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STORY

Strange, prehistoric towers have been discovered in and near one of the great National Parks, and Professor Carver (Stuart Hamblen), an eminent archaeologist, heads an expedition to determine their origin and the purpose for which they were built. His investigation, supposedly in the interests of science, is underway mainly to accomplish his own evil ends.

Tom Judson (Tom London), amateur scientist, discovers the torn half of an ancient Indian rug into which is woven a weird pattern of animals and arrows. He shows it to Carver, who recognizes it as the missing half of a rug, the remainder of which is already in his possession. Together, they form a cryptic code leading to the vast wealth of the ancient builders of the towers. Carver orders Burt Spear (Anthony Warde), his chief henchman, to have Judson waylaid and robbed. Judson escapes the ambush with the rug but is fatally wounded.

Steve King (Larry Thompson) of the Forest Rangers obtains the rug from Judson just before he dies. He brings it to the Trading Post, run by Marjan Brennan (Helen Talbot), where he shows it to a number of people, including Carver, who claims to see no significance in the pattern nor anything to suggest a reason for murder. King intends to send the rug to Washington for examination, and asks Marjan to place it in her safe for the night.

Spear and one of his men, after closing hours, forces Marjan to surrender the rug. King arrives in time to engage the men in a fight in which he kills one of them. Spear escapes with the rug, however, and reaches the lake where another man awaits him in a motorboat. King is still on their trail and pursues them in another boat. In a running gun battle, King's boat takes fire, forcing him to jump overboard. After several attempts to run King over in the water, Spear tosses a bomb in his direction, but King manages to escape the explosion by diving underwater.

From this point on, Carver and his men carry on a series of murderous sieges in an effort to gain title to the plots of land upon which the towers stand. King, mystified but determined, keeps up his unflagging search for the killers, meeting traps with super-traps, attacks with counter-attacks, and finally learning that the towers mark the sites of the platinum mines of the ancient tribes. Carver and his followers are defeated and the wealth of the land made secure for its owners.

CAST

Steve King............ LARRY THOMPSON
Marian Brennan....... HELEN TALBOT
Professor Carver..... STUART HAMBLEN
Burt Spear........... ANTHONY WARDE
Holaday............... LEROY MASON
Andrews............... SCOTT ELLIOTT
Judson................ TOM LONDON
Miner................ WALTER SODERLING
Rance................ BUD GEARY
Harmon............... HARRY STRANG
Bailey................. ERNIE ADAMS
Stover................. EDDIE PARKER
Holmes................ JACK KIRK
Martin................ TOM STEELE
Blaine................ DALE VAN SICKEL
Lynch................ STANLEY BLYSTONE

CHAPTER TITLES

1. THE MYSTERY OF THE TOWERS
2. SHATTERED EVIDENCE
3. TERROR BY NIGHT
4. DELUGE OF DESTRUCTION
5. PURSUIT INTO PERIL
6. BRINK OF DOOM
7. DESIGN FOR MURDER
8. THE FLYING COFFIN
9. S.O.S. RANGER
10. THE DEATH DETECTOR
11. THE FLAMING PIT
12. TOWER OF VENGEANCE

CREDITS

Associate Producer.......... Ronald Davidson
Directed by................. Spencer Bennet and Fred Brannon
Original Screen Play by... Albert DeMond, Basil Dickey, Jesse Duffy and Lynn Perkins
Unit Manager............... Roy Wade
Photographed by............. Bud Thackery
Film Editors.............. Cliff Bell and Harold R. Minter
Musical Supervisor........ Raoul Kraushaar
Sound....................... Victor Appel
Art Director................ Fred A. Ritter
Set Decorations............ John McCarthy, Jr. and Allan Alper
Special Effects............ Howard and Theodore Lydecker
Makeup Supervision........ Bob Mark
RCA Sound System
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Overpowering As a Bolt of Thunder!
With Daring Rangers Striking Against Unknown Timberland Foes!