

# Whispering Rock

By JOHN LEBAR

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## Nineteenth Installment

For half an hour the two women sat on the floor with the dog between them. For a time he seemed rather pleased at so much attention and gave a short sharp bark of inquiry. Then, as nothing much happened, he yawned, stretched at the floor, and after snoring around lay down with a soft sigh and presently began to snore.

"Sugarfoot, honey," said Ann at last; "why ain't you dead?"

After the cattle sale Ruth knew that Snavelly had misinformed her about the yearly earning power of the ranch. As

## NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed to the undersigned, and default having been made in the payment of same as therein provided, we will on Monday, the 4th day of December, 1933, at the courthouse door in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, at one o'clock, P. M., offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit: Situated on the waters of the north prong of Reddies River, adjoining the lands of P. J. Vannoy, the Poe heirs, and others, and bounded as follows:

Beginning on a bunch of marked maples on the west bank of Reddies River, J. C. and R. L. Vannoy's corner, running southward with the center of the creek to a willow, P. J. Vannoy's corner; thence westward with the said P. J. Vannoy's line, to a white oak in the Poe line, Vannoy and Poe's corner; thence northward with the Poe line to a black gum in R. L. Vannoy's line, J. C. and R. L. Vannoy's corner; thence westward with R. L. Vannoy's line, to the beginning, containing twenty acres, more or less.

This 2nd day of Nov., 1933.  
EUGENE TRIVETTE,  
RALPH G. BINGHAM,  
Attorneys.

## NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Under and by virtue of power of sale contained in mortgage deed executed the 29th day of July, 1929, by J. F. Walker and wife, Sina Walker to the undersigned mortgagee to secure the payment of a note which is past due and unpaid and demand having been made for payment thereof, I will sell to the highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door, Wilkesboro, N. C., at the hour of One P. M., on the 9th day of December 1933, for cash, the following described real estate:

Lying and being in New Castle Township, Wilkes county, North Carolina, and adjoining the lands of R. C. Younger heirs, Carl Redding and others, beginning on a pine running north 80 poles to a black gum, R. S. Younger's corner; thence south 75 degrees east 75 poles to a rock on the South bank of a branch, Redding's corner; thence south 20 degrees west Redding's line 62 poles to a rock; thence west 54 poles to the beginning, containing 72 3/4 acres more or less. Said mortgage deed recorded in Book 149, page 208, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wilkes County.

This 6th day of Nov., 1933.  
EMMA MATHIS,  
Mortgagee.  
J. A. Rousseau, Attorney  
for Emma Mathis.

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near as she could estimate, the income—even without the Parker cattle—was more than three times the amount he had mentioned. She believed that his lie was an attempt to discourage her, not a plan to make money for himself.

But the cattle buyer had come and his check was now in Ruth's hands; this check gave her, after Snavelly's share was deducted, nearly a thousand dollars over the amount of her note. Ruth walked on air—small wonder that she was not anxious to have any more words with Snavelly. After all, what if he had undervalued the income? She could meet her note, and she had not been forced to sell any of the fine Parker cattle except the calves. She had improved the ranch wonderfully and next year this improvement would manifest itself in real money. And with the money from next fall's sale she would buy more cattle, pure breeds, the best in the world. She had set herself five years to bring the earning of the ranch to a certain comfortable amount. Then she and David would move into town near the schools. . . . She knew that Snavelly would have to be considered in these plans, but the future looked so bright, it was a shame to spoil it with thinking of him. In her heart she rather believed that Snavelly would eventually sell out to her.

Since the cattle sale something seemed to have happened to Snavelly; he no longer gave the impression that he was waiting for something. Instead, he had a puzzled, uncertain air. He avoided Ruth consistently, but where before he had let it be seen that

## NOTICE

Wilkes & Western Railway Company hereby gives notice that on November 3, 1933, it filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C., its application for a certificate that the present and future public convenience and necessity require the acquisition and operation of the line of railroad formerly owned by the Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad extending from North Wilkesboro to Darby, approximately 26.49 miles, all in Wilkes County, North Carolina.

WILKES & WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.  
11-27-33.

## NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Wilkes County. In the Superior Court, October Term, 1933.  
Mrs. Lula Kilby, Plaintiff, vs. The Mountain View Institute, and Mountain View College, Inc., Defendants.

Under and by virtue of a judgment rendered in the above entitled cause at the October Term, 1933 of Wilkes Superior Court, the undersigned Commissioner duly appointed in said judgment, will sell to the highest bidder at the Courthouse door in Wilkesboro, North Carolina at 1:00 o'clock p. m. on the 9th day of December, 1933, for cash to satisfy the judgment rendered in said cause for the sum of \$9,000.00, with interest on the same from November 5, 1924, and the cost of the suit, the following described real-estate:

Lying and being in the county of Wilkes and bounded and described as follows:

All of the land of the said Mountain View College or Mountain View Institute, Inc., in and around the said Mountain View College or Institute either in one parcel or several, together with the buildings located thereon among said buildings being the building known as the Administration Building, the dormitory for girls known as the Pearl Kilby home and the dormitory for boys and all the out buildings appurtenant thereto. All situated in the immediate vicinity of Hays postoffice, specifically described in a mortgage deed of Trustee's deed duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wilkes county in Book No. 130, page 510 and Book 153 page 79. This November 9th, 1933.  
T. C. BOWIE,  
Commissioner.

he avoided her because he could not stand the sight of her, he now made half-smiling excuses. The girl had been so happy with the results of the round-up and the gaiety of the fiesta that she paid little attention to him. She had won. Nevertheless, whenever he was behind her Ruth had to control a wild impulse to run.

On the day after she received the cattle buyer's check, Will Thane drove up to the ranch. He brought a marriage license for Alfreda and Magda. He had already secured the priest's signature, and now asked the newly married couple to sign, telling them the paper was an agreement with the great American government to live happily together and never quarrel about anything. Alfredo and Magda signed it joyfully.

As it was still mid-morning Will did not hurry away. He and Ruth sat on the running board of the roadster and talked.

"David and I are going to flag your dad this afternoon and go into town with him. I've some business to attend to and David wants some ice cream. We're going on a regular spree—they have a movie in town, haven't they?"

"Two; both terrible. But say, you can't go in with Dad; he's quit the delivery business."

"Oh Why?"

"No use in it. He started carrying mail by accident, anyway. You see, after mother died, he and I went to live in town. We left Juan and Juana on the ranch. I went to school and Dad became sheriff. Well, when I got old enough to go to the university, we went to California. But Dad couldn't stand it there—too cold and too far away from the ranch. So he came home. He used to go into town every week to get a letter from me and first thing he knew he was the mail man. But now that I've come home for good, Dad's quit. The new man made his first trip last week. All of which family history is only to say that if you want to go to town you'd better let me take you." Will stood up.

"Now?"

"Sure—unless you'd rather wait. Dad and I are leaving tomorrow for a business trip to the coast—back next week. We'd be glad to take you in with us in the morning, but you might have trouble in getting out again. You'd better come now—we'll see two movies!"

"Well, I hadn't planned!"

Ruth hesitated—"I suppose we might go this morning—"

A few minutes later when Ruth and David, coming out of the house, started toward the waiting machine, Snavelly stepped out from the porch and asked, "You-all goin' for a ride?"

"Why, yes. Mr. Thane is taking David and me into town. I shall deposit the check and pay off my note."

"Well, now, I don't know as I'd be in any hurry, Mrs. Warren—your note ain't due for a week, is it?" An it's poor business handling people money—you don't know what that broker might do—he might claim you never give him th' money. Why don't you jest put your money in th' bank an' then when the time comes to pay him mail him a check. I—come to think of it, I'll be goin' in town pretty soon—I'd be glad to—"

"No, thank you," smiled Ruth. "I'm sure it will be safe for me to pay the money to Mr. Wither- spoon. I shall give him a check, not cash, and he will have to give me a receipt also. When I have opened the account, I can then write a check for your share. Or, if you'd rather give me a letter to the bank, I can put the cattle buyer's check in the ranch account."

Snavelly hesitated uncertainly. "Well, now—" He paused.

"Which shall I do?" asked Ruth. "Shall I put the check in the ranch account, or do you want me to open my own account with it and pay off my note and give you a check for your share of the sale?"

"Well, why don't you wait until I go in—"

"Because I want to pay off that note myself."

Snavelly did not reply for nearly a minute. "All right," he said

suddenly, "you all do like you want. But don't put the money in the partnership account. Put it in your name and give me my share. You can bring it out with you when you come back. Bring it in cash—I don't want no check." He turned and left her.

On the way in, the three in the roadster chattered ceaselessly. Once Ruth asked, "Tell me—what was the trouble that day at the barbecue?"

"Oh, the fellow in the blue sash? He was just drunk. I didn't inquire much about the argument. Alfredo said that he was saying unpleasant thing about the ranch—claimed he wanted to see Snavelly."

"But why?"

"A crazy drunken notion. He told Alfredo that he could make Snavelly come down and walk on his hands and knees with a saddle on his back—thought it would amuse the crowd."

Ruth glanced incredulously at her companion. "Good heavens, what a rare idea!"

Will agreed. He did not tell the girl that his father had appeared much interested in the remarks of the Mexican in the blue sash; nor that by this time, a certain tall, grizzled policeman was also much interested.

As they entered the outskirts of the town, after nearly three hours of steady driving, Ruth could hardly believe her eyes. It seemed to her that she had never seen so many people in all her life. Will assured her that the town had not grown noticeably—she had been living on the ranch where twelve people gathered together made a multitude.

She asked Will about banks, and he recommended all three of them. Then she remarked in a matter-of-fact way that she wondered if he knew of a good attorney. Will pointed to an office building across the street. "A man named Martin has an office there; you can't go wrong on him. Would you like me to introduce you?"

Ruth hesitated. "No, don't bother—I just want to ask him a trivial question or two."

Ruth left Will and David as soon as Will had parked the car. She would attend to her business and meet them an hour later.

At the nearest bank she opened a checking account with the cattle buyer's check as a deposit, and drew Snavelly's share in cash. Then she found the ground floor office of Mr. Witherpoon. From the signs on the window, Mr. Witherpoon was a notary, a broker, and an insurance agent; he also made loans, conducted real estate operations, and was incorporated.

"Mr. Witherpoon?" asked Ruth of the man who sat before a flat-topped desk in the single room to which the street opened.

"Yes." Mr. Witherpoon swung around. He was fat and had been a blond in younger days.

"I am Ruth Warren. You have a note which I gave Mr. Parker of the Triangle T Ranch. It falls due November first."

"Yes—?"

"I want to pay it off now."

"Oh, certainly, Mrs. Warren." Mr. Witherpoon arose and seated her in a chair near the desk. Stepping to the open safe he drew out a large record book, dumped it on his desk and sought for a certain page. "Here we are—let's see—nothing paid down—no extensions—everything clean and neat. I guess all I need is your check, Mrs. Warren. Make it out to me—J. H. Witherpoon, Incorporated. I'll give you a receipt."

Ruth filled out the second check in her new book for a considerable part of the money she had put in the bank thirty minutes before. It seemed too bad. "Is that all that's necessary?"

"That's all," smiled Mr. Witherpoon. "Very easy to get rid of money."

Ruth rose to her feet, bade good morning to the broker and went in search of the attorney Will had recommended. She thrilled expectantly; at last she was going to see just where she stood with Snavelly. She had a feeling that she would learn much to her advantage.

Mr. Martin, the lawyer, was an oldish man, quite scholarly in appearance, with gray eyes and a very straight mouth. Ruth pre-

ferred her remark of stating that she did not care to tell who she was—that she simply wanted some legal advice. Briefly, she told how she had come to be on the ranch. Just what were her rights and relations with her brother's former partner?

After looking at her inquisitively for a moment, Mr. Martin sighed. "My dear young lady, you have acted most unwisely and with no discernible judgment. To begin with, you have not one iota of right to be on the property."

"I haven't?"

"You have not. You have three-quarters' interest in the property if the will is found to be regular. The entire ranch is in sole legal possession of the man who was your brother's partner. You have no right there at all. The surviving partner of a partnership has entire control of the partnership property. If you have made any money during your occupation of the property, I am not sure but you are liable to prosecution."

"But do you mean I'm not a partner?"

(Continued next week)

## MILLERS CREEK HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Following is the honor roll for Millers Creek high school for the first and second months, respectively:

1st Grade: Grace Dean Church, Willa Mae McNeill, Louise Miller, Lottie McNeill, Ray Dell Waggoner, Mabel Kilby, Bronda Bumgarner, Mildred Canter, Thomas Nichols.

2nd Grade: Hazel Weems, William Minton, Weldon Huffman.

3rd Grade: Aline McNeill, Arlee Ellier, Elyma Eller, Eloise Ellier, Wilma Ruth Canter, Pauline Maxwell, M. F. Bumgarner, Jr., Warren Bumgarner, Baxter Bumgarner, Gene Bumgarner.

4th Grade—second month—Betty Kilby, Ella Mae McGlamery, Doris Tulburt, J. T. Vannow, Hazel Hayes.

5th Grade: Virginia Reeves, Clara Rhodes, Lucile McNeill, Emma Gean Greene, Eleanor Walsh, Arlene Eller, Gaynell Lovette, Iris Bumgarner, Thomas Lee McNeill.

6th Grade—second month—Dick Hayes, Anna Laura Canter, Martha Kilby, Dare Eller.

7th Grade—second month—Magdalene Reinhardt, Otho B. Nichols, Lucy Roten.

8th Grade—second month—Edith Brooks, Avis Martin.

9th Grade—second month—Frances Bumgarner, Arlee Church, Helen Hayes, Lillian Kilby.

## Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all our friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy at the time of and following the death of our husband and father.

MRS. OTHO MATHIS AND CHILDREN

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Dwight Barber, deceased, late of Wilkes County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned at Wilkesboro, North Carolina, on or before the 21st day of October, 1934, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 21st day of Oct., 1933.  
J. T. REDDING, Admr.,  
Estate Dwight Barber, deceased.  
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11-27-33

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## December 1st, 1933

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## W. P. KELLY

Tax Collector for Town of North Wilkesboro, N. C.

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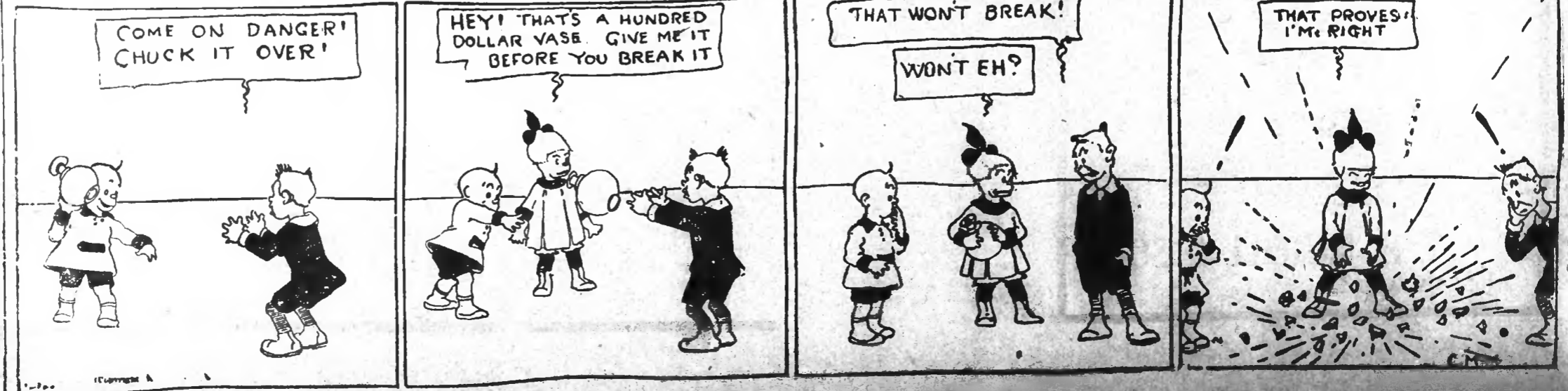
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