









# The Innocent Impostor

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THE STORY: Charlotte's performance in a tremendous success, but her costume was so garish and her dancing so during Patience's decision neither must meet the show. During the interval, Roger introduced Patience to his friends; they remark on her astonishing resemblance to Charlotte. Patience leans for Paul. After the show is over, Roger escorts her home.

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PAUL watched Patience disappear. When he'd first looked up from his seat in the stalls and seen her there in the box above him he'd told himself he must be dreaming. And then that wasn't of course Patience at all. It was someone very much like her. But she'd turned her head at that moment to speak to Roger Dickson who was with her. She'd made a quick little movement with her hands.

Oh yes, it was Patience all right. He knew those little gestures. Only it was a Patience he'd never seen before. A Patience who was quite lovely. True that time he'd seen her on the train she'd seemed transformed by her new clothes. But tonight in that clinging chiffon dress, with her hair done in that new way—why, tonight she was ravishing! And what the devil was she doing with a fellow like Roger Dickson? How in the name of fortune did she meet him? Suddenly it struck him that it must have been Dickson she'd been with that day at the station. The day that man and the girl had seen her off at the train. He'd not recognized him then. He'd probably not have recognized him tonight had not the people he was with pointed him out. He wanted up on stage celebrities.

They had gone out through the pass door. Paul wondered if they were attending the party he'd heard a little group of people in the bar discuss during the interval. It was taking place on the stage after the show.

In high excited chatter. There was the sound of music and laughter. He hesitated and then walked right ahead, hoping that no one would ask him any awkward questions. He stood on the fringe of men and women looking around him. He recognized various celebrities. The world and his wife seemed to be here this evening. It was an astonishing place in which to be tracking down Patience.

SUDDENLY he saw her. She was standing some distance off, obviously looking for somebody. Roger Dickson, he supposed angrily.

The sight of her standing there, so utterly different from the Patience he knew and loved, filled him with a burning anger. He wanted to snatch her away from all these people. To say this wasn't the sort of place for her. She didn't belong here amongst this stage crowd. She belonged to the country. To the quiet peace of green fields and little woods. This was quite the wrong setting for her.

Or was he perhaps mistaken? Because she was looking at him coolly and seemed really very much in her element. As if a huge party like this was something to which she was quite accustomed.

And now she was coming toward him. He smiled uncertainly.

"Excuse me," she said and would have pushed past him for all the world as if she didn't know him, but he barred her way.

"Are you cutting me by any chance?"

"I beg your pardon."

"I suppose you're looking for Roger Dickson?"

She stared at him, an odd expression on her face.

"Well, yes, I am."

"Can't you do without him for a moment?"

Her eyes flashed angrily.

"What is all this?" she demanded.

"You wouldn't know, of course. You'll be trying to pretend you don't know me next."

"Well, I don't, do I?"

(To Be Continued)

# McKenney on Bridge

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY  
America's Card Authority

I have had several letters asking what happened to "Syvia" and the only answer I can give is that Syvia apparently has learned how to play bridge. She is the little lady who always did the wrong thing, but for some mysterious reason it always worked out right. Syvia was doing pretty well until the other night when she played this hand. She won the

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opening heart lead, then went over to the ace of spades in dummy, and led the deuce of clubs. East put on the ten-spot, Syvia went up with the king and dropped the blank queen.

Now she knew she had two losing club tricks, and how could she keep from losing a diamond?

She cashed the king of spades, then carefully cashed the ace of diamonds. She ruffed a spade in

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—By J. R. WILLIAMS

EGAD, TWIGS! I HAD AN ASTOUNDING DREAM WHILE NAPPING IN IT A GORGANJAY HORSE WAS EATING PILLS OUT OF A BOTTLE MARKED "MILK AND HONEY" AS THE STEED ATE HE WAXED HANDSOME AND SPIRITED! I'VE RACKED MY BRAIN TO DECIPHER ITS PORTENT!

YOU'RE ALWAYS RUNNING OUT A TOPPED GROUNDNER ON SOME KIND OF CHESSBOARD MIRAGE! MAYBE YOUR NIGHTMARE MEANS THAT A ONE-CENT STAMP WILL TAKE A POSTCARD TO ANY PART OF THE UNITED STATES!

IT'S PORTENT!

IT'S NOT JOKING! THIS IS SERIOUS!

WELL, LOOK! THERE'S ONLY ONE VACANT LOT, AN' REMEMBER OTHER PEOPLE GIT GOD THERE, TQ AN' THEY GOT ALL TH' TOP LAYER—SO I STARTED FROM TH' NEXT LAYER!

OF ALL TH' FAT, THICK-HEAD—OO—A SON OF MINE! SCALPED SOD HE BRINGS!

GET INSIDE! ONE OF YOU, QUICK! JUST ONE!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

## VIC FLINT

—By MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE

In the darkness all Merk Arbell could see was my flashlight. I tossed it toward a chair to confuse him.

I HOPE HE'S NO GOOD AT SKEET SHOOTING!

As he fired wildly at the moving flash, I changed him.

I hoped I was safe in the dark, but out on the road...

ALL RIGHT, LET'S SEE WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE LIGHTS AT THE ACE HIGH CLUB.

NICE BREAK FOR THEM WE WERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THINK OF ALL THE SUCKER MONEY THEY'D LOSE IF WE HAD TO COME ALL THE WAY FROM TOWN!

## Ireland's Superman



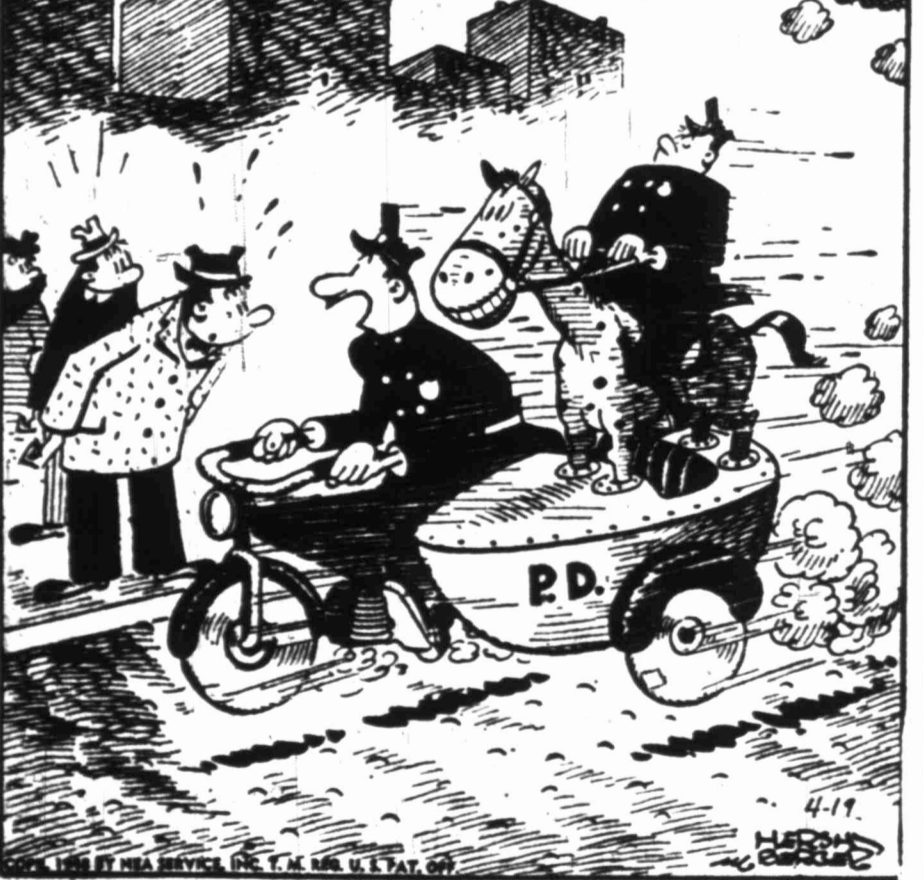
Pop Gleason, Greenwood Lake, N.J., training camp owner who has been in the boxing game for 55 years, is confronted with a new problem. He can't get a regular boxing glove on the hand of Irish heavyweight Jim Curley, 24, a 280-pounder who stands seven feet, two inches and wears size 17 triple E shoes. On his right hand is a special glove.

## SIDE GLANCES



"Kinda lonesome around here, isn't it, Pet, since we got daughter married and settled in that little place of her own?"

## FUNNY BUSINESS



"He was on the mounted force for years and refuses to ride any other way!"

## CARNIVAL

—By DICK TURNER



"Every time we quarrel he brings home a box of candy as a peace offering—but there isn't much left after he gets through with it!"

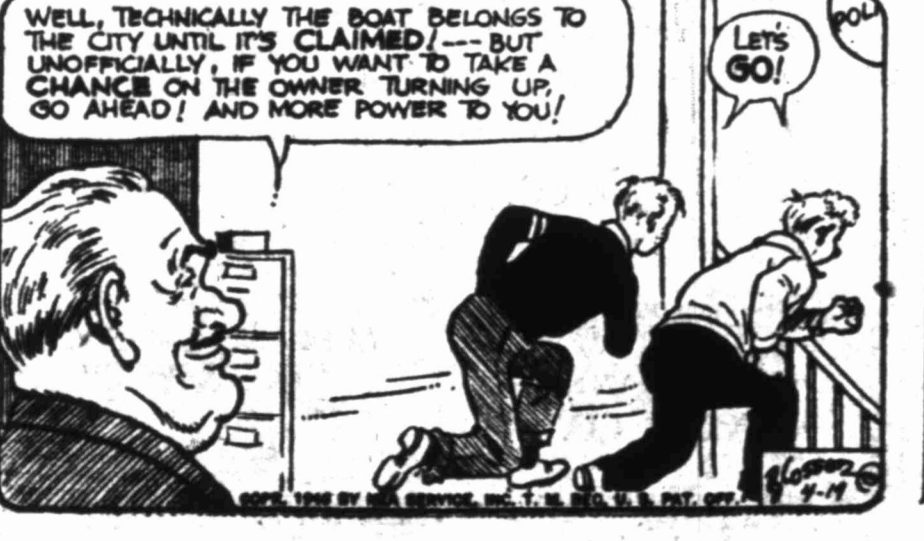
## RECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



—By MERRILL BLOUSER

## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

—By EDGAR MARTIN



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## WASH TUBS

—By LESLIE TURNER

LATER, TED MARQUEE'S AGENT WENT LINEARLY OUTSIDE THE SANCTUM OF DANIEL T. HEROD, PRESIDENT OF EXCELSIOR PICTURES.

MR. HEROD WILL SPEAK TO YOU NOW BUT HE WISHES ME TO CAUTION YOU AGAINST WASTING HIS TIME WITH EXCUSES!

EVEN THE MOST BRAZEN DREAD THAT LONG APPROACH UNDER THE STONY GAZE OF A SILENT, IMMOBILE PHANTOM!

WE HAVEN'T LOCATED TED YET, MR. HEROD, BUT HE'S APT TO WALK HIS ANY HOURS AND—

HOLD IT! I SHOULD SIT IDLY BY BY? WITH A MILLION-DOLLAR PICTURE READY FOR PRODUCTION. I SHOULD BE AND HOPE OUR ADULT-BRAIN STATE WILL DECIDE TO SHOW UP IN THE NICK OF TIME!

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## RED RYDER

—By FRED HARMAN

BEHAVING WITH ENOUGH GOLD TO PAY OFF MOST LENNON'S DEBTS, RED RYDER FOUND AN OLD FRIEND AT THE RANCH.

THAT'S JUST LIKE RED! HE AIN'T HARDLY DOING HELPIN' YOU, MART, AND HE'S GONNA HELP SOME BODY ELSE!

OF COURSE I'LL AID FINEY! STAY, AND I'LL RIDE OVER WITH YOU RIGHT NOW TO SEE HER!

HE GO-UP WITH RED RYDER, LET'S CATCH HIM! HIM CATCH-UM MUSH LOVE IF HE NOT WATCH!

## ALLEY OOP

—By V. T. HAMLIN

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TIME  
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great changes  
with  
Africa

THINK OOP WILL HAVE TROUBLE WITH THAT LION!

I DON'T THINK SO... HE SEEMS TO BE A PET OF THE OLD CHIEF WHO APPEARED TO BE QUITE FRIENDLY TOWARD OOP!

NOW LOOK, OOPS, I'M HUNGRY! IF YOU DON'T MOVE, YOU'RE DANGEROUS! WELL, GONNA GET WALKED ON!

NOW WHATCHA THINKA THAF? HELL, I GUESS, ASKIN' ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN T ME!

## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

—By EDGAR MARTIN

IT WOULD SEEM IM A TRIFLE EARLY!

SO, IN THE MEANTIME, I'LL OCCUPY MY TIME PROFITABLY IN SEARCH OF SOME RARE ROOF OR HIDE-OUT WHO KNOWS??

(SNIFF-SNIFF)

Y'RUH! MY SENSES TELL ME T'IS MALLIGAN STEW THAT GENTLY STROKES MY NARAL MEMBRANCE WITH ITS SOUL-SAVIN' AROMA...







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Stanton Hospital Meet Slated Monday

STANTON-The kickoff meeting of the Martin County Memorial Hospital fund campaign will be held at 8 p. m. Monday...

ARRESTED FOR THEFT Police reported Monday a Midland negro man had been arrested in connection with theft of clothes from another negro.

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Harold Webb Discusses Ball Club At Meeting Of Midland Kiwanians

Harold Webb, manager of the Midland Indians, gave the Kiwanis Club here a preview of what to expect from the baseball team...

George Peddy Will Speak In Midland

HOUSTON-George Peddy of Houston will carry his campaign for the United States Senate into West and North Texas during the remaining days of April with a 2000-mile swing through 23 cities in 21 counties.

Livestock

PORT WORTH - Cattle 4,300; calves 1,200; slaughter cattle 3,100; hogs 6,000; sheep 6,000...

Rabbit Drive At Cotton Flat Planned Saturday

Residents of the Cotton Flat community, about five miles South of Midland on the Rankin Highway, will stage a rabbit drive...

Texas Weekend Death Toll Is At Least Six

By The Associated Press The toll of violent deaths in Texas over the weekend was at least six. Mrs. Grant Hudson, 24, was found dead Sunday in a tourist cabin at Dumas.

Three Convicts Flee Sugarland Prison Farm

HOUSTON - Three convicts, aided by a heavy fog, escaped Monday from Central Prison Farm No. 2 at Sugarland, Farm Warden R. J. Flanagan reported to Mace Thompson, assistant general manager of the Texas Prison System.

Services Held For Former McCamey Man

McCAMEY - Funeral services were held Sunday in Ballinger for Harvey E. Hays, 82, rancher and former Upton County Clerk, who died Friday in a Lamesa hospital, following a heart attack.

FIND ABANDONED CAR ON EAST HIGHWAY 80

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TIRE, WHEEL STOLEN Frank Brays, 909 North Fort Worth Street, reported to police Monday the theft of a tire and wheel from a vehicle at his residence.

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