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a tireless tattler in search of the scoop.

Looking always
Fond of a fable, in love with a fib,
the flibbertigibbet is flighty and glib.

But the problem with meddlers and babblers and such
is no one will trust them – well not very much.
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