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CAPTAIN GALLANT FOUND A HORDE OF TRIBES! EVEN THE LIT





















Agent V In "Missing Message."

The large sight seeing bus stapped at the carner. The driver turned around and spoke to the passengers. "Last stap! All aff. Tell your friends to take

this bus when they came to the big city. Know all you folks had a good time. If you want to have a hite in a hurry then try the hamburger shop right opposite this bus. Good food and swell coffee."

All but three of the passengers left the bus. The driver then closed the door and drave around the street. He entered a large garage and headed up a ramp which led to the roof.

There he parked the bus. "All clear, Colonel," he said to a thin man, "I'll stand award outside just in case we get any

unexpected visitors." Colonel Geoffrey Phelps, head of our United Intelligence Division spoke to the second man "You wanted me to get Agent V for you, Sir

in the hus.

Johnson. The man sitting behind you is your man, it was necessary to take these precoutions to prevent any secret red agents fram knawing about your mission. You may disclose all information. As head of the British Counter Espianage Unit you have full power to help Agent V In the task you are assigning to him. We too shall give him our aid."

The man seated behind Sir Johnson was dress sed in a loud sport coat. He might have been a visitor from some university to the Rin City. It was hard-to tell his age. His skin was white and fineless. He might have been in his early thirties or forties. Offhand you would be ready to comment that he must have led a life of ease. You could not soot the superbly trained athletic body that could spring Into action in the fraction of a second.

"Several Important documents were staten from one of our diplomats in Vienna. We know they are in the nossession of Paul Kozono, the so-called mystery man af Europe. At present he Is in Italy. He will leave in five days on the S. S. Mouritia for England. Those documents will then find their way into the hands of the six leading red spies planted in England. We would fike to have Paul Kozono caught, if I may be permitted to use an American expression, cought with the goods."

"Paul Kazono is one of the top red agents

in the world," interrupted Colonel Phelps, "The reds have supplied him with almost unlimited funds. As a front he has purchased factories in different countries. This gives him a volid excuse for doing a lot of travelling. My orders to you are simple and direct. Get him!"

"I will want certain orders carried out." replied Agent V. "The contain of the S.S. Mouritia is to follow them carefully. And you are to see that Paul Kozono learns I am on his trait."

Even the carefully trained head of the British Counter Esplanage Unit couldn't help betraving same surprise on his face.

"Isn't that a bit unusual?" he mildly protested. "Tell your man you are an his trail? What

is the reason, if I may ask?"

"Human psychology," was the reply. "I want to unnerve him a hit and force him to make some changes in his well planned moves. I want

as complete a picture of him as possible, including everything he does. A human being is a creature of habits. Samething he does, or perhaps, doesn't da, might help me," Coptain Betram Cully, of the S.S. Mauritia.

only had two quests at his table. To be invited to sit and dine with the captain was considered an honor, and all eyes in the ship's main din-Ing room were centered on the two men seated an either side of the captain. A steward appeared at the table. He gave the captain a message which was quickly read. "You two gentlemen will kindly excuse me,"

he apologized, "I must go to the bridge at once."

Paul Kozono was a middle-aged man. He was pawerfully built and reminded you of a bull. He spoke to the man who had been intro-

duced to him as Jomes Glover. "I assume you are a tourist on his first trip

abroad." "Completely wrong," replied Glover, "You

know my identity. I am Agent V. For this Information the sum of 25,000 lira was pald to one Marco Farino by Hans Schmuller, My task Is to get you. That means to show you are a red agent and also to recover the stolen documents which you must have on this ship." Paul Kozona's left hand was underneoth the

table. He dua his notis into the palm of his hand to steady himself. This was quite an unexpected turn of events. Either Agent V was as clever as they said he was, or he was a big fool. Paul Kazano remembered an old proverb, "A fool could be as dangerous as a clever man."

"The seo is rather calm this evening," he replied thus changing the subject and giving him more time to reflect about the situation, "Later an American picture shall be shown and I am certain you will enjoy it. Some comedy about

what you call cops and robbers."

For an hour, Agent V had been leaning on the rail of the ship. The night was dork and no moon could be seen in the sky. A mist was settling over the ship. He was alone at this late hour and suddenly he turned around. He grabbed the hand of a man who had been poised with a knife. There was a brief struggle. Then two other men rushed to the seene out took.

"Take him to the captain's quarters," ordered Glover. "I am certain we will get a statement from him?"

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"I have nothing to say," repeated the man whose name on the ship's registry was given

"When you tried to kill me," explained Glover. "Six cameras loaded with ultra-violet and fag piercing film were trained on you. These pictures have now been developed. You will be turned over to the Sitish authorities when the ship docks. And you may rest assured you will receive a long prison term. Now will

you make a stotement."
"Just this," snarled the man. "A voice in the alght told me to kill you. That's all."

"Take him to the brig," ordered Captain Betram Cully to one of his officers," and keep him under constant guard."

When the man had been removed, the captain turned to his famous quest.

"I am a bit curious. If it isn't a top secret, how did you figure out on attack was going to be made on your life?"
"As much as has been known about the

ectivities of Poul Kozono has been given to me. I have studied all known details about his life. Whenever he was annoyed with samebody, that person was killed. So I deliberately annoyed him, Fronk Nubel is just one of his paid killers. I could watch from the back begause I have a special mirror setup on my wrist watch. I don't care whether or not we finally get a statement from Frank Nubel implication Poul Kozona. I

think I know how that red agent manages to smuggle papers into England."

The custom officials had opened every bit of luggage belonging to the red agent. Then they ripped apart the luggage itself. Watching all this was Poul Kozona.

"You will have to pay for the damage done," he complained. "I having nothing to conceal, This is an insult to me. I shall demand an official apology. My government will take care of this matter for me."

"I doubt it very much," sold the vaice of Sir Johnson. "Because even if we were to let you go free, you could rever go back to your country. You know what happens to an agent who folls. Meanwhile I have a warrant for your arrest. You will be my guest at my country home

arrest. You will be my guest at my country home for the next three weeks."

At the end of three weeks, Poul Kozono faced Agent V in a small room, Armed guards were

at the door.
"All this is illegal," shouted an angry prisoner.
"You have no evidence on which to hold

me."

In reply, Agent V took out a large envelope

and opened it. Before the eyes of the astonished prisoner he spread on a table some highly important documents... "The information in these stolen documents

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Later, Sir Johnson wanted to know one thing. How did Agent V learn about the plan used to smuggle in papers to England.

"When Paul Kozono used other ships he didn't always take the same stateroom. But a this ship, he always took the same stateroom. Why should a creature of habit change it? Thowas the clue."

"Now I know why they call you Agent V," commented "Sir Johnson. "V for Victory, the Victory of Democracy over Red Tyranny,"

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