The Master of The World

The world has a new sensation. In Copenhagen, the beautiful capitol of Denmark, all motors, turbines and generators stood still on the 18th of April, just as if following some secret order.! The entire traffic came to a standstill, but before a panik could break out, the phenomenon was over again and the "wheels" were spinning again!

An unknown, gigantic power must have accomplished this!
This was immediately accepted everywhere - but it was also accepted, that this mysterious power would make him who possessed it to the "Master of the World"!

The international press was quickly assembled without exeption. The powerful countries had mobilized their most efficient spies. No matter how different the interests behind them were, there was agreement on one point! By and with all means, the truth must be found out concerning the happenings of April 18th!

The Government stubbornly refused comments. However, after those demanding an "official comment" increased constantly, the daughter of the worldover known and famous Physicist Professor Johanson was asked to take over this difficult task, to hold a press conference and with many words say little - or better nothing.

The pretty Ebba Johanson - who holds the doctor degree and also works at the Institute of Physics as private teacher, accomplishes this very difficult task with so much superiority and in such a fascinating way, that the best known reporters and the most experienced ones enthusiastically with applaud her - in spite of their disappointment - when the conference was ended.

On thism occasion Ebba meets the journalist Peter Logan, who actually only had the purpose to learn more from Ebba than his colleagues had heard, but he very soon is conquered by the charm of this intelligent and beautiful lady.

Peter Logan had calculated correctly. Ebba knew much more than she admitted; because her father was the constructor and inventor of the apparatus, by which lightwaves could be derectly transformed into energy, which again had caused the phenomenons of April 18th.

Whilst her father and his assistant Dr. Lingkhor, a Tibetan, believe in keeping the invention secret in order to prevent some scrupulous power from employing it as a destructive weapon, Ebba as a modern thinking person believes in general progress.

While the now following battle between the various agents and spies is fought without mercy, a continuously strengthening relationship between Ebba and Peter arises, which is topped by the first kiss after a weekend spent together.

Now the adventures, which shall lead Ebba through two continents and make her to the most powerful person, "the master of the world" begin in quick succession.

After a final lecture for the students, who celebrate Ebba, the Tibetan says good bye to her, He does not believe that he can any longer bear the responsability befor his conscience, to work on such a dangerous invention.

Peter Logan still tries to get be his "Big Story" through Ebba. This idea has already become his fixed idea. He loses his job. He gets a new one, - a better one - he believes - and implores Ebba to finally grant him the interview with her father.

Ebbas attempt fails! Her father willmnot give any information.

And so the catastrophe begins. Logan's new boss - a lame old lady - wants him to make the "interview of the year".

While Ebba is waiting for her father, Logan enters her house by force - is discovered by Professor Jahanson and kills him, without wanting to do so ! To conceal his murder, he sets the house on fire, and burns it down.

Now Ebba is on her own. When the public notary hands her a letter in which her father asks her to go to Lingkhor and hand him a written document, she is immediately prepared to do so. She will fullfill her fathers last twill, just as if he had felt his sudden death in advance.

But the Tibetan, who knows, that after the professor's death his own life is also in danger, has already left Europe and returned to his home country.

Nevertheless Ebba wishes to follow him immediately. And thus without knowing it in advance, she will ix very soon become the only one in possession of the secret, which so many of the best spies are trying to find out!

And so she becomes the hunted animal, which is hunted from all sides.

Peter gets the order from Madame Latour, who is his new boss, to find out as quickly as possible, what the contents of the letter are, which she is to pass on to Lingkhor.

On the steamer Ebba makes the acquaintance of the Danish consul in Hongkong, who im the government has ordered to find out what the girls doing in Hongkong, and to see that nothing happens to her.

The consul warns Ebba, but without success, because be right from the beginning could not take aliking to Logan. Till now Ebba still believes every word Peter Logan tells her.

During the maneuvres of the ship, Peter succeds in entering Ebba's cabin. He finds the letter, opens and photographs the written document therein.

Now he believes to have reached his goal.

But in Hongkong all will be very disappointed, because the consul has lost Ebba out of sight.

Logan, who wanted to cheat Madame, is punished by her and is told by her, that the photographs taken of the document and the " Formula" are worthless, because the code is unintelligible.!

Upon Ebbas visit to the university she is told, that Lingkhor has already proceded to Bangkok.

Now Madame Latour, the lady in the wheel-chair, reveals her true face. Ebba is very cunningly lured into a trap and then kidnapped onto one of the numerous junks. She is to be forced to tell the truth about the code and the formula.

But Ebba remains silent! She will not speak, even when threatened with torture and death. Even will not speak when told, that Peter Logan has shot her father.

In the utmost danger for her own life - the lady in the wheel-charwill commit any crime - Ebba is saved by the consul and taken into his house.

Now Madame and Logan pursue Lingkhor in order to get the key to the coded message from him. Ebba soon recovers from the last adver ture.

The consul, who no longer hides his admiration, offers Ebba to accompany her to find Lingkhor.

Ebba agrees.

As the general route is known, which the Tibetan must take, they first fly to Bangkok, where they hear, that Lingkhor really still is in the Buddhist Temple there.

But before Ebba can contakt him, Logan has been quicker. With some hired natives he has entered the temple. But providence allowd Lingkhor to escape in the last moment.

Ebba goes to the Lama priest who is heading the temple, hears about the attack and about the further route, which Lingkhor will take.

Ebba and the consul quickly continue their journey. First with the steamer, then by canoe later on foot they enter the wilderness of the djungle towards the north.

Just when the food is getting scarce, and after one of their guides has been killed by a wild beast - they hit an opening in the djungle and discover an ancient temple city here, which is being guarded by a Lama priest and his scolar. Here formerly the monastery Sola-Khymbu used to be, till the priests retreated into to loneliness of the mountains.

Lingkhors advance is only very small now, because he didn't leave the jungle city till that very morning.

Just as Ebba is urging to depart, a totally unexspected attack is made. Logan and his natives suppress any defense. Kill the Lama - take the consul prisoner - torture him to force Ebba to tell the secret.

In order to save the consul Ebba tells the secret.

She says, that Lingkhor has the key to the secret, by which the coded message of her father can be deciphered.

Says, that he who is in possession of both, the formula for transforming light into energy - and the key to it, that this man, according to the words of her father, is the master of the world.

Triumphantly Logan immediately continues his trip, in order to grasp the now near victory. The other two are left to themselves.

Now Ebba proves an amount of energy and of human greatness, which nobody had believed possible to such a degree.

She nurses the consul, keeps both him and herself alive! Keeps off the animals of the jungle - and so saves the man from a terrible fate.

As soon as the burned feet of the consul have healed sufficiently that he can walk with her help, the woman seeks and finds a way out of the wilderness.

In the lower mountainous regions of the Himalaya, Ebba and the consul ixim, who has again completely recovered, join a caravane which is taking food up to the monastery "Sola-Khymbu".

Later on they proceed with the hired Sherpas into the higher regions of the mountains. When the Sherpas see "Snowmen" the y flee, but these are only watching the group, Ebba and the consul continue their journey alone.

Lingkhor has arrived in the monastery already a long time ago.

According to the strict rules of the monastery he must go through a long period of "cleansing".

Even as Ebba and Madsen arrive, he may not approach them, although they are admitted as guests.

But when the scolar of the killed Lama in the djungle tells the story of the attack and mistakes Ebba and the consul to be the murderers, the situation gets critical. Ebba and the consul are put in jail - and are condemned to die.

Now Lingkhor breaks the rules and regulations of the monastery.

To save Ebba, he leaves his "Self-imposed cleansing status", liberates her and takes her into the holiest place, - the temple of the Golden Buddha. Here she is safe of max. Nobody may harm her here. But as his own fate is no longer sure, he now gives Ebba the key to the code. The 10 letters of his monastery - "Sola-Khymbu"!

Now Ebba is "Master of the world", and is still a prisoner.

Although she may not be harmed herself in the temple, there are other methods to drive her out. Hunger!

The monks have guarded all entrances and closed them hermetically and await the decision in prayer.

The murderer - that is Ebba according to their opinion - must either soon leave the temple voluntarily, or die of hunger in it. In both cases, the death of the Lama would be compensated.

All of a sudden the situation changes. Logan appears with his people and demands the handing over of Ebba.

The consul however claims, that Logan is the true murderer. Now too the scolar is no longer so convinced and sure. The abbot does not know how to decide.

Just as Logan tries to enter by force, Lingkhor intervenes and prevents this, but is killed himself in doing so. His sin is reconciliated. He drags himself into the temple and dies in the arms of Ebba.

Now the abbot decides to let the divine judgement speak. Logan and the consul shall fight with eachother. According to old belief, the truth will be on the side of the winner.

Logan loses. Ebba and the consul are free again. They may leave the monastery. Now Ebba really is "The master of the World". When beginning the retreat from the mountains and the descent, one last danger still waits.

Madame Latour once more comes into the gaim. But now the wounded Logan makes good a lot of what he has done before. He sacrifices himself and plunges himself and the "woman in the wheel-chair" who because of "greed for gold" let herself be carried high up into the mountains, to death.

Not until now are Ebba and the consul free! Side by side they ride across the mountain pass! She, The master of the world, and the man whom she loves.!

Can such a lot of power - such riches- really make one happy ?
Ebba does not believe so - but she wants to be happy - after
all that she had to endure !

She tears the piece of paper, for which so many had to leave their lives, into a thousand small pieces and lets the mountain wind carry them away.

Then the two ride on - towards the valley.

Into a new life - a life together !.