

SYNOPSIS

Arrested for the fourth time for speeding, Betty Winslow, madcap society girl, meets Lieut. Knox, handsome head of the Traffic Department. Knox is campaigning for more traffic safety. He falls in love with Betty despite her penchant for speeding. Jackie, Betty's young brother, crashes into a school bus while driving drunk. Betty, riding with her brother, takes the blame for the crash, saying that she was at the wheel. She is indicted for manslaughter when one of the children injured in the bus dies on the operating table.

CHAPTER VIII

"Now we'll see what happens," whispered Jackie, who was sitting beside his sister, as the head of the traffic department took the stand.

'Raise your right hand," the court clerk directed. "Do you swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help you God?" "I do."

"Lieutenant Knox, you're the officer in charge of the traffic department of this city, are you not?" queried the district attorney. "I am."

"Will you tell the court in your own words what you know about the defendant, Miss Betty Winslow?"

Halting, and without meeting the eyes of the girl at the defense table, Knox related the circumstances of their meeting, told of the Traffic school, and of the party on the evening of the accident. He denied heatedly that Betty had had anything to drink on that occasion but explained that she was driving her brother's car because the latter was too intoxicated to do so. Under the prodding of the questioner he admitted that the Winslow's car passed that of the Sloan's at a speed which he reluctantly estimated to be around seventy-five miles an hour.

There was a murmur from the spectators as this damaging point of evidence was brought out. Betty stared at Knox as though unable to believe her ears, then glanced at Jackie as if asking an explanation.

"I object," Anderson was shouting. "This evidence is wholly a matter of conjecture and as such is immaterial and irrelevant!"

"Objection sustained," ruled the

"Perhaps we can show that seventyfive miles an hour is not such sheer conjecture as the lawyer for the defendant seems to think," said the prosecutor as he went to his table and picked up a photographic enlargement.

"One second before ten."

"How could you know the time so and yet hopelessly. accurately," asked his questioner with "Did you hear the question?" the murder in the second degree."

"The radio of our car was going. As ligence?" Miss Winslow's car passed ours, the "Yes . . . she would," answered Knox buried his face in his hands, as the announcer happened to broadcast the in a low voice.

ston Junction, where the accident oc- direction of the Judge's bench.

The prosecutor handed him the photographic enlargement and asked:

"Can you identify the clock in that "Yes. It is the clock on the dash-

board of Mr. Winslow's car." "How can you be so sure?"

"It was photographed by my orders." Knox stared straight ahead.

"When the car struck that busthe Prosecutor turned dramatically to the jury. "The clock on the dashboard stopped. What time do the hands of the clock in this photograph show, Lieutenant?"

"They show seven minutes after ten," was the toneless answer.

"Ten miles in seven minutes," remarked the attorney to no one in particular. Then, turning to the jury, he cried: "Gentlemen, this shows it is no longer a question of conjecture that Miss Winslow was going seventy-five miles an hour. It is a question of simple mathematical proof."

The men and women on the jury leaned forward and whispered to each other excitedly. The courtroom was in such an uproar that the clerk had to pound for order. Betty stared at Knox like a child which has been hurt and cannot understand why. She turned her head and looked in Jackie's direction as though half expecting some sort of explanation. As if in answer to her questioning look, Jackie was staring at Knox with hatred and contempt while his lips formed the words: "The

double-crossing rat!" "Lieutenant Knox, as head of the Traffic Department, and as a matter of expert testimony, is it your opinion that this accident could have been avoided?"the Prosecutor continued in-

exorably. "I object!" shouted Anderson. "Any answer the witnesses might make would be conjecture and therefore im-

material!" "Not at all!" the District Attorney shouted in return. "The witness' expert knowledge entitles him to express a valid opinion."

"Objection overruled," came the Judge's monotone.

"Yes—I think the accident could have been avoided," answered Knox when quiet had been restored. "One last question, Lieutenant" The

'The Prosecution rests. Your Hon-

to end its deliberations.

'I think we have a good chance," said the attorney ponderously, but his strained smile belied his words. "Sure we have," cried Jackie as

himself. "They'll never convict her in a thousand years." "I don't care what happens now,"

said Betty in a bitter voice

climbed to the bench. Before the session was resumed Knox hurried up to the defense table.

"Betty," he stammered earnestly. "I'm sorry I had to say those things on the stand. But there wasn't any way



"Did you hear the question?" the Prosecutor demanded relentlessly. "Would she be guilty of criminal negligence?" "Yes," Knox answered in a low voice.

of that of a cat about to pounce on a bird. "After a person has had her brakes tested as Miss Winslow did, and the portly, baldheaded foreman as he

a faint smile of triumph as those in Prosecutor demanded relentlessly. At those words Jackie half rose from courtroom gasped in surprise.

"Would she be guilty of criminal neghis chair, as though to say something.

But he lost his nerve, sank back and

"Where were you at that time?" The District Attorney swung toward the jury, paused for a dramatic effect as though to say to them "What else is there to say?" Then he turned in the papermen made photographs for the direction of the Judge's bench.

At that moment the Judge rapped!

Prosecutor's attitude was reminiscent for order. "Gentlemen of the jury," he

has been warned not to drive more rose to his feet and handed the Judge Then, turning back to the witness, he than thirty miles an hour, and she a sealed envelope. His Honor studied it

"Lieutenant Knox, what was the precise time that Miss Winslow's car passed yours?"

nevertheless does so, with fatal results, closely for a moment, then looked up.

"Will the defendant please rise?" he asked in an almost gentle voice. As eriminal negligence?" asked in an almost gentle voice. As Knox did not answer. Instead he Betty did so, her face white and stared straight at Betty, beseechingly strained, he continued: "Betty Winslow, this court finds you guilty of

courtroom burst into pandemonium, The District Attorney swung toward with everybody talking at once despite

(To be continued)



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"What do you think, Anderson?" of Dupont (formerly Pittston Town-Betty's perspiring father asked as he, ship on the northwesterly side of Chest-Betty State of Ship on the northwesterly side of Chest-Betty State of Ship on the northwesterly side of Chest-Betty State of Ship on the northwesterly side of Chest-Betty State of Ship on the northwesterly side of Chest-Betty State of Ship on the northwesterly side of Chest-Betty Ship on the northwesterly side of Chest-B Betty and Jackie sat in the almost nut Street, beginning at the distance of sued out of the Court of Common Pleas menty courtroom waiting for the jury one hundred seventy five (175) feet, of Luzerne County, Pa., will be sold to end its deliberations. ly side of Wyoming Avenue, in the situate in the City of Wilkes-Barre, Township of Pittston aforesaid, (now Dupont), containing in front or breadth North Sherman Street and being 20 on said Chestnut Street, fifty (50) feet, feet in width along North Sherman though desperately trying to conivnce and in length or depth of that width Street, 20 feet in width along Carbon bimself "They'll never convict her in between parallel lines at right angles to Lane in rear of the lot, and having a Pittston Township road, as the same is feet. Improved with a two-story frame at present opened. Bounded northwes dwelling known as No. 88 North Sher-"Here they come," whispered Anderson tensely as the door to the jury room opened and the twelve men and women filed into the box.

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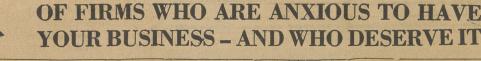
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