

## DETOURS LIFTED FROM 2 ROADS, REPORT SHOWS

39 Still Are in Effect in Indiana, Highway Head Says.

Detours were lifted last week from State Roads 2 and 3. James D. Adams, chairman of the state highway commission, announced today, leaving 39 detours still in effect on state and U. S. highways in Indiana.

Detours are in effect on the following state and Federal roads:

2—From Mishawaka to Elkhart, 8.5 miles over county concrete road. Oiling shoulders from Goshen to Benton. Traffic maintained.

3—From Newcastle north 10 miles over road 38, county gravel, and U. S. 36.

Detour on U. S. 6

U. S. 6—From Butler east four miles over road 1 and county road. U. S. 12—From Gary to junction of U. S. 20 in East Chicago, 10.5 miles over U. S. 20.

13—From Indianapolis north one and one-half miles over county concrete road (account of surface treatment). From junction of road 21 north four and one-half miles over county bituminous and gravel road.

15—From Marion to LaFontaine 13 miles over roads 13, 212, 114 and county gravel. From Silver Lake, east and north 14 miles over road 14, county gravel and county concrete roads.

18—From U. S. 152, north and east eight miles over U. S. 152 and county gravel roads.

Road 21 Closed

21—From just south of Converse, west then north two miles over county gravel.

U. S. 30—From U. S. 30 to New Haven, two miles over U. S. 30 and New Haven streets.

25—From Rochester to Montone, 20 miles over roads 14 and 19.

Off the main highway Claire's car crashes into a log across the road.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

### CHAPTER TWO

WHEN Claire regained her senses she was lying on the ground with a coat for a pillow. A young man was bending over her, an anxious frown on his face. For a minutes she stared confusedly, then a smile of recognition touched her lips.

"Pat Magan?"

He grinned. "Sure, the very same. And what do you think you're trying to do to yourself anyway?" With one arm he lifted her to a sitting position while he held a flask to her lips. "Just a swig of this, and you'll feel finer than frog's hair."

Obediently the girl swallowed the fiery liquor. Presently she straightened up and looked about her as another young man came out of the darkness.

"How is she, Pat?" he asked.

"Guess she was just knocked out or a minute," Pat told him. Then, with a wave of his hand at the newcomer, "Claire, this is my side-kick, Bob Steele, a mining engineer, with a good job—believe it or not. He's spending his vacation in the Rockies. Miss Claire Fosdick, Bob, I used to aim valentines and spitballs at her when we were in grammar school."

CLAIRE smiled and held out her hand rather shakily. "How about my car, Mr. Steele?"

He shook his head. "Pretty badly damaged. Front axle busted and a lot of minor casualties. Some one has closed the road with that log. We'll have to take you in our bus wherever you're going, Miss Fosdick. We heard the smash and came back."

Claire turned startled eyes on Pat. "Close to the road? You mean the log was put there?"

"Sure. Probably repairing or something. But Bob and I are on the loose, and we'll be tickled to death to trundle you any place you want to go. Feel able to make it over to our car?" He helped her to her feet. After a minute she was able to walk unaided, and got into their car to wait until they could move the wreck out of the road.

When finally they came back she had decided to tell them why she was going to the house in the mountains, omitting only her personal reasons.

ALTHOUGH she had not seen much of Pat Magan the last few years, she had always had a warm spot in her heart for the jolly Irish boy with whom she had gone to school. The blond young engineer was a stranger, of course, but she liked his clean-cut appearance and, besides, he was Pat's friend.

For some reason she could not explain Claire felt she was going to need help. "Hannah must have come into it," she told herself. The fact that the road to the House of Long Shadows had been deliberately closed to her disturbed her more than she was willing to admit.

"Let's get going," she urged. "Sure," agreed Pat with enthusiasm. "We'll show you how Depression can eat up the miles. Depression's the car, you know, in case you're wondering."

Claire pointed out the road and then told them about her quest, even to the part about the mysterious hidden jewel.

"I'm sure just glad to see you again, Claire," he was saying. "Golly,

for a minute neither of the young men answered. Then Bob Steele said slowly, "We had planned to spend most of our vacation in the city, Miss Fosdick, but if Pat's willing I'd like to help you look over the house in the mountains. Maybe some of my technical knowledge would come in handy. Things underground are my meat, you know—not to mention bread and butter."

"Count me in, too, Claire," Pat agreed. "I can't think of anything I'd rather do than chase an elusive what-have-you. Maybe we can start tonight."

The rest of the trip was spent in making plans. Claire told them about her eccentric Uncle Lyman, his fondness for jewels, and how he had given the fantastic name to his house in the mountains.

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