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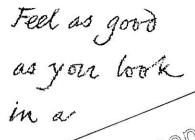
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The Scene changes to the Orlovsky ball, to which the impish Falke, as part of his revenge for the bat episode, has invited, not only Gabriel, but also Frank, the Prison Governor and Rosalinda. They are all in disguise, Rosalinda as a Hungarian Countess and Gabriel and Frank as two French aristocrats. A further complication is added by the presence of Rosalinda's maid, Adele, playing truant for the night. Under the influence of champagne, Gabriel pays court to his own wife and loses to her the chiming watch with which he tries to tempt her to a rendezvous. Before he can recover the watch it is 6 a.m., time for him and the Governor to make their separate ways to the gaol.

All the characters arrive at the Prison, one after the other. The complications are increased by the drunken gaoler Frosch, and by Eisenstein's attempt to find out the truth about Alfred and Rosalinda by impersonating Dr. Blind. Falke finally confesses that the whole affair was an elaborate joke of his own.

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ADELE (personal maid to Rosalinda)	Doreen Pearso	on					
IDA (a dancer, sister to Adele)	Pauline Broo	m					
LEA	Barbara Bor	ne					
LILLI (dancers, friends of Ida)	Pamela Mi	lls					
ROSALINDA (a Viennese beauty)	Sonia Lov	ve					
ALFRED (an admirer of Rosalinda)							
GABRIEL EISENSTEIN (Rosalinda's husband)							
Dr. Blind (Gabriel's lawyer)							
Dr. Falke (a friend of Gabriel's)							
Frau Trauber (Proprietress of a Coffee House) Dorothy Aldou							
FRANK (Governor of the City Gaol)	S						
FROSCH (Chief Warder)							
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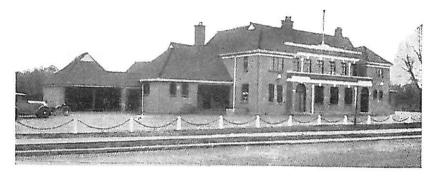
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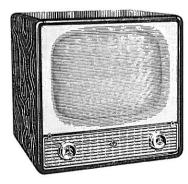
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