

Meet Mr. Lochinvar

By Marie Blizard

YESTERDAY: Locke tells Cecily she won't always be disappointed in him. Laura takes yarn to Mrs. Brewster's secretary and hears that the Rathbones have left. The day of the dinner party the cook bought raspberries from a strange man.

Chapter 27

Unsuccessful Quest

Cecily tried to laugh. "Do you know where else a man could sell that many raspberries?" "Let me see... well, how about the inn?" said Laura. "No, it couldn't have been the inn. I saw Johnnie Elder driving in with his baskets full myself yesterday morning. Johnnie always supplies the inn with things like that."

"Cecily, you're not trying to make out that the berry man could have gone in there and stolen Lady Rathbone's heirloom, are you? How would he have known it was there?"

"Of course I'm not!" Cecily said savagely. "But you must admit that things would look pretty bad for him, if the pin doesn't turn up and there's no one else to fasten suspicion on."

Laura said weakly that it probably would. "Only I don't see why you should worry about it, Cecily. Your whole party was cleared when Mrs. Brewster said she'd take personal responsibility for you."

"Oh, I'm not worried," Cecily replied up some booklets. They slipped out of her hands. She bent to pick them up, decided it was not possible for her to dissemble any longer.

"Laura, Locke was the man who sold those berries to Mrs. Brewster's Addie."

"Locke? Well, then—" Laura deprecated the idea that Cecily was obviously trying to express.

"Don't you see?" "No, I don't, Cecily. Suppose you explain?"

"That's just it—there isn't anything to explain! I was only thinking that Locke is a stranger here, and in case... just in case... anything should come of it, well... he ought to have a chance to clear himself."

"You don't think that he'd do that, do you?" "Laura Atwill, you know I don't! He... he couldn't! Besides, like Mrs. Brewster, I don't believe anything was stolen. It's just a lot of ado over nothing."

"Mrs. Brewster does believe the pin was stolen," Laura said quietly. "And I'm going to betray a confidence to you, Cecily. She's sending for a detective."

Cecily felt as though the missing pin were burning a hole in her very own pocket. "Thanks for telling me," she said. "I won't tell anyone, Laura. She went to the back of the shop and put on her coat."

When she came back, Laura placed a timorous hand on her arm. "Where are you going, Cecily?" "To find Locke."

"What for? If you don't believe he had anything to do with this, why do you get so concerned about it?" Cecily wet her lips. "I'm going to find him and tell him to go right up to Mrs. Brewster's and clear himself."

"Wouldn't it be better for you not to do it, dear? I mean, since you were there, wouldn't it be better if I were to go and find him for you?" Cecily dropped her eyes. She took her coat off.

"You're a lamb, Laura, and you see more than you pretend to, don't you?" "I'd be blind not to. I don't blame you, Cecily. I like him too."

"You don't think he had anything to do with it, do you?" "I don't know," Laura answered honestly. "Neither of us knows anything about him, after all. But suppose you let me speak to him? Have you any idea where I'll find him?"

"Yes, he was in while you were out. He said he was going berrying over in the patch." She described the place as Locke had described it to her.

Gone

AT half-past twelve Cecily began to expect Laura—with Locke, perhaps.

Two small girls came in to buy a book of paper dolls. Cecily got out her stock obligingly and pondered the problem with her two young customers.

Automatically, she changed a quarter and gave the girls two dimes. She couldn't think in terms of nickels and dimes when her mind was occupied with more personal problems.

Half-past one. Two o'clock. Laura should have had time to find Locke, to tell him and to bring him back. Perhaps they had both gone right on to Mrs. Brewster's.

An old gentleman from the inn came in, seeking an historical novel. Cecily showed him detective stories, biographies, made no sale, saw her first disgruntled customer leave.

Where were they? Where was Laura? What kind of a girl was Cecily Stuart that she didn't trust her own judgment? Locke was honest. He was whimsical; he wasn't evasive.

hope he might "get the boys out of the trenches before Christmas." He has no plans for another such expedition, he said, but he made it clear he intended to make himself heard against any movement which he believed might threaten a spread of the present war in Europe.

Specifically, Ford expressed his opposition to any amendment to the present neutrality law.

Ford Hop Injunction.

SPokane, Sept. 22.—(AP) Federal Judge Jeremiah Netter today took under advisement until tomorrow a petition of the U. S. department of agriculture for a temporary injunction to restrain the Washington Hop Producers, Inc. of Yakima, from violating the hop marketing agreement.

DETROIT, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Henry Ford emphasized the events of the last 25 years have not changed his "unalterable opposition" to war in any form or place nor his determination to do his utmost to prevent the coming of another world conflict.

A "quarter-century ago Ford said a "peace ship" to Europe in the

On the Radio Chains

STATIONS

Where to Find Them on the Dial:
KEX, Portland, 1180; KFL, 640, Los Angeles; KGA, 1470, Spokane; KGO, 790, San Francisco; KGW, 620, Portland; KJR, 970, Seattle; KXN, 1030, Los Angeles; KOA, 830, Denver; KOIN, 940, Portland; KOMO, 970, Seattle; KPO, 630, San Francisco; KSL, 1180, Salt Lake.

Friday.
5:00—Plantation Party, KGO, KEX, KJR; Waltz Time, KPO, KFI, KGW; Prof. Quiz, KXN, KSL, KOIN.
5:30—Morlock's Orch., KJR; Quiz Prgm., KPO; In the Good Old Days, KGO; First Nighter, KXN, KSL, KOIN.
6:00—Drama, KXN, KOIN, KSL; Lombardo's Orch., KPO, KFI, KGW; Concert Orch., KGO, KEX.
6:30—America Unlimited, KPO; KFI, KGW; Held's Orch., KGO, KEX; Robert Ripley, KXN, KSL, KOIN; News, KJR.
7:00—Fred Waring, KPO, KGW; KFI; Amos and Andy, KXN, KOIN; KSL; Frank and Archie, KGO, KEX.
7:15—Teagarden's Orch., KFI, KGW; Lum and Abner, KXN, KOIN, KSL; Swing, KGO, KEX; Who's in Town Tonight, KPO.
7:30—Dorsey's Orch., KGO, KEX; Johnny Presents, KXN, KOIN, KSL; Deutch's Orch., KPO, KFI, KGW.
8:00—Pittgerald's Orch., KEX, KJR.

Good Morning Tonight, KPO, KGW, KFI; Dance Hour, KGO; I Want a Divorce, KXN, KOIN, KSL; Death Valley Days, KPO, KGW, KFI.

9:00—Levan's Orch., KPO; Dance Orch., KGO; News, KJR.

9:30—Tucker's Orch., KGO, KGW, KFI; James' Orch., KGO, News, KSL.

10:00—Kelly's Prgm., KGO, KJR; News Reporter, KPO, KFI, KGW; Kent's Orch., KSL; News, KOIN.

10:30—Olsen's Orch., KPO, KGW; Grier's Orch., KGO, KJR, KEX; Dance Orch., KOIN, KXN, KSL.

11:00—Nottingham's Orch., KPO, KFI; This Moving World, KEX; Barnett's Orch., KSL, KOIN; News, KGO, KXN, KGW.

11:30—Nottingham's Orch., KPO, KFI; Civic Auditorium, KOIN, KSL; News, KGO, KXN, KEX, KGW.

Saturday

5:00—Sports Broadside, KXN, KOIN; Martin's Orch., KPO, KGW; Maurice's Music, KGO, KEX, KJR; News, KFI.

5:30—Oboler's Plays, KPO, KFI; Brown, KXN, KOIN.

6:00—Goodman's Orch., KPO, KFI, KGW; News, KGO.

6:30—Dance Orch., KPO, KFI, KGW; Message of Israel, KGO; Donahue's Orch., KGO, News, KJR.

7:00—Barn Dance, KPO, KFI, KGW; Dance Orch., KGO, KEX; News, KXN, KSL.

7:30—Held's Orch., KGO, KJR, KEX; Teagarden's Orch., KSL, McCune's Orch., KXN, KOIN.

8:00—Hit Parade, KXN, KSL, KOIN; Avalon Time, KPO, KGW, KFI; News, KEX.

8:30—Musical Buffet, KGO, KJR; Noble's Orch., KPO, KFI, KGW.

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