

Jack London:

ROMAN TREH SRC

—Mene?— je vprašal poglavar presenečeno.

—Zelo me veseli, gospod, — se je nasmehnil Henry. — Vam je bila dana prilika, da me ustrežite. Poskusili ste, pa se ni posrečilo. Zdaj sem na vrsti jaz. Dajte mi puško.

Toda poglavar je v svoji jezi in razočaranju pozabil, da je bil v puški samo en naboj. Naglo je nastavil cev na Henryjeva prsa in sprožil. Načrt se seveda ni obnesel, ker je bila puška prazna.

—Ze prav, — je dejal poveljnik, mu odzvel puško in jo nabasal. — O tvoji zahrbtnosti obvestimo Krutega Sodnika. Izid dvoboja je seveda veljavno in vsi smo se prepričali, da nisi ravnal tako, kakor ravna pošten človek.

Poglavar je pogledal poveljnika kakor ranjeni bil, ki išče po areni kotička, kamor bi se skrili. Toda osramočen in obupan je videl samo puške kordillerskih čuvarjev, zmagoslavne smehljaje na Leoncinem in Francisovem obrazu, radovedne poglede svojih orožnikov in s krvjo zalite oči plemičevih spremljevalcev, ki jim je bil dvoboj nadomestilo za bikoborbo.

Poveljnik je zavezal Henryju oči in mu izročil puško.

—Zakaj ga pa ne obrnete z obrazom k steni, dokler še nima zavezanih oči? — je vprašal poglavar in zvonček je zapel v njegovi drhteči roki.

—Zato, ker je pošten, se je glasil odgovor. — On je preстал preiskušnjo. Zahrbtnosti torej ni zmožen. Zdaj si na vrsti ti, da prestaneš preizkušnjo. Če si pravičen in pošten, te krogla ne zadene. Taka je volja božja.

Toda poglavar je imel v prvem slučaju več sreče kakor v drugem. Stal je na drugi strani aretirane, nasproti Henryju, in si na vse načine prizadeval, da bi ostal miren. Toda Henryjeva puška je tako precizno tipala po zraku, da se je mož nehote stresel in zvonček je zapel v njegovi roki. Henry je stisnil puško in stal kakor vkopan. Zaman se je skušal poglavar obvladati, zaman je stiskal pesti. Zvonček ni hotel utihniti.

Pel je v drhteči roki in v obupu ga je poglavar naposled vrgel proč ter počenil, da bi ga Henry ne zadel. Henry je pa dvignil puško, pomeril v smeri pojočega zvončka in sprožil. Krogla mu je prebila ramo. Ranjenec je planil pokoncu; potem se je zopet zgrudil in obležal.

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V isti podzemni votlini je Slep Bandit v prisotnosti prekrasne mestize izrekel svojo obsodbo.

—Ta mož, ki je bil v dvoboju ranjen in ki ve toliko povedati o zakonih panamske republike, se mora prepričati, kaj so kordillerski zakoni. Preizkušnja Kače in Ptice je dokazala, da je on kriv. Za njegovo glavo mora biti plačana odkupnina v znesku 10,000 zlatih dolarjev. V nasprotnem slučaju ostane tu. Sekal bo drva in nosil vodo dotlej, dokler ne polože njegovih kosti v grob. Razsodil sem in vem, da je moj glas božji glas. Vem pa tudi, da mu božja volja ne bo dovolila dolgega življenja, če odkupnina ne bo kmalu plačana. Nastala je dolga pavza, in celo Henry, ki je v bojnem vr-

tincu brez pomisleka ubijal povrage, je izjavil, da sovraži tako hladnokrvno napovedane umore.

—Zakon je neusmiljen, — je dejal Kruti Sodnik.

In zopet je nastala tišina.

—Naj umre brez odkupnine, — se je oglašil eden izmed plemičev spremljevalcev. — Vsi smo videli, da je zahrbtn lopov. Lopov drugačne smrti sploh ne zasluži.

—Kaj porečeš na to ti? — je vprašal Slep Bandit s svečanim glasom. — Kaj porečeš ti, peon, ki si toliko pretrpel in ki si se danes drugič rodil. Povej svoje mnenje ti mož iz plemen Maya, ki si ljubil prekrasno žensko. Ali naj poglavar umre, če ne dobimo odkupnine?

—Ta človek nima srca, — je dejal peon. — Toda moje srce je danes zelo usmiljeno. Če bi imel 10,000 zlatih dolarjev, bi plačal zanj odkupnino. Da, sveti in pravični sodnik, če bi imel 250 pezov, bi poravnal celo svoj dolg plemiču, ki sem se mu prodal.

Slepčev obraz se je zjasnil od neke čudne notranje svetlobe.

—Tudi iz tebe govori danes božji glas, — je dejal.

Toda Francis, ki je ta čas nekaj pisal v svojo čekovno knjižico, je odtrgal listek in ga izročil mestizi.

—Tudi jaz bi rad nekaj povedal, — je dejal Amerikan. Naj ne umre ta mož kakor pes, dasi smo se vsi prepričali, da je zahrbtn lopov.

Mestiza je prečitala na glas, kar je bilo napisano na Francisovem ček.

—Ni treba pojasnil, — je segel Slep Bandit Francisu v besedo. — Ne smete misliti, da stoji pred vami divjak. Saj nisem vedno živl v Kordillerah. Bil sem trgovec v Barceloni. Bil sem v stikih s Chemical National Bank of New York in potem svojih agentov sem kupoval njene delnice. Gre za deset tisoč zlatih dolarjev. Mož, ki je napisal ček, je danes enkrat že govoril resnico. Ček je pravilen. Človek ki plača tebi nič meni nič odkupnino za svojega sovražnika, je ali plemenit ali tepec ali pa zelo bogat. Povej mi, prijatelj, je-li igra pri tem odločilno vlogo prekrasna ženska?

Francis se ni upal ozreti ne na desno ne na levo, ne na Henryja, ne na Leoncio. Gledal je Slepemu Banditu naravnost v obraz in odgovoril tako, kakor mu je velel notranji glas:

—Da, o Kruti Sodnik, ženska je dala mojemu srcu ta plemeniti nagib. In ta prekrasna ženska je tu.

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Na istem kraju, kjer so jim zavezali oči, ko so jih odvedli v gore, se je eskorta ustavila. V eskorti je bil odred slepčevih vojščakov, Leoncie, Henry in Francis, vsi trije na mulah in z zavezanimi očmi. Peona so prignali peš. Tudi on je imel zavezane oči. Pol ure poprej je privedla enaka eskorta na ta kraj plemičeve spremljevalce, Torresa, poglavarja in njegove orožnike.

Z dovoljenjem strogega poveljnika so si ujetniki odvezali oči.

—Prav zdi se mi, da sem nekoč že bil na tem kraju, — se jezasmel Francis in se oziral po okolici.

(Dalje prihodnjič)

St. Mary's Spectator and Commentator

Howdy folks, this is your gossip-man back in a flask and with a flask. It'll slay you and whow you. At Molly Hrastar's party, the following celebrities were present, Shirley Temple (Mike Anzlin), Dimpled Clark Gable (Father Caleo), Il Duce (Father Kuznik), Popeye (Father Anzel), what-a-curve Mae West (Sophie Chapic), and others too numerous to mention. All got together (boy, and did they get together, but no fair, you just should have been there).

Flash—you should have been there to see High - pockets (Freddie and Cookie) do the stream-line strut. And whow! that wrestling match to get the gal in the snub game (Kid Zorko usually was last).

The scene changes to the H. N. and the Sodality weiner roast. Flash—Kid Zorko and Freddie in skirts—such sex-repeal. Beachie led a few Indian dances, that scared the on-lookers who moved away. (The Indians raised the dust, get it?)

Scene again changes to the H. N. and Sodality skating party. In this scene tragedy appeared. Vosmik Tercek fell and sprained her ankle. (She would appreciate a few visits from her friends.) But this won't stop good old Vosmik.

The Kuznik girls sped as gracefully as swans. Kid Zorko giving lessons and Bear Anzlin went down boom and did not feel like getting up.

Scene changes (say, when is this terrible act over? — I don't know myself). This time it's the H. N. and Sodality Moonlight ride. Of all nights

that were chosen, this one was the oddest. It was "copper nite." So we went clashing their masses of human flesh and you should have seen the sparks from the brass and copper. (I hope no copper reads this.) And that Katz guy with his German polkas. And a few other things helped to make an enjoyable evening for those who attended. And by the by Joe Novak made favorable impressions with a certain party! No fair telling who. Bencar gal sea-sick?? (Oh, cut it out.)

So long, folks, and more flashes will be had when you make history. I leave you with the thought of the week: "Live and let live." So l-o-n-g!

Holy Name Outing

The H. N. wishes to announce that it will have its annual outing Sunday August 2 at Mah's farm. Ample information will be had later.

Nocturnal Adoration Society

The Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet Sunday, Au-

gust 1st. Our ban is from 1 to 2 A. M. We want a better showing, so please think it over for your own benefit in the long run.

Notice

Those wishing to see Caroline Skebe can do so for the last time for quite some time to come. Sodality will meet in front of the church at 1:30.

Father John

Friends come and friends part from us except Christ, who is ever present. The friend who is leaving us now is the young, athletic and so friendly priest Father John who in his short stay here has befriended many people. This is true especially with the younger set and the kiddies who I know will miss him. As a friend of his I know that I shall miss him too.

Father Anzel was given his first appointment to Holy Family Church. As a farewell we say to him, may God bless you and speed you on the road to success and may you ever be as friendly as you have been to us during your short stay here. Freddie, Holy Name Correspondent.

NEWBURG NEWS

It is surprising how much activity of mind can be aroused in this hot weather on the part of the boys along St. Clair Ave. as well as the girl friends relative to the Cedar Point outing and the Popularity Contest. Somehow or another we thought that this was going to be a tame affair and if there was to be any scrapping the boys would do it. However, it seems that the girls are in training for some hair-pulling—you know what I

mean, they start off with a lot of verbiage and end up like the real caveman.

I just wish to warn against too much personal feeling entering into the campaign. Some reports have come in to the effect that certain parties are letting personal feeling and jealousy get the better of them. That should not be, as the real purpose of the contest is really to enliven it.

There is rivalry between two sections of our people and it

ALL AROUND TOWN

GET YOUR FREE REFRIGERATOR COLD GAUGE AT MANDEL'S

A device for accurately testing temperatures in food storage chambers is being made available free to all users of refrigerators in Cleveland, according to an announcement today by J. Bohinc of Mandel Hardware Co., local Frigidaire dealers and specialists in food preservation.

"This little tester," said Mr. Bohinc, "is called a cold gauge. Fundamentally, its design is based upon the principle of an accurate thermometer, except that it is not burdened with scales of small figures representing degrees of temperature. Instead, it is equipped with just three basic zones of temperature drawn to fit the temperature conditions which affect food, either beneficially or adversely.

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what our ingenious people will turn out in the way of laughs in this particular contest).

Whenever you sit down in your homes you hear the old folks tell you what wonderful waltzers they were, having imbibed in waltz spirit under the Hapsburg and Johann Strauss — well, brush up your old dancing shoes, young and old, Newburgers and St. Clairmen and show us what you can do in the way of Slovene waltzes.

Of course, prizes will be awarded for each and every contest. Even for the best mouth organ player, so bring your harmonicas along. I understand that we shall have a special orchestra of our own as well as the regular Mickie Katz Orchestra and if you have any hot air about you, save it for the balloon blowing contest. The baseball game arrangements have not as yet been made but we hope to have a very lively contest in that game which will be of interest both to the players and the public.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that everyone purchasing a ticket is to ask for and file out a ballot declaring for what candidate he or she is casting the ten votes. Tickets are on sale by all the candidates and also by the officers of the South End Improvement League as well as the officers of the Orelis. In Newburg they are available at the Parish House, Slovenian National Home, Louis L. Perfolia's Funeral Parlor, at Tony Blatniks, at John Winters and at Ignatz (Father) Woznicki. Candidates are: Misses Anna Bradac, Frances Blatnik, Jennie Dedek, Theresa Kodek, Mollie Strainer and Angela Winter. Committee.

SLOVENE DEMOCRATIC PICNIC

Is everyone ready to have a good time tomorrow? We are and so can you if you'll come along with us. We're going to the picnic sponsored by the Men's Women's, and the young Slovene Democratic Clubs of the 32d Ward.

We're starting out early so there will be enough time to dance, sing, and roam the country-side. The truck starts from Holmes Avenue at 9:30 A. M. and makes stops at the Slovenian Workmen's Home, and at Turk's Hall on Waterloo Road. If you go in your own car, just follow Route 20 all the way out to Beretic's farm on Dock Road in Madison.

The picnic grounds have undergone a change recently. A new dance floor has been added and with the aid of Mother Nature it is an ideal spot for just such affairs as ours. Everyone is going to bring his own basket but just in case the country air gives you a real country appetite we'll have some hot dogs and, of course, "kranjske klobase" for you. Don't worry about the drinks, there'll be plenty with expert bartenders to serve them.

Now are you going to be there? You can be sure we will. Olga Toni.



● Ta Magic Chef plinova peč je podložena z stalno, solidno izolacijo, ki nikdar ne izgubi svoje fine izolacijske kvalitete. Zato pa bo vaša kuhinja, kjer je Magic Chef plinova peč, hladnejša in udobnejša za pripravljati jedila to poletje. Veseli boste mnogih udobnih avtomatičnih pritoklin te famozne peči, ki naredi delo lažje in hitrejšo, da boste tako imeli več prostega časa. Vključen je čudoviti Lorraine Red Wheel Regulator; avtomatični prižigavnik; gorilniki ki se ne zamaše in ki grejejo enakomerno; predalu podobna pečica, kjer pečete udobno in, ako želite, na električno-motored ura z nekaj malega dodatnimi stroški, ki avtomatično odpre ali zapre gorilnike. Pa še drugih pritoklin je, ki vam jih bomo radi razkazali. Pridite v našo prodajalno danes. Izbrali si boste model, ki se prilagodi vašemu računu.

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