



GOOD EVENING,
MR. AND MRS. EVERYMAN.
THIS IS FELIX AVALON, BROADCASTING
ONCE AGAIN FROM HIGH ABOVE THE
BREID TOWER, BRINGING YOU
THE WORLD!



THROUGH THE
MIRACLE OF WIRELESS,
WE'RE BEAMING NIGHTLY
NEWS AND VIEWS TO
EVERYONE IN THE BIG CITY
AND ALL OF OUR SHIPS,
IN THE AIR OR
AT SEA!



LET ME TELL YOU,
THE CITY IS JUMPING
TONIGHT, MY DARLINGS,
FROM EDEN PARK TO
UNDERTOWN, BUT
NOWHERE SO MUCH AS
AT THE SCARLET
CLUB!

THE MAIN STREET MADMAN HIMSELF, MADAGASCAR BROWN, IS ENTERTAINING THE ROOM OF LUMINARIES TONIGHT, ALONG WITH HIS BAND OF RENOWNS.

AND WHO DO MY SPIES TELL ME IS THERE TONIGHT? LET'S SEE. LET'S SEE.

WHY LOOK! IT'S ORLANDO ANGSTROM, WHO ONLY AN HOUR AGO STARRED IN HIS 300TH DAZZLING PERFORMANCE OF OUR SACRED HONOR ON THE PARAMOUNT STAGE.

BUT HOLD ON! THAT ISN'T MRS. ANGSTROM ON HIS ARM TONIGHT! OH NO! IT'S THE NEW DISCOVERY, SULTRY, STORMY LIDIA VALCALLAN, WHO JUST STARTED HEADLINING AT THE STARDUST!

HAS THE NOTORIOUS RAKE ANGSTROM TRADED IN HIS CELEBRATED COPPER HEIRSS FOR A SIREN SONGBIRD? IS DIVORCE NUMBER FIVE IN THE OFFING?

KEEP YOUR WIRELESS ON, MY LOVELESS, FOR THE LATEST WORD ON A SIZZLING SCANDAL IN THE MAKING!

NOW, WHOM ELSE CAN WE CAST OUR ALL-SEEING EYE UPON? HOW ABOUT BELOVED COMEDIAN JIMMY DUSK?

I DEARLY HOPE THAT'S HIS DAUGHTER HE'S OUT WITH, OTHERWISE, "SHAME, JIMMY!" FOR "SHAME!"

AND HERE'S A RARE SIGHT! NONE OTHER THAN THE LOVELY AND MYSTERIOUS MADAM PENDRAGON HERSELF! THE SELDOM-GLIMPSED OWNER OF CLUB SCARLET!

AND WHO AMONG A ROOM OF IMMORTALS IS IMPORTANT ENOUGH FOR HER TO ACTUALLY DEIGN TO SIT WITH? WHO ELSE BUT THE RICHEST MAN IN TOWN, NEWSPAPER PUBLISHING MOGUL BRITT REID?

I WONDER WHAT WHISPERINGS OF GLOBAL IMPORT THEY COULD BE DISCUSSING SO INTENTLY?

LISTEN TO ME AND LEARN, DEAR LADY. THE ONLY TRUE MARTINI IS THE ABSOLUTE AND INALTERABLE FORMULATION OF TWO PARTS GIN AND ONE PART VERMOUTH.

CEREMONIES IN DARK MEN AND SCARLET WOMEN

Chapter One of **LEGENDERRY**