

## Adventures in Paris . . . and The Man Who Came to Dinner

Letter No. 18 continues the European trip of Mr. and Mrs. John Cordaro, with a return visit to Paris, en route to England and home.

Paris, France.  
We arrived here at 10 o'clock at night, only to be met with pouring rain outside the station. We hailed a taxi and asked to be taken to a good

hotel. Our driver asked us if we had a reservation and when the answer was no, he shook his head. There are no hotels with rooms vacant as this is the date of the motor show. However, he would try a few places. He did. No luck. We drove around for what seemed like hours in the pouring rain until I was beginning to worry about the bill.

Then another worry. We had been unable to locate the usual change office at the railway station. At every border station there is an exchange office where one can exchange one's foreign money for another. There was none in Paris and we had only Italian money or traveller's cheques, neither of which would be acceptable to our driver.

The lights of Paris were very attractive and we could have enjoyed them had we not been so worried about a place to stay and if it had not been so cold and wet. Somehow we managed to make our driver understand our worries and, immediately he remembered a place where we might find a room. Yes, we could have a room but they would not accept travellers' cheques and we must pay for our room in advance! Another problem. Our driver offered to take us to a restaurant where they would cash our cheque and we thanked him believing our troubles were over.

On our arrival at the restaurant we

discovered it was a night club. Nice but nothing dramatic. Just a lady at a piano playing and singing. It was good music — some French, some Italian and some English. The lights were dim and they were singing that beautiful Italian song "Santa Lucia" when our driver came back after parking his taxi. We invited him to a meal with us as we were glad at last to have got settled.

Friends! Have you ever heard that song about "the girl I took to dinner"? . . . we ordered a moderate meal for ourselves, but not being able to understand French we allowed our driver to order his own. Here is his order. One whole lobster garnished with all the trimmings. It came on a huge platter. Our driver ate the lobster with relish but disdained to even look at the trimmings. When the very polite waiter removed the platter and replaced it with a whole chicken likewise with trimmings. I wondered if he would every stop! Finally he did and the waiter brought the bill. I started to write out a cheque for \$20.00 but realized that was not enough. I had to cash three \$30.00 cheques to cover the bill for one night. Now every time I hear the song "Santa Lucia" I shall remember my "Night in Paris".

We stayed another two or three days in Paris visiting the shops, etc., but I wanted to get back to dear old England, so we said goodbye to Paris and left for the docks at Le Havre.

—Kay Cordaro

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Bob Cringan's Orchestra from Toronto were known to some of the dancers who had heard them at Britannia where they play in the summers.

There were a number of spot dances, with winners being Ray Mitchell and Bernice Tarzwell. Mrs. Wilfrid Hunter and Jim Wood, Jack Hunham and Sylvia Dudar. A birthday dance found four people who were celebrating birthdays on Friday and the master of ceremonies suggested they share the box of chocolates which was the prize.

Guests at the dance included Mr. and Mrs. Pat Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sullivan, Evalonne Smith, Carl Deforest, Lois Seawright, R. P. Marshall, Joan Wilson, Roger Randall, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kinaman, Joan Harrison, Jim Coakigan, Mabel Reaboy, Judd Hoare, Leona Bolton, Douglas Tucker, Charlene Day, Bill MacCormack, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Staines, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Hamilton;

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### Bonspiel Winner Here Drowned Near Barrie

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He was widely known as a member of trophy winning Churchill curling teams. Surviving are his wife, who had also curled in town, and a daughter Marlon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Curry and Mrs. Jack McGibbon attended the funeral service in the Churchill Anglican Church.

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