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Two Armed Bandits Rob Magda Gabor of \$26,000 in Gems

By the Associated Press

NEW YORK, Jan. 13. — Two armed men forced their way into the apartment of Actress Magda Gabor early tonight and escaped with an estimated \$26,000 in jewels and furs.

Police said the men shouldered their way into Miss Gabor's East Sixty-third street apartment when she answered their ring.

She told police they stole a \$6,000 mink coat, a \$4,000 mink cape, a 10-carat diamond ring valued at \$10,000 and other gems worth about \$6,000.

Miss Gabor, who has been on radio, is associated now with her mother, Jolie, in a Madison Avenue jewelry business.

She is the sister of Eva Gabor, currently appearing on Broadway and on a television program, and of Zaza Gabor, the wife of British Actor George Sanders.

Zaza Gabor, also known as Sari, was "Miss Hungary" of 1930. She was divorced from Hotel Magnate Conrad N. Hilton in September, 1946, and in October, 1947, figured in a sensational jewel robbery under circumstances similar to tonight's robbery at the apartment of her sister.

A lone bandit then forced his way into Zaza's apartment on East Eighty-third street, threatened to shoot her and her infant daughter, and made off with nearly three-quarters of a million dollars worth of gems.

At the time police called it the biggest one-man jewel robbery in their memory.

Man Displayed Pistol.

Magda Gabor was resting tonight in her negligee when the doorbell rang.

She told police a man's voice, answering her query, said:

"We have a book for you."

As she opened the door one of the men displayed a pistol, she said.

They made her show them where she kept her jewelry and then ordered her into the bathroom of the three-room, first floor apartment with a warning to stay there five minutes "or we'll kill you."

The men were described as well dressed and in their twenties.

Miss Magda Gabor is the divorced wife of Sidney Warren, an attorney. She is vice president of the Gabor Jewelry Co., operated with her mother.

