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ber back! .... Go back!" At the ranch
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the eaunt rancher partner, Snavely, and Indian of mixed negro and Indian blood.
Snavely is difficilt to understand but
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Ruth's rain contracts pneumonia arid passes
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away before a doctor arrives. Ruth tries to carry on She is not encouraged
by Snavely in plans to try and stock to her father in the East asking a
loan with which to buy cattle. She re-
ceives no reply. Will Thane comes
home to visit his father $\ldots$ ar.d Ruth
meets him.
NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY-
An hour-two hours, Ruth cowered by David's crib with her eyes on the
door. She had been telling him stories, breathless, incoherent stories. Now he
was asleep and she could watch the was asseep
door unhindered.
She
She had placed the trunk against the
door and she watched the door and she watched the streak of
muddy water reach its top. puddle, and run along between the slats and drip.
She had long before with fixed the loops securely in
TSomething struck the door heavily little drops of water showered in the air. The knob rattled and Ruth raised her hear the squelch of receding feet,
then quick running le fell then quick running steps and the door
crashed inward, pushing the trunk becrashed inward, pushing the trunk be-
fore it. The lamp went out. Ruth stood bofore her baby's crib, the gun
held in both hands. Ann filled the poorway; the continuous lightning
played upon them weirdly. Ann's hair almost covered her face; sparkling
water dripped from the straight hlack locks. Neither women moved. The figure towering in the doorway muttered
-chantrike guttural words -chantlike guttural words , which lence for a moment, before the giant-
ess erouched tow and cime forward. Ruth pulled the trigger-with both hands she pulled frantically, and re-
membered when the gun was knocked from her hand that'she hadn't done something-ocked the hammer, she thought. Thereafter she thought no more; she became a thing of pure in
stinct, a furious mother animal fighting a black monster that had broken into her den.
They erashed against the crib and
David called out: once they David called out; once they tripped and for a moment separated, again, the mother sprang. She was gripped in a crushing embrace which
lifted her from her feet. The sirl became a scratching, kicking, writhing
demon-every atom of her body struggling with a blind ferocity which
would not be quelled would not be quelled. Her fingers, lalon-spread, searched for the eyes of
the giantess and her teeth bit boneilike muscle. Suddenly
limbs bodily across the
ent she could not move. It was during this moment that, by a quivering flash of lightning, Ruth saw a dark, jagged
crack running f of the window to the ceilin out thinking, she knew what tle errack meant, and heedless of Ann, she start-
ed through the sudden darkness to the crib where David lay huddied The mother stumbled and as she was trying to rise to her feet, the light-
ning came again. Ruth ning came again.
lightning shone like
through the jagged crack. The snake squirmed its way along the top of the wall above the crib and reached the door. Slowly the earthen wall swayed
inward, broke into great, ragged chunks and fell. The stout timbers of the crib creaked under the wo.sht of $a$ slab and all was black
earth, and pelting rain.
A sheet of blinding light filled the
sky. Ruth saw Ann a few feet awny haif sitting, half kneeling, a chunk of


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