

Dream's End Retrofit Trailer

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INT. A SMALL HOTEL ROOM - NIGHT

JAKE is talking into a voice recorder.

JAKE

I'll tell you how I ended up here. I'll tell you how it all went wrong. I finally got to live the dream and then, *she* came in.

CONTINUOUS:

INT. A HALLWAY - NIGHT

A sophisticated lady in an evening gown is walking down the hallway. She is wearing a beautiful pearl necklace and is wearing her hair up.

JAKE (V.O.)

When looked at Barbara Hausman, all I saw was elegance, beauty and sophistication. What I should have seen was... murder.

SUPER: PREPARE YOURSELF FOR...

SUPER: A SHOCKING TALE FULL OF REAL-LIFE HUMAN DRAMA!

INT. A DARK BAR - NIGHT

JAKE in at the counter in an overcoat and a fedora hat with LEWIS.

LEWIS

You won't get away with it, Jake. The dame's setting you up as her fall guy.

INT. A SMALL HOTEL ROOM - NIGHT

BARBARA sensually removes a fur coat revealing a stylish low-cut dress.

JAKE

Do you really think I'll go on doing your dirty work forever?

BARBARA

Don't talk to me like that. I'm... I'm scared, Jake. Hold me!

BARBARA embraces JAKE and starts to sob. After a tiny instant of hesitation, JAKE puts his own arms around BARBARA and then passionately kisses her. While they are kissing, BARBARA slips her wedding ring off with the side of her thumb and lets it fall into JAKE's pocket. This takes place during the kiss and JAKE is completely unaware of it.

SUPER: A WOMAN WHO WOULDN'T STOP AT ANYTHING!

SUPER: COUPLED WITH THE MOST RUTHLESS OF ALL MEN!

INT. A LUXURIOUS LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

BARBARA is pacing in front of LOUISE and ALBERT, both in servants uniforms.

LOUISE

But missus, we didn't know that them policemen were after mister Jake.

BARBARA

If we lose him now, we lose everything!

EXT. A DARK ALLEY - NIGHT

JAKE is running away from the camera, intermittently lit by the streetlights. Gunshots are heard.

SUPER: A MYSTERY THAT WILL GRIP YOU LIKE NO OTHER!

SUPER: AN ADVENTURE MORE AMAZING THAN ANYTHING YOU COULD IMAGINE!

INT. A LUXURIOUS LIVING ROOM - NIGH

BARBARA in her evening dress, turning around towards Jake surprised.

BARBARA

Darling!

They kiss.

BARBARA

Is it really you?

JAKE
What if it wasn't?

BARBARA
Then I'd just wish I'd never wake
up. Kiss me.

They kiss.

INT. A DARK BAR - NIGHT

JAKE, already very drunk, sloppily grabs a shot of liquor
and drinks it.

SUPER: ROBERT SANDWICK AS A MAN WHO DARED BELIEVE IN HIS
DREAMS!

INT. A LUXURIOUS LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

BARBARA turns around dramatically in her beautiful dress.

SUPER: JANE CAVANAUGH AS THE MOST DANGEROUS WOMAN IN HIS
LIFE!

INT. A DARK BAR - NIGHT

The police run into to the bar to find only LEWIS at the
counter. A DETECTIVE roughly grabs LEWIS by the lapel of his
coat.

DETECTIVE
Where did he go?

LEWIS
(very drunk)
Where did who go? Do you mean the
waiter? 'Cause I'm looking for him
too.

SUPER: LAWRENCE COOPER AS THE MAN WHO KNEW MORE THAN WAS
GOOD FOR HIM!

INT. A LUXURIOUS LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

The DETECTIVE is pacing behind a couch where LOUISE and
ALBERT are sitting.

DETECTIVE

So you're telling me that a man got
three bullets through his skin in
the next room and you folks didn't
hear anything?

ALBERT

We don't know, Sir.

SUPER: AND FEATURING STANLEY CLARK AS THE DETECTIVE WHO WAS
THROWN INTO A WORLD HE COULDN'T POSSIBLY UNDERSTAND

SUPER: AND JAMES HARRINGTON AND VERA STARK AS THE UNWILLING
WITNESSES!

EXT. A DARK ALLEY - NIGHT

BARBARA hands a gun to JAKE.

BARBARA

It'll just take a second then you
and me will be free forever. If you
care at all about me, you'll do it.

SUPER: DRAMA THAT WILL TERRIFY AND FASCINATE YOU!

INT. A DARK ROOM - NIGHT

JAKE is still talking in the device.

JAKE

Yeah, I used to live the dream, but
it didn't last.

SUPER: IN "DREAM'S END"! From Paramount Pictures