As Long as I Live

By

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CHAPTER XXVII

Rand thrust thick-jointed fingers through tousled red hair.

"Not often and when they come that way, they're not much good. I've got a new account for you to try out. I—what's up now, boss?"

Philip Bard ignored Rand's question as he approached Joan. The fingers that brushed up the ends of his clipped dark mustache were unsteady, his voice was harsh as he demanded.

"When did you come in, Miss Crofton? I told them in the outer office to let me know the moment you arrived. Come into my office. I want to talk to you."

Joan shook her head.

"When Mr. Rand is through, I'll talk with you — if I have time. I have a very important date."

"I want Philip Bard."

The voice came from the doorway. A policeman stood on the threshold.

Bard frowned then replied ingratiatingly, "I'm Philip Bard, officer. What can I do for you?"

The burly representative of the law consulted a slip of paper in his hand.

"Is the license number of your sedan XXX-70?"

"It is." Bard's voice was no longer genial. A hint of anxiety had crept into his eyes. He snapped, "What of it?"

"You're wanted at Police headquarters."

"Police—look here, officer, is this a joke?"

"Joke! You said that XXX-70 was the license number of your car, didn't you?"

"I did."

"Well, there's some parties that want to know what your car was doin' on the mountain-road morning before last."

"Mountain-road! Morning before—" Bard's voice caught in his throat. His face was livid.

"But, officer—"

"Don't talk now! You'll have plenty of chance at headquarters to tell all you know about that dead man in the cabin on top of the mountain."

In a mirror in the ascending elevator at the Court House, Craig Lamont caught a glimpse of his tired, lean face and the fine lines etched at the corners of his intent eyes—they hadn't been there yesterday — of his tense mouth, and tried to flex his lips.

No wonder he looked all in. Added to a morning packed with business appointments, had been questioning and requestioning as to his discovery of the body in the cabin, what he had been doing before he found it, what he had done every moment after. Not that it was thought that he was in any way connected with the shooting, he had been assured repeatedly. There was no doubt in anyone's mind that the men who had made the hasty early morning trip up and down the mountain in the sedan were responsible. But he was the only person—he and Miss Crofton — who could, so far as was known at present, furnish any clues.

He had assured them that Joan had had no suspicion of what was huddled on the floor of the log cabin, had explained briefly that he had gone to close the swinging door to stop its confounded creak, had looked in to see if there were a fireplace in case the night grew too cold for her outside until someone came for them in answer to their signal fires, and then as he had flashed his light around he had seen—they didn't need to be told again what he had seen.

The District Attorney had solemnly nodded understanding. The sheriff's lips had twitched uncontrollably as he fitted together the fingers of his bony hands and inquired blandly,

"And after that, all the time you two were together on the mountain, you didn't let the girl know what you had seen? Didn't even let her suspect, Mr. Lamont?"

"I did not. Would you, had you been in my place?"

The sheriff had twisted in his seat, had twirled his thumbs before he had had the grace to acknowledge that he guessed he wouldn't have let the girl know.

As he stepped from the elevator and entered the corridor, crowded with men and women of a half dozen nationalities, cloudy with the haze from cigarettes which obscured the "No Smoking" signs, Craig Lamont's thoughts returned to the trip to Silver Birches in the speedy car the Senator had sent for him; to breakfast on the broad terrace and his mother's blue eyes which had brimmed with questions she would not allow to pass her lips. He had given a light touch to the adventure, while all the time Joan's fervent "It's you, Jerry! Jerry, darling! I knew you'd find me!" had surged like a turbulent undercurrent through his mind.

Apparently it had taken a few hours only, marooned with a man she didn't like to make her realize how much she loved Slade.

Inextricably tangled with that conclusion had been the satisfying realization that Johnny Nolan had been quick enough to get the number of the mysterious sedan which had made the record-breaking earluy-morning mountain trip. The sheriff had been telephoning to the license department to find out to whom the car belonged when he, himself, had been dismissed with the cheering assurance that he would not be needed again for the present.

He'd better push last night's experience into the background of his mind. Nadja and her fight for Peg would need all his attention for the next few hours, he decided, as he faced a door on the ground-glass pane of which Probate Court was printed in large black letters.

As he entered the room he had the curious impression that he was looking at a picture on a screen. Senator Dan Shaw and a sleek-haired, thin-lipped man were conferring with the black-gowned Judge on the bench, whose eyes were like slivers of bright blue glass beneath shaggy white eyebrows. Below him the clerk of the court sorted papers, and the court stenographer arranged the pages of her note-book. Blue coated officers slumped behind their desks. With a nice sense of theatric values the sun shot a shaft of light through an open window straight at the face of Senorita Nadja Donesca. It revealed haggard creases about her vividly rouged mouth, tiny lines about her brilliant green eyes, emphasized the tailored perfection of her gray suit and toque, struck glints of gold in her red hair and glittered sparks from the circlet of diamonds on one of the fingers with which she drummed nervously on counsel's table within the bar. How, how could Carl have loved the woman? Craig asked himself as he had asked himself hundreds of times.

NOTICE

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Ice Cream Festival, Dance, Games, etc., in Preston Toombs' field, Kensington, Wednesday evening, August 23. (C.W.L.)

8-19-22-23-31

WANTED

Manager for Retail Clothing Store. An opportunity for a man with retail clothing experience to obtain a well-paying and permanent position. Apply to your nearest Employment and Selective Service Office. Refer A. R. 411.

DIES OF INJURIES

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 20 — (CP)—Charles McIllwraith, 16, of Newton, Kings County, died in hospital here today after a hay fork pierced his body when he fell from a hay mow yesterday at Salisbury.

Advertising Rates—Payable in Advance

Minimum Charge for Any Advertisement 25 Cents

Central Guardian locals, 5c per word; Western and Eastern locals 2c per word; Announcements and Coming Events 3c per word; Classified 3c per word; In Memoriam Notices 70c per inch; Lists of Floral and Spiritual Offerings, Cards, etc., 5c per name; Letters of Condolence 70c per inch; Wedding engagements 40 words for $1.00 and 10 cents for every additional 3 words. Notices of Thanks and Appreciation, 70c per inch or 4c per word. Lists of subscriptions 40 cents per inch. Address and Presentation $1.00. Other rates on application.

Wanted

WANTED — BOARD AND ROOM by man with good recommendations. Apply "N" care of Guardian, stating price per week. 8-15-tf.

STORE WANTED — ABOUT 100' x 24', central, heated, long term lease, if desirable. Replies to P. O. Box No. 40, Truro, N.S. 7-28-16i.

WANTED — STEAMER TRUNK. (Wardrobe style.) Telephone 1907. 8-21-3i.

WANTED — HOME FOR British guest child (girl) coming from the country to attend Prince of Wales College. Phone Miss Fullerton 363. 8-19-3i.

WANTED BY A LADY, 1st OR 15th September, furnished, heated room with housekeeping privileges or board. Apply P. O. Box 311 or Phone 36. 8-22-1i.

Position Wanted

WANTED—POSITION AS HOUSEkeeper by Airman's wife in return for board and room. Write "O." Guardian. 8-22-1i.

Machinery

DEWALT SAWS AND WOODworking machines. Newest types available from direct factory representatives for Canada. Quotations gladly furnished on application. DeWalt Disher Corporation, Ltd., 402 West Pender St., Vancouver, B. C.

For Sale

FOR SALE HOOKED RUGS, 62 Rochford Street. 8-21-12i

FOR SALE — SIX FOOT CUT McCormick-Deering Binder, almost new. Apply W. R. Jenkins, Great George Street. 8-19-3i.

FOR SALE — NEWLY FRESHENed cow, 6 years old. Harry Morris, West Royalty. 8-22-2i.

FOR SALE — ONE ACRE STANDing wheat. Merlin Murphy, Kensington Road, Charlottetown. 8-22-1i.

FOR SALE — ONE BEATER DIGger, also one plough digger with beaters. Apply to William McKay, High Bank, Phone 1—4. 8-22-1i.

FOR SALE — SOW, SIX JUNKS pigs. Wanted general purpose horse or colt. E. Ryan, Morell. 8-22-1i.

Male Help Wanted

WANTED — EXPERIEXNCED bookkeeper (male). Good position. Good wages. Apply National Selective Service Office. 8-21-tf.

Lost

LOST — BABY'S WHITE PULLover sweater and blue carriage clips, new. Taken from Hoyt's Beauty Salon, 8-22-1i.

LOST — BETWEEN MILTON AND Hunter River, car jack. E. J. Dalton, Hope River. 8-22-3i.

LOST — ONE HOOP EAR RING. Return to 25 King Square. Reward. 8-22-2i.

The first newspaper was probably the Roman Acta Diurna in 691 B. C.

Stock Markets At A Glance

WINNIPEG, Aug. 21—(CP)—United Kingdom interest were credited with purchasing flour equivalent to 2,000,000 bushels of wheat in trading today on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange.

MONTREAL, Aug. 21 — (CP) — Papers went ahead for a new high average in moderate trading today on the Montreal Stock Exchange and Curb Market. Golds were fractionally off and other groups made small gains.

TORONTO, Aug. 21—(CP)—Stocks improved their price tone as today's Toronto Exchange session advanced and index gains were netted by the Base Metal and Western Oil groups. The Gold share index was down .20 at the close but several gold issues not included in the index were active and higher at the close.

CHICAGO, Aug. 21—(AP) — A firm cotton market and light offerings caused grain futures to rally today.

Rye at one time was as much as 1 ½ cents higher than the previous close. Local traders sold at the opening, then switched to buying when prices held firm. Oferings were light and the upturn folowed.

LONDON, Aug. 21—(CP)—Moderate selling coupled with a lack of buyers kept the Stock Market in a depressed state today. Declines were widespread in industrials, including textile, store, tobacco, steel and brewery shares. Domestic rails oils and internationals tended lower. British funds, however, were steady.

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 —(AP) — The Stock Market turned a bit lame today as the Allied sweep in Europe brought victory nearer and revived to some extent apprehension over transaction problems when the Nazis finally crash. The Asociated Press average of 60 stocks was off .2 of a point at 55.5. Transfers totalled 828,020 shares compared with 1,151,520 Friday.

MINING

TORONTO, Aug. 21 — (CP) — Toronto Closing Stock Quotations.

Sales		Close
200	Ajax	1.55
1000	A P Cons	11 1-2
10160	Aldermac	25
775	Ang Cdn	655
1010	An Hur	7.15
5700	Aquarius	1.08
5400	Area	27
2500	Arjon	10
1600	Aumaque	81
3500	Astoria	21
17575	Bear	1.79
36100	Aubelle	66
3800	Beattie	1.89
100	Berens	1.05
5100	Bidgood	27 1-2
7100	Bobjo	14 1-2
500	Bonetal	21
7200	Brit Dom	1.22
3900	Broulan	84
200	Buff Ank	5.70
200	Cdn Mal	74
2000	Cas Treth	1.11
450	Cent Pat	2.25
6000	Cent Por	14
200	Chem Res	1.25
7300	Cochenour	2.27
3740	Coin L	33 1-4
500	Conwest	1.52
3000	Davies	17
4300	Ea Crest	09 1-2
1500	East Sul	59
320	Falcon	4.65
1400	Franco	74
780	Frobish	6.30
7600	Yellkniffe	8.80
1000	Gillies	11
500	Glenora	04 1-4
10100	Gods La	38
2000	Goldale	27
1000	Gold Eag	04 1-2
3500	Gold Gate	10 1-2
5900	Goodfish	05
200	Gra Bous	05
1600	Gunnar	28
2000	Halliwell	3 7-8
840	Hard Ro	90
1100	Hasaga	40
160	Holling	11 1-2
100	Home	3.10
500	Howey	35 1-2
1500	Inspira	82
190	Int Up B	15
1500	Jason	34
153	Jellicoe	05
600	Kerr Add	10
500	Kirk Hud	68
700	Kirk La	1.08
4600	Labrador	3.15
8300	Lake Dufa:	2.14
200	Lake Shore	18 7-8
290	Lamaque	6 15
300	Lapa Cad	08
4000	Lebel	04
1950	Lil L L	1.22
966	Macassa	3.90
6916	MacLeod	2.60
2510	Madsen	2.10
1300	Malartic	3.65
200	Man Estn	02 1-2
550	Maralgo	07 1-2
260	McIntyre	6
1200	MacKenzie	1.47
500	McMarmac	18
2000	McVitt	28 3-4
6100	McWatt	28 1-2
3000	Mid Cont	36
100	Min Corp	2.00
6100	Moneta	73
14400	Negus	1.40
500	Nipiss	2.50
75	Noranda	56 1-4
9000	Norgold	10
660	Normetal	67
2000	Can Mine	90
7040	Obrien	3.65
500	Okalta	46
1650	Omega	35
5167	Pacalta	18
2600	Pacific Oil	45
200	Pamour	1.30
2000	Pandora	9
6600	Partenan	08
500	Paymast	38
7000	Oleary	26
1300	Perron	1.15
1000	Pick Crow	2.85
1950	Pioneer	4.00
1100	Powell Vi	1.05
100	Premier	1.45
2900	Preston	2.75
500	Prosp Air	40
1100	Queenston	1.00
500	Quemont	21
1500	Reno	66 1-4
9700	Purdy	41
4500	Roche	11 1-2
1100	Rouyn	42
3000	St Anth	66 3-4
200	San Ant	4.00
2000	Sand	99
6232	Senator	39
1200	Sheep	100
1270	Sherritt	70
4865	Sisco	68
550	Sladen	88
950	Springer	1.40
11340	Steep Ro	4.75
125	Sturgeon	25
1000	Sullivan	1.70
275	Sylvan	2.65
995	Teck Hu	3.85
300	Texas	1 25
5700	Thom Land	47
2000	Towagmac	32
6300	Trans Res	83
050	Up Canada	2.50
1500	Vermilata	07 1-2
415	Waite Ams	5.10
9500	Wiltsey	02
25	Wri Harg	[illegible]

17900	West Mal	1.82

CURB

200	Brown Co	2.?5
20	Coast Cop	.50
330	Dalhousie	30
600	Foothil	1.20
	Total Sales 468,000	

Montreal Exchange

Abitibi	3 3-4
Asbestos	22
B A Oil	23 1-4
[illegible] Prod	18 1-2
Bell Tel	[illegible]
Bathurst	15 1-4
Can Pac	12
Can Car Found	9
Can Car Pfd	26 1-2
Can Steam	12
Dom Bridge	30
Don A	9 1-4
Dom Steel B	8
Dryden	8 3-4
Fraser	28 1-2
Ford A	26 1-4
Gen Steel Wares	16 1-4
How Smith	19
Home Oil	305
Imp Oil	14
Ham Bridge	5 3-4
Int Nickel	34
Imp Tob	12 1-2
Con Smelt	52
Lake of Woods	26
Mtl Power	21 1-2
Massey Harris	9 1-4
McColl Front	8
Nat Steel Car	17
Can Nor Pfd	6
Noranda	56 1-2
Price Com	31
Shawinigan	14 1-2
St Law	3
Dom Textile	72
Dom Tar	11 3-4
Wpg Elec A	5 1-2
Brazilian	22 1-4
Steel Of Can	69 1-2

N.Y. Stock Exchange

Anaconda	27 1-4
Am Car and F	40 7-8
Beth Steel	62 5-8
N Y Central	19 7-8
Ches & Ohio	47 1-2
Con Edison	24 7-8
Elec Auto Lite	45 1-2
Gen Elec	38 7-8
Gen Motors	63 1-8
Gt Nor Pfd	38 3-4
Std Oil NJ	55 5-8
Kennecott	33
Mont Ward	50 5-8
Nor Am	19 1-2
Phil Pete	45 1-8
U S Rubber	51
Radio Corp	10 7-8
Am Tel & Tel	163 5-8
Texas Co	48 7-8
United Aircraft	29 3-8
West Union	47
West Elec	105 1-8
U S Steel	59 1-8

BANKS

Commerce	160
Montreal	172
Nova Scotia	266

PRODUCE

MONTREAL, Aug. 21 — (CP) — Produce prices today reported by the Dominion Department of Agriculture follow:—

Eggs: Graded shipment on spot 42 for A-Large; A-Medium 40; A-Pullets 33; B 30-31; C 22-23.

Butter: Wholesale jobbing pasteurized Que. No. 1 34 5/8; No. 2 pasteurized 34-34 1/8; Current receipt Que. No. 1 pasteurized 34 1/8; del Mtl. No. 2 33 1/8 del Mtl; first grade creamery prints job price 35-3/4-36 1/2; first grade solids, job price 35 1/4-36.

Cheese: Current white western and Que. 20 FOB; wholesale western and Que. white for local trade and export 20 11/16-21.

Potatoes: 75 lb. bag Que. No. .75-90.

As much as 55 per cent protein value can be added to dry eggs if wood-derived yeast is mixed with the product.

FINAL PAYMENT OF 1943 INCOME TAX

DUE 31ST AUGUST, 1944

Inasmuch as the Income Tax payments that fell due on 30th April last were postponed to 31st August, this will remind you that any balance due must be remitted to your District Inspector of Income Tax on or before 31st August, 1944 to avoid penalty. To be sure that the payments are correctly credited to your account, your remittance should be accompanied by a letter showing clearly your full name and address and stating that the payment is to be applied to your 1943 income tax.

COLIN GIBSON
Minister of
National Revenue

C. FRASER ELLIOTT
Deputy Minister of
National Revenue for Taxation

CANADA'S NAVY

In 1939 — 15 SHIPS
In 1944 — 650 SHIPS

THAT'S WHY GASOLINE IS SHORT!

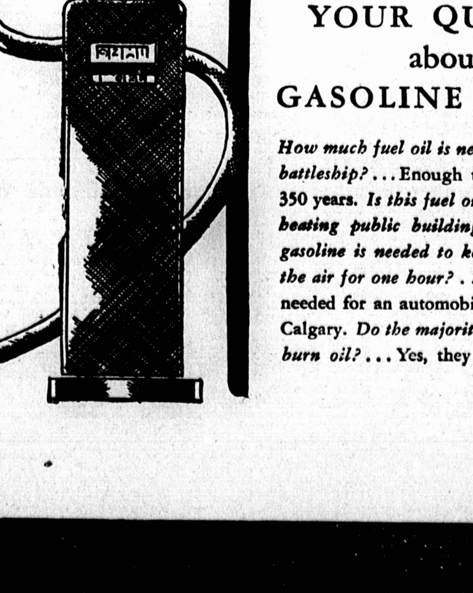
WITH more than 43 times as many warships as in pre-war years . . . with naval needs for fuel oil and other petroleum products increased more than 2300% over 1939 requirements . . . with more ships and *faster* ships patrolling the seas—the wartime oil consumption of Canada's Navy has far outstripped anticipated demand.

Canada now has her own "flat-tops", providing air cover for convoys. She has swarms of nimble anti-submarine craft that circle slow-moving cargo boats—often travelling twice as far each trip as the merchantmen they are protecting. She must re-fuel numbers of Allied ships which call at Canadian ports.

All the fuel oil for these naval enterprises—together with all the gasoline and other petroleum products needed by Canada's Army, Air Force, war industry, agriculture and essential transportation and civilian use—must come from one common petroleum pool. If our fighting men are not to go short . . . if our limited supplies are not to be spread dangerously thin in places where they are urgently needed—then we, on the home front, must draw as little from the pool as possible.

Remember, the equivalent of 6 gallons out of every 10 gallons of gasoline used in Canada come by ocean tanker. We are not self-supporting for oil and every gallon we use needlessly or wastefully not only robs Allied sailors, soldiers and airmen of "fighting" gas and fuel oil—but diverts precious tanker transportation. Remember this. Remember—petroleum powers the attack—not a drop must be wasted.

LESS CIVILIAN GAS MEANS MORE "FIGHTING GAS" FOR THE FORCES



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Answering YOUR QUESTIONS about the GASOLINE SHORTAGE

How much fuel oil is needed for one fueling of a battleship? . . . Enough to heat an average home 350 years. *Is this fuel oil similar to that used for heating public buildings?* . . . Yes. *How much gasoline is needed to keep a fast Navy plane in the air for one hour?* . . . The equivalent of that needed for an automobile trip from Montreal to Calgary. *Do the majority of Canada's Naval ships burn oil?* . . . Yes, they all do.

MS-84