

MODERN ADVENTURESS was not a true pulp, but rather what has come to be known as a bedsheet. It was a retitling of SCARLET ADVENTURESS and ran for four issues from March 1937 to September 1937, before changing its title once more back to SCARLET ADVENTURESS. The early issues of SCARLET ADVENTURESS are fairly spicy, but by the time of MODERN ADVENTURESS, the sex had been toned down considerably. Gone from "Saffron Shadows", a story featuring Nila Rand, were most of the overtly lesbian features prominent in her earlier stories in SCARLET ADVENTURESS. The March 1937 issue also features "Love and Politics" by none other than Raymond A. Palmer, who would later go on to edit AMAZING STORIES and FANTASTIC ADVENTURES for much of the 1940's, as well as other SF magazines later. The heroine of "Love and Politics," Carla Romaunt, is a series character of sorts; she had also appeared in Palmer's "The Cobra Strikes" in the November 1936 issue of SCARLET ADVENTURESS. Robert Leslie Bellem also contributed two stories to MODERN ADVENTURESS--neither were Dan Turner stories, however, as this would probably have required the hardboiled detective to dress in drag. W. Darr did several of the covers for the magazine under its two titles.