

The HIDDEN DOOR

BY FRANK L. PACKARD

SYNOPSIS: The Mask has killed Reddy Turner in Colin Hewitt's apartment, and wounded Colin, a writer of detective fiction. Reddy had exacted a promise from Colin that should he be put on the spot, Colin would try to deliver a letter Reddy had left hidden in his room. Reddy had hoped to "get" the Mask, who was responsible for the death of Reddy's sister. Now the Mask telephone Colin on his first day out of the hospital to say that the writer has nothing to fear, provided he does not meddle. Detective Sergeant Tim Mulvey is in the room at the time.

Chapter Six
DANGEROUS QUEST
Detective Sergeant Mulvey jerked his hand toward the telephone instrument.

"Why don't you do what you'd do in a story?" he inquired with a short laugh.

"What's that?"

"Scene of you trying frantically to trace the telephone call."

"I wouldn't do that in a story," he said. "Granting the Mask even a modest degree of intelligence, and I rank him far above that, it would be obviously useless. The call came from some place like the Grand Central where there is a number of public booths—not from a drug-store where there is only a single booth and he might have been noticed and a description of him obtained."

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NRA PROVIDES JOBS FOR POLK WORKERS

Independence—Following a noticeable quickening of conditions locally, which seems to be a combination of NRA and hop harvest fever, a number of new employees have been added to the payroll of Independence firms during the past few days.

At the Palace restaurant, J. B. Violette has added Mrs. Gladys Codner to his staff. She will serve temporarily as a waitress, working part time. She began work on Monday. Mrs. Codner resides in Independence.

The Independence Bakery is employing Mrs. Pearl Jones full time since last Friday. Mrs. Jones was formerly with Cui's restaurant in Monmouth, after coming here from North Dakota. Mrs. Jones' husband is working with Contractor Homer Wood.

A new mechanic, Kiril Dixon, is serving on the staff of the Ford garage, working full time and has been a member of the staff since Thursday. Dixon's home is near Wells station and he was formerly employed for three years at the Ford garage in Corvallis.

Gus Fischer, a brother-in-law of Sloper hardware store, working from 10 until 6 o'clock. He began his duties Wednesday, August 2.

Karl Byers, recently returned home from Monterey, Calif., where he has been residing for some time, is employed at the Standard Oil service station at Monmouth and Second street, beginning on Wednesday.

Young Methodists Gather at Falls City

Williamina—Fourteen young people of the Methodist church accompanied by the Rev. and Mrs. Terry are attending the Falls City institute. Those going from here included Maxine Shetterly, Opal Spence, Leo Mitchell, Betty Williams, Lawrence Roub, Laurie Fox, Jewell Donnell and Rev. and Mrs. Terry. Others going with this group were from Grand Ronde, Butler, and Valley Junction. Williamina has been well represented at the institute the past four years.

Pneumonia Causes Little Girl's Death

Jefferson—Betty J. Hensley, nine months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hensley, who are employed at the David Jacobson hop yard, died from pneumonia Wednesday morning. Funeral services were held Friday at the grave in the Jefferson cemetery.

EAGLE RULES

Jefferson—The N.R.A. blue eagle is displayed in practically every business house in town. This new recovery act is being given a hearty endorsement and loyal support by the business men here.

FARM BOUGHT

Jefferson—Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dunkel and family of San Diego, have purchased nine acres east of the depot known as the old B. S. Thurston place and will move soon.

back Detective Sergeant Mulvey. "I'll run you out of town myself, if I have to!"

Colin laughed. "You're a good scout, Tim. Good-night."

"So are you—but don't play the fool!" returned Detective Sergeant Mulvey. "Good-night."

Colin closed the door, and re-crossing the room, pulled out one of the lower drawers of his desk, from which, hidden under a pile of odds and ends, he produced a bunch of skeleton keys. He looked at his watch.

It was twenty-seven minutes past twelve.

For a moment, his brows knitted, Colin stood staring at the keys in his hand. Then, abruptly, he thrust them into his pocket, selected a soft felt hat from the stand, switched off the lights, opened the door, stepped out in the warm June night, and locked the door behind him.

And then for an instant he remained motionless.

(To Be Continued)

Puffy the Pig, and the Fluff, and the Frog.

Are sitting at supper behind the old log.

Says Puffy to Fluffy, "Don't make a dumb break."

By asking for frog legs, now, please, for my sake!"

MUTT AND JEFF

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

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THE TWO-TIMER

OUR ACT WAS SUCH A SUCCESS— I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE THEATRE MANAGER HAS NOT BEEN AROUND TO SEE US—

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT— MR. CHIZZLER WILL HANDLE IT FOR US— HE'S A SWELL GUY— WE MUST INSIST ON DOING SOMETHING NICE FOR HIM, TO PAY HIM FOR HELPING US—

BUT THEIR ACT WAS A SENSATION— I AM WILLING TO PAY THEM ANYTHING— WHY COULDN'T I TALK TO THEM?

NO— NO— THEY WANT TOO MUCH— LET ME HANDLE THEM PLEASE— I'LL GET YOU THEIR ACT— IT WILL JUST TAKE A LITTLE TIME—

THAT THEATRE MANAGER IS A TOUGH CUSTOMER— FULL OF TRICKS— WANTS TO GET YOUR ACT FOR NEXT TO NOTHING— BUT HE CAN'T FOOL ME— JUST LEAVE IT ALL TO ME AND HAVE PATIENCE AND YOU'LL WEAR DIAMONDS YET—

HOW CAN WE THANK YOU?

GEE— YOU'RE SURE SWELL TO US—

IF I CAN ONLY KEEP THAT THEATRE MANAGER AND THEM SEPARATED, TILL I CAN HOOK THEM WITH A CONTRACT, MAKING ME THEIR BUSINESS MANAGER, MY FORTUNE IS MADE— WHY, THIS IS A GOLD MINE, IF I WORK IT RIGHT—

ASK MOM— SHE KNOWS

AW, PLEASE, MOM, LET'S GO HOME— WONTCHA PLEASE? THE FELLERS ARE WAITING TO LET'S BEAT IT!

WELL I GUESS WE'LL BE GOING NOW!

ATSA! THAT'S GREAT!

GOOD-BYE, MRS. LEE, AND MOM, TOLD ME I HAD A VERY PLEASANT AND ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON!

THE HERO

OH, BOY! HOW YOU PUT IT OVER ON THAT CROOK! AND ARE WE PROUD OF OUR UNCLE BIL— THE MAN WHO CLEANED UP A CRIME WAVE SINGLE-HANDED—

YOU COULDN'T FOOL US ABOUT ALL OF THOSE LATE PARTIES— WE KNEW YOU WEREN'T GOING TO GAMBLING—

TELL US HOW YOU DID IT, BIL— IT BURNED YOU UP?

WELL, ANDY— ALL THE CREDIT GOES TO HENRIETTA ZANDER— PLEASE DO NOT SAY I KNEW AT THE REET—

THAT MAN WAS ONE OF THE MOST DIABOLICAL CROOKS WHO EVER LIVED— HE ACTUALLY HAD THE AUDACITY TO BOAST TO HENRIETTA THAT HE WAS GOING TO BREAK ME, FORCE MILLIE TO MARRY HIM, AND TAKE A MONEYMOON ON MY MONEY— HE DIDN'T THINK HENRIETTA WOULD DARE TO TELL ME— BUT SHE DID, THE BRAVE LITTLE WOMAN— I USED PAYMENT ON THE CHECKS I GAVE HIM, AND FINALLY GOT HIM WITH THE GOODS— MARKED CARDS, MAGNIFYING SPECTACLES AND ALL—

I'D LIKE TO LAY MY HANDS ON THAT FELLOW—

I HOPE THE POLICE CAPTURE HIM AND SEND HIM TO JAIL FOR LIFE—

"BLUE-BOOY" AND "BLACKBEARD"

I CAN ALMOST VISUALIZE, ANYBODY WHO SEES ME, TOLD ME, THE ELABORATE AND ELABORATE OF QUALITY, MADE-TO-ORDER— AND—

TRULY, YOU SHALL BE A MOST BEAUTIFUL BRIDE, MY FINESTRESS!

THE WEDDING ATTENDED BY THE FIVE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

HAL FORREST

IT LOOKS LIKE MUTT IS IN ON A NEW DEAL

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