

A SONG TO REMEMBER

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THE STORY: In 1832 Poland is still under the Russian yoke, her peasants are chained to a vicious feudal system and any demonstration for freedom is immediately put down by the soldiers of the Czar. Frederic Chopin is 23, has gained distinction as a pianist in his home village of Zelazowa Wola and some celebrity as a composer, even in Warsaw. The night he is to play at Count Wodzinski's, Frederic and Jozef Elsner attend a secret meeting of revolutionaries before the event. Frederic hears about the new "hangman" governor the Czar has just sent to Poland.

AT COUNT WODZINSKI'S

Izabela viewed the dinner-concert at Count Wodzinski's through the pantry door. She was wearing her new dress, of course. She pushed the door open a few inches and stood on tiptoe to get a better view. She had never seen such splendor.

It was not to be described. The dazzle actually was too much for one pair of eyes. Everything,

from the great tapestries to the smallest trinket, spoke proud value.

Count Wodzinski was a cold-eyed man of middle years and middle stature. He wore a uniform. He looked shorter than his average height, almost dwarfed, as he sat stiffly in the high-backed, gold-trimmed chair at the dining table, even though he sat on a pillow. Ladies and gentlemen in the richest dress sat elbow to elbow, chattering, prating, laughing, while flunkies in gold and lace waited on the table and a young woman at the far end of the room raised her voice in song to the accompaniment of a piano and the clattering of dishes.

Izabela said: "Oh, Mamma, how elegant!"

Mamma Chopin said: "Be careful you don't open the door too far; they won't like it, then they won't let us even stand here."

It was exactly as Jozef Elsner had said: they were in the pantry. Nicolas Chopin took out his watch, returned it to his pocket, looked at it again and again returned it to his pocket. He shook

his head. He called his wife's attention to the hour.

"Nicolas, what can we do?"

They could not imagine what was keeping Frederic and Professor Elsner. The minutes passed. It would soon be Frederic's turn to play. Mamma Chopin tried not to think about it but she could not help herself.

The major domo, tall, robust, fussy and petty, with a powdered wig and clothed in velvet and satin, ornamented with gilt braid frock neck to knees, came in from the corridor.

"Not here yet?"

Nicolas Chopin bowed. "I'm sorry."

"You're sorry?"

Nicolas Chopin smiled a fawning smile. "I can tell you nothing."

"You have already told me nothing." The major domo waved his gold-headed cane close to Papa Chopin's nose. "Maestro Paganini plays next—then your son. I say nothing more. But if you know what's good for him—he'll be ready."

Flunkies rudely pushed Papa and Mamma Chopin aside without apologies. A dozen lackeys were constantly on parade between the pantry and the dining hall, each carrying huge platters of roasts and delicacies so arranged as to sharpen the duller appetite.

Exquisite music, at first faint, then louder, was heard above the talk and tinkling glasses and clinking silver.

Suddenly there was a flurry of excitement, and an angry voice said: "Can't you look where you're going?"

"Tch, tch."

Jozef Elsner, it seemed, had almost toppled a lackey staggering under a heavy tray of foodstuffs. "Frederic! Paganini!"

"Paganini!"

Nicolas Paganini, the most celebrated violin virtuoso in Europe.

Frederic would have flung open the door wide but for a watchful flunkie who prevented him. He put his ear to a crack.

"Beautiful!" Izabela whispered. "Exquisite!"

The major domo appeared from nowhere. "Well, at last!" He coughed. "Be ready, please!"

Frederic crossed the room toward the elegant piano, scarcely noticed by the diners. He seemed not to be annoyed by the chatter or the noise of shifting plates and platters, or the tinkling of glassware.

The idea of Poland being governed by a hangman! He could not get the thought out of his head. Who next would swing from the gallows? What new unconscionable terrors would this tyrant bring? Damn the hangman! Poland would be rid of him!

But once at the piano, once his fingers touched the keys he was released from this world. The notes of his own Fantasie—Impromptu began to fill the room. Frederic was in good form. Let others delight the world with their thumping. That was not for him. He had his own way. He would be content to play, to make the piano sing, not howl. There were a thousand ways to go about it. He had his own way. Tonight he

had the feel. He knew exactly what to say and how to say it. He looked up and saw to his surprise that some of those at the table had actually put down their forks to observe him.

The Impromptu was finished, the last note struck.

They applauded. Not each and every one. That would have been too much. The applause nonetheless was respectable.

But Count Wodzinski's mouth was stuffed with food as he showed his face from the side of his high-backed, gold-trimmed chair.

(To Be Continued)

NATIONAL LEAGUE HOCKEY

The Detroit Red Wings tightened their already firm grip on second place in the national hockey league last night by defeating the fifth place New York Rangers, 4 to 2, in the only game scheduled.

Young Doug Stevenson, playing his second national league game as a substitute for the injured Ken McAuley, turned in an excellent job of goal tending for the Rangers but lack of defensive support from his mates cost him the game. The Wings counted twice in the first period, were shut out in the second, and closed with a two goal rush that more than nullified single goals by the Rangers in the last two periods.

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Today's Sport Parade

By Jack Cuddy

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

New York, Feb. 15 (UP)—Admirable are the optimism and determination of old Bob Quinn. At 75 he steps down from the presidency of the Boston Braves to concentrate his efforts on their farm system. He hopes thereby to build up a first-division club, after 22 long years with second-division outfits.

Not since 1922, his great season with the St. Louis Browns, has a Quinn team in either major league finished in the upper bracket. During that period he was an executive with the Boston Red Sox, Brooklyn Dodgers and Boston Braves.

"Honest Bob" lost his life savings with the Red Sox during nine heart-breaking seasons from 1923 through '32. Most men would have quit baseball then. But not the Irish gamecock—not the pint-sized, gray-haired ex-catcher, who looked through his spectacles at life with a challenge in his eye and with chin held high. He stuck with the sport because of his love for the game and his faith in it. Also because of his determination to repeat the triumphs of his early career with the Browns and with Columbus of the American association. But success in the

standings evaded him.

He announced his decision to step down from the Braves' presidency yesterday, his 75th birthday, he had been proxy of the Braves since '36.

Far from being disgusted or disappointed with baseball old Bob is ever grateful to the sport for what it did for him. He explained this in a chat during the recent league meetings. He was born in Columbus, O., back in 1870—"just a poor Irish kid, who had little chance for an education and who probably would have wound up a laborer, were it not for baseball. The game gave me an education through contracts with persons I'd never have been able to meet in any other profession—and through travel. It lifted me up and made it possible for me to bring up my family properly. Certainly I've had my disappointments; but that wasn't the game's fault. No sir, baseball has been mighty good to me; and I appreciate it."

Quinn will be happy working with farm clubs—supervising the developments of young players. He has his own pet theories about training youngsters, particularly in the lower minors. He believes that the major leagues must pay more attention to youth, after

peace comes, to improve the game. In the past, the majors made a double-barrelled mistake, he says. They failed to make certain that managers in the lower minors had enough baseball savvy and interest in youngsters to develop properly new talent. And they failed to stimulate baseball interest in high schools and colleges, in competition with football.

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3 tps. baking powder 1 egg
1/2 tsp. salt 2 tps. sugar
2 tps. shortening 1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup orange or lemon juice

Sift flour; measure; sift again with baking powder, salt, and 1 tps. of the sugar into mixing bowl. Cut in shortening with pastry blender or 2 knives. Add orange or lemon rind. Beat egg with fork in measuring cup and add milk to make 1/2 cup; add to flour mixture; stir quickly and lightly just until all flour is dampened. Turn onto lightly floured board; knead 20 to 30 seconds; roll or pat into 9-inch circle about 1/2 inch thick. Place in ungreased 9-inch round cake pan; mark into 8 wedges with fork tines; brush top with orange or lemon juice; sprinkle with remaining sugar. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) 15 minutes, or until done. Serves 8.

CREAMED TUNA, HAM OR CHICKEN

4 tps. shortening 2 cups flaked tuna, ham, or chicken
4 tps. all-purpose flour 2 tps. finely cut parsley
2 cups milk or chicken broth 2 tps. finely diced pimiento
1/4 tsp. salt 2 tps. grated onion

Make white sauce in double boiler: Melt shortening; blend in flour; add milk or broth gradually; cook until thickened, stirring frequently. Add remaining ingredients; heat thoroughly. Serves 6.

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