This is the one of many mystery books by Elliott Roosevelt. These books focus on murder mysteries that happen in the White House and Eleanor Roosevelt works with police and secret service to solve.

In this murder mystery, a criminal from Cleveland, Ohio, is found murdered in the Red Room during dinner hosted by Franklin Roosevelt for members of the Supreme Court. A man named Shondor Jack. Many might think good riddance to this criminal, but a murder is a murder. And worse it happened in the White House making it a federal case. Eleanor is asked by a member of the secret service and the D.C police for her help in solving this case.

Will you be able to guess the murder in this mystery. I was a bit shocked to see who the murderer or murderers are/were.

A historical fiction novel and a murder mystery. I might have enjoyed this book better if the characters were not historical figures. It made it seem odd that a First Lady was investigating murders that happened in the White House. Some parts of the book were a bit slow, but I had to know who committed the crime(s).

As slow as the book seemed to be in parts make me not want to read the others in the series. One not need read all the books in the series to understand the book. That's making reading the book easier. I was turned off by the idea of the First Lady of the United States working to solve the crimes, though. Most would think such a figure would be the target of such a crime as a murder.

Not a horrible book, but not one that I loved or would recommend to others.