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*Radio Spirits*

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**Radio Spirits : Boston Blackie** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Boston Blackie:

27 of 27 people found the following review helpful. A Fun and Fast ReadBy G. CurtoAfter listening to the old-time radio adventures of "Boston Blackie", and being a fan of the old pulps, I decided to give the source material a read. I'm glad I did and I recommend it to others.Boston Blackie, as written by Jack Boyle, is an unrepentant criminal who lives by a strict "honor among thieves" moral code. His character is largely made sympathetic by way of his love for Mary, his wife, and his fondness for children. I cannot say Blackie is a 'Robin Hood' simply because his motivations for stealing are selfish - either personal enrichment or revenge or both . His "altruism" is limited primarily to crooks wronged by other crooks. Through it all though Boston Blackie is a rich and complex character who is always displaying an interesting mix of morality.This was a Kindle ebook purchase. Aside from an odd typo here and there I found it to be well formatted and had no major complaints.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Purple prose and high romanceBy Shirley Y. ThomasI'm elderly, so I remember the days of radio. We gathered as a family around a big old Zenith floor model to listen to great shows like Suspense, The Shadow and Boston Blackie. Nostalgia inspired me to pick this book, but times and tastes have changed a lot over 70 years. I appreciated this book without actually enjoying it. It's a bit of American history but it's history for a reason.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. A Fun Read of an Earlier, Simpler Time.By James DainisThis novel takes the reader back to a simpler time before there was organized crime and drug cartels. In the book, a criminal underworld exists with its own rights of passage and its own code of honor. Boston Blackie is a highly respected member of that group and recognized as its

titular head. There are several different story lines in the book almost as if it were a collection of short stories. I suspect that this was done in order to run the book in serial form in magazines such as "The Saturday Evening Post" which was commonly done at that time. Some of the story lines are loosely tied together and some just stand alone. There are no murder mysteries but enough plot mysteries to keep the reader turning pages with rapt interest - How is Blackie going to save his friend from the gallows? How is Blackie going to pull off a gold bullion heist from the closely guarded vault of a cargo ship at sea? How is Blackie going to escape from prison? (Note: the latter had nothing to do with the previous, Blackie was framed.) The writing style is that of the 1920s with superlative adjectives, unmitigated bravery, devoted unquestioning love, etc. To me, that adds a bit of charm to the writing. If you want an escape from today's world to a nostalgic past that never existed, but wish it did, with good plot mysteries thrown in, this is the book for you.

Starring Richard Kollmar as Boston Blackie, master thief turned detective, who is an "enemy to those who make him an enemy, friend to those who have no friend" in 18 episodes. The Professor Beasley Case 06-30-48 The Kingston Diamond Robbery 07-07-48 The John Cummings Case 07-14-48 The Harry Walker Case 06-23-48 The Love Song Mystery 02-11-47 The Sweepstakes Case 07-21-48 The Brandon Jewel Robbery 02-05-46 The Marjorie Conden Kidnapping 02-12-46 The Carnival Killings 01-03-46 The Disappearing Body 01-22-46 Murder At The Movies 12-13-45 The TV Poisoning 12-20-45 The Masters' Diamond 12-27-45 The Stolen Rings 07-07-48 Joe Nelson's Pet Shop 06-25-47 Man Stabbed on a Bus 03-16-49 A Bomb Kills Joe Engles 04-28-48 The Case of the Unused Shoes 05-02-45

About the Author Jack Boyle (1881-1928) was the creator of the honorable criminal Boston Blackie, a popular character featured in radio serials, movies, and TV shows throughout the early twentieth century. After moving to San Francisco to work as a newspaperman, Boyle became addicted to opium and turned to a life of crime. He wrote the first Boston Blackie stories in San Quentin.