

If there was one thing the Red Circle crew could do, it was write a weird menace story title. "Daughters of Lusting Torment," "My Dead Bride Beckons," "Satan's Mate is a Schoolgirl"--they just don't title 'em like that anymore. And the stories delivered. MYSTERY TALES, like the other weird menace titles published by Red Circle, were heavier on the sex than their competitors--and they didn't spare the lash, either, when it came to the sadism angle. Although, for obvious reasons, many authors preferred the safety of a pseudonym when published in MYSTERY TALES, a check of the contents pages finds a few brave (or foolhardy) souls willing to put their own name on their work, such as Robert Leslie Bellem, Ray Cummings, Wyatt Blassingame, Frederick C. Davis and Henry Kuttner.