

100 True Detective Stories

A Venture In Diplomacy

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"Here's the letter, Burns. See what you can make of it." The Chief of the United States Secret Service tossed across the desk a single sheet of paper on which a few words had been rather hastily written.

But an examination of this part of the communication failed to reveal anything whatever. Like the letter, it had been written in a palpably disguised hand, and was addressed to the British Ambassador at the proper street number on Connecticut avenue.

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careful, they will slip. The joining of the two words occurs only towards the end of the sentences or phrases, indicating that the writer hesitated a moment or so in order to think of what he was going to say next, and in that momentary hesitation, gathered himself together and remembered to avoid habitual methods of writing.

A visit to the Detroit headquarters of one of the big unions gave Burns a list which he felt certain contained the name of the man he wanted. Then followed a few hours of intensive work—investigation, the elimination of unlikely suspects and a hasty survey of others who might have written the letter. Finally, with the long list boiled down to five names, and local operatives detailed to trail each of these, Burns took up his position near the railroad station gate through which his man would have to pass in order to reach Washington by noon on Saturday.

LAUDS FRIENDS FOR FEEDING CHILDREN

Philadelphia, June 22.—The American Friends Service committee, which is undertaking a campaign to raise \$3,000,000 within the next year to feed German children, has received a letter from President Harding commending the humanitarian efforts of the committee. The letter is directed to Ferdinand Thun, of Reading, Pa., vice-chairman of the committee organized to conduct the campaign. It reads: "My sympathy has been aroused in the effort your organization is making to raise funds for suffering unfortunate children of central Europe. I am impressed that the time has come when the old asperities of the war period may properly be forgotten in the face of such humanitarian efforts. The real ideal of human brotherhood will best be encouraged by such works as this."

POPPIES IN HONOR OF COL. GALBRAITH

Indianapolis, Ind., June 22.—Poppies from the battlefields of France will be grown at national headquarters of the American Legion here in memory of the late F. V. Galbraith, Jr., national commander of the American legion, who was killed in an automobile accident here a short time ago. A miniature shell-torn battlefield will be constructed by landscape gardeners and florists will plant and care for the memorial flowers. Seeds of the poppies were received at headquarters today from J. M. Johnson, of Marion, S. C., formerly an engineer with the Rainbow division who gathered them from the battlefields of France.

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CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF WORK

Golden Jubilee of Foreign Missions is Observed at Baptist Convention.

Des Moines, Iowa, June 22.—The afternoon and evening sessions Wednesday of the Northern Baptist convention were given over to the impressive and unique golden jubilee anniversary of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission society, in celebration of fifty years of successful work in foreign lands. A picturesque jubilee procession, comprising women who had come from eight foreign lands to attend the golden jubilee celebration, led a long procession of missionaries and Northern Baptist women into the convention headquarters. President Tustin welcomed the professional, speaking with high appreciation of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission society, which in fifty years has grown from two missionaries to 257 missionaries, and which today has 112 stations. Mrs. Helen Barret Montgomery, of Rochester, N. Y., president of the society, responded to his welcome, telling of the high plans of the society for future achievement. A jubilee offering of 5,000 subscriptions to "Missions" was made. During the year of 1920 the women of the society made a daily gift of \$1,000 a day for a special golden jubilee gift to foreign lands, and a report was made on what is being done with the jubilee money.

ROME IS SHEDDING ANCIENT CHARACTER

Rome, June 22.—Slowly the god of commerce is grinding away a little at a time the romance and antiquity of this cradle of civilization. The Corso, from the time of Roman emperors the busiest thoroughfare of the city, is losing its ancient character. The four huge triumphal arches which once spanned the street, were destroyed centuries ago. Palaces and churches were left but the palaces are falling before the irresistible demands of commerce.

CHINESE CHIEFS AID THEIR GOVERNMENT

Peking, June 22.—As a result of a conference in Tientsin between Gen. Chang Tso-lin, military governor of the Manchurian provinces, Gen. Tso-kun, military governor of the province of Jehol, and other officials, the government has agreed to release a portion of the wine and tobacco revenues due to the central government and hitherto withheld for payment of arrears of pay to troops and military establishments in order to tide the government over its present financial difficulties. Arrears to troops will be paid in installments spread over a period of time. It has been announced that no military undertaking against the Canton group is contemplated.

LINCOLN READY FOR PAINTING OF BRIDGES

Lincoln county board of county commissioners has notified the Mecklenburg Highway Commission to proceed with its suggestion that all bridges between Mecklenburg and Lincoln counties be painted in order to beautify and protect the bridges. The Lincoln board gave instructions that if the Mecklenburg body would do the work it might send the bill to the Lincoln county commissioners for payment. The Highway Commission made the same suggestion to the Gaston county board of commissioners recently, but has not heard from that body. The Mecklenburg body does not doubt that the Gaston commissioners will meet their suggestion in the same spirit as that shown by the Lincoln county commissioners.

KING PETER DEAD IS REPORT, BUT DENIED

London, June 22.—The weekly news paper, the Near East, learns that King Peter of Serbia died three or four days ago. The Serbian legation and the British foreign office deny any knowledge of King Peter's reported death. King Peter of Serbia was reported seriously ill in a Belgrade hospital early in June. Later advices said that he was suffering from pleurisy, but that his condition was steadily improving. On June 17 he was relieved by his physicians to be out of danger.

Fads and Fancies Of Official Family

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

It is now the "affable Mr. Hughes." Up to a few months ago it was the "icy Mr. Hughes." So far none has attempted to explain the sudden change of temperature in Charles Evans Hughes, secretary of state, formerly justice of the U. S. supreme court and Republican candidate for president in 1916. That the Hughes temperature, however, can drop quickly in the stiff freezing point when the occasion demands it was demonstrated a short time ago when a bureau chief in the state department sought to brush aside the rules of the office and see his chief in spite of the "busy signal." He opened Hughes's door after being warned away by the secretary. Hughes measured the intruder with one of his famous glacial glances and the chilled bureau chief staggered from the doorway. Hughes, however, does not spend his time showing a warm exterior to the world. He is working as hard as any man who ever held the office. Observers credit him with an exceptional capacity for work and a keen grasp of international affairs and being a master of diplomacy. His handling of several delicate international situations, including the Yap mandate, our participation in the reparations question and the Panama-Cost Rican squabble, stamps him as a man of quick vision, quick decision and firm determination, his admirers say. Hughes works hard and his example has instilled the philosophy of labor him as a man who ever held the office. He takes a half hour for lunch and is in his office hard at work when the average business man is taking his shower.

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