

The Diver's Sacrifice

By HUBERT RAY

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"Linn, get below at once! Leeson's hurt himself somehow. He hasn't signaled, and may be dying. Hurry on with your suit, man!"

It was all in the day's work to Linn. He got quickly into his diver's suit, adjusted the harness and the oxygen mask, and was lowered into the depths. The two men relieved each other in working on the wreck of the Karlowitz.

Nevertheless, there was time for an infinity of thoughts to flash through Linn's head. And they revolved, as they always did, around Annette, his bride of six months. Leeson and he had been rivals for Annette. She had been engaged to Leeson, but a quarrel had supervened, and Linn had stepped in and won her on the rebound.

That was six months ago, and Linn had learned the tragedy of a loveless marriage. Hastily a word had passed between them—but Annette had gone about her daily duties growing thinner and quieter. And Linn had wondered.

Until that morning a week before, when they had had it out together. "Yes, I love him," Annette had said. "I shall always love him. But I will be true to you as long as I live, and I shall never see him again."

Linn had turned away, stupefied by the tragedy. He loved Annette with all the devotion of a man of his type. Slow, methodical, tenacious, how could he, fifteen years Annette's elder, hope to win the heart that she had given to Leeson.

Between the two men, there had been no change in attitude. Each knew, and each continued to respect the other. Yet Linn often wondered whether Leeson had the same insane desire to kill that he had.

Well—he put those thoughts aside, and, with the weights on his feet, was lowered down through the dim depths to the shadowy bulk of the wrecked Karlowitz. Now he was on the ocean ooze, and working about the wreck, looking for Leeson.

He found him in the hulk, lying upon his side. He stooped and pushed him. Leeson did not stir. Hastily Linn examined Leeson's oxygen mask. There was nothing the matter with it. The cord was not twisted.

Then in the gloom he perceived a shadowy monster like an enormous crab squatting over the prostrate man. And a huge tentacle shot out.

In an instant Linn knew. Leeson had been seized by an octopus, one of the giant squids that infested those waters. It was of unbelievable size, and the eight arms rose and fell in wavy outlines, rippling in the water. Linn, overcome with horror, hesitated only an instant. Then he set his feet against the rotting timbers and strove with all his force to detach Leeson.

He might as well have tried to tear apart a boulder of granite. The octopus had its victim fast. Linn saw the little, vicious eyes on either side of the parrot beak, ready to tear the flesh from the unconscious man.

Horror overcame him; and then of a sudden Linn saw the only hope for Leeson. There was no other way, and it required all the determination of which he was capable in order to take that path—for Annette's sake.

As one of the tentacles of the octopus was raised from its victim Linn stepped in between and placed his thigh beneath the monstrous protrusion. And he felt the octopus's suckers close upon it.

A second tentacle was raised. Linn placed his other leg beneath it. Two suckers now grasped him—six held Leeson. Two suckers could be torn away—even three, he thought, as the third gripped his waist.

He had unstrapped the weights from Leeson's feet and chosen his position by the time the fourth sucker held him by the shoulder. When the fifth was raised Linn interposed his right arm. Only three suckers held Leeson now.

The sixth descended round Linn's harness. The seventh bound his right arm to his body. The eighth hovered in the air. But Linn's right hand was free—free enough to enable him to pull the signalling cord and to give Leeson just the little push that was required to free him from the timbers of the Karlowitz.

Linn saw Leeson's body float slowly upward. He breathed a vast sigh of relief. Leeson would live. There was oxygen enough within the air mask to maintain his life till he was at the surface.

The eighth sucker gripped his right arm. And, bound in the strangling coils, Linn, behind his mask, laughed into that beaked embodiment of evil that confronted him.

"It was for you, Annette!" he thought—and that was the last thought that came to him.

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poem
by **UNCLE JOHN**



When you hear a feller grumble at the hill he has to climb, an' later, see him crumble in despair,—you wouldn't err in judgement, if you bet yer bottom dime, that he has built the cross he had to bear. This thing we call humanity, is full of human freaks, with fital an' imaginative brains. There's very few that's brave enough to scale the highest peaks,—that knows enough to come in, when it rains! With blessin's all around us, we embrace the things that curse. We pander to the vicious appetite. We undertake the very thing that's sure to leave us worse, an' shtet our eyes to everything that's right.

**WELL—
AFTER
ALL—**

Then—is it any wonder, that we flounder in the sea, and swaller bitter waters, tempest-tossed? Too often we imagine that our trouble has to be, when we only need the rudder that we lost! We'll find it smoother sailin' if we banish every dread, and cure the imperfections of our own. The trouble's nearly allers in our little ivory head,—and trouble's hard to manage—in a bone!

*For your
Uncle John*

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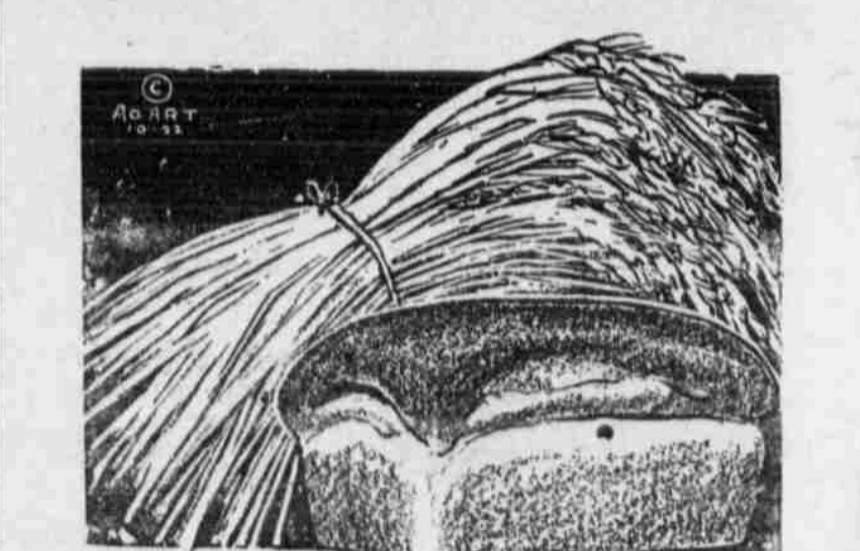
EXTENSION ROAD NO. 199

To Whom It May Concern:

A consent petition, as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of section 35, township 15, range 33, running thence west on the section line between section 35 and 26, township 15, range 33 to the north west corner of said section 35 thence south along the west section line of section 35 to the southwest corner of section 35, said road to be a section line road and to be 66 feet wide, to wit 33 feet on each side of said section line. Anyone having objections thereto or claims for damages by reason of the establishing of the above described road must file same in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on or before 12 o'clock noon of the 10th day of November, 1922, or said road will be allowed without reference thereto.

Witness my hand and official seal this 28th day of September 1922.
A. S. ALLEN,
County Clerk.

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**J. T. Keefe, Atty.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Estate No. 1912 of John Lee Moran, deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. The State of Nebraska, ss: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said Estate is February 21, 1923, and for settlement of said estate is October 17, 1923, that I will sit at the county court room in said County on November 21, 1922, at 10 o'clock a. m., and on February 19, 1923, at 10 o'clock a. m., to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed. Dated October 17, 1922.
Wm. H. C. WOODHURST,
County Judge.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior U. S. Land Office at Lincoln, Nebr., October 17, 1922. Notice is hereby given that John O. Lindenmuth, of Wellfleet, Nebraska, who on November 27, 1917, made homestead entry, Broken Bow No. 011980, Lincoln, No. 02920, for W 1/2 NE 1/4, E 1/4 NW 1/4 and SE 1/4, Section 8 Township 10, North of Range 20, west of 6th Principal Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. C. Woodhurst, United States Commissioner, at North Platte, Nebraska, on the 27th day of November, 1922. Claimant names as witnesses: E. W. Gerkin, Jack Zigler, J. K. Browning and Earl Greenwood, all of Wellfleet, Nebraska.

EXTENSION ROAD NO. 22

To Whom It May Concern:

A consent road as follows: Commencing at the corners to sections 4, 5, 8 and 9, township 12, north range 20, west of 6th P. M. running thence west on line between sections 5 and 8, and 6 and 7, two miles, to connect with extension of road No. 42. Anyone having objections thereto or claims for damages by the reason of the establishing of the above described road must file same in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on or before 12 o'clock noon of the 10th day of November, 1922 or said road will be allowed without reference thereto.

Witness my hand and official seal this 28th day of September 1922.
A. S. ALLEN,
County Clerk.

EXTENSION ROAD NO. 265

To Whom It May Concern:

The special commissioner appointed to locate a public road as follows: Commencing at road No. 265 at the northeast corner of section 29, township 9 north R. 27, west, thence north about 520 rods, on or near the section line as practical, thence in a

head of the canyon and back to the section line, thence north to the north east corner of section 17, thence in a northwesterly direction down a ridge about 160 rods to the main canyon, thence in a northeasterly direction along the east bank of the canyon on section 8, to the north line of section 8, about 20 rods west of the northeast corner of section 8, thence in a northerly direction along the east bank of the canyon on section 5, to a point about 26 rods south of the northeast corner of section 5, thence crossing canyon and going north 20 rods along the north side of the canyon to the northeast corner of section 5, thence north about 240 rods on the west section line of section 33, township 10, range 27, west, thence in a northeasterly direction around a head of a canyon to a point about 15 rods east of the northwest corner of section 33, thence east about 140 rods along or as near as practical, the section line between sections 33 and section 28, to the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of section 33, township 10, north of range 27, west of the 6th P. M. The above described road terminating at road No. 292 1/2 and to be any width up to 66 feet that is necessary to make a good road, has reported in favor thereof, anyone having objections thereto or claims for damages by the reason of the establishing of the above described road must file same in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on or before 12 o'clock noon of the 10th day of November, 1922, or said road will be allowed without reference thereto.

Witness my hand and official seal this 28th day of September, 1922.
A. S. ALLEN,
County Clerk.

EXTENSION ROAD NO. 31

To Whom It May Concern:

The special commissioner appointed to locate a road as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of Section 24, township 14, range 31, on road 21, thence running north 1 mile on section line between section 24, township 14, range 31, and section 19, township 14, range 29, thence west one mile between sections 24 and 13, township 14, range 31, to the northwest corner of section 24 and connect with road No. 75 has been reported in favor thereof, anyone having objections thereto or claims for damages by reason of the establishing of the above described road must file same in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on or before 12 o'clock noon of the 10th day of November 1922, or said road will be allowed without reference thereto.

Witness my hand and official seal September 28th 1922.
A. S. ALLEN,
County Clerk.

EXTENSION ROAD NO. 315

To Whom It May Concern:

The special commissioner appointed to locate a public road as follows: Commencing at the termination of the laid out road which terminates on the section line between section 25-14-34 and section 30-14-33 at the Union Pacific Company's right-of-way, and extending said road from said Union Pacific Railroad Company's right-of-way on the section line between sections 19 and 30, 14-33 and between sections 24 and 25, 14-34 to the Northwest corner of section 19, 14-33, terminating at public road running east and west to connect with road No. 371, said road to be 40 ft. wide, has reported in favor thereof, anyone having objections thereto or claims for damages by the reason of the establishing of the above described road must file same in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on or before 12 o'clock noon of the 10th day of November, 1922, or said road will be allowed without reference thereto.

Witness my hand and official seal this 28th day of September 1922.
A. S. ALLEN,
County Clerk.

EXTENSION ROAD NO. 418

To Whom It May Concern:

The special commissioner appointed to locate a public road as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of section 29, and the northeast corner of section 32, township 11 and range 32, thence running west one mile between sections 29 and 32, along said section line, thence south between sections 31 and 32, to the north line of township 10, thence south between sections 5 and 6 and sections 7 and 8, 18 and 17 to the south line of section 17, thence east about 80 rods between sections 17 and 20, all in Lincoln County Nebraska, the above described road is to be 66 feet wide, has reported in favor thereof, anyone having objections thereto or claims for damages by the reason of the establishing of the above described road

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