## WITHIN THE LAW

By MARVIN DANA FROM THE PLAY OF **BAYARD VEILLER** 

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CHAPTER XVIII.

The Confession. URKE pressed the button call and ordered the doorman to send in Cassidy. When the detective appeared he asked:

"Does Garson know we've arrested the Turner girl and young Gilder?" And, when he had been answered in the negative: "Or that we've got Chicago Red and Dacey here?"

"No," Cassidy replied. "He hasn't been spoken to since we made the collar. He seems worried," the detective volunteered.

"He'll be more worried before I get through with him!" he growled. He regarded Cassidy speculatively. "Do you remember the third degree Inspector Burns worked on McGloin? Well," he went on, as the detective nodded assent, "that's what I'm going to do to Garson. He's got imagination, that crook! The things he don't know about are the things he's afraid of. After he gets in here, I want you to take his pals one after the other, and lock them up in the cells there in the corridor. The shades on the corridor windows here will be up, and Garson will see them taken in. The fact of their being there will set his imagination to working overtime, all right."

Burke reflected for a moment, and then issued the final directions for the execution of his latest plot.

"When you get the buzzer from me, you have young Gilder and the Turner woman sent in. Then, after a while, their sockets. you'll get another buzzer. When you | And, in the watcher, terror grewhear that, come right in here, and tell for he had seen the face of Chicago me that the gang has squealed. I'll do Red, another of his pals, another who the rest. Bring Garson here in just had seen him kill Griggs. At last he five minutes. Tell Dan to come in."

As the detective went out, the door- in a throaty whisper. man entered, and thereat Burke pro- "Say, inspector, if you've got anyceeded with the further instructions necessary to the carrying out of his

Dan," he directed, "except mine and one other-that one!" He indicated a chair standing a little way from one end of his desk. "Now, have all the shades up." He chuckled as he added: "That Turner woman saved you the trouble with one."

He returned to his chair, and when the door opened he was to all appearances busily engaged in writing. "Here's Garson, chief," Cassidy an-

"Hello, Joe!" Burke exclaimed, with a seeming air of careless friendliness. as the detective went out, and Garson stood motionless just within the door. "Sit down a minute, won't you?" the inspector continued affably. He did not look up from his writing as he

Garson's usually strong face was showing weak with fear. His chin, which was commonly very firm, moved a little from uneasy twitchings of his tips. His clear eyes were slightly clouded to a look of apprehension as "What's the matter with you today, they roved the room furtively. He Joe? You seem nervous." Still, the made no answer to the inspector's official kept on with his writing. greeting for a few moments, but remained standing without movement, poised alertly as if sensing some con- "Why, what makes you think that? cealed peril. Finally, however, his But this ain't exactly the place you'd anxiety found expression in words. pick out as a pleasant one to spend the His tone was pregnant with alarm, though he strove to make it merely trying with all his strength to regain complaining.

"Say, what am I arrested for?" he protested. "I ain't done anything." Burke did not look up, and his pen

continued to hurry over the paper. "Who told you you were arrested?" he remarked cheerfully in his blandest words:

Garson uttered an ejaculation of dis-

"I don't have to be told," he retorted huffily. "I'm no college president, but lips with a dry tongue, and to swallow when a cop grabs me and brings me down here I've got sense enough to him!" he repeated at last, with more

talk with you. I'll be through here in the inspector shouted. "Come on, now! a second." He went on with the writ- Why?"

corridor, and his eyes grew yet more the glare of his accuser's eyes. clouded as they rested on the grim | There passed many seconds, while chair, and his gaze jumped from he warring against will. In the end it cells to the impassive figure of the was the murderer who triumphed. man at the desk. Now the forger's | Suddenly, Burke dropped the pistol nervousness increased momentarily. It into his pocket, and lolled back in his swept beyond his control. Of a sud-chair. His gaze fell away from the den he sprang up and stepped close to man confronting him. In the same inthe inspector.

like-I'd like to have a lawyer." "What's the matter with you, Joe?" ably, "I didn't really think you did, but the inspector returned, always with I wasn't sure, so I had to take a

that imperturbable air, and without chance. You understand, don't you, raising his head from the work that Joe?" so engrossed his attention. "You | "Sure, I understand," Garson replied. J. V. EGENBERGER, Plattsmouth. the police committee to handle jobs of street work the council know, you're not arrested. Joe. Maybe with an amiability equal to the inspec- WOLFF & AULT, Cedar Creek. you never will be. Now, for the love tor's own.

of Mike, keep still and let me finish

wholly unlike his customary postures with appalling force.

Then, terror crystallized. His eyes were caught by a figure, the figure of Burke demanded. Cassidy, advancing there in the corridor. And with the detective went a swer. man whose gait was slinking, craven. A cell door swung open, the prisoner stepped within, the door clanged to. the bolts shot into their sockets noisily.

Garson sat huddled, stricken-for he had recognized the victim thrust into Dacey, who, the night before, had seen him kill Eddie Griggs. There was something concretely sinister to Garson in this fact of Dacey's presence there in the cell.

Of a sudden the forger cried out raucousty:

"Say, inspector, if you've got anything on me, I-I would"- The cry dropped into unintelligible mumblings. Burke retained his manner of serene indifference to the other's agitation. Still, his pen hurried over the paper. and he did not trouble to look up as he expostulated, half banteringly.

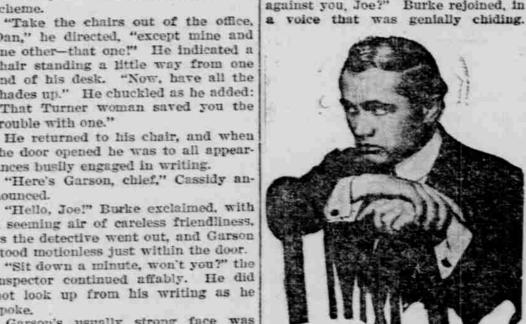
"Now, now! What's the matter with you, Joe? I told you that I wanted to derous with self complacency. ask you a few questions. That's all." But, after a moment, Garson's emotion forced him to another appeal.

"Say, inspector"- he began. Then, abruptly, he was silent, his mouth still open to utter the words that were now held back by horror, Again, he saw the detective walking forward, out there in the corridor. And with him, as before, was a second figure, which advanced slinkingly.

Again the door swung wide, the prisoner slipped within, the door clanged shut, the bolts clattered noisily into

licked his dry lips, and his voice broke

ing against me, why" "Who said there was anything against you, Joe?" Burke rejoined, in



"No, I ain't nervous," Garson cried. with a feverish effort to appear calm. morning." He was silent for a little, his self control, but with small success, Burke believed that his opportunity

was come. His hand slipped into the pocket where was the pistol, and clutched it. He stared at Garson fiercely, and spoke with a rush of the

"Why did you kill Eddie Griggs?" "I didn't kill him!" The reply was quick enough, but it came weakly. Again, Garson was forced to wet his painfully. "I tell you, I didn't kill

"Is that what they did to you, Joe? | "You killed him last night-with I'll have to speak to Cassidy about this!" Burke cried, viciously. On the that. Now, just you sit down, Joe, instant, the pistol leaped into view, won't you? I want to have a little pointed straight at Garson. "Why?"

"I didn't, I tell you!" Garson was Garson moved forward slightly to growing stronger, since at last the the single chair near the end of the crisis was upon him. He got to his desk and there seated himself mechan- feet with lithe swiftness of movement ically. His face thus was turned to- and sprang close to the desk. He bent ward the windows that gave on the his head forward challengingly, to meet

doors of the cells. He writhed in his the two men battled in silence, will

stant, the rigidity of Garson's form "Say," he said, in a husky voice, "I'd relaxed, and he straightened slowly. "Oh, well," Burke exclaimed ami-

Burke pressed the buzzer as the agreed signal to Cassidy. "Where did Slowly, very hesitatingly, Garson | agreed signal to Cassidy. "Where did you say Mary Turner was last night?" went back to the chair, and sank down | At the question, all Garson's fears on it in a limp attitude of dejection for the woman rushed back on him

of strength. Again, his fear fascinated | "I don't know where she was," he exeyes went to the row of cells that stood claimed doubtfully. He realized his silently menacing on the other side of blunder even as the words left his lips. the corridor beyond the windows. His and sought to correct it as best he face was tinged with gray. A physical | might. "Why. yes, I do, too," he went sickness was creeping sterithily on on, as if assailed by sudden memory, him, as his thoughts held insistently "I dropped into her place kind of to the catastrophe that threatened. His late, and they said she'd gone to bedintelligence was too keen to permit a headache, I guess. Yes, she was home. belief that Burke's manner of almost of course. She didn't go out of the fulsome kindliness hid nothing omin- house all night." His insistence on the ous-ominous with a hint of death for point was of itself suspicious, but him in return for the death he had eagerness to protect her dulled his

> "Know anything about Gilder?" "Not a thing," was the earnest an-

The inner door opened, and Mary difficulty suppressed the cry of distress that rose to his lips. For a few moments the silence was unbroken. Then of the room. As she obeyed he himself went a little toward the door, and when it opened again and Dick Gilder appeared he interposed to check the young man's rush forward as his gaze him with sad eyes.

Then, while still that curious, dynamic silence endured, Cassidy came city be granted to the Improved paid by the city treasurer: H. L. briskly into the office.

"Say, chief," the detective said rapidly, "they've squealed."

"Squealed, eh? Do they tell the same story?" And then when the detective had answered in the affirmative he went on speaking in tones pon-

the time. Good enough." Of a sudden was finally referred to the judici- \$3.50; B. Walden, same, \$4.70; his voice boomed somberly. "Mary ary committee and the city at- Klopp & Bartlett Co., election LET THE MAJORITY Turner, I want you for the murder torney for an opinion as to the supplies, \$10.45; A. F. Braun,

Garson's rush halted the sentence. He had leaped forward. His face was rigid. He broke on the inspector's words with a gesture of fury. His wrice came in a hiss:

"That's a -- lie! I did it!"

(To be Continued)

#### HAVE VERY INTEREST-ING MEETING AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

From Wednesday's Daily. The W. C. T. U. are truly cil. with them in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Troop, advising them to do the little things Miss Shaner surely has a mother's heart or she could not so deeply reach the hearts of mothers as she does with her earnest sympathy and personal touch. There are few people who are blessed with this quality. She reminds us of our beloved poet, James Whitcomb Riley, who, though never being blessed with him, Miss Shaner procured eight new members and gave great hydrants was exhausted. hopes for the future work. A

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# **OVER BUSINESS** mitments.

Business Handled Small-Street Fair on Main Street Discussed.

business of the city.

brought to the attention of the pass upon and determine. fell on his bride, who stood regarding council was the presentation by The finance committee of the Councilman Buttery of a petition city council reported the followasking that the Main street of the ing claims, which were ordered seventy-two of the business men same, \$6,25; Hans Lahoda, same, of the city. Mr. Buttery moved \$6.25; Fred Patterson, work on that the prayer of the petition be Mercer avenue, \$10; Ray Fox, granted, but the motion failed for street work, \$4.90; Mike Lutz, "I was right, then, after all-right all | want of a second, and the matter | same, \$35.50; W. B. Rishel, same, question of whether the city salary as chief of fire departshould grant the permission or ment, \$12.50; George Hrasky, not. On this question the vote salary as foreman of hose cart, was seven to refer to the com- \$6.25; W. H. Mason, salary, mittee; Buttery no, and Vroman 86.25; Alvin Jones, street work,

man and W. D. Messersmith in ary as secretary of fire dept. and regard to lots 65 and 66, which painting fire apparatus, \$12.85; the city to secure an expression

to his home by sickness and it tion and for the chief or assist- pany is to be here has created a

time, which was granted, of the council, which has had of September of each year, and be awaited with interest. under consideration the petition after the inspection to serve of the residents along Pearl notice upon all persons whose street in regard to the lack of places have been found in fire protection at the corner of dangerous shape, and if said ported that after an investiga- within fifteen days they shall be children and make them all love danger from fire and also that for the violation thereof.

the council that he had been ap- and responsibility of these parks proached in regard to the city and parkways, and for the violapurchasing the old county jail as tion of the ordinance there is ata place to confine its prisoners, tached a penalty of from \$5 and had understood that the to \$50. building at a very reasonable and clerks of election for use at

present at the meeting, and was the mayor: called upon by the councilmen to First Ward-J. H. Thrasher, express his opinion in the matter W. D. Messersmith, W. J. Hartas to the intention of the county wick, judges; B. A. McElwain, in regard to the selling of the Fred Black, clerks. jail, and Mr. Taylor stated that Second Ward-Claus Boelel, stall the old cells in the new jail, Syoboda, clerks. but as to the price did not know Third Ward-J. R. Kelly, J. W. as to what the commissioners Bookmeyer, W. H. Newell, had decided upon.

County Commissioner Pitz was clerks. that \$1,000 was a fair price for son, clerks. 8680 apiece.

that the council could make a mercial club, composed of Mesthe matter and to report later to adjourned to wend their way the council. Mr. Buttery, the homeward.

chairman of the committee, is arranging a report that will cover the cost of feeding the prisoners of the city, as well as the com-

Councilman Streight of the First ward stated that last fall PROPOSITIONS there was some grading ordered done on the streets that had been curbed and guttered, and when it was carried out this spring he wanted three crossings that were Session Not Long and Amount of out of grade taken up and placed on the grade line, which would require that they be taken up and lowered, and the work was ordered done as soon as the grading was started.

M. D. Thomas, the expert accountant, who has just finished The city council, at their ses- up with the work of checking up sion last evening, did not indulge the county offices, was present at Turner entered the office. Garson with in a very lengthy session, and the meeting last evening and askthe matters transacted were not ed the council if they cared to of great vital interest. Council- entertain a proposition to check man Richey was the only absent over the books of the various city presently Burke by a gesture directed member when the mayor called officials, making a short talk the cell before his eyes. It was Dacey, the girl to advance toward the center the city dads to order, and the along the line of the different machinery began to grind on the features of the work of his company, and the matter was refer-One of the first matters to be red to the finance committee to

Order of Redmen to hold a street Krueger, painting fire apparatus, carnival thereon for one week, \$6.60; James Crecek, salary as The petition was signed by some foreman, \$6.25; Carl Cristy, \$5.10; I. N. Cummings, burying The petition of John C. Linder- two dogs, \$1; J. C. Brittain, sal-

the city limits of the city of The bill of the Nebraska Lightreport was accepted by the coun- company having made a reduction of \$5 in the amount.

Councilman Vroman of the committee and provided for the disposing of your produce, cemetery committee called the appointment by the mayor of attention of the council to the three park commissioners, who fact that the old well in the shall have full charge of all the cemetery was in very bad shape parks and the streets from the and needed cleaning and fixing lot line to the curb for parking up, and the same was ordered purposes and to purchase trees and shrubs to place along said Councilman Buttery stated to parkways and to have the care

county would dispose of the The following list of judges the coming election on April County Attorney Taylor was 7th, was read and appointed by

he understood that the county William Weber, W. B. Richel commissioners intended to in- judges; George Weideman, John

judges; Henry Jess. O. C. Hudson. present at the meeting and stated | Fourth Ward-John Weyrich, for the benefit of the council that John Kirkham, August Tartsch.

the commissioners had agreed judges; Anton Nitka, J. C. Peterthe building as it stood and that | Fifth Ward-George Schaniz.

the cells in the jail cost some Wm. Crook, August Bach, sr., judges; Ray Sawyers, S. M. City Attorney Tidd, in address- Gouchenour, clerks. ing the council, informed them A committee from the Com-

levy to purchase the jail after the srs. Tidd, Crabill and Kunsmann. first week in May, but prior to was present to request the city to that date there could be nothing allow them the use of the more done but merely talk the council chamber as a meeting matter over with the commis- place, and the same was granted. sioners. This was referred to After ordering a number of

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Fred Dawson, Lincoln Pure Butter Co., Plattsmouth, Neb.

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### PET DOG FALLS IN WELL BUT IS RESCUED BY SOME NEIGHBORS

From Tuesday's Dativ. ing clerk at the store of H. M. Soennichsen, and his wife posare owned by them, asking that Mural Parmele, street work. of their views on the question of the said lots be placed outside of \$14.80.

The bill of the Nebracke Light baving the street carnival on aside to them. Main street, secured the signat- pride to them and they feel very Plattsmouth was read and refer- ing company for street lighting, ures of seventy-two on their Sunday the little animal was red to the judiciary committee, which was referred to the claims who at once reported it back to the council with the recommendation that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and the petitioners be granted, and the mendation that it be allowed, the petition as favoring the granting of the use of the street for this purpose, and only six of the business houses of the city failed to sign. Where the carnival is longer which there was a ign. Where the carnival is lo- thin covering of bourds, and in a cated is not a matter of great few seconds "Theodore Rooseconcern to the committee of the velt," as the animal is named, The W. C. T. U. are truly cli.

grateful to Miss Shaner for her splendid work for the union in splendid work for the union in the splendid work for the unio splendid work for the union in bringing used as the city and use of the union in brought up by Mr. Streight, who first reading, one being an use of the Main street seems to give out several long and loud Plattsmouth on Monday, March stated that he had attempted to ordinance for the inspection of indicate that they desire this give out several long and loud 23d, having a heart-to-heart talk see Mr. Egenberger, the owner of the different buildings of the location for the different attracthe building, but, he was confined city to provide for fire protections. That the carnival comvising them to do the little things was impossible to see him, and they can do for the betterment of the make the inspection twice a the residents of the well, which was dry, and they can do for the betterment of the was impossible to see the inspection twice a the residents of the city and the brought for this reason he asked further to make the inspection twice a the residents of the city and the brought forth the namesake of year, between the first and tenth final outcome of the effort to the famous "buil mooser" and The fire and water committee of March and the first and tenth locate them on Main street will restored him to safety on the earth, and the joy of the owner was unbounded on recovering the pet. The pext time "Theo-The undersigned manager of dore Roosevelt" is allowed out it

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