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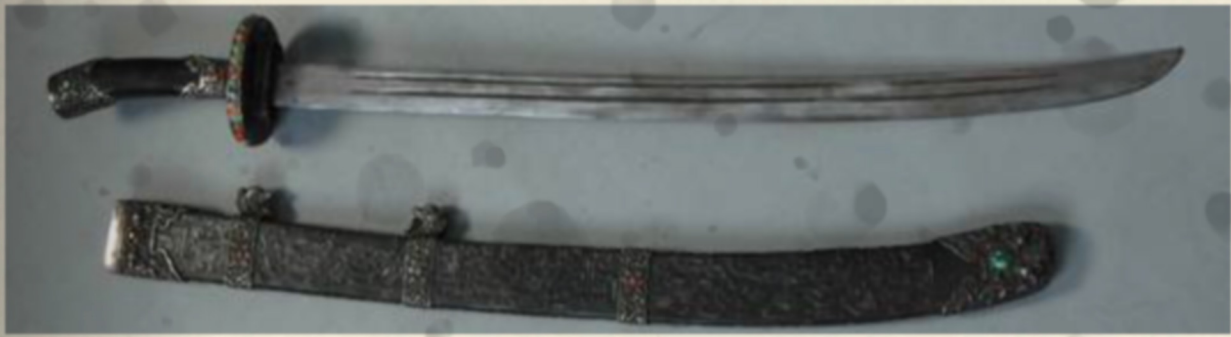
NEWS OF THE UNIVERSE

The lone female assistant to a renowned archeologist,
a plucky young upstart sets off on her own in a quest for
the lost tomb of Genghis Kahn - and finds herself in a
dangerous race against her former boss.

A female *Indiana Jones*-type Adventure



Photos by Marcus Brody



The 'Last Sword' of Genghis Kahn

In one of the most exciting adventures of recent times, Peyton Dekker brought back the only remaining artifact from the tomb of Genghis Kahn.

Dekker's thrilling tales include braving an enclosed inferno, surviving a Mongolian/Soviet war battle with only her wits as a defense, and a bone crushing stairway that claimed several lives. Peyton had to find her way through a massive underground labyrinth to finally discover the piles of treasure surrounding the sarcophagus.

Numerous deaths were reported during the expedition. And reports of a supernatural influence during the find are being investigated by the Society.

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The Women

Peyton Dekker

Peyton is a young, hardnosed archaeologist. Raised in a French Foreign Legion encampment with her three brothers, she is a strong and tough woman who can hold her own. Peyton is a thrill seeker and an adventurous woman who lives for her passion of treasure hunting. She's petite, but has an athletic frame and deceptive speed. She will play the damsel in distress to gain an advantage, but is tired of being treated as inferior merely because she is a woman.

Amelia Earhart

Amelia Earhart is an American aviation pioneer and the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. Meeting unexpectedly after her record setting flight, she proves to be the inspiration Peyton needs to start her journey to find Genghis Kahn's tomb.

Bolormaa and Enkhtuya

These Mongolian women have worked with Ganzorig, a trail guide, for a long time – and it has been hard work. Living very simple lives, they have an easy acceptance of traditional male-female roles. Poking fun at Ganzorig's quick acceptance of Peyton's leadership, Peyton earns their respect when they are witness to both her bravery and compassion.





Top, left to right: Pharaoh's Head Shrine – Closest Known Marker to Holding Room; Nearby Anti-Chamber Entrance ; The Montgomery Spider; Death Ritual Victim Found Within Tomb

The 'Montgomery' Spider Unveiled

The late Archeologist Nathaniel Montgomery unveiled his latest find at Chicago's Field Museum. And the jeweled spider is massive – encrusted with over 50 rare gems, including a massive 78.5 ct. black diamond abdomen and a "lesser" 38 ct. head.

Montgomery risked life and limb in retrieving the priceless artifact, out maneuvering a trap filled Egyptian holding room. But it was not only his life that was in danger, he also saved an assistant from certain death when--

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In the group from left to right are: Dr. Gilbert Grosvenor, President Hoover, Amelia Earhart Putnam, and Mrs. Hoover. In the back row: George Palmer Putnam and Dr. John Oliver La Gorce, Vice-President of The Society.

The Society's Special Medal Awarded to Amelia Earhart

In accepting The Society's Special Medal, Amelia [Earhart] Putnam said:

"Mr. President, Dr. Grosvenor, Dr. La Gorce, members of the National Geographic Society, ladies and gentlemen:

"I am deeply grateful for the medal you have bestowed upon me. I have no words in which to express my appreciation to you and to the National Geographic Society. I can but feel it is too great an honor for my exploit.

"I am going to tell you something about the trip, which was simply a personal gesture on my part. Four years ago I went on the *Friendship* and, as has been said, was simply a passenger. In fact, in England I was referred to as 'a sack of potatoes.' That all too-appropriate appellation, probably as much as any other single factor, inspired me to try going alone."



The Men

Nathaniel Montgomery

Montgomery is a talented archaeologist. Growing old, he is aware of his fading notoriety and is desperate for new success. He loves archaeology too much to simply just retire and has no problem lying in order to gain recognition for himself.

Bryce Baldric

Bryce exudes upper class and is quite the charmer. Wealthy from his father's fortune, he has thrown away most of his money and is in debt with some unsavory people. Desperate for his own fortune, Bryce reveals his true nature: a cold and heartless human being who is willing to kill to get what he wants.

Ganzorig

Ganzorig is a wise Mongolian trail guide who commonly quotes ancient proverbs. He is a loving and protective family man, respecting women, but believes men and women have different roles to play in society.

Landon Dawson

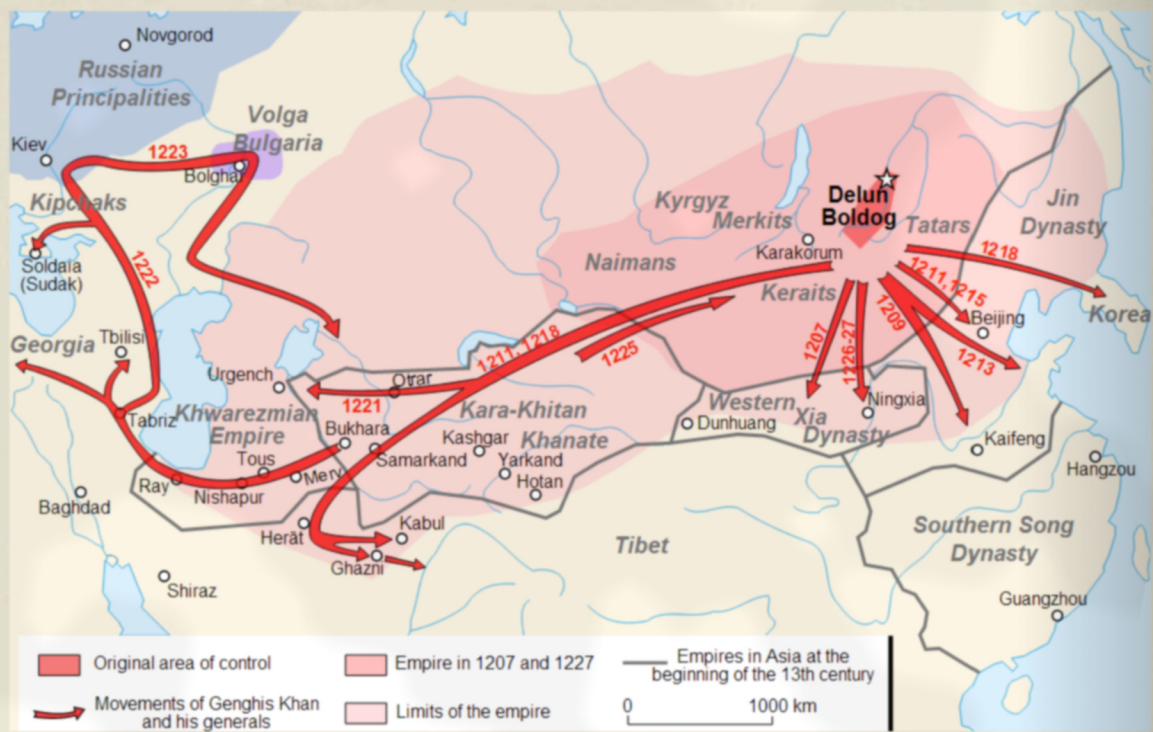
Landon is one of the smartest, most educated people at the museum. More than that, Landon is a kind and supportive coworker and friend of Peyton. Bookish, disabled, and in a wheelchair, he knows he and Peyton are both under-appreciated, but is concerned by Peyton's urge to move against Montgomery.

Marco Gianetti

Gianetti is the thug to whom Bryce owes money. He wears tailored suits and has a chiseled face. Willing to do "whatever is needed" to get what he "is owed," he severely underestimates Peyton, giving her a distinct advantage.



Mongolia



Genghis Khan Empire

Real Events Depicted in the Script

Genghis Khan

Mongolian warrior and ruler Genghis Khan created the largest empire in the world, the Mongol Empire, by destroying individual tribes in Northeast Asia.

According to legend, the funeral escort killed anyone and anything across their path to conceal where he was finally buried. Other tales state that his grave was stampeded over by many horses, that trees were then planted over the site, and the permafrost also played its part in the hiding of the burial site.

Genghis Khan's Tomb

The location of the tomb of Genghis Khan (died 1227) has been the object of much speculation and research. The site remains undiscovered.

According to one legend, after the tomb was completed, the slaves who built it were massacred, and then the soldiers who killed them were also killed. Folklore says that a river was diverted over his grave to make it impossible to find. The Erdeni Tobchi claims that Genghis Khan's coffin may have been empty when it arrived in Mongolia.

Camel Legend

An ancient Chinese text says a baby camel was buried at the grave in front of her mother so the parent could lead Khan's family to the tomb when needed.

Amelia Earhart Trans-Atlantic Flight

May 20-21, 1932 - First woman to fly solo across the Atlantic; 14 hrs 56 min (it was also the 5th anniversary of Lindberg's Atlantic flight; awarded National Geographic Society's gold medal from President Herbert Hoover; Congress awarded her the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Amelia Earhart Speech

"This attention is an honor that I do not deserve... My flight was just a personal gesture on my part. It is much easier to fly the Atlantic Ocean than it was a few years ago. May I say one thing... It does not take courage as much to go as it does interest in the task. And I believe that Women have as much courage as men. And I'd like to add a word here as a tribute to my husband, Mr. Putnam. I know it was much harder to stay behind than it was to go."

1932 armed uprising in Mongolia

The 1932 armed uprising was a revolt against the communist government of the Mongolian People's Republic. Lasting from April–October 1932, the principal leaders were lamas.

ACTUAL LOCATIONS IN MONGOLIA:



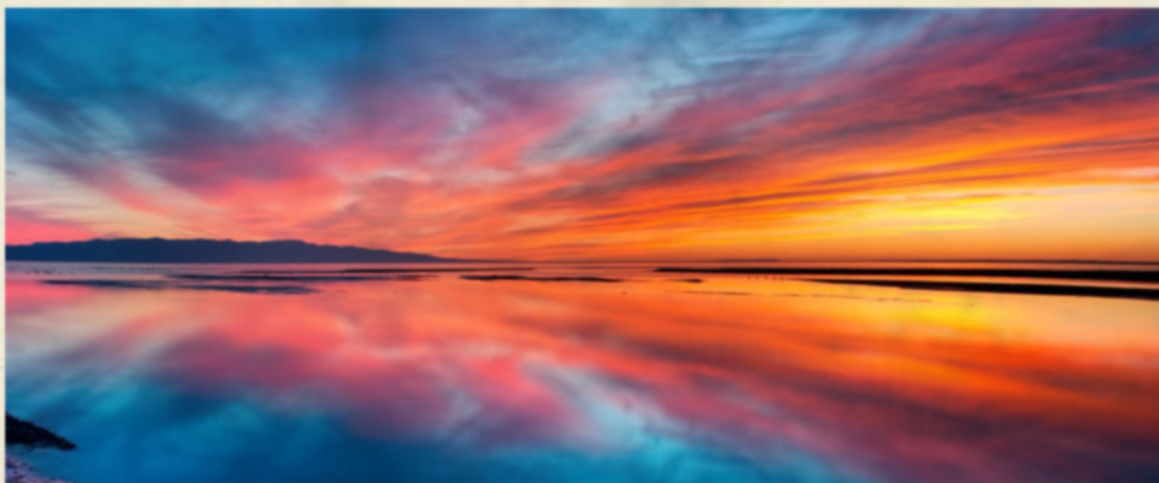
Khongor Sand Dune



Tsagaan suvarga



Bayanzag - Flaming Cliffs



Kharkhorin Tuvkhun - Erdene-Zuu Monestary

The Screenwriter

Jack Messitt wrote Huayi Brothers Media's *Control*. Helmed by Kenneth Bi, acclaimed director of *The Drummer* and *Girl\$*, the film stars Daniel Wu (*Tomb Raider*), Yao Chen and Ady An.

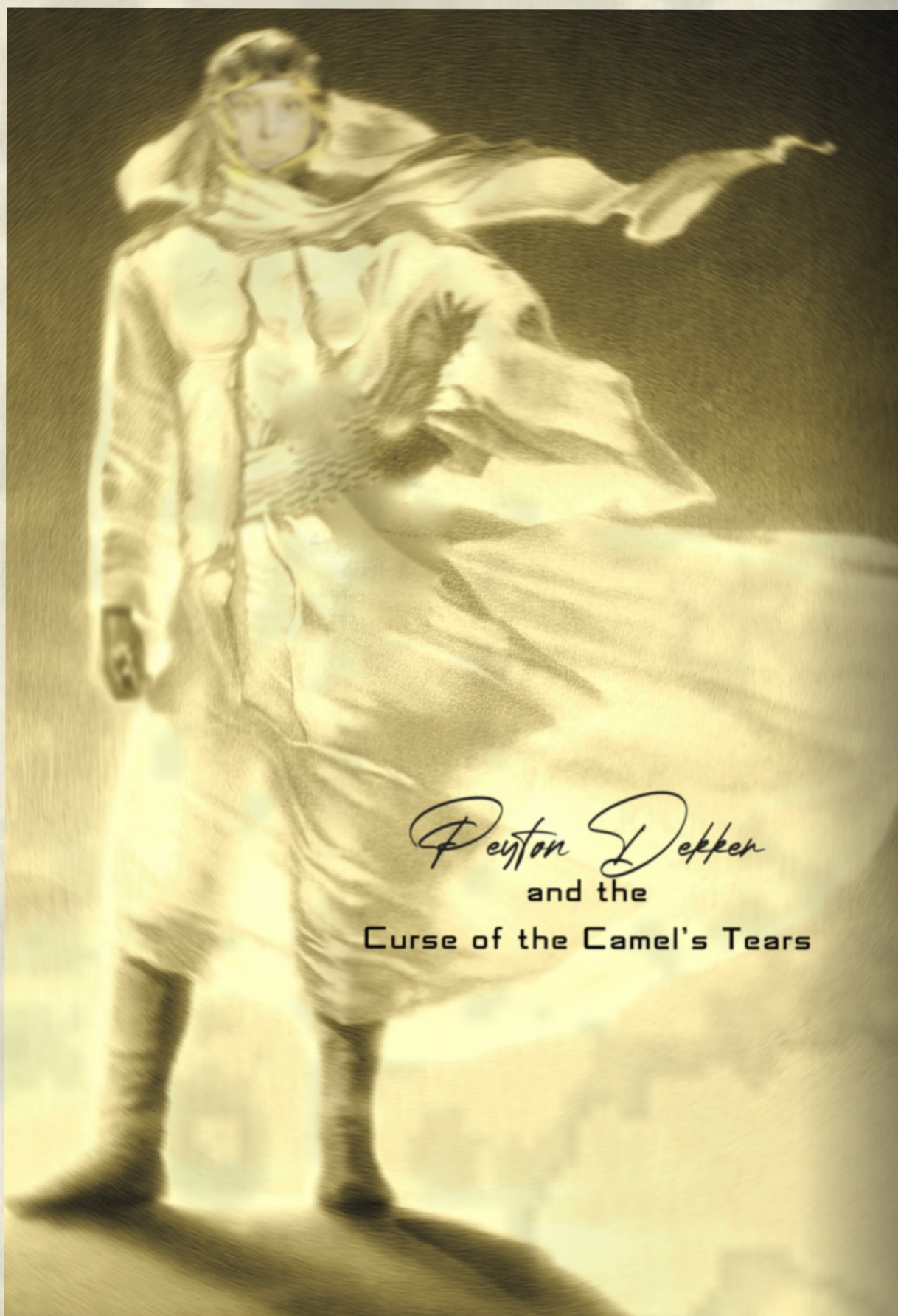
TF1 produced his thriller *Trust* starring Jamie Luner (*Melrose Place*, *All My Children*).

Jack wrote and directed Bigfoot Entertainment's award winning horror film *Midnight Movie*.

A veteran cameraman, his filmography includes *911:Lonestar*, *Scandal*, *Mixed-ish*, and *Bones*.

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and the
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