

# The WOMAN with TWO SMILES

By Maurice Leblanc  
CREATOR OF ARSENE LUPIN

CHAPTER 33  
**RAOUL OBJECTED:**  
 "But why did you say your name was Antoine?"  
 "I was who said it?"  
 "Yes... you called me Antoine... and it was you who told me of her visit to you earlier in the day, the visit you thought I had made. You mistook me for her."  
 "But why didn't you tell me of my mistake, Clara? That's what I can't understand."  
 "I know," she agreed. "But don't forget I had broken into a flat, at night. You had surprised me there. Wasn't it natural to let you believe I was another woman? I never dreamed I should ever see you again."  
 "But you did see me, and you could have told me then. Why didn't you explain that there were two of you—Antoine and Clara?"  
 Clara flushed.  
 "I know. But when I saw you again that night at the Blue Casino, you had saved my life, saved me from Valthez, from the police, and I felt you were my only friend..."  
 "But that shouldn't have led you to come in me."  
 "But, don't you see, I thought it was the other girl you wanted to help, who interested you, not me. The little country girl, all fresh and innocent. It was not I, with my chequered life, whom you wanted to befriend... For you, Antoine and Clara were the same woman: Clara was Antoine!"  
 Raoul did not argue with her, but said thoughtfully:  
 "How strange, though, that I should have mixed you both up!"  
 "Not so very strange, really," said Clara. "As a matter of fact, you had only seen Antoine once, in your flat, and the same evening you saw me, Clara, in very different circumstances! After that you only saw Antoine once again, at the chateau at Volvic, and then you didn't look closely at her. It was not so very odd that you could not distinguish us apart, since you really only saw me. And I was very careful. I asked you lots of questions, so that afterwards I could speak of Volvic as though I had really been there and knew all about it! And I took great pains to dress just as Antoine had on the day she arrived in Paris."  
 Raoul said slowly:  
 "Yes, you're right... It's not strange, really," and added after a moment's reflection in which he reviewed the whole adventure: "Any one might have been deceived... why, Gorgoret himself, at the station, mistook Antoine for you, and the day before yesterday he arrested her thinking it was you."  
 Clara began to tremble as though with ague.  
 "What? Has Antoine been arrested?"  
 "Didn't you know?" cried Raoul in astonishment. "Oh, I keep forgetting you know nothing of what's been happening. Well, half an hour after you went off, Antoine arrived on the Quai, doubtless intending to go to the 'Marquis' flat. Flammant saw her, and turned her over to Gorgoret who took her to headquarters where he has been putting her through the third degree. You see, Gorgoret still thinks she's Clara."  
 Clara knelt up on the bed. Her color faded, leaving her face deathly pale. Trembling violently she stammered:  
 "She's been arrested by mistake for me? Do you mean she's in prison?"  
 "Well, what of it?" said Raoul gallantly. "You're not going to make yourself ill over her?"  
 Jumping to her feet, Clara started smoothing her dress and putting on her hat with feverish haste.  
 "What are you going to do?" asked Raoul. "Where are you going?"  
 "I'm going straight there."  
 "Where?"  
 "Where she is. She never stabbed Valthez, I did... She's not blonde Clara, I am. Do you imagine I'd let that girl suffer instead of me, be sentenced for a crime she didn't commit?"  
 "Sentenced for a crime?"  
 Raoul was again convulsed with mirth. Laughing heartily, he made Clara take off her hat and coat, saying:  
 "You're priceless! Do you really imagine they'll keep her there? Don't be a little idiot! She's quite capable of looking after herself, she can explain everything and produce an alibi; she can send for the marquis... However much of a fool Gorgoret is, he'll have to end by realizing the mistake."  
 "I must go," said Clara obstinately.  
 "All right. Let's go. I'll come with you. After all, it'll look rather noble. Monsieur Gorgoret, we are the ones. We did it. We've come to take that poor girl's place." And you can almost hear Gorgoret re-

plying: "The girl's gone home. There's a mistake. But since you're both here, come along in, dear friends."  
 Clara let Raoul overrule her. He made her lie down again, rocking her gently like a child, until, utterly worn out, she fell asleep, saying as she dropped off:  
 "Why didn't she clear herself and explain at once?... She must have had some reason."  
 While she slept, Raoul dozed off in the armchair, and he too wondered when he woke, while sounds outside proclaimed the advent of a new day:  
 "Yes, why hasn't Antoine spoken? It would have been so easy for her to clear things up. She must know by now that there's another woman who resembles her like a twin sister, and that I'm associated with that woman... It looks as though she hadn't even protested against her unjust arrest. What can she be waiting for?"  
 And he thought with something like compunction of the little country mouse, so gentle and appealing, who was not speaking...  
 At eight, Raoul telephoned his friend in the Ile Saint Louis.  
 "Any news?"  
 "Yes, the clerk from the criminal investigation is here. He'll be able to communicate with the prisoner this morning."  
 "Good. Now, just write this note in as good an imitation of my writing as you can manage:  
 "Mademoiselle, I thank you for having kept silent. No doubt Gorgoret told you I was in prison and Big Paul was dead. A pack of lies. Everything is O. K. In your own interests, you must speak now, and get released as soon as possible. I beg you not to forget our rendezvous for July 3. Respectfully yours, R.  
 "Got that?"  
 Completely mystified, his friend replied at the other end:  
 "Yes, but—"  
 "Disband the boys. Everything's settled, and I'm just off somewhere with Clara. Restore Zozotte to her abode, with all precautions as before. Good-bye!"  
 He hung up, and called Courville to him.  
 "Get out the big car, pack, and remove all papers. Things are warming up. As soon as the girl awakes we must all clear out of here!"  
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## COMPETITION FOR COTTON UNLIKELY

### Higher Prices Here Will Not Invite Foreign-Grown Staple, Is Claim

College Station, Raleigh, Jan. 11.—An increased price for cotton in the United States is not likely to bring competition from foreign-grown cotton, according to information furnished Charles A. Sheffield, of N. C. State College, by the United States Department of Agriculture.  
 Prices would have to go above the pre-war level, he said, before the production of foreign cotton would be increased enough to compete seriously with home-grown lint.  
 In India, he pointed out, much of the land is desert or semi-desert. Most of the cotton is grown there by small farmers who are interested primarily in the production of food and whose holdings are not large enough to allow a large increase in non-food crops. Until large areas there are brought under irrigation, and prices increased far above the present level, India is not likely to show much increase in cotton output, Sheffield emphasized.  
 The situation in China is similar to that in India, he continued. The need to produce sufficient food for the tremendous population holds down the production of other crops. In addition, the handicap of inadequate transportation tends to prevent the growing of non-food crops for export and the importation of food.  
 Egypt's cotton acreage fluctuates widely, Sheffield said, but the present cotton area of 2,000,000 acres seems to be near the maximum until the irrigation and drainage system of the country is expanded. Labor shortage and the competition of other crops limits cotton production in Turkey and Syria, while lack of water and other unfavorable growing conditions limit the production in Iraq. It would require several years to materially increase the production in any of these countries, he declared.  
 The possibility of Russia's increasing her cotton-producing area will depend largely upon the success of her industrial and agricultural program. It appears, however, Sheffield said, that Russia's potential cotton acreage has been overestimated. Climatic conditions and high transportation costs will prevent a large part of the so-called cotton area from being brought under cotton.  
 In the western hemisphere, Brazil, Mexico, Peru, and Argentina are the chief foreign cotton growing countries. All these countries have latent possibilities, but are now limited when it comes to developing their area. Insufficient labor and transportation facilities add their handicap to any formidable increase in cotton production in these countries, Sheffield pointed out.  
 Production of cotton in the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan has apparently reached its maximum for the present, according to reports secured by government economists who have visited the region.  
 There are possibilities of future expansion in other central and western African areas from the standpoint of soil and growing conditions, but the limitations of inadequate transportation, lack of cotton varieties suited to the area, and uncontrolled insects and disease will retard the expansion for years to come, it was indicated.

## Records Burned



Walter F. Brown  
 Testimony that records and correspondence of former Postmaster General Walter F. Brown were burned just before Hoover administration left office was given before Senate Committee investigating air mail contracts in Washington. Witness said letters concerning contracts were destroyed.  
 (Central Press)

## Office of Parole Is Step-Child of State Activities

Daily Dispatch Bureau  
 In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Jan. 11.—The office of Commissioner of Parole Edwin M. Gill is the red headed step child of all the State departments, despite its importance, for it has no appropriation for its maintenance. This is because the 1933 general assembly failed to make any appropriation for the office, largely as a result of the unpopularity of Commissioner Gill's predecessor, who was designated as Executive Counsel instead of Commissioner of Paroles. The 1933 general assembly lost little time in abolishing the office of Executive Counsel. And while it created in its place the office of Commissioner of Paroles, it neglected to make any appropriation for this office. As a result, all funds for its operation, aside from the salary of the Commissioner, come from the operating funds of the Governor's office.

As a result of the extreme scarcity of funds, Commissioner Gill has not been able to get the name on the door changed yet from "Executive Counsel" to that of "Commissioner of Paroles," despite the fact that the office of Executive Counsel was abolished almost a year ago. Neither have funds been available to expunge the words "Salary and Wage Commission" which was abolished by the general assembly some four years ago and which ceased to function after the close of the administration of former Governor A. W. McLean. The office of the Commissioner of Paroles is also decidedly lacking in filing facilities, frequently requested by Mr. Gill and preceding incumbents, but so far not obtained. As a result, important files of correspondence pertaining to pardon and parole requests have to be stacked about in corners in paper envelopes that might be easily lost or destroyed.  
 But Commissioner Gill is a patient and optimistic soul, who despite these drawbacks continues to go ahead and do the best he can, hoping that some day the Budget Bureau will experience a wave of liberality and provide the facilities for his office that are needed.

## RESERVE DISTRICT NO. 5 REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN HENDERSON

In the State of North Carolina, At the Close of Business on Dec. 30, 1933

ASSETS	
Loans and Discounts .....	\$331,827.54
United States Government securities owned .....	103,300.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned .....	135,600.00
Banking house, \$55,000.00 Furniture and fixtures, \$5000.00 .....	60,000.00
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank .....	33,632.10
Cash in vault and balances with other banks .....	185,689.13
Outside checks and other cash items .....	2,477.72
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer .....	5,000.00
Other assets .....	694.27
Total .....	\$858,190.76
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits, except U. S. Government deposits, public funds and deposits of other banks .....	\$253,500.83
Time deposits, except postal savings, public funds and deposits of other banks .....	237,942.21
Public funds of State, counties, school districts, or other subdivisions or municipalities .....	57,779.49
United States Government and postal savings deposits .....	40,090.71
Deposits of other banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding .....	19,711.18
Circulating notes outstanding .....	100,000.00
Interest, taxes, and other expenses accrued and unpaid .....	3,065.15
Common stock, 1000 shares, par \$100.00 per share .....	100,000.00
Surplus .....	20,000.00
Undivided profits—net .....	15,743.55
Reserves for contingencies .....	10,359.61
Total, including Capital Account .....	\$858,190.76

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA: COUNTY OF VANCE, ss:  
 I, F. B. Robards, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
 F. B. ROBARDS, Cashier.  
 Correct—Attest:  
 JASPER B. HICKS,  
 SCOTT P. PARHAM,  
 R. G. HARRISON,  
 Directors.  
 Subscribed and sworn before me this 10 day of January, 1934.  
 NETTIE CLOFTON ALLEN, Notary Public.

### 1934—COBLE'S FISHERMAN'S CALENDAR—1934 BLACKER THE FISH—BETTER THE DAY FOR FISHING

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**BLACKER THE FISH—BETTER THE DAY FOR FISHING**  
 On the above Fisherman's Calendar the best days for fishing are indicated by a solid black fish, days not so good by a partially black fish, and poor days for fishing by a white fish. This calendar is scientifically compiled, using the moon, the signs, and every known factor that does not go when it is stormy, windy, tide against you, or when it is calm and clear. It shows solid black fish and you will find this calendar to be surprisingly accurate for both inland and deep sea fishing, and for any waters in or surrounding the United States and Canada.

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**NATION'S LAWMAKERS EAT FROM TAR HEEL LINENS**  
 Washington, Jan. 11.—The nation's lawmakers eat from North Carolina linen.  
 In the house restaurant in the capitol building the tables are spread with linen stamped with the mark of the Rosemary Manufacturing company, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.  
 The fact that Representative Lindsay Warren is chairman of the house committee on accounts, which operates the restaurant, may have something to do with this.

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**FORECLOSURE SALE.**  
 By virtue of the power contained in a Deed in Trust executed by P. D. Gupton and his wife Sarah B. Gupton recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Vance County in Book 169, at Page 42, default having been made in the payment of the debt therein secured, on request of the holder of the same, I shall sell for cash by public auction, at the Court House door in Henderson, N. C., to the highest bidder, on the 22nd day of January 1934, the following described property:  
 Begin at a stake J. T. Marrow's corner on the South East Side of Zene Street, one hundred and forty feet South-West from Lassister's old corner, later East and the Hospital corner, now the Robert Henry Hotel lot, and run thence along Zene Street Eighty-one and 7-100 feet to C. A. Lewis corner, thence along Lewis line, parallel with Tan Yard land Two Hundred and ten feet to a stake in Lewis line. Thence in a North Easterly direction along Lewis line Seventy seven tenths feet to a stake in Marrow's line. Thence with Marrow's line in a North Westerly direction Two Hundred and Eight feet to the beginning. Being the lot conveyed to E. M. and P. D. Gupton by deed of Dr. V. E. Turner and wife dated January 4th, 1913 and registered in the office of Register of Deeds Vance County in Book 62 page 130, and from E. M. Gupton to P. D. Gupton by deed dated March 1, 1919, and registered in Book 89 page 149.  
 JASPER B. HICKS, Trustee.  
 Henderson, N. C.,  
 December 21st 1933.



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