

creates enough of a diversion to give West the opportunity to set off the explosives. West escapes and seizes the tank, quickly finishing off Wolfe and his men.

Back at the train, West and Gordon have dinner with Enrique and his wife. West proposes a toast to Gordon, calling him the "grand old lady of the Secret Service." Artie knows that this is one he's never going to live down.

## The Night of the Burning Diamond



Robert Drivas plays Midas, a man with a passion for speed and power in "The Night of the Burning Diamond."

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Morgan Midas: Robert Drivas  
Lucretia: Christiane Schmidtmer  
Baines: Dan Tobin  
Serbian Minister: Vito Carbonara  
Clive: Calvin Brown  
Rudd: Whitey Hughes  
Serbian Guard: Chuck O'Brien

Agent Jim West asks the Serbian Minister (Carbonara) to place his country's fabulous Kara Diamond in federal custody until the International Jewel Exhibit opens. As he stresses the importance of protection, the glass case holding the diamond suddenly explodes and the jewel disappears. The minister thinks it is an unusual persuasion tactic by West to show the weaknesses in the security measures presently in force. West denies that he had any such motives, but the minister still believes him responsible and attempts to detain him until the jewel is safely returned. West must fight off the Serbian guards in order to escape. Now the agent is wanted for suspicion in the theft even as he must find the missing diamond.

West pays a visit to a woman named Lady Margaret whom Gordon had attempted to visit with earlier, but to no avail. Lady Margaret is the owner of a collection of British diamonds scheduled for exhibit. She knows the agents and would surely have met with them had she been in town. Instead, the Lady's nephew, Morgan Midas (Drivas), greets the agent and insists that his aunt is out of town on an extended vacation and knows nothing of the impending exhibit. West observes that Sultan, Lady Margaret's cat, is still at home and he knows that she never goes anywhere without her cat. The agent asks to check the safe for the diamonds and discovers that they, too, are missing.

Midas behaves suspiciously, excusing himself as he leaves his lady friend, Lucretia (Schmidtmer), to entertain West. After questioning Lucretia, West is suddenly knocked unconscious by an invisible force. He awakens later in Midas' laboratory where it is explained that Midas has been stealing diamonds to melt them down as the prime ingredient in a potion that speeds up the metabolic composition of a man. When the resulting potion is ingested it allows a man to move so fast that he becomes invisible. Midas wants West to help him work toward his goal of becoming the most powerful man in the world.

Meanwhile, Artie is concerned about West's disappearance and pays a visit to the house disguised as Baron Felix von Schlesweig und Holtzegergen, an aged friend of Lady Margaret's. Upon arrival, he is told that the lady is out of town but he insists on waiting. With Artie upstairs, West escapes from the laboratory, causing a commotion that quickly involves his partner. Both agents are subdued by the invisible Midas.

The exhibition is taking place complete with