

# "The Masked Hostess"

by BLAIR STEVENSON

She awakened in the arms of John Sloane.

She knew she was awake, for she was on a sofa, and Sloan was holding her, and the room was full of State troopers.

She was certain she was awake when Sloan said fervently "Thank God," and kissed her.

"I think I and my outfit will take another look around outside," said the sergeant in command of the troopers.

He and his men went out. "Keep perfectly quiet," darling," said Sloan, who looked very white, but very happy. "A doctor has been sent for and when he arrives he and I will carry you upstairs and—"

"I don't want to go upstairs," said Nathalie. "I want to stay right where I am."

Sloane laughed. "Why should you want to stay here?"

"Because," Nathalie answered with great firmness, "I love you."

"I think I understand everything at last," said Nathalie as she lay, late in the afternoon, in one of the beds upstairs by the nurse in charge in a chair by the window and Sloan sitting beside the bed and holding Nathalie's hand.

"I think it is all clear at last," she repeated. "Ferris, you say, knew about the new road that was going to cut The Firs in half and Pound knew it, and Pound was trying to get it away from me by foreclosing the bank's mortgage and Ferris by getting me to sign a deed to it to him for some small amount of money."

"Yes," Sloan answered, "that was the situation exactly."

And then Ferris, continued Nathalie, "had me kidnaped and brought here, and intended to come here himself and get me to sign a deed. You said, didn't you, that the men right behind me in the car when I escaped from The Firs were the ones who were to do it, but then when I managed to escape them by reaching the railroad crossing ahead of them they went to the bank?"

"Correct again," replied Sloan. "They knew Ferris was in Brookville and went to him for instructions when they lost you. By the time they reached there you had gone into the bank and Ferris, by then frantic, ran into the restaurant across the street and told his men to watch there to stop the imitation hold-up and get you out before you could sign a deed to what you had gone into the bank for."

Nathalie nodded her head. Sloan continued:

"I was already on my way from New York by then, Monty DeLaine having told me over the telephone about his sale and that your property was very valuable. When I reached Brookville the village was in an uproar, but the State Police were on the job.



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They have men all over Long Island you know, and a good communication system. One of their men out here suggested this location as being a likely place for keeping you in hiding, but there are several cottages in this neighborhood standing alone like this one. As luck would have it we tried this one first."

Nathalie smiled and said that it was fortunate that Monty DeLaine had been up so early in the morning. "He must have stayed up on purpose."

"They had to wake him with ice when Stefano phoned."

"Stefano?" Nathalie cried.

And then Sloan had to make another careful explanation and set a good man right.

"And can you beat this?" he added. "It seems some relative of his has just died in South America and he has inherited a second fortune."

At this Nathalie cried briefly, she was so happy to hear it.

"But I ought to cry for myself," she said suddenly, recovering her whole composure. "And for you, too, I suppose. John, I am going to be arrested when I leave here. I cashed a bad check at the Waldorf-Astoria the day before I went to Aunt Olivia's the second time."

"Good God!" cried Sloan and put his arms around her. "I fixed that up two minutes after you left the hotel. Why didn't you mention it before?"

(To Be Continued)

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## PINCHOT, HOOVER SWAP FISH YARNS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Deep sea fishing yarns were exchanged at the White House today by two distinguished fishermen who knew what they were talking about.

They were President Hoover and Gifford Pinchot, former governor of Pennsylvania.

Just returned from an expedition to the South Sea Islands, Pinchot regaled the president with the enjoyment that awaits the deep sea fisherman in that far off area.

In return Mr. Hoover gave the former governor some inside information on how to catch the large fish that frequent the waters off the coast of Lower California. They were together 20 minutes.

After his election, Mr. Hoover hailed his voyage to the South American countries off Lower California to enjoy some deep sea fishing.

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## MIDWEST CATTLE BREEDERS IN LEAD

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Already heavily laden with cups and ribbons, the farm wizards of Iowa, Indiana, and Montana led their breeding cattle, sheep and swine before the juries of the International livestock exposition today and marched away with a further bulge in their pack of honors.

The champion Aberdeen Angus bull and cow, the best red polled shorthorn bull and the finest Hereford cow came from Hawkeye farms, which also furnished the premier Chester White boar and sow. From Indiana came the grand champion Berkshire sow and boar and from Montana emerged the prize Hampshire ewe and flock. The son of a cabinet

## 'JERSEY KID' GIVES SELF UP TO POLICE

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—(AP)—"The Jersey kid," whose true name became lost long ago in an interminable maze of aliases, and who is wanted police say, for two murders in New Jersey and one in Chicago, gave himself up today.

Barricaded in an uptown apartment, with a pretty-red-haired girl companion, "the Jersey kid" started to shoot it out with the police. There was a price of \$25,000 on his head.

But when they told him they were going to throw in tear bombs if he did not come out in five minutes, he poked his gun, stock first, out through a crack in the door, and meekly surrendered.

Tattooed on his arms he wrote the legend "death before dishonor" and the names "Jack Murray," "Frank McBryand," and "Jersey Kid."

But after his arrest he sullenly denied he was either Murray, McBryand, or "the Jersey kid." He said his name was Charles Davis.

As "Frank McBryand" the prisoner is wanted in Newark, for the murder of a motor bus, terminal cashier, and in Bradley Beach, N. J., for the murder of a bank messenger. Both murders were committed during holdups.

He is wanted in Chicago, too, for murder, the police said, but they declined to give any details.

As "Frank McBryand" he is wanted in Philadelphia for two holdups that totalled nearly \$75,000.

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RAINFALL LIGHT  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—(AP)—A few drops of rain fell in northern California today.

## Home-Making Helps

By ELEANOR ROSS.  
Toasters and Percolators.

BUYING a toaster isn't the simple affair it used to be when there were only two or three kinds on the market. Today there are literally dozens. You can pay \$15 or \$20 for a good-looking toaster. And you can buy one that will produce just as good toast for \$3 or \$4. What makes all the difference?

As far as quality is concerned, there is just about one thing to watch in selecting a toaster—the way the wire element is distributed. Best quality has plenty of wiring closely covering the surface, thus insuring quick, even toasting. If the wire is loosely spread, and wide apart, there is less heat, it will take longer to toast the bread, and the bread will be dried up before it is browned. Which isn't harmful, by any means. In fact, some people prefer it that way.

What adds to the cost of a toaster is, first, how much automatic service is included in the mechanism. And second, appearance. If the toaster has been brought to an almost perfect automatic condition these days. The last word in toasters does everything but butter and pass itself around the table. It toasts both sides of the bread at the same time, regulates the toasting time, cuts off the current by itself when finished, and rings the bell to notify you of the event, but the toast remains inside keeping warm until you remove it. What could be better service than that?

Then there are the semi-automatic toasters, which require you to press a small button and they swing around to be toasted on the other side, without your having to touch the toast. And the "flip-top" type, which, when toasted on one side, needs but a touch to let the door drop, the toast then slides down the smooth surface and reverses itself, so like their bread toasted horizontally because flat toasting seems to be quicker. There are flat toasters long enough to take care of two slices of bread simultaneously. And they have the advantage of extra space, so that if you toast only one slice of bread, the rest of the space can be used to keep the coffee hot.

As far as appearance goes, you can spend a lot. Beautifully nickle-plated or silver-plated toasters make very attractive gifts and add beauty and cheer to the breakfast table. But the plain, well-nickeled toasters are also good-looking, and will give all the service that anybody requires.

This is equally true of percolators. Quality lies in the heating element—and you pay more for it for the attractiveness of the finish, plating or engraving. The spigot is a little more elegant than a spout on the coffee pot, especially if it is decorated for company serving.

## John D. Arrives At Florida Home For Winter Stay

ORMON BEACH, Fla., Dec. 5.—(AP)—Neighbor John D. Rockefeller, Sr., 90 and apparently in the best of health, came back to this village today for his annual winter sojourn.

Cold weather prevented him from getting the early start on daily golf which he had anticipated, but he told friends who greeted him at the station that he had to "get out and get in condition" to beat General Adelbert Ames, his usual opponent on the greens.

At Jacksonville Mr. Rockefeller greeted an Associated Press reporter in his drawing room and gave him a few dimes, the last of his immediate supply.

## Divorce Asked as Wife Not Jewess

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—(AP)—J. George Wright, San Francisco, sued Beatrice W. Wright today for annulment of their marriage last June 1 at Tijuana, on the grounds that she falsely represented herself to be a Jewess. He said he discovered the alleged deception November 8.

TILDEN TO MAKE DEBUT  
LONDON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Tilden, 2nd, American tennis star, will make his debut as a cabaret performer next Monday in a smart West End restaurant. He will appear in an evening dress turn, which has an engagement for a fortnight. His play, "I'm Wise," failed recently in the provinces before it could reach a London stage.

TIME LIMIT EXTENDED  
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Extension of the time limit for holding wheat under the milling in transit privilege here has been granted by northwest railways with approval of the Interstate Commerce commission, according to word received today.

Two thousand farm homes will be served by 69 new transmission lines to be built in Alabama in 1930.

## Glands—What They Are For, and Why

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.  
United States Senator from New York.  
Former Commissioner of Health, New York City.

THERE are very important glands of the body about which we hear a good deal. The thyroid, which controls our use of oxygen; the adrenals, which control the sympathetic nerves; the pituitary glands, which stimulate the involuntary muscles; and the sex glands, with their stimulating properties—all these are under constant study. Each has its own department, so to speak, and is correlated with all the others in their work in the body.

Besides these, there are other very useful glands. Among these are the parathyroids. They are very small glands, not larger than a kernel of wheat. They are found in connection with the thyroid gland, their number running from two to twelve, as the case may be.

The function of these glands is to control the amount of calcium or lime in the blood stream, just as insulin controls the blood sugar level. Research has not yet shown all the effects of these glands, but they are known to be important.

It has been found that the function of one gland influences the function of each of the other glands. When one fails to function properly, it may disturb the entire outfit. Without these skilled workers, working in harmony, the health would fail.

Attention was first called to these glands, the so-called "ductless glands," when injury to them caused what is known as "tetany," a condition in which the muscles of the body spasm.

This condition is not so severe as in epilepsy, and it differs in many ways from that disease.

The cause of the spasm is in the muscles themselves, and is not in the central nervous system. Also, the convulsions develop always on both sides at the same time. The muscles involved may be very serious, even causing death, unless the lime content of the blood is raised immediately.

Lime, then, plays a large part in correcting the deficiency in the blood, through the parathyroid glands. It has a calming effect on a person. When it is lacking the person is irritable, and may come to the point where nervousness develops. A proper balance of lime in the system helps to maintain the right degree of muscular and nervous excitability.

**Answers to Health Queries**

A Reader Q.—I am 6 feet 6 inches tall, and weigh only 114 pounds, but despite this fact, I have swelling of the ankles with marked puffiness. I have no kidney trouble and my blood pressure is low rather than high. What would you advise?

A.—The trouble may be due to a possible heart disturbance to various veins, you may be wearing tight circular garters, which interfere with venous circulation. Examination should locate the cause and suggest the necessary treatment.

Miss Q.—What would cause a bitter coppery taste in the mouth at all times? I am 45 years of age. The trouble is more pronounced at times.

A.—Due to hyperacidity and poor digestion. Watch your diet, drink copiously of water between meals and keep the bowels open.

J. H. R. Q.—I have about 50 dandruff spots on my forehead in the winter. Is there any likelihood of these spots being harmful after three or four months in this condition?

A.—They should disappear spontaneously, about 100 and 100 pounds.

## POLLY AND HER PALS



## "A Chip Off the Old Block"



## By CLIFF STERRETT

## TILLIE, THE TOILER



## "No Bargain"

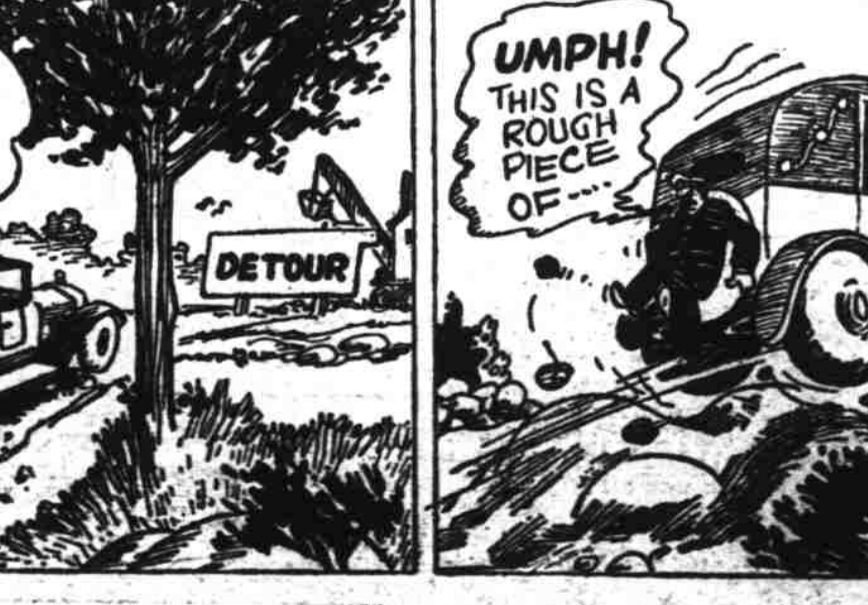


## By RUSS WESTOVER

## LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY



## "Officer Flinn Gets 'Bumped Off'"



## By BEN BATSFORD

## TOOTS AND CASPER



## "The Family Makes a Clean-up"



## By JIMMY MURPHY

