SYNOPSIS OF UP THE DEVIL'S BACKBONE

San Diego Herald investigative reporter C. Evan Spanyer (don't even ask about his first name) is on his way home from a weekend getaway in Big Bear, California when he encounters a bride in distress. The lady has lost more than her memory – she's lost her groom. Evan soon discovers that the missing husband has serious ties to the mob: He's the heir apparent to Chicago's biggest crime family. No secret why this future boss would be a victim of foul play – there are suspects aplenty – but Evan is more concerned about the beautiful bride. Someone wants her memory wiped out for good.