

A DEADLY REMEMBRANCE—REWRITE OUTLINE

Part I

1. 5.30am Luke wakes.
2. 6am Elspeth wakes.
3. 1941 Elspeth threatened by Billie
4. 6.30am Luke spots his shadows
5. 7am Anthony arrives at ! Building and debriefs Pete.
6. 7.30am Luke confronts his shadows and unintentionally loses them.
7. 8am Billie in the morning; Harold; Bern.
8. 1941 Billie and Luke in the car
9. 8.30am Anthony is briefing a surveillance group on the (cover story) importance of Luke when—"We've lost him!"

Part II

10. 9am Luke fights a cop
11. 10am Billie at work—a patient has escaped.
12. 11am Luke steals a suitcase
13. 12 noon Postponement of launch. Elspeth calls Anthony. He admits he has lost Luke. She is distressed and angry.
14. 1941 Pearl Harbour
15. 1pm Luke changes clothes
16. 1.30pm Anthony & Hobart. A cop with a broken finger.
17. 2pm Luke at the library
18. 2.30pm Billie's rival is promoted. ←
19. 3pm Luke at Georgetown U.
20. 3.30pm Anthony learns of a break-in. ←
21. 4pm Luke learns his name.

Part III

22 4.15pm

Luke calls Hide, who relates how Luke took off without explanation—another puzzle. He says Marigold made the flight reservations, reserved Luke's favourite suite at the Carlton (brief question in Luke's mind, postponed) and made an appointment for Luke to see General Sherwood at the Pentagon on Tuesday at 10am—an appointment which Luke did not keep. Hide has spoken to Sherwood, who did not ask what the meeting was about. Sherwood's area of responsibility is army security, but he is also a family friend of Luke's, so the meeting could have been about anything.

Hide tells Luke the launch has been postponed until tomorrow at 10.30pm. Finally he says that Bern has been calling and gives Luke the number.

Then he transfers Luke to Elspeth.

She tells him how worried she has been. She can throw no light on his sudden departure. She was so concerned that she called their old friend, Anthony Carroll, at the CIA. He talked to Luke on Monday night and arranged to meet him for breakfast at 8am on Tuesday, but Luke did not show up. She says she will call Anthony now and tell him that Luke has turned up.

Clearly, something happened to Luke on Monday night or Tuesday morning.

Luke asks her about his family. She tells him his father died. He, Luke, inherited a lot of money. She gives him phone numbers for his mother, his sister, and his two brothers. His family often stayed at the Carlton and always had a corner suite.

He asks her to fly to DC tonight and help him solve the mystery. She refuses, saying she cannot leave Cape Canaveral before the launch. He understands, but cannot help feeling let down.

Luke calls Bern. Bern urges him: Call my ex, Dr Billie Josephson, she's a world expert on memory. Somewhat enigmatically, he says she is sure to know a lot about this.

23 4.45pm

Billie calls Anthony and tells him she has been passed over for the post of Director of Research, and Len Ross has got it. She explains that she thought she might lose it to a highly qualified outsider, but everyone knows she's better than Len. (Cut this from Ch 20.) She says: Hell, Anthony, you know that, you encouraged me to follow this line of research, going all the way back to the end of the war, when we— He interrupts, saying this stuff is still classified, and she should not speak of it on the phone.

She says how unusual it is for a foundation to interfere in this

kind of decision, and adds that Charles Silverton agrees with all the above. You're on the board, Anthony—what's going on?

Anthony gives her smooth but unsatisfactory answers, and she remains mystified. Her parting shot is: It's not like you to be in the dark about something like this.

24 5pm Anthony gets a call from Elspeth to say that Luke is at the Aircraft Building. He rushes there—too late.
He stakes out the Carlton.
He loads his gun.

25 6pm Luke meets Billie at the hospital. The sexual attraction is immediate.
She tells him about global amnesia. It can be caused by shock, stress or drugs. It is also the side-effect of a combined electric-shock/drug treatment she has developed for schizophrenia. There is no cure for global amnesia. It is probably permanent. But otherwise he is mentally healthy. She suggest he have a checkup with a medical doctor as soon as possible.

He asks her if he might have been given the special treatment. No, she says. You're not schizophrenic, it's a highly experimental treatment, and you've never been in this hospital.

He says: Did we ever date?

She says: Oh, boy, did we ever.

26 1943 Luke & Billie in love as is.

27 7pm
6.30 Billie is about to hurry home for her date with Harold, which seems to have gone flat, when she remembers Peter Ryder. Checking the records, she finds that he was admitted yesterday, given the schizophrenia treatment by Len Ross, and released in the night. She is horrified. She guesses that Ryder was Luke, and that Len was bribed to do this by the promise of promotion. But why? Surely Anthony, who is on the board of the Sowerby, must know about this. She calls him. She is told he is out, but they may be able to get a message to him. She says: Tell him to call me at home at 8pm—without fail!

28 7.30pm
8pm Luke goes to Bern's apartment. Bern tells him about 1944, and how their friendship withered. He then tells the story of his break-up with Billie.

29 8pm
7.30 Billie gets home and Anthony calls. He speaks to Larry. Then Billie confronts him.

He admits it. He met Luke for breakfast, drugged him, took him to the hospital, bribed Len to do the treatment, then let Luke go.

Why? To save Luke's life. He is a communist spy and the CIA have found him out. They plan to kill him.

Billie calls Bern and tells him this. Crap, says Bern, and tells her about the Resistance.

Can Anthony be the spy?

- 30 9pm Carlton hotel scene as is except that Anthony shoots at Luke.
- 31 10am Luke goes to Harold's house. Billie leaves Harold. She tells Luke what Anthony told her, and why she does not believe it. He tells her that Anthony shot at him.
Billie asks: Who made your reservations? Luke recalls that Hide mentioned his secretary in Huntsville, Marigold. He gets a home number for her.
Marigold does not know the reason for his sudden departure. However, she reveals something intriguing. On his way to DC, he stopped off in Huntsville for two hours—and he told Marigold not to tell anyone else that he had done so. She has kept this secret.
It is now clear that Anthony wiped Luke's memory—but why? The answer must be connected with Luke's leaving Cape Canaveral in such a hurry. He must have learned some information which he wanted to communicate to army security. (The fact that he did not tell anyone in Florida suggests that he does not trust anyone there.) Anthony intercepted him and destroyed the information. That might have been the end of it, with Luke and everyone else imagining that Luke had simply suffered amnesia, but for Luke's courage and determination.
Now, however, it seems Anthony is willing to kill Luke for fear he may rediscover the deadly information.
Luke and Billie agree they have to tell army security about this, and they head for the Pentagon.
- 32 11am At the Carlton, Anthony is talking to witnesses. He explains that what happened here tonight is top secret, a matter of national security and communist spies. He orders everyone to keep silent about it, and adds: "The government has a small fund to cover events like this, for unofficial compensation," and gives everyone \$20. He picks up the shell casings. And he sends Pete to pick up Len Ross and go to the hospital and destroy the records of Peter Ryder.
- 33 12midnight Luke and Billie take an army Colonel to the Carlton—but the evidence is gone. They take him to the hospital and find the same thing. The Colonel does not believe Luke's story.
Luke realises he must now solve the mystery on his own.

Part IV

- 35 32—1am Luke calls Marigold. He must fly to Huntsville. He and Billie must leave the Carlton now.
- 33—1.30am Anthony gets a call from Pete about the hotel fire. He rushes there, hoping at last to end this nightmare, but he arrives too late. However, he has people at the houses and the airport.
- 34—2am Luke needs an OAG. Billie knows Bern has one. She calls him and he offers to bring it.
Then Luke asks her: Why aren't we together?
- 36 35—1945 The great quarrel.
- 37 36—2.30am Bern arrives and they check flights. But Anthony probably has men at the airport. So Luke will drive to Newport News, 200 miles. He can make it in four hours, maybe less at night.
- 38 37—3am Anthony sees them leave and follows Billie's car. She tries to shake him off, but he catches her and deadends her. Then he sees that the man with her is Bern, not Luke.
Bern confronts him about Luke being a spy and says how he knows Luke is not. Anthony says: "I don't believe you." Bern says: "Yes, you do, you're lying, I can tell."
Anthony goes to Billie's house and kidnaps Larry.
- 38—4am Billie drives Bern home. She goes in for coffee. They discuss what is happening. Why is Anthony lying? Then she returns to her own house in Arlington—to find that Larry has gone.
- 39—6.30am Luke calls Elspeth from Newport News.
41 - 1954.
- 40—7am Billie rescues Larry
- 41—8am Anthony gets a plane
- 42—9am Billie gets a plane.

Part III

22. 4.30pm Luke calls Hide and Elspeth. He learns that he left Cape Canaveral suddenly on Monday morning. Hide tells him Bern has been calling and left a number. Luke dials it. As soon as Bern learns that Luke has lost his memory, he flips. He says, Get over here fast!
23. 5pm Anthony gets a call from Elspeth to say that Luke is at the Aircraft Building. He rushes there—too late.
24. 6pm At Bern's apartment, Bern convinces Luke that Billie must be responsible for his amnesia. (They also discuss France.)
Luke goes to Billie's place. There is an immediate sexual attraction. She levels with him.
25. 1943 Billie & Luke at the Carlton
26. 8pm Billie checks and finds that Anthony is responsible for Luke's amnesia. He bribed Dr Ross by promising him promotion over Billie's head. She sends an urgent message to the Carlton.
27. 9pm Luke asks Elspeth to come to Washington to help him. She refuses.
Luke returns to the Carlton. There is a message from Billie. Confrontation as is. Add shooting?
28. 10pm Anthony does damage control. Evidence swept up, witnesses bribed.
29. 11pm Luke & Billie together. Luke calls Marigold and learns that there was a threat to the launch.
30. 1943 Billie's abortion.
31. 12 midnight Luke and Billie see army security. Because Anthony has destroyed the evidence, they are not believed. So Luke must uncover the plot on his own.

Part IV

32. 1am Luke and Billie at the Carlton.
33. 2am Anthony rushes to the Carlton
34. 3am Luke asks Billie: Why aren't we together?
35. 1945 The great quarrel
36. 4am Luke sees himself through Billie's eyes. He calls Elspeth.
37. 1954 Elspeth's choir
38. 5am Anthony-Nik scene. Nik puts heavy pressure on. Anthony goes to Billie's house
39. 6am Billie finds Larry gone.
40. 7am Billie rescues Larry
41. 8am Anthony makes flight reservations.
42. 9am Billie catches a plane

Part V

- 43. 10.45am Luke calls Marigold
- 44. 11am Anthony talks to Marigold
- 45. 12 noon Billie at Huntsville airport
- 46. 1pm Anthony lying in wait at Luke's house
- 47. 3pm Billie is lost
- 48. 3.45pm Elspeth gets a call from Billie
- 49. 4pm Anthony gets a call from Elspeth
- 50. 4.30pm Luke finds the letter
- 51. 7.30pm Billie finds Marigold
- 52. 9.30pm Billie saves Luke's life
- 53. 10.30pm Theo escapes. "Someone warned him."
- 54. 11pm Anthony kills Pete and calls Nik.
- 55. 12 midnight Love on the train. Luke says to Billie: "I know who the spy is."

Part VI

- 56. 7pm Nik arrives at the Starlite
- 57. 8pm Luke persuades Hide to change the plugs
- 58. 9pm Elspeth learns about the change of plugs. A moment later, Luke confronts her with the letter. She weeps and tells him about having her tubes tied in 1954. She confesses to being the spy. He lets her leave, escorting her to the security gate. He cannot send his wife to the electric chair. Then he goes to the blockhouse where Billie is waiting.
- 59. 10pm Elspeth comes back into Cape Canaveral, opens the safe, and steals the duplicate plugs.
- 60. 10.15pm Luke checks the safe.
- 61. 10.30pm Elspeth reaches the beach
- 62. 10.48pm Finale

58. 7.30am

Anthony lands at Patrick air force base a few miles south of Cape Canaveral. He is met by Elspeth, who takes him to her room at the Starlite motel, where Theo is already hiding out.

Anthony explains how Luke found Theo out last Sunday night & Monday morning, and how he, Anthony, tried to deal with the problem in such a way that all three of them might remain in place as agents. He and Elspeth are the most valuable agents in history: he gives the KGB total access to CIA secrets, and Elspeth single-handedly is responsible for the Soviets' lead over the Americans in the space race.

But now they are back where they were three days ago. However, they may still have a chance to sabotage the rocket. And although Anthony and Theo are finished as agents, Elspeth may be able to continue her work.

Elspeth explains that the security plugs come in pairs, one to transmit and one to receive the coded radio signal. On the principle of redundancy, two identical pairs are always made. What Elspeth did last Sunday was to find the duplicate set, dismantle the broadcast plug, and sketch its wiring. Theo then used her sketch and the blueprints to make a duplicate broadcast plug for his own transmitter.

Elspeth guesses that the scientists, knowing that an outside may have details of the existing plugs, will order another set, wired differently, from Huntsville. Her only chance will be to find the duplicate set and repeat what she did last Sunday.

Part VI

59. 4pm

Elspeth talks to Willy Frederickson. Her guess was right, and a spare set of plugs has already arrived from Huntsville. She asks if precautions have been taken to prevent copying of the spare set? Willy says the duplicates are not kept in the lab, as previously, but in "a safe".

Elspeth guesses this means Col Hide's safe. She manages to get the combination.

Now she waits for an opportunity to get into Hide's office. But afternoon turns to evening and he stays there.

Countdown is running a little behind, and the launch is now scheduled for 10.45pm. Anthony and Theo are already on the beach, with the transmitter in the trunk of a light blue car Anthony has bought.

At last Hide leaves for the blockhouse at 8.30pm. Just as Elspeth is about to go in, Luke arrives.

60. 8.30pm Luke confronts Elspeth.
He knows from her face that his accusation is true. She defiantly says she has no regrets—except for denying him children. She speaks of her heartbreak in 1954. She persuades Luke to let her escape, saying she will drive to Miami and catch the first plane to Europe.
Luke says he will escort her to the Cape Canaveral security gate.
First, she has to go to the ladies' room.
61. 9.30pm Instead of the ladies', she goes to Hide's office. She opens the safe. There is no time to dismantle the plug and sketch the wiring—she stuffs both plugs into her handbag and closes the safe.
She returns to Luke.
She drives away. At the first turning, she takes the beach road. In her hurry, she almost collides with a taxicab coming the other way. An accident is narrowly averted. When her heart stops thumping, she grins. Luck is on her side tonight.
She reaches the beach and looks for Anthony and Theo.
62. Luke goes to the gate again to meet Billie, who has arrived in a taxicab to watch the launch with him in the blockhouse. She has been at a motel, washing and changing. He tells her the launch is scheduled for 10.45.
She asks about Elspeth. He explains what happened. Billie says she thinks her taxicab nearly collided with Elspeth's car. She caught a glimpse of the driver's face in the cab's headlights, and she could swear it was Elspeth—except why would Elspeth go to the beach?
Luke agrees. What car was it? A white Corvette. It was Elspeth. Hell. Luke turns the jeep around and heads for the beach.
63. 10.30pm Elspeth and Anthony rendezvous on the beach. Theo switches plugs and they watch the sky. ~~They think about living in Moscow?~~
64. 10.48 Finale.
65. 1968 Epilogue