

SYLVIA SIDNEY

Mary Burns Fugitive

By Wallace West—Novelized from the
Walter Wagner—Paramount Picture
of the same name.



SYNOPSIS
Mary Burns, gritty owner of a roadside restaurant on a Mid-Western highway, is in love with Don Wilson, who poses as a rich college graduate to his old business. Wilson, however, is a desperate desperado wanted by the police. When he calls on Mary at her restaurant one evening, a squad of G-men, who trailed him there, begin to attack the shop.

CHAPTER II
"Why didn't you bring the car?" snarled Wilson as he and Joe crouched behind the counter while the spotlight lit up the shop.
"The spark plugs were out," groaned Romero. "But I saved the suitcase."
"O. K. Hold 'em off. I'll get rid of it." He picked up the case and hurried into the kitchen. Mary followed him, fascinated by the cold, hard, murderous look on his face.
"Don! What is it?" she pleaded.
Without deigning to answer, Wilson pushed her aside. Then he picked up a can of kerosene and poured some of the liquid on the banked fire of the barbecue pit. Flames leaped up, throwing a weird light over everything. As Mary stared, he opened the suitcase. It was filled with bonds and he started cramming handfuls of them in the fire. Some fell on the floor.
A bullet came through the wall, knocking down the cooking utensils.
"Keep down!" "Remember everything I told you, kid." Don, his face savage and ruthless, grated Wilson as he shoved the girl to the floor with one hand and thrust more bonds into the fire with the other.
A loud fusillade of machine gun fire came from the road. When it was ended, they heard Joe screaming in pain.
"Don! They got me... in the leg," he called.
Wilson, his face working savagely, continued to burn the damning bonds. All Mary could do as the bullets rained through the walls was to watch her lover dully.
As Joe continued to yell, Don stood up disgustedly and tossed the suitcase to Mary.
"Here!" he said in a voice she did not know. "Burn those bonds! And don't ask any questions!" As he

spoke he threw open his coat and, with a quick, sudden movement, whipped out two automatics from his shoulder holsters.
Mary watched him unbelievably. The very sight of him suddenly terrified her. She moved away, but returned, held like a bird before a snake. This was a face she'd never seen... a face she couldn't recognize. She acted as if she had not heard him, standing immobile, like something paralyzed, as he jerked open the door to the front room and hurried out to help his companion.
"Come on!" he commanded as he entered the restaurant. "Out the back way, Joe, before they close in!"
"You'll have to help me!" groaned his pal, who was lying on the floor, writhing in pain, and yet exchanging shot for shot with the government men outside. "It's my leg."

ing," sneered Don as he retreated into the kitchen where Mary, who had heard every word of that awful conversation sat crouched on the floor beside the flaming barbecue pit.
Realizing that the girl was in a daze, Wilson shook her roughly.
"If you love me," he rasped "you'll keep burning those bonds."
A bullet crashed through the wide window. Realizing that the G-men were spreading out, he snarled and fired back. Then he leaped to the back door, threw it open and turned back to Mary.
"Listen!" He gestured wildly with his guns. "Keep your mouth shut! Don't talk and they can't do a thing to you."
Petrified by fear, Mary hardly heard him. Her whole world was crashing crazily around her... the smashing bullets... the crackling bonds... Joe dead!
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New Soil Program To Check Overproduction

The primary objective of the new soil conservation and domestic allotment act is the wise use of land, but its ultimate objectives are more far-reaching.
"By conserving our soil resources and putting our land to better use," said Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, "we hope that the production of basic farm commodities will be held in check."
Under the new plan, he said, it will not be possible to control the crop production of individual farms, as under the AAA, but it is believed the program will tend to prevent serious overproduction and its consequent demoralization of prices.
The act provides for government grants to farmers for growing erosion-control and soil-building crops such as legumes and grasses rather than soil-depleting cash crops.
Any farmer who wishes to improve his land, and shows evidence that he follows the provisions of the program, will be eligible for compensation from the government, the dean added.

It was realized, he explained, that many farmers could not afford to reduce their cash crops and increase their grasses and legumes without some financial aid.
The basis on which the payments will be made have not been determined at present, he continued, but it will probably constitute several methods so that the payments will be as equitable as possible to all growers.
Special consideration is being given the small farmer in view of the fact that many felt the old AAA failed in some respects to give him an equal break with the large planter.

Develop Strong Bee Colonies In Spring
A bee colony that grows strong and healthy in the spring will be in a good position to gather large quantities of honey when the flowers and trees put forth their blossoms.
To insure the development of a colony, C. L. Sams, extension apiarist at State College, urges beekeepers to examine their colonies on a warm day in early spring.
The colony should have a good queen, an abundance of food, plenty of brood comb, and a large force of workers. It should also have free from disease.
If the colony has less than 15 pounds of stores, it should be fed with honey taken from a healthy hive that has a surplus or with a syrup made from equal parts of water and sugar.
The condition of the queen may be determined by examining a few combs of brood. Brood from a good queen will be in solid patches, with very few, if any, cells left vacant, Sams pointed out.
If the brood comb has many empty cells, the queen is weak. The absence of brood indicates that the colony is queenless.
A colony with a weak queen, or without a queen, should be united with one that has a vigorous, prolific queen. If the colony is in fairly good condition, it may be advisable to introduce a new queen to take the place of an old or weak one.
Bees die rapidly, Sams explained, and unless a large number of bees

is raised from the brood in spring, the colony will not be able to gather a great deal of nectar when the honey flow starts.
In the warmer sections of the State, it will be safe to open the hives for examination in March. In the cooler mountain areas, it is best to wait as late as May to avoid danger of chilling the colonies, he warned.
The tallest specimen of a petrified tree yet found in Oklahoma, 23 feet in length, and will be assembled for a geological exhibit at the University of Oklahoma. It was found near Ada.
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Take Care Of Chicks To Succeed With Hens

The future success of the poultry flock depends a great deal upon the care and management of growing chicks in the spring.
Give them proper care, said Roy S. Dearstyne, head of the poultry department at State College, and they will grow into strong, vigorous, profitable birds.
Some of the fundamentals to observe while the chicks are young were pointed out as follows:
Do not overcrowd. See that there are not more than two chicks for each square foot of floor space in the brooder house.
Provide two half-gallon drinking fountains for each 100 chicks. One five-foot mash hopper will be enough for each 100 chicks during the first three weeks.
From the age of three weeks until they reach broiler size, each 100 chicks should have two mash hoppers four inches high, six inches wide, and five feet long.
Inadequate rearing and drinking facilities is one of the worst faults in poultry raising.
Have adequately controlled ventilation. More chicks are killed or weakened by overheating than by chilling.
Keep the feed hoppers filled with a well balanced mash.
Aim to have the chicks consuming about equal parts of mash and scratch feed at the sixth week.
Maintain rigid sanitation.
Cull all slow developing birds. These seldom "come through" and prove profitable.
When the weather permits, get the chicks out on the ground. A great deal of benefit is gained from sunshine, green feed, and fresh air.

Gets the Crowd

animals. For good producers a mineral mixture composed of equal parts of finely ground limestone and steamed bone meal should be added to the concentrate ration at the rate of 2 pounds of minerals to each 100 pounds of ration. This, together with the minerals carried in the hay and grain will enable the cow to replace the calcium and phosphate taken from her body by heavy milk production.
Question: What keeps my broilers from feathering out as they should?
Answer: Early feathering is usually inherited, but the failure to feather is influenced to some extent by temperature, humidity, and diet. Overheating and lack of humidity will retard the feathering process and if the ration is materially lacking in certain minerals and in protein, poor feathering will result. Check the ration carefully and make corrections, if necessary, so that the birds will get a balanced diet with the necessary minerals.
Question: How much lespedeza seed should be used an acre when sown on small grain?
Answer: When broadcast at least one bushel (25 pounds) of seed should be used to the acre. The seed should be covered lightly. If the seed are drilled in, less seed is required. The drill should be set to run very shallow and the seed may be mixed with superphosphate, basic slag or ground limestone. A good stand of lespedeza is necessary for best results and a few extra pounds of seed to the acre will more than pay for the seed in hay or soil improvement.



Frank N. Watson, as director of promotion, has the task of informing the public the Texas Centennial Exposition will be in Dallas June 6 to Nov. 29. Apparently it is a task already well done for travel agencies set attendance at 12 million.

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