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WHEN A MAN MARRIES

By MARY ROBERTS RINEHART

The Circular Staircase' "The Man In Lower Ten"

daring attempt at escape, made at 3

Chronicle reporter this morning, is as

follows: The occupants of the house

entire party during the afternoon, his

suspicion had been aroused. Nothing

o'clock to twelve McCloud was relieved

from duty, his place being taken by

Michael Shane, of the Eighty-sixth

"'When McCloud came on duty a

midnight, Shane reported that about

but not before the officer had seen him

"'Officer McCloud relieved Shane at

the roof left about 3 a. m., reporting to

quiet. At that moment, glancing sky-

ward, one of the officers was astounded

"The result was surprising. The

themselves. Their condition, without

doing their own hair, and that the gen-

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CHAPTER XII.

a. m. It is in this house that some eight The Roof Garden or nine members of the smart set were I was quite ill the next morningimprisoned during the course of a dinfrom excitement, I suppose. Anyhow, ner party, when the Japanese butler I did not get up, and there wasn't any developed smallpox. The party shut breakfast. Jim said he roused Flanin the house includes Miss Katherine nigan at eight o'clock, to go down McNair, the daughter of Theodore Mcand get the fire started, and then went Nair, of the Inter-Ocean system; Mr back to bed. But Flannigan did not and Mrs. Dallas Brown, the Misses get up. He appeared, sheepishly, at Mercer, Maxwell Reed, the well known half-past ten, and by that time Bella clubman and whip, and a Mr. Thomas was down, in a towering rage, and had Harbison, guest of the Dallas Browns burned her hand and got the fire startand a South American. ed, and had taken up a tray for Aunt "'Officer McCloud's story, told to a

Selina and herself. As the others straggled down they boiled themselves eggs or ate fruit, and nobody put anything away. Lollie had been uneasy all day. From the Mercer made me some tea and scorch- air of subdued bustle, and from a careful inspection of the roof, made by the ed toast, and brought it, about eleven

clared. "A dozen housemaids couldn't unusual, however, occurred during the put it in order. Why should every man early part of the night. From eight that smokes drop ashes wherever he happens to be?"

"That's the question of the ages," I replied languidly. "What was Max Street Station. talking so horribly about a little while ago?" Lollie looked up aggrieved. "About nothing at all," she declared, eleven o'clock the searchlight of a

"Anne told me to clean the bath tubs steamer on the river, flashing over the with oil, and I did it, that's all. Now house, had shown a man crouching Max says he couldn't get it off, and his on the parapet, evidently surveying clothes stick to him, and if he should the roof across, which at this point is forget and strike a match in the-in only twelve feet distant, with a view the usual way, he would explode. He of making his escape. On seeing Shane can clean his own tub tomorrow," she below, however, he had beat a retreat,

At noon Jim came in to see me, distinctly. He was dressed in evening bringing Anne as a concession to Bella. clothes and wore a light tan overcoat. He was in a rage, and he carried the morning paper like a club in his hand. midnight, and sent for a plain-clothes

"What sort of a newspaper lie would man from the stationhouse. This man you call this?" he demanded irritably. was stationed on the roof of the Bev-"It makes me crazy; everybody with ington residence next door, with stric; a mental image of me leaning over the injunctions to prevent an escape from parapet of the roof, waving a board, the quarantined mansion. Nothing with the rest of you sitting on my legs suspicious having occurred, the man on to keep me from overbalancing!" "Maybe there's a picture!" Anne said McCloud below that everything was

hopefully.

"No picture," he announced. "I won- to see a long narrow board project itder why they restrained themselves! I self from the coping of the Wilson wish Bella would keep off the roof," he house, wave uncertainly for a moadded, with fresh access of rage, "or ment, and then advance stealthily towear a mask or veil. One of those fel- ward the parapet across. When it was lows is going to recognize her, and within a foot or two of a resting place,

"When you are all through discuss- refugee above, at the same time firing ing this thing, perhaps you will tell his revolver in the ground. me what is the matter." I remarked. from my couch. "Why did you lean board stopped, trembled, swayed a litover the parapet, Jim, and who sat on tle, and dropped, missing the vigilant

"I didn't; nobody did," he retorted, ing to the cement with a terrific force waving the newspaper. "It's a lie out An inspection of the roof from the of the whole cloth, that's what it is, I Bevington house, later, revealed nothasked you girls to be decent to those ing unusual. It is evident, however, reporters; it never pays to offend a that the quarantine is proving irksome newspaper man. Listen to this, Kit." | to the inhabitants of the sequestered He read the article rapidly, furious- residence, most of whom are typical ly, pausing every now and then to society folk, without resources in

Attempt at Escape Frustrated-Mem- valets and maids, is certainly pitiable. bers of the Four Hundred Defy the It has been rumored that the ladies are

'Special Officer McCloud, on duty tlemen have been reduced to putting at the quarantined house of James their own buttons in their shirts. This Wilson, artist and clubman, on Ninety- deplorable situation, however, is un-

fifth Street, reported this morning a avoidable.

Glenn H. Curtiss Enters New York-Chicago Aeroplane Race After Daring Flights Over Ocean.



health has been most commendable in Harbison boy not in the running. and ending with the attempt to span a istic disregard of the laws of the state. It is quite time to extend to the milliangire the same strictness that keeps the commuter at home for three weeks with the measles; that makes him get the milk bottles and groceries from the the stairs." gate-post and smell like dog-soap for a month afterward, as a result of dis-We sat in dead silence for a minute

"Perhaps it is true," I said. "Not of you, Jim-but some one may have tried to get out that way. In fact think it extremely likely."

"Who? Flannigan? You couldn't drive him out. He's having the time of his life. Do you suspect me?" "Come away and don't fight," Anno broke in pacifically. "You will have to

has ordered anything from the shops and I feel like old Mother Hubbard." wearily. "If every man in the house says he didn't try to get over to the next roof last night, well and good. But you might look and see if the July roof garden!

board is still lying where it fell." There was an instantaneous rush for Ther Jimmy's voice, incredulous,

not care to meet Mr. Harbison. It full-sized florists by telephone," over beside Bella. Every one was talking at once, for Flannigan, ambling around the table as airily as he walked his beat, had presented Bella with with romaine. He had found it in the furnace-room he said, where she must have dropped it. And he looked at me stealthily, to approve his mendacity!

Every one was famished, and as they ate they discussed the board in the area-way, and pretended to deride it as a clever bit of press work, to revive a dying sensation. No one was deceived: Anne's pearls and the attempt at escape, coming just after, pointed only to one thing. I looked around the table, dazed. Flannigan, almost the only unknown quantity, might have tried to escape the night before, but he yould not have been in dress clothes as the pearls were concerned, having been locked in the furnace-room the night they were stolen. There was no one among the girls to suspect. The Mercer girls had stunning pearls, and could secure all they wanted legitinately; and Bella disliked them. Oh, there was no question about it, I decided: Dallas and Anne had taken -and the Harbison man was the ereature. Although I must say that, she had gone, "as she does to her skin, was struggling for the second armhole looking over the table, at Jimmy's she would let that nice Harbison boy already turned on the lights. They allow skin allows skin was strugging for the second armadom of his dressing-gown, and Bella had already turned on the lights. They allow skin allows skin was strugging for the second armadom of his dressing-gown, and Bella had already turned on the lights. They allow skin was strugging for the second armadom of his dressing-gown, and Bella had already turned on the lights. ality, at Max's lean length, sallow skin, and hold dark eyes, at Dallas, blond,

growing bald and florid, and then at

eyed and sunburned, one would have

"The vigilance of the board of lain, with Dal next, Jim third, and the

twelve-foot gulf with a board, over the roof. On the roof, after last night! chairs, showing Flannigan the liqueur and you know how that smells-getglasses to take up, and lighting cigars,

"I do not care to go," I said icily. "The others are coming," he persist-

"I believe you are good at that," I said, looking at him steadily, "Max, will you belo me to the roof?" Mr. Harbison really turned rather

white. Then he bowed ceremoniously Max got me a wrap, and every one except Mr. Harbison and Bella, who

vas taking a mass of indigestibles to "Where is Tom?" Anne asked, as w reached the foot of the stairs. "Gone

ahead to fix things," was the answer. But he was not there. At the top of the last flight I stooped, dumb with in, and nothing going out") and she amazement; the roof had been trans- had three pints of Bass, and learned to formed, enchanted. It was a fairy-"I wish you would all go out," I said land of lights and foliage and colors. day. I had to stop and rub my eyes. From the bleakness of a tin roof in February graceful. She snubbed him, ignored to the brightness and greenery of a him, tramped on him, and Jim

"You were the immediate inspira tion, Kit," Dallas said. "Harbison to the board of health and playing solthe window, and a second's pause, thought your headache might come itaire. He was a pathetic figure. from lack of exercise and fresh air, and he has worked us like nailers all Bella had massaged Aunt Selina's face "Well, I'll be-blessed! There's the day. I've a blister on my right palm, and rubbed in cold cream, Anne and and Harbison got shocked while he Dallas had compromised on which was wiring the place, and nearly fell window should be open in their bedhead really ached and then, too, I did over the parapet. We bought out two room, and the men had matched to see

a meeting was inevitable, but I wanted mation. At each corner a pole had air had done its work, and I was asleep time to think how I would meet him. been erected, and wires crossed the almost immediately. It would be impossible to cut him, roof diagonally, hung with red and episode of the stairs. As it happened, ugliness, and among the trees tiny

"To the Wilson roof garden!" he niro-may he not have expired." guitar and sang love songs in a beauhastened as an acetylene headlight. done a clog dance, Bella said it was ed at the top of my voice,

time for her complexion sleep and went lown-stairs, and broke up the party. him tonight, for he went to bed at to sleep on my back, and perhaps I nine o'clock. At least, I suppose he was taking grippe. went to bed, for he shut himself in the studio, and when I knocked he advised thing, almost breaking his wrist. the Harbison boy, tall, muscular, clear-

taken Max at first choice as the vil
I had pleaded my headache as an ex
up the studio staircase!

To be Continued.

cuse for avoiding Aunt Selina all day

room drove her to Scotch and soda. But here she was, rubbing Aunt Selina's back with chloroform linimentting her up in a chair, dressed in one of Bella's wadded silk robes, with pilher gray switch and bringing it, corhead. She even put rice powder on

water behind her ears, and said she

Selina) had never married, but, of course, she probably would some day! The result was, naturally, that the except to go to the kitchen for something to eat for her. That very day Bella got the doctor to order ale for Aunt Selina (oh, yes; the doctor could come in: Dal said "it was all a-coming

eat anchovies and caviare-all in one

"Bella's conduct to Jim was diswas growing positively flabby. He spent most of his time writing letters

Well, we went to bed fairly early. It was the most amazing transfor- not expect to sleep, but the cold night

Some time during the early part of without rousing the curiosity of the amber bulbs. Around the chimneys the night I wakened, and, after turning others to fever pitch; and it was equal- had been massed evergreen trees in and twisting uneasily, I realized that I ly imposible to ignore the disgraceful tubs, hiding their brick-and-mortar was cold. The couch in Bella's dressing-room was comfortable enough, but however, I need not have worried. I lights were strung. Along the parapet narrow and low. I remember distinctwent down to dinner, languidly, when were rows of geometrical boxwood by (that was what was so maddening every one was seated, and found Max plants in bright red crocks, and the everybody thought I dreamed it)-I reat my right, and Mr. Harbison moved flaps of a crimson and white tent had member getting an eiderdown comfort been thrown open, showing lights that was folded at my feet, and pullwithin, and rugs, wicker chairs, and ing it up around me. In the juxury of its warmth I snuggled down and Max raised a glass of benedictine went to sleep almost instantly. It ner bracelet on a salad plate, garnished and posed for a moment, melodramat- seemed to me I had slept for hours, but it was probably an hour or less when something roused me. The room said. "To Kit, who inspired; to the was perfectly dark, and there was not creators, who perspired; and to Taka- a sound save the faint ticking of the clock, but I was wide awake.

And then came the incident that in knowledge that tomorrow Aunt Selina its ghastly, horrible absurdity made the might be with them urged them to rest of the people shout with laughter make the most of this last night of the next day. It was not funny then, freedom. I tried to be jolly, and suc- For suddenly the eiderdown comfort reeded in being feverish. Mr. Harbi- began to slip. I heard no footsteps, not son did not come up to enjoy what he the slightest sound approaching me, had wrought. Jim brought up his but the comfort moved; from my chin, inch by inch, it slipped to my shoultiful tenor, looking at Bella all the ders; awfully, inevitably, hair-raisingtime. And Be la sat in a steamer chair, ly it moved. I could feel my blood with a rug over her and a spangled gather around my heart, leaving me veil on her head, looking at the boats cold and nerveless. As it passed my on the river -- about as soft and as hands I gave an involuntary clutch for it, to feel it slip away from my fin-And after Max had told the most im- gers. Then the full horror of the sitprobable tale, which Leila advised him uation took hold of me; as the comfort to sprinkle salt on, and Dallas had slid past my feet I sat up and scream-

Of course, people came running in in all sorts of things. I was still sitting "If she only gave half as much care up, declaring I had seen a ghost and o her immortal soul," Anne said when that the house was haunted. Dallas

the elderdown comfort, half-way

Miscellancous Rending.

MEDICINE MYSTERY. What Secret Remedies Cost and Con-

tain. An incredibly large number of othervise intelligent human beings have the most profound and unshakable faith in the power of medicine to effect a cure, ng reliance upon the unknown, that there is, there must be, a sovereign emedy for every human ill, to be expressed in pill, capsule or dose, if one ould only discover what it is.

These good people are willing to try and to keep on trying while life lasts, and to devote their entire physical nachinery to the sacred cause of medcinal experimentation, confident, desful daily sacrifice to the god of chance very ancient profession of quackery. they will hit upon the elixir of life the peril of the particular distemper not long ago published a book entitled they fancy they have been burdened "Secret Remedies: What They Cost with. There are those who find delight and What They Contain." It contains in the discovery of a new author, oth- analyses of a large number of the paers whose joy is intense upon hearing tent medicines so extensively advera fresh musical composition of great tised in the daily papers of Great Brimerit, but the satisfaction of him who tain. Although many of these are also has found a new and untried medicine, sold in America, the vast number of potent for good, surpasses that of all patent nostrums advertised in this others. At last his patient prospecting in the inexhaustible mine of drugs is about to be rewarded, and until he has rendered the people of the United tried the new remedy and discarded it for something still newer, he is in a state of feverish happiness.

For such trustful souls, the druggist's shop with its rows of bottles it is being unmercifully humbugged. pearing cabalistic labels, its drawers full of pills and plasters, its showcases this book show that those who constocked with readymade cures and its pungent odor compounded of exhala- to any serious danger; they are left ions from roots, herbs, oils and essences, has a lure unsurpassed by any advertisement, except that the price other establishment. It is potent in vast possibilities. Here, to the mind proportion to the cost of the drugs of the vo ary of medicine, may surely from which they are made. This difbe found relief from every ache and ference, or a large part of it, is doubtpain, and certain specifics which may less spent for advertising; and therebe relied upon to check instantly the fore if the buyer is willing to include insidious attack of disease. Without a printers' ink in the ingredients of his druggist's giittering sanctuary to flee favorite remedy he is not very greatly to life would be a desert of lurking swindled, although, even allowing for danger to a very large proportion of this, the net profits must still be enorthe human family which now finds its mous stay and comfort in physic.

Physicians themselves are well aware superstition that anything which apof the comparatively limited curative pears in print must, somehow, be true, power of medicines. They know how and the force of repetition account for little reliance may be placed upon the the great sale of patent medicines. No prescription alone and how much na- uneducated person is able successfully ture, the slow, recuperative force of to refute a statement which he finds right living and the observance of the day after day and year after year adsimple rules of diet, with fresh air vertised prominently in the newspapers and exercise, contribute toward curing or upon the billboards. Sooner or later years apart. I turned around, and health. The best doctors are slow to true and he buys. bison came around to me g avely, and self out for any one, and she always administer medicine of any great asked me if I felt able to go up on declared that the very odor of a sick- strength, except in serious emergency. They earn their fees, and well earn amusing. A certain "One Night Cold them, not by dosing their patients with Cure," sold for 25 cents a box, adverstrong drugs, but rather by advising tised to break up any cold overnight them as to their habits of living, in- or money refunded," and to cure influsisting upon pure air, good water, enza in three days, was alleged to be

medicine if they dared, and many of by the leading medical authorities for the more successful practitioners would colds in the head, throat and lungs." onet fashion, around the top of her gladly throw a large part of the physic Aunt Selina's nose, and dabbed violet agencies for cure, were it not that the average patient would rebel. He de- called chocolate coating), contained no couldn't understand why she (Aunt mands something more tangible than good advice-something to take that no cascara. The estimated cost of the will make him well; a specific, a panacea, and the physician would be bold indeed who had the courage to tell his world around and sold at 30 cents a patient to quit dosing himself entirely box, was found to contain ingredients and seek recovery by observing cer- the prime cost of which was a quarter on patch on the other, and you couldn't tain rules of living. The prescription of a cent. Analysis showed these pills get a darky to go into either after sun-

I fellow beings in the secrets of root and ished by some means more severe than herb. "Double, double, toil and trouble: fire burn and caldron bubble, chanted Macbeth's witches, the patent medicine manufacturers of their time and then, as now, there were not lacking those willing to accept their nox ious compounds.

One ingredient has been added by modern progress to the mixtures of the ancients which has greatly stimulated and, usually, the less they know of the this interesting survival of prehistoric compound they swallow the greater faith in mysterious medicines. Printtheir confidence in its efficacy. If ers' ink, not in itself of any known one particular medicine fails, they are curative value, has brought the wizready to try another, believing, with ards and witches from their hiding the most solemn, childlike, even touch- places and has enabled them to acquire cask. After removing the alcohol, the world-wide fame and enormous fortunes by the practice of their art of medicine brewing. The mystery of manufacture remains, but printers' ink has made a vast number of people willing subscribers to the income of the mysterious nature of these widely advertised remedies they would not be so popular, and therefore those who enpite repeated disappointments, that lighten the public as to their real charsome day in the course of their faith- acter are dealing a severe blow to the which will at once remove them from the British Medical association, which

country escape exposure in this book If a service similar to this could be States by some equally reliable agency it would go far in persuading the public that when it purchases mysterious

medicines advertised to cure diseases Generally speaking, the analyses in sume patent medicines are not exposed where they were before they read the paid for these remedies is out of all

The love of mystery, the lingering Some of the analyses given in "Se-

cret Remedies" are enlightening, even composed chiefly of "quinine, cascara, Most of them would give even less camphor and other ingredients adopted contained in the box were coated with sugar colored with ferric oxide (soingredients used was one-half a cent. A very famous pill, advertised the

mere exposure.

A "cancer remedy" analyzed in this book is thus described: "It is a colorless liquid, containing a

trace of sediment; the odor is that of alcohol, though very slightly vinous. Fractional distillation showed the presence of about 40 per cent of alcohol; on complete evaporation, a trace of dry residue was left. This residue was free from any alkaloid, and its behavior with reagents gave no indication of any other active principle; it agreed in character with the 'extractive' found in spirit that has been kept in a wine liquid was perfectly tasteless. This 'remedy' is thus very simple in nature, consisting merely of diluted and slightly impure alcohol."

In issuing this volume the British Medical association has rendered a public service in a perfectly proper and authority of equal standing would follow its example, it would be a most praisworthy action.-Bellman

HIS BELOVED WIVES.

Useful Tombstones In the Front Yard

of a North Carolina Home. "Every hear of Bucklesberry?" said a

man from North Carolina the other "Well, it is a district in Lenoir county about twenty miles from Goldsboro. Twenty years ago it used to abound in curious characters.

"Almost everybody in the neighbor hood was named Sutton. At the time of which I speak about the most representative citizen of the community was Ben Sutton. Ben had one of the nicest, neatest little one story houses you ever saw and when one day I met him on the road and was invited to partake of his hospitality at midday dinner I accepted with alacrity.

"We entered the house from the rear and almost immediately sat down at a table that literally groaned under the weight of ham and sweet potatoes, collards, corn pone, turnips and huckleberry pie. Ben's hospitality made him see that I got away with the whole of an enormous second helping.

"I strolled out upon the front porch after the meal and to my horror there stood in the yard, just in front of the house, a row of four handsome tombstones, each with a grave attached. My host had lingered inside, so I went out and inspected the stones. One bore the inscription, 'To my beloved wife, An-The second was, 'To my beloved wife, Kate.' The third read, 'To my beloved wife, Maggie,' and the fourth, 'To my beloved wife, Jennie.'

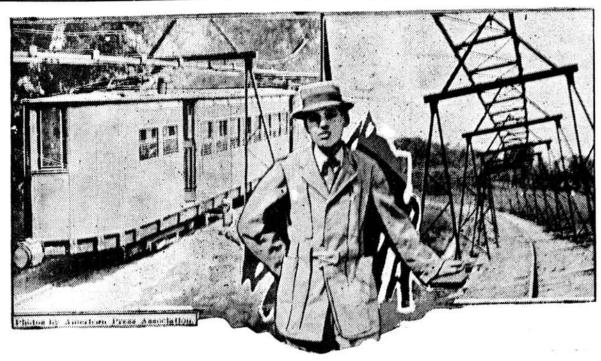
"'Good heavens, have I struck Bluebeard?' I exclaimed.

"Then I looked at the dates of de cease. They were from two to five

"'But you can bet your sweet life there is no place there for me. In the first place I made him promise m wouldn't put me there if I died before him. In the second, I mean to outliv him. You see, Ben looks pretty husky,

"'Oh, no, I don't mind the tombstones or the graves. For one thing, they one side of the yard and the watermel

Monorail Now Being Used In New York City For Passenger Service.



[H. H. Tunis, style of car and track of monorall system.]

While Germany has had a short monorail system in use for some time, the first practical road in the United States has just been completed in New York city. The first public trial resulted in a failure, much to the disappointment of August Belmont and other millionaire backers. But the failure was due to a break in the power house. Students of transportation problems declare that within the next five years monorall roads will be started in all parts of the United States for both passenger and freight service.

therefore ordinarily accompanies the to be composed of aloes, powdered gin- down for any number of chickens good advice but doubtless it is fre- ger and powdered soap. A "curative watermelons. mently innocuous, and the cure, if ef- syrup," sold at 60 cents a bottle, cost fected, is due far more to observing for ingredients less than one cent. Its that people try to tease me and tell me label advertised it to be "a highly conthe advice than taking the medicine. It is the mystery of medicine that centrated, purely vegetable compound," appeals to the believer in it. The un- but analysis showed the presence of known has a charm which the familiar free hydrochloric acid, not usually acks. The great popularity of patent classified as a vegetable compound; nedicines lies in the secrecy which at- tincture of capsicum and sugar "in tends their manufacture. The gullibil- the for mof treacle." Perhaps it is permissible or excusable loubtedly a survival of ancient bar- to smile over the ordinary patent-mediparic faith in the potency of the witch's cine victim who is so foolish as to al- what she did with the tombstones."orew for evil and the power of the love low himself to be swindled into buying philter of bringing happiness. Civili- harmless trash and paying an exorbitation and enlightenment spread from tant price for it. He may be dismissage to age, but always there is a large ed with a contemptuous thought that proportion of the world's population, it served him right for being so gullioutwardy, perhaps, above the influence ble, but when the worthless patent of superstition, yet nevertheless in- medicine depends for its success upon variably elinging with stubborn tenaci- encouraging the hopes of the really ty to fragmentary instincts inherited desperate person suffering from an in-

rom ancestors, ages back, who at- curable disease, the matter is quite

"The only thing I mind about it is

that Ben's already got my tombstone ready, lettered and all, except as to

I have never been down in that part of of the state since then, so I don't know

The Dolphin.-The teacher was de-

"Goodness!" gasped a little girl in the back row. "And how about married ones?"-Everybody's.

England imported over twenty-

tached great importance to medicinal different and far more serious. The concoctions brewed in remote caves or cowardly cruelty of trading upon such hidden glens by mysterious wizards sufferers cannot be denounced with five million dollars' worth of tobacco and witches reputed wiser than their sufficient emphasis and should be pun- last year.

Walter Wellman Declares He Will Cross the Atlantic In an Airship.



Walter Wellman, explorer and journalist, unsatisfied with being blown around the region of the north pole in a balloon, has declared he will try to cross the Atlantic ocean from New York to London in the motor balloon America. Mr. Wellman is about ready to try a number of land trips around Atlantic City. He will take his big balloon to New York city next month and by the last of August hopes to be well under way for the long ocean trip. Mr. Wellman will carry a wireless outfit with him and report his progress as he sails along. London, New York and Chicago papers are to pay Mr. Wellof for his efforts. He is to be accompanied by Melvin Vaniman and an engineer and a fourth companion, yet to be selected.