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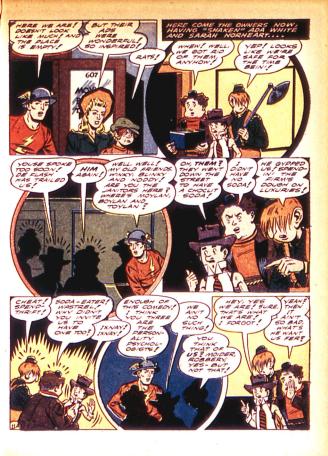
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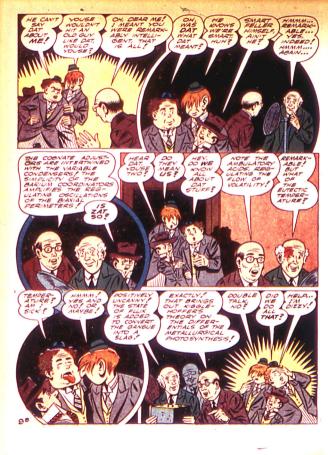




















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Of course, the fact that my publishers have agreed to put out ALL-FLASH every other month now makes me feel very happy indeed. It means that hundreds of thousands of American boys and girls like to read my adventures, and it means also that I must make every issue of ALL-FLASH so interesting that you will be anxious to get each issue as it comes out.

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# VOLTS FROM THE BLUE

A HOP HARRIGAN STORY
BASED ON THE STRIP BY JON L. BLUMMER

THE sun has set, Hop! Better get up-stairs a bit . . . might hit some ship's mast at this height after it gets dark."

Hop Harrigan, a grin on his bronzed face, eased back on the stick and glaned over a this partner Prop Wash lounging in the cockpit at his left. Wash's long legs were stretched out comfortably and they were still encased in the rubber boots he had used while fishing that afternoon.

"Right you are, Wash . . . soon be dark and we've another two hours to Cocos Biancha."

"Florida's keys are sure a long way from anywhere, eh Hop?"

"Right! These little islands are sure stretched out a long way from Key West . . . but the trip was worth it. Wash! What a saw-fish you hooked into!" Hop glanced over his shoulder into the cabin of the Winnie at the ten-foot deep-sea fighter late of the Caribbean Sea. The Winnie was certainly over-loaded with its 600 pound heft. Its long body lay bulging from the floor-boards and its three-foot saw with its wicked teeth chattered slightly with the vibration of the motor. Its uppermost eye glared up balefully at the sound-proof cabin roof.

"If we had not thought to bring that 500-foot wire fish line, he would have sawed his way to freedom in a flash!" Hop carressed his short stubby steel rod thoughtfully as he spoke. Wash looked at his own lying on the floor at his feet. A huge reel clamped on the rod also held 500 feet of tough piano-type wire as did Hop Harrigan's Sawfish, he knew, were usually speared, harpoond or shot. Only an expert can bring one to boat with rod and reel.

Dusk had settled swiftly over the Caribbean and its deep-blue surface had dulted to burnished black. In the faint after-glow Hop's eyes pierced the haze of the far away horizon until they began to water with the strain.

"A ship a few points off the nose to starboard." Hop's announcement brought Wash up straight in his seat.

"You're right, Hop, and we'll set our course so as to grind over her about 300 feet and get a good look."

"Steel-hulled schooner," pronounced Hop as he gracefully banked around the black vessel, "but why doesn't she show any lights, I wonder?"

His answer came at once. A machine gun on a forward mounting stuttered flashing death into the dusk and bit deeply into the Winnie. It clipped the altimeter right in its round face and blew that sensitive instrument to pieces and bounced tiny bits of glass into Hop's face, temporarily blinding him! Wash took over the controls while Hop quickly doctored his eyes. Wash ducked down to water level and to the stern of the black schooner making the machine gun a use-. less weapon. Soon Hop reestablished himself at the conrols and Wash climbed out onto a wing with his fishing rod with its huge reel of wire line. "When I'm set," he shouted at Hop, "fly over her from port to starboard at 300. I'll wash the rod when I'm ready,"

Hop watched with apprehension as Wash slowly inched his way out upon the wing. Two miles away from the mysterious schooner he made a slow flat bank and headed back. As yet he had no idea as to what Wash was up to. Then Wash gave him the signal! A wave of the stubby steel rod and Hop gave the Winnie full throttle and levelled her off at 300. Suddenly he saw the flash of a steel wrench as Wash, out on the wing, made a gigantic cast with his rod. The wrench was fastened to the end of the wire line! The Winnie roared over the black schooner. The red flashes from the machine gun below were too late. The Winnie was a quarter mile away by the time bullets whistled harmlessly up into the night.

Hop glanced out at the wing where Wash had been but a moment before. The wing was empty. Wash had fallen or slipped when he made his prodigious cast with the heavy wrench! Hop quickly banked the Winnie and headed back for the schooner.

And then he saw it for the first time! A Nazi submarine nestling in the dark shadow by the schooner's side with just its conning tower awash. And Wash! There was Wash with his seat pack 'chute settling

gently into the water right beside the Sub! Beside the undersea raider who undoubtedly was sucking its vital fuel from the inards of the black schooner. And now Hop knew what Wash had succeeded in doing with his saw-fish fishing tackle! He saw the damage wrought by the cast Wash had made from the wing of the Winnie, as he banked over the schooner for the last time and headed for shore. The dangling radio antenna at the ship's mast would preclude any communication with the Submarine's raiding partner. In the meantime it would give the Winnie time to bring help from shore. With the Nazi's batteries weak from long cruising its radio couldn't possibly be of use beyond fifty miles.

Hop detested the thought of leaving Wash to the mercy of the schooner's crew or the men aboard the submersible, but realizing he could do him no good by getting the Winnie shot down, gunned his way toward Cocos Biancha and any help he could arouse there. Hop gave the ship over to the automatic gyro pilot and with a prodigious effort slid the 600 pound sawfish out the lee side door into the sea. The Winnie, considerably lightened, drove the airspeed needle dizzy around the dial.

At Cocos Biancha basin Hop came in fast in a power landing. Enlisting the aid of a native, the only person at the moorings. Hop quickly went to work on a ten-to-one chance of freeing Wash. With a pair of pliers he doubled the wire fishline in his own reel and twisted it tightly together. The Winnie's dynamotor voltage booster next drew his attention and the 100 ampere generator. The Winnie sprouted with a maze of wires as she was taxied out into the basin again. Hop was racing against time. He didn't wait for

a long water taxi to lift the Winnie. He pulled her off the choppy waves after only a hundred feet. In less than half an hour Hop and the Winnie were circling near the black schooner with the Nazi under-sea raider . still nursing at her side. Some nerve these Huns had, thought Hop. Skulking so close to the Florida shore and preving on near-helpless merchantmen. Well, he had a surprise in store for such killers as this! Hop grimly pushed forward on the stick and the Winnie darted at the steel-hulled vessel.

Under the Winnie's pontoons dangled another wrench. It hung nearly straight down at the end of Hop's wire fish-line. The other end disappeared into the cowling over the Winnie's roaring motor. Hop, inside the cabin, crouched over a rheostat and the switch of the dynamo. tor voltage booster coil. Simultaneously with the sudden blasting of the machine gun on the deck of the schooner, Hop threw the switch. As the wrench and wire struck the side of the steel-hulled schooner a vivid flash of lightning appeared and enveloped the vessel from stem to stern. Another jagged burst of flame came from the submarine lashed to its side. In the air above the holocaust below. Hop's ship went violently out of control. Machine gun bullets had ripped the control cables apart. The Winnie side-slipped, hit the water on one wing-tip; vaulted high in a ground-loop and came down into the black Caribbean with a resounding crash flat on her back! Dazed. Hop crawled painful-

ly out of the cabin window and clung to the battered tail surfaces, the only part of the faithful Winnie above water. He peered at the black submarine tender whose sides rose sheer and high above his head. There were no more flames but the pungent smell of burned and fused metal was in the night air. Suddenly a dark head show ed in silhouette above the schooner rail and a voice hailed him. By all that was holy! It was Wash's voice . . calling down into the water and wreckage of the Winnie.

"And that's," the voice was saying to Hop, "what ten thousand solo hours and ten thousand volts, will do to you, eh?"

A rope whistled thru the air

and settled around Hop's shoulders. "Hang on, Hop, and I'll soon have you aboard!"

Panting and bruised but still managing to essay a grin, Hop slid over the rail of the black and peculiarly quiet schooner and grabbed his parting's hand.

Wash stood there grinning widely. His wide-braced legs to the roll and pitch of the schooner were still clad in his heavy fishing boots. Hop took them in at a glance.

"Had to take that chance, Wash, old boy. Knew you had on those heavy boots! They sure saved your life, eh?"

"I'll say they did!" Wash was a bit serious for a moment. "Knew you'd take my tip with the fishing wire and tie the idea in with the Winnie's dynamotor voltage booster."

"Yes." Hop looked around the steel deck of the Nazi vessel. Men were sprawled about in twisted heaps... they looked badly charred. That fish wire dangling from the Winnie was putting out ten thousand volts! "How do your rubber boots feel, Wash?"

"Just fine, Hop, old lad; and I guess we'll have to let this schooner and the sub along-side, compensate us for the loss of the Winnie. D'you know, Hop, that voltage not only lectrocuted all the men in that under-sea dog but fused her as tight as cement to the side of this schooner. We bagged us a Nari Siamese twin with those volts from the blue, Fellat"

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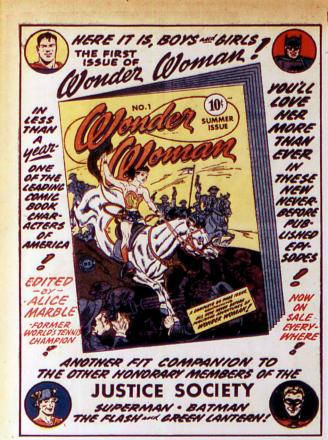








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