PARKED AND RELEASED THE BRAKE ..

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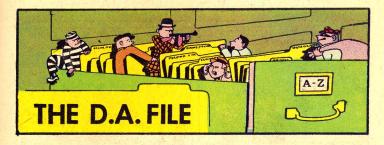












THIEF TRAPS

Deftly, the burglar jimmied open the lock of the store's back door. Smiling wryly, he inched open the door, then strode in confidently to begin his job of ransacking the safe, which glistened in the moonlight.

Abruptly, a voice cried out: "Stand where you are! Hands up!" And the thief found himself pinned by a crisscross of flashlight beams. Three policemen gravitated towards him, handcuffed him and sped him downtown to the precinct.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of the American District Telegraph Co. (commonly known by its initials of ADT), another culprit has been caught in the act. For the burglar had unwittingly tipped his hand; as he worked on the lock, he had set off a hidden alarm, which was recorded at ADT's local headquarters. A dutiful operator then had swiftly alerted police to the threatened robbery.

What is the ADT? It is a private police organization which works with the FBI, local police and other enforcement agencies in almost 700 cities, safeguarding warehouses, banks, stores, factories, depots, docks, U. S. Treasury mints, gold bullion deposits at West Point and Fort Knox. One of its most vital assignments is protecting the secrets hoarded in nuclear-fission experimental buildings and the Atomic Energy Commission Building in the capital.

While ADT lists a variety of ingenious devices to trap the wary trespasser, it is constantly developing new gimmicks. The latest is a unique apparatus called the "Telapproach." Even as a safecracker approaches his target, the alarm is sounded at ADT offices because his presence interrupts a field of radio waves, which envelop the area. Another method that is now undergoing development concerns ultrasonic waves, whose invisible crisscross would sound an alarm when broken by, a stranger.

"Magic eyes," electric-wired windowpanes, fake wires, and scores of other boobytraps are in ADT's grab-bag, whose canny contents have fooled crooks into calling the police down on themselves.

DOG-PRINTS

To facilitate identification of dogs that are lost or stolen, the Canadian government has initiated a system of nose-printing. Prior to this, dogs were identified solely through their color markings and other characteristics.

The nose-print identification is based on the complex number of .pores in the animal's nose, and the shape of the nose print. Mrs. Alva McColl, president of the Canadian Kennel Club, devised the method, which she urged the police to accept.

Canada is the only country in the world

that has adopted the system of identification officially.

COOL CASHIER

How to foil a movie theatre thief? Ignore them! That is the policy of one New York box-office cashier, who, when threatened by a gun-brandishing bandit, simply asked: "How many, please?"

"Give me all the cash in your till," snapped the gunman.

"Orchestra, balcony or loge?" persisted the girl, innocently.

"Didn't you hear me?" growled the gunman, poking the pistol barrel through the grille.

"You'll have to speak louder, sir," she went on, sweetly.

"For the last time, lady. I warn you. Give me all the dough!" he rasped impatiently.

The girl glanced behind the menacing figure. "If you can't make up your mind, would you please step back? Here comes another customer," she said.

The would-be thief groaned with exasperation, turned, and fled.

A CON'S CANTATA

Because of a record of 19 previous arrests, when he was arrested for stealing a cheap radio, Frank Grandstaff was given a life sentence as a habitual criminal. In leisure moments at Tennessee State Penitentiary, Grandstaff composed minor pieces of music. But after he read a book called "Big Spring," which related the story of Texas, Grandstaff became inspired. During the next few months, he composed a 70-page cantata in the privacy of his cell, tapping out the time on the stone floor, jotting down notes without a single instrument.

When they heard of Grandstaff's eloquent tribute, the citizens of Big Spring urged Gov. Browning of Tennessee to allow the convict-composer to visit Big Spring to hear the first public performance of his work.

Flanked by a sheriff and a deputy, Grandstaff came to Big Spring, dressed in a borrowed tweed suit, and, after a restful night at the home of the book's author, attended the concert at the Municipal Auditorium. He listened raptly to the 30-man chorus sing his composition. At the final note, the audience applauded and cheered, demanded his appearance on the stage. Then, a horde of autograph-seekers descended on him.

Next day, Frank Grandstaff, flushed with happiness, returned to his solitary cell at Tennessee State Penitentiary, to resume his life sentence. He had something to remember—and something to look forward to. Perhaps another musical masterpiece.

BLOTTER JOTTINGS

BELLVILLE, Ill.: At a dinner-dance to foster better relations between Scott Air Force Base and the community, a souvenir-hunter stole the stars from Major General Edward Underhill's overcoat.

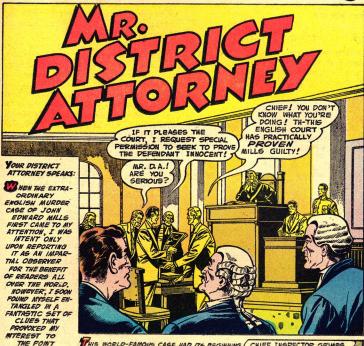
COLUMBUS, Ohio: Two policemen leaped into their squad car to give chase to a fleeing fugitive, threw the car into second gear. Its backfire frightened the thief, who suddenly halted, threw up his hands in surrender.

CHICAGO: Arrested for having assaulted a customer, a restauranteur had the charge dismissed when he explained: "He ordered one hamburger, just one, then he used up a whole bottle of ketchup on it!"

VENTURA, Calif.: Arrested when he tried to cash a check made out to one George Taylor, a forger claimed that he had taken the name at random from a phone book, was unaware that George Taylor was chief of police!







THIS WORLD-FAMOUS CASE HAD ITS BEGINNING IN A CHEAP LONDON HOTEL ON THE MORNING OF JUNE 3 M OF LAST YEAR .. Y-YES ...

ABOUT ?

WHO ARE

YOU?

THAT'S HIM ... THE Z WHAT'S ARE BLOKE WHOSE PICTURES THIS ALL YOU IS IN ALL THE NEWS-JOHN PAPERS! HE CHECKED EDWARD IN HERE LAST NIGHT MILLS? WRINGING WET. HE DID!

CHIEF INSPECTOR GRIMES. SCOTLAND YARD! YOU ARE SUS PECTED OF MURDERING SIR HARRY DUNSTON, MR. MILLS .. IT IS MY DUTY TO ARREST

YOU!

NOTHING TO DO WITH IT!



WHERE I

UNOFFICIAL ...

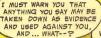
BECAME AN











N-NO! T'M NOT GOING WITH YOU! I HAVEN'T A CHANCE IN THE

WORLD OF PROVING MY INNOCENCE!

MILLS' IMPETUOUS ACTION MERELY SERVED AS EXCELLENT AMMUNITION FOR THE PROSECUTION WHEN HE LATER STOOD TRIAL ...





THE SUSPECT WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY -- THE HARD WAY ...



THE CASE CAPTURED WORLD INTEREST, BE-CAUSE SIR HARRY DUNSTON WAS CONSIDERED A PIONEER OF THE BRITISH AVIATION INDUSTRY.



MEANWHILE, HERE IN AMERICA, I BEGAN FOLLOW-ING THE FACTS OF THE CASE CLOSELY ...

GOSH, CHIEF, YOU'VE BEEN BECAUSE OF THE STUDYING THAT ENGLISH VERY NATURE OF MURDER CASE FOR DAYS! THE SIR HARRY HOW COME ALL THE DUNSTON CASE, IT

HAS STIMULATED WORLD CABLEGRAMS FROM SCOTLAND YARD? WIDE INTEREST



IT WAS A DARING MURDER, INVOLVING ONE OF BRITAIN'S MOST HONORED CITIZENS AND A YOUNG AVIATION DESIGNER OF EXCELLENT CHARACTER AND

SCOTLAND YARD REPUTATION! FRIEND -- CHIEF IN-SPECTOR GRIMES? MOST UNUSUAL

YES, I GUESS IT ISN'T A RUN- OF

THE-MILL CRIME!

WHAT'S THE LATEST

NEWS FROM YOUR









WOW, CHIEF, I GET IT! BY READING YOUR

REPORT OF THE

TRIAL, LAW OFFICIALS WILL GET THE MOST

ALL OVER THE WORLD THOROUGH, DETAILED

THUS, ONE WEEK LATER, HARRINGTON AND I ARRIVED IN LONDON, AND AT ONCE FOUND OURSELVES ACT-ING LIKE TYPICAL TOURISTS... GREAT HANNAH! DRIVE THE CAR ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE

STREET, HARRINGTON ... THAT'S THE WAY IN ENGLAND! GOSH CHIEF, I KEEP



HA, HA ... LOOK AT THOSE BRITISH BOBBIES! WONDER HOW

WOULD TAKE TO WEARING THOSE

JUST A MATTER OF HABIT I GUESS! OUR POLICE WOULD GET USED TO IT SOON ENOUGH! DON'T FORGET ... OUR WORD "COP" ORIGINATED IN THIS AMERICAN OFFICERS COUNTRY, WHEN POLICE-

SAY ... THAT MUST TOWER BRIDGE AND THE THAMES RIVER!

RIGHT, HARRINGTON! PULL UP AND WE'LL TAKE A QUICK LOOK AT THE SIGHTS!



WHAT'S THAT BIG STRUCTURE BACK THERE ... WHERE ALL THE PEOPLE ARE TAKING PICTURES?

THE TOWER OF LONDON. HARRINGTON -- ONE OF LONDON'S MOST COLORFUL STRUCTURES! NO ONE CONSIDERS HIS VISIT COMPLETE UNTIL HE'S FILMED TOWER BRIDGE FROM

UP THERE!

SCOTLAND YARD ... PRECISELY THEN INSPECTOR GRIMES, IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT THE EVIDENCE IS CONCLUSIVE AGAINST JOHN EDWARD MILLS, HE

BUT OUR SIGHTSEEING IN LONDON WAS

SHORT-LIVED, BECAUSE I HAD SOME

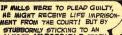
GRIM POLICE WORK AWAITING ME AT

MR. D.A.! 17 DOESN'T MAKE A BIT OF SENSE! HE'S TELLING A FANTAS TIC STILL PROTESTS HIS INNO STORY









STUBBORNLY STICKING TO AN ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE STORY HE'S SURE TO GET THE GALLOWS!

I SEE! I'LL BE MOST ANXIOUS TO

HEAR THE TRIAL TESTIMONY BETWEEN YOU AND

WHAT OCCURRED

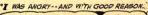
NOW, MR. MILLS, TELL THE JURY PRECISEL

NEXT DAY, I LISTENED TO JOHN EDWARD MILLS "FANTASTIC" STORY IN COURT ... ON SATURDAY

THE DAY BEFORE HE WAS MURPERED, I WISITED HIM AT HIS LABORATORY IN THE AVIATION PLANT.







SIR HARRY ... I'VE GOT TO SEE YOU! I WON'T BE TAKEN OFF THIS PROJECT FOR THE NEW JET ENGINE IT ISN'T FAIR!

WHY, YOU FRESH WHIPPER-SNAPPER. YOU'LL DO AS

I'VE SPENT MONTHS WORKING ON THE ENGINE! SOME OF THE NEW COMBUSTION THEORIES WERE MY IDEA!

PAH! YOU'RE UNRE- . LIABLE! I PON'T WANT YOU AS AN ASSISTANT ON THIS VITAL, SECRET HAS REPLACED YOU!



WILD WITH ANGER. I GRABBED SIR HARRY, AND ... YOU'RE LYING! YOU'RE GETTING RID OF ME BECAUSE I'M IN LOVE WITH YOUR DAUGHTER, AND YOU WANT HER TO MARRY A MAN WITH MORE POSITION AND





HE NEXT DAY -- SUNDAY -- 1 REGRETTED MY ACTIONS ...





SIR HARRY WAS PLANNING A BOAT TRIP DOWN THE THAMES ON HIS YACHT, AND I WENT ABOARD WITH ALICE..."

I'M SO HAPPY
YOU PECIDED TO
APOLOGIZE, JOHN!
FATHER'S ALONE IN HIS
THE OTHERS ON DECK!

ALL RIGHT, DARLING!
HE'S STUBBORN AND
MONEY CRAZY... BUT HE
/S YOUR FATHER -- SO'
WE'LL JUST HAVE TO
BURY THE HATCHET!

THE VESSEL HEADED DOWNRIVER AS I ENTERED-SIR HARRY'S CABIN..." SIR HARRY... PLEASE, Y-YOU... HERE? BE REASONABLE! I DON'T CARE

GET OFF MY ABOUT THE JOB -- BUT I LOVE BOAT, YOUR DAUGHTER AND INTEND MILLS! TO MARRY HER!



IT WAS THEN THAT IT HAPPENED -- AS A GIANT, MASKED FIGURE SEEMED TO BOLT OUT OF NO-WHERE, AND STRUCK ME HARD ON THE CHIN..."



REALIZING MY TERRIBLE POSITION, I BECAME PANIC-STRICKEN, AND COULD ONLY THINK OF



J-JOHN! W-WHAT... HAVE
YOU DONE?
I...I...

WHEN I REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS ..









MY TYPEWRITER HAMMERED OUT THE GRIM RECORD OF MILLS' "DEFENSE" -- BUT HIS STUBBORN TESTIMONY OF INNOCENCE DISTURBED ME, TILL FINALLY I COULD STAND IT NO LONGER ...

HARRINGTON, GET YOUR COAT! WE'RE GOING TO HIRE A BOAT AND RE-RUN THE COURSE OF THAT MURDER TO BE AUTHENTIC IN EVERY

BOAT! I WANT MY MATERIAL RIGHT, CHIEF

ATER. AS WE DUPLICATED THE MURDER CRUISE DOWN THE THAMES

ACCORDING TO GOSH, CHIEF, THIS IS THE TESTIMONY. LIKE LOOKING FOR THE MURDER MUST A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK! ALL HAVE OCCURRED ABOUT HERE ... HE OTHER JUST A FEW MINUTES

GUESTS WERE TOGETHER ... ONLY MILLS COULD HAVE KILLED SIR



OR TWO DAYS, I CRUISED THE RIVER, WHILE NEWSPAPERS THE WORLD OVER CONDEMNED MILLS IN THEIR HEADLINES ...









BUT HOW COULD WE PROVE A THING LIKE THAT UNLESS ... S-SUFFERING HANNAH BRING US IN TO SHORE, NUN--? WELL HARRINGTON! WE'RE OKAY, CHIEF ... PAYING A VISIT TO THE TOWER OF LONDON! ANYTHING YOU

SAY!

BY MIDNIGHT, HARRINGTON HAD COMPLETED HIS GRUELING TASK

SHORTLY, AT THE RECEPTION DESK OF THE FAMED STRUCTURE ... [

FINE! HARRINGTON, GET W-WHY, YES, MR. D. A .--THAT LIST AND TELEPHONE SUPPOSE UNDER THE THEM AS I INSTRUCTED CIRCUMSTANCES I COULD YOU! IT'S ONE CHANCE GIVE YOU A LIST OF THE IN A MILLION, BUT WE'RE TOURISTS WHO SIGNED TAKING IT! OUR GUEST BOOK BETWEEN THREE AND FOUR P.M. JUNE 2nd!

I GOT AHOLD OF EVERY PICTURE I COULD FOR THAT DAY, CHEF! LUCKILY, ONE MAN RAN OFF -A REEL FROM THE TOWER, BETWEEN THREE AND FOUR!

GOOD WORK! THERE ... HE'S TAKEN A PICTURE OF SIR HARRY'S BOAT GOING UNDER TOWER BRIDGE ... I FIGURED IT WOULD BE COLORFUL PICTURE MATERIAL PUT IT ON SLOW MOTION

AND IN THE NEXT MOMENT ...

HARRINGTON! I THINK THIS IS WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR! CALL INSPECTOR GRIMES AND HAVE HIM MEET US AT THE



ONE HOUR LATER, INSPECTOR GRIMES WAS STUNNED AS I SHOWED HIM MY FIND ON A BLOWN UP CLIP OF THE FILM ... YES, INSPECTOR

GRIMES ... FANTASTIC





YES YES!





BUT NOW WE KNOW HIS STORY IS

SO NEXT MORNING, AFTER I'D RECEIVED SPECIAL PER-MISSION TO EXPLAIN MY EVIDENCE IN COURT ...

... AND THUS IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT A MAN SMUGGLED HIMSELF ABOARD THE YACHT AND FLED, UNSEEN. BY MEANS OF THE BRIDGE GIRDER, AS THE VESSEL PASSED UNDERNEATH! THIS MAN HAS



MR. D.A. INSPECTOR GRIMES ... THAT FACE IN THE PHOTOGRAPH ... I CAN'T BE SURE ..

BUT IT LOOKS THAT'S YOUR DEPARTMENT. FAMILIAR! INSPECTOR GRIMES!

UST ONE HOUR LATER, WE ARRIVED AT SIR HARRY DUNSTON'S LABORATORY, AND ... F

ALL RIGHT, STONE -- WILL YOU APMIT THIS IS A
PICTURE OF YOURSELF, OR MUST SCOTLAND 2
YARD PROVE IT? H-HOW CAN I DENY IT?



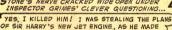
THEM! I THINK HE SUSPECTED ME ... I HAD

INSPECTOR GRIMES' CLEVER QUESTIONING... THE MOST GRATEFUL MAN IN LONDON BID ME A HEARTWARMING GOODBYE ... TUT-TUT.

I CAN JOHN ... THE MAN YOU SHOULD REALLY A NEVER THANK YOU WAS SO ENTRANCED WITH YOUR BEAU-TIFUL CITY THAT HE WANTED TO PHOTOGRAPH TOWER BRIDGE ENOUGH. MR. D. A. !









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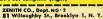
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