

# Marian Gordon

by JEANNE BOWMAN

SYNOPSIS: McSwain, the contractor, holds an apparently ruined check over Lon Oswald's head, to force Lon to give interior material used in the high school building on which Lon is doing as McSwain's foreman. Motion Oswald tells her friend, the district attorney, the story of McSwain's crookedness, and learns that the only man who can furnish the evidence necessary to prosecute is Mrs. Hamlin. But where is Mrs. Hamlin?

## Chapter 40 MISUNDERSTOOD AGAIN

Marian remembered as they neared home that Hamlin had mentioned having a lodge at a place which she associated with summer resorts, and then she remembered he had given Lon his address on a card. She would ask Lon for the address; but what excuse would she have for that? Lon would naturally want to know why she was interested in Hamlin. She knew she wouldn't have enjoyed having Lon ask her for Silver's address, if they hadn't chanced to meet again.

Under the circumstances she'd have to risk his displeasure. She did, and found she hadn't minimized it.

Lon came in from work, his brow creased with a worried frown. He looked at the shrubs with apathetic interest, barely touched his dinner, then went out to stand on the hill and look down on the subdivision he



"Quit McSwain?" Lon asked with a bitter laugh.

had started so bravely months before. Marian finished her housework and joined him.

"Looks like a cemetery," he said moodily, "those stakes are like so many headstones."

"I'm sorry, Lon," she touched his sleeve with her hand, "I do understand how you feel."

He patted her hand and continued staring down hill, where the cool autumn wind was whirling dead leaves into yellow piles.

Marian watched him and her determination to do something to change this queer route their life had taken awakened anew. "Lon," she said, "do you remember Max Hamlin's giving you his address, that last evening we were with him?"

Lon gave her a quick, suspicious look. "I do, why?"

"I was trying to think of the place today. A summer resort, wasn't it?" "Not that I know of."

"You still have the card, haven't you?" "No, I threw it away."

"Lon," she couldn't help the hurt cry, "why did you do that?" "Because," he said evenly, "I thought the time would come when you'd want to know where he lived."

He turned and started walking to the house, leaving Marian looking after him.

Marian watched Lon, a queer baffled feeling dulling the hurt she might have felt. Mechanically she walked to the other side of the hilltop, sat down on the dry grass and looked out over the valley.

A dreary place on this autumn evening, overcast sky above, yellowing trees smudged with twilight below. Diablo had retired beneath a blanket of clouds, only the pinnacles with its shining eyes above. "Like an old woman pulling the quilts around her chin," thought Marian.

How to locate Hamlin. Her thoughts wandered for a few moments, resting on the events of the day, the previous week, back on the problem before her.

"I'm a fine newspaper woman," she thought suddenly. "I know

there's a pile of old newspapers in the garage. The summer ones will have lists of resorts. I'm sure if I once read the name I'll remember."

She waited until Lon had left the following morning, then burrowed into the yellowed sheets, chose a Sunday newspaper and opened it to the page carrying display advertisements of resorts. Almost instantly her eyes caught one section topped by the words "Russian River Resorts." That was it. Russian River. . . but the river was miles long and was lined on both sides of its banks with resorts.

"John King said to call on him, I know he'll be able to locate Hamlin with this lead."

Marian dispatched a note to King, when Waki left that evening, and then began the nerve-racking wait for an answer.

Lon grew more restless. Marian would awaken in the middle of the night to find him gone. She would listen, stiff with apprehension, then hear matches striking, hear the roar of the fire in the fireplace, or she would hear dry leaves crunching as he paced up and down outside.

## COORDINATION OF FEDERAL LENDING ROOSEVELT PLAN

### Appointment of Committee Seen as Move to Absorb Emergency Units as Recovery Progress Permits

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—(AP)—A committee to coordinate all the lending activities of the government was appointed today by President Roosevelt.

The move was interpreted as a start on consolidation of federal agencies with a view to absorbing emergency units as the recovery campaign permits.

Secretary Morgenthau heads the committee. Mr. Roosevelt said at his regular press conference that the future program for the emergency recovery units probably would not be definitely decided until about the first of the year.

**HOLD Decision Waits**  
He said it would probably be determined also whether any more funds would be asked for the home owners loan corporation.

Tuesday it was announced new applications would not be received, as more money already had been requested than it had.

It was understood this work would be turned over as soon as possible to private institutions.

It apparently was the intention of the administration to close its books on the home owners loan corporation with action upon existing applications for the \$3,000,000,000 fund.

Personnel Named  
Other members of the inter-departmental committee named by the president are Secretary Ickes, public works administrator; Governor Myers of the farm credit administration; Chairman Fahney of the federal home loan bank board; Chester C. Davis, farm administrator; George N. Peck, president of the export-import bank; Lynn P. Talley, president of the commodity credit corporation; Leo T. Crowley, chairman of the federal deposit insurance corporation; Jesse H. Jones, chairman of the reconstruction finance corporation; Marriner S. Eccles, governor of the federal reserve board, and James A. Moffat, housing administrator.

The president said in response to inquiry that he knew of no special new move to increase public control over public utilities.

He added the subject of public utilities was under study by a special committee appointed some time ago.

## VETERAN ENTERTAINER PROMISES LAUGHS FOR ELKS LODGE TONIGHT

At tonight's meeting of the Medford B. P. O. E. Joseph Forrest, better known in theatrical circles as "Doctor Josephus Forrestus, a r.e.n. enemy of all ills," will present his popular laugh producing characterization of the old-time medicine man.

"Doctor" Forrestus has appeared on many vaudeville circuits and before many fraternal organizations and is a veteran joke-smith and character impersonator.

On tonight's program with "the Doctor," Miss Kevah Channel, also a big time entertainer, will offer several vocal numbers. Miss Channel recently closed a vaudeville tour at the Paramount Theater in Seattle, where she was held over a second week by popular demand.

Both Miss Channel and Mr. Forrest, along with other members of their troupe, are spending several days in Medford prior to going to Los Angeles to reopen a vaudeville engagement which will take them across the continent to New York City.

Tonight's affair will be "stag" and is scheduled to begin at 8 p. m. with the entertainment features starting immediately after the regular meeting. Featured Butler H. N. (Doc) Butler will preside.

**Hunt Dog With Gold Teeth.**  
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.—(UP)—Police were asked to search for Dr. E. G. Lillis' lost dog, told the animal could be identified by its gold teeth. Dr. Lillis is a dentist.

## THIRD PARTY PENS ROOSEVELT ACTIONS

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 15.—(AP)—Governor Floyd B. Olson, recently re-elected, predicted today there would be an agrarian political revolt with a possible national third party, unless "equality is obtained for agriculture."

A supporter of President Roosevelt, Governor Olson said the possibility of a third party depends on what Mr. Roosevelt does—he has control of everything now and the people expect him to deliver.

## ACTION ON THE MORNING RIDE

BEGINS TO GET A LITTLE RESTLESS DURING MORNING RIDE

WORKS CONFINING BLANKETS LOOSE AND STARTS CLIMBING

MOTHER FIRMLY SITS HIM DOWN AND TUCKS HIM IN AGAIN

WITH EQUAL FIRMNESS LOOSENS BLANKETS UNTIL HE CAN LEAN OVER THE SIDE

IS TUCKED IN AGAIN MORE SECURELY BUT FINDS HE CAN STILL KICK

THIS EVENTUALLY LIBERATING HIS FEET

LISTENS AMIABLY TO SCOLDING WHILE MOTHER TUCKS HIM IN AGAIN

AND AS SOON AS SHE HAS FINISHED, SLIDES HIMSELF OFF SEAT INTO BOTTOM OF GOCART

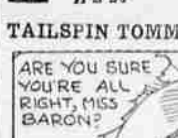
MOTHER DECIDES IT'S HIGH TIME TO HEAD FOR HOME

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## S'MATTER POP—



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## TAILSPIN TOMMY—A New Menace!

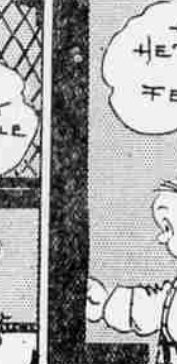


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## BEN WEBSTER'S CAREER—All About Gwen



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## THE NEBBS—Well, Good-bye



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## BRINGING UP FATHER



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## AW! SHUT UP! HOW DO YOU EXPECT ME TO SLEEP WITH THAT NOISE GOIN' ON?



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## MEDFORD BIDDERS GET HIGHWAY JOBS

SALEM, Nov. 15.—(AP)—A contract involving 42 miles of grading and surfacing on the Church section of the Cape Blanco secondary highway in Curry county today was awarded by the state highway commission to E. C. Dillard of Medford on a bid of \$9,471.

Unit A of the Klamath rock production project, on the Dallas-California and Greensprings highways, was awarded to the Newport Construction Co. and Kern & Kibbe on a bid of \$2,000. Contracts for units B and C, involving the Medoc Point and Kepo sections, were awarded to B. I. Stuart & Sons, Medford, on a bid of \$19,000.

Bids for these projects were opened at the last meeting of the state highway commission.

## SERA TO WAR ON KANGAROO RATS

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 15.—(AP)—The state relief committee today approved projects for eradication of rabbits and kangaroo rats of Lake county, coyotes of Grant county and gophers of Malheur county.

The kangaroo rat, about half the size of the ordinary rat, works at night. He travels in long jumps by his powerful hind legs, using his tail for a rudder to guide his course.

Crops and range grass over an area of 40 townships in the northern part of Lake county, particularly around Fort Rock and Silver Lake, are being overrun by the vermin.

The Olympic games were first held at Olympia, Greece, in 1896 B. C.