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Roger Thornhill is an average middle class citizen but as a result of a misunderstanding he will be kidnapped and tracked. Throughout the film there is a high voltage tension, with this theme of the innocent guy wrongly accused which is one of Hitchcock's favorite trademarks!

Hitchcock keeps us on our toes even in the iconic scene with the plane (used for the film poster): we expect Rogers to take the bus but he remains on the side of this lonely country road in the middle of nowhere. A plane hovers in the sky: this is the sort of plane used to spray pesticide on the crops- except there are no crops in the bare fields! The plane starts chasing Roger, shooting at him with a machine gun. He desperately runs for his life, and barely escapes death as a truck stops in front of him and the plane crashes into it.

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Rogers becomes a hero in spite of himself, as he manages to arrest the bad guys (cold war spies) after a breath taking and deadly game of hide and seek on the stone faces of presidents carved into the rock of Mount Rushmore.