

The He-Man Met His Match

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Tom Ewing made a sensation when he first appeared in Red Gulch. Six feet-two, broad in proportion, all fat and muscle, with a voice like a bull, and the dress of the frontier, he was followed down the principal street by all the juvenile population.

Ewing was the new manager of the insurance company. He explained himself to a group of admirers in Tom Lawson's saloon, which ran pretty wide open.

"I'm a he-man," he said. "I'm a red-blooded fellow, and there's no body can run up against me and get away with it."

And in a few days he had Red Gulch fairly buffeted.

There was nothing really the matter with Tom, except too much fiction reading. And he did try to live up to his principles. For instance, when Miss Daisy Wentworth came riding down the street on a frisky horse, which was perfectly under her control, it was Tom who seized the bridle, brought it to a standstill, and caught Miss Daisy in his arms and brought her to the ground.

"Oh, thank you," Miss Daisy stammered, "but really I wasn't in any danger."

"The sight of a woman in pants more than I can stand," said Tom.

Tom was the local hero. When Weinberger's store was broken into it was Tom wanted to organize a posse and run the outlaws to bay. The outlaws consisted of Miss Aaron and Tim O'Rourke, two reformers, both who were caught next day by a juvenile police officer. However, that was Tom.

Daisy Wentworth was supposed to be engaged to Larry Hill. Larry stood no more than five-foot-six in his stockings. He was a wiry little chap, and a great favorite at church socials.

Tom Ewing never went to church. Rev. Amos Follett called him one day in the street. "Why don't you come to our church, Mr. Ewing?" he asked.

Tom answered very loudly: "I am above creeds, Mr. Follett. My creed is the red blood of manhood that flows in the veins of every decent man. To live in God's great sunshine, protect women, and see fair play, that's my creed."

"The big stuff gives me a pain," said Larry, who was standing near, and had not quite got over Tom's unceremonious introduction to Miss Daisy, nor the fact that Miss Daisy and Tom seemed on excellent terms. (Once or twice they had met at Miss Daisy's house.)

Tom overheard the remark and turned crimson. He clenched a fist like a horse's knee and wheeled on Larry. Larry returned his stare unflinchingly.

"A red-blooded man takes insults from a weakling," the he-man muttered, and turned away.

This incident produced a division of opinion in Red Gulch. One party claimed that Tom Ewing had shown his red-bloodedness by his chivalrous behavior; the other advanced the theory that he had simply got cold feet.

Still, nobody interfered with Tom. He went on his he-man way. Some day, opined Isaac Sagg, the grocer, some one would come along and tame him—but what was everybody's business was nobody's business and nobody bothered.

But Nemesis is never far away. Miss Daisy's coldness toward Larry since the Tom Ewing episode was the subject of general comment. Larry went about with a permanent frown. He went less often to Miss Daisy's house, and when he did they quarreled bitterly, according to Kate, the Scandinavian cook-general. On the other hand, the he-man was there pretty constantly.

On this night the he-man is coming up the path when he hears the sounds of a violent altercation. The he-man quickens his steps. Larry is standing, white with rage, confronting Miss Daisy, who is crying.

"I've done with you!" cries Larry. "All women are alike—all false."

"All women are not false. Chivalrous American men protect them," says a voice in the doorway. "He off and never darken this house again, or I'll give you a lesson you'll remember for the rest of your days."

It is the he-man. Miss Daisy screams. Larry turns round, puts up his fists. The he-man slaps his face. Next instant the great bulk of the he-man lies prostrate on the ground. Larry's punch had gone home.

The he-man rose, shaking, all the fight out of him. He rose to confront Miss Daisy, vibrant with indignation. "Oh, how dare you come here and strike Mr. Hill who isn't half your size!" she cried.

"I thought he was insulting you—" stammered the cowed he-man. "Well, what if he was? Hasn't a man the right to insult a girl when he's engaged to her? Oh, Larry, I only wanted to make you jealous to find out if you really loved me. Throw that b-b-g-at-stiff out of the house."

But the he-man had vanished from the house already—and from Red Gulch.

Inexhaustible.

"They say that radium is constantly giving off particles of itself, yet it never gets any less."

"Och! That's the kind of stuff a bank roll."—Boston Transcript

PATTON PERSONALS

Tom Gill and Mitch Lucas attended the basketball game at Barnesboro last Friday evening.

Frank Barnwell was a caller in Barnesboro last Friday evening.

Ed, Boothman of Barnesboro was a Saturday evening caller in town.

H. M. Hill of Carrolltown was a caller in town today.

Mary Lesko attended the basketball game at Barnesboro Friday.

Don Gill attended the dance at Bakerton on Monday evening.

Katie Ford attended the dance at Hastings on Monday evening.

Daisy Monteith, Desby Medicott (Dorothy and Florence Shunkwiler, attended the dance at Hastings on Monday evening.

Mr. Steve Cooper went to Loretto on Wednesday to attend the funeral of his aunt.

Seimour Ratowsky attended the basketball game at Barnesboro last Friday.

Marie Springer and Agnes Minsico attended the dance at Hastings on Monday evening.

Mrs. Mary Fisher of Fifth avenue entertained the L. C. A. Club at her home last Thursday evening.

The evening was spent in playing cards. Prizes were awarded to the persons having the least number of points. Lunch was served.

Crow Waltz attended the dance here on Saturday evening.

George Jones of Barnesboro attended the dance on Saturday night.

Bob Fogarty attended the basketball game at Barnesboro last Friday evening.

Mrs. Boyd Williams of this place entertained a number of her friends at her home on Fourth avenue on Thursday evening.

Effie Squires and Janet Medicott attended the dance at Hastings on Monday evening.

Loretto Gill attended the dance at Bakerton on Monday.

Miss Katherine Monteith who has been visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. Ray Brown of Barnesboro returned home on Saturday.

Iona Davis attended the basketball game at Barnesboro on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles had as their guest this week of Miss Lilly Curans, A. L. Sandburg, wife and son Robert of Akron, Ohio spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Little and friends.

Miss Aldine daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rhody of Palmer avenue returned to Penn Hall after spending some time at the home of her parents.

Last Monday evening a sleighing party was formed by a crowd of young folks. After arriving at Hastings the folks went to the dance, which was held at that place. Everyone had a good time.

Orlando Sheets of Spangler was a social visitor in town last Sunday evening.

Paul Fagan of Barnesboro spent Sunday evening calling on friends in this place.

Clement Kirkpatrick of Spangler was a Sunday evening caller in Patton.

Jimmy Green of Carrolltown called on friends at this place on Sunday.

Tommy Dukes called on friends in town Sunday.

Bea Ratowsky, Martha McCoy, and Leanne Cowher attended the basketball game at Barnesboro last Friday evening.

Mildred Kane attended the basketball game at Barnesboro on Friday.

Charles Selby of Barnesboro was a Sunday evening caller in Patton.

Butch Pavlov of Benedict was a caller in Patton Wednesday evening.

Howard Davison Jack Swyers of Benedict attended the dance here on Saturday evening.

George Greenwood of Barnesboro was a social caller in Patton on Sunday evening.

Jay Fox of Spangler called on friends in town last Sunday evening.

Neil Hodgens and Marie Harrigan attended the Saturday night dance here.

Mitch Lucas was a visitor in Carrolltown on Tuesday.

Albertus Long has been on the sick list this week.

Florence, the 12-year-old daughter of Joseph and Emma Smithbauer, residing in Clearfield township, near here, died last Friday evening of scarlet fever at the parental home.

Private funeral services were held at the house on Saturday afternoon and interment was in St. Mary's Catholic Church cemetery.

Ray Lannon, aged 25 years of Patton, who was injured on Sunday night as a result of a fall on an icy pavement and who was taken to the Spangler hospital, was removed to his home January 16. It was first believed that Mr. Lannon had suffered a fracture of the pelvis.

Miss Julia Boback, a student nurse at the Elizabeth Magee Hospital in Pittsburgh, spent a few days with her parents in town.

John Monosky of Cherrytree spent Sunday with Patton friends.

Gordon D. Gray and Clem Kirkpatrick of Spangler were social callers in Patton Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman J. Buck of Cresson, announce the birth of a son, Mrs. Buck, was before her marriage Miss Ophelia Sanker.

Mr. William Lynch of Alexandria Va., has been called to her home here by the death of her mother, Mrs. Mary Noonan.

Swan Johnson of Highland Grove is confined to his home with an attack of tonsillitis.

Miss Elvira Borgerson of Palmer avenue had the misfortune to scald her foot Wednesday evening.

Jimmy Cairns was a week-end visitor in Jobstown and while there attended the Thurston performance at the Cambria Theatre.

The cinch party which was held at Concord Grange proved a great success. Prizes were awarded to the winners.

Mr. R. E. Woerner of Cresson, spent Sunday at this place, visiting his mother Mrs. Howard Woerner.

Mrs. James Cairns visited her husband at Cresson, recently.

Miss Thelma Larimer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Larimer, who has been a patient at the Spangler hospital for some time where she underwent an operation for appendicitis, returned to the home of her parents this week. Miss Larimer's condition is improving rapidly.

Miss Ruth Nelson was unable to go to her school on Monday, on account of an attack of grippe.

Among the children reported sick this week are Inez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wilson, Gilbert and Emanuel sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fregey.

Miss Mary Zwayer has been confined to her home this week with an attack of the grippe. She is improving and expects to be able to return to her work at Ansbury on Monday.

Mr. John Simpson, Jr., who has been ill for some time with rheumatism is improving.

Mrs. Lottie Maley of Johnstown, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Jacobs on Monday.

Ed Hunter of Benedict attended the dance here on Thursday evening.

Ed Dietrick of Hastings was a social caller in town Thursday.

Red Stukker of Benedict was seen at the dance here on Thursday evening.

Warren Brothers of Hastings attended the dance here on Thursday evening.

Albert Dietrick was a social caller in town Thursday evening.

Cecil Kibler of Hastings attended the Thursday night dance here.

Mick Eckel of Carrolltown was among the dancers here on Thursday night.

Red Madigan called on friends in town last Thursday evening.

Hugo Bottom of Benedict was a social caller in town Thursday evening.

Steve Drake of Benedict attended the Thursday evening dance here.

Peg Ryan of Hastings was a visitor in Patton on Thursday.

Oscar Waltz of Barnesboro attended the Thursday night dance here.

Grace Brothers of Hastings was among the dancers here on Thursday night.

Pete Weakland attended the dance here Thursday night.

Charles Selby was a social caller in Patton last Thursday night.

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Earl Kellogg of Benedict was among the dancers here on Thursday evening.

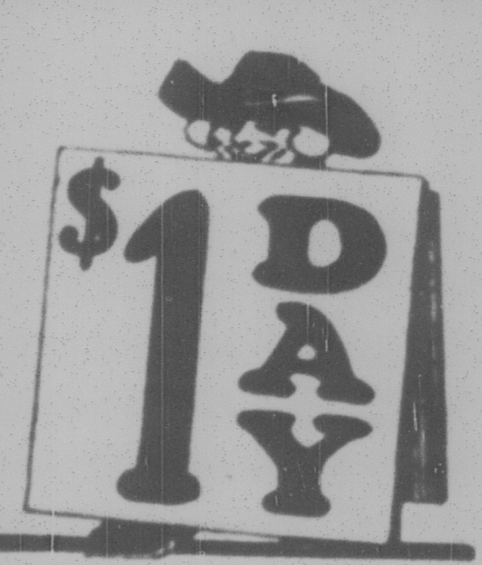
Mr. J. S. Wrigley of Clearfield spent a few days at the home of his daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Ceceli Mitchell, this week.

Check Rexar of Hastings was a social caller in town on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Jennie Jansmore and daughter Miss Gertrude, of Puncataoney, are guests this week of relatives in town.

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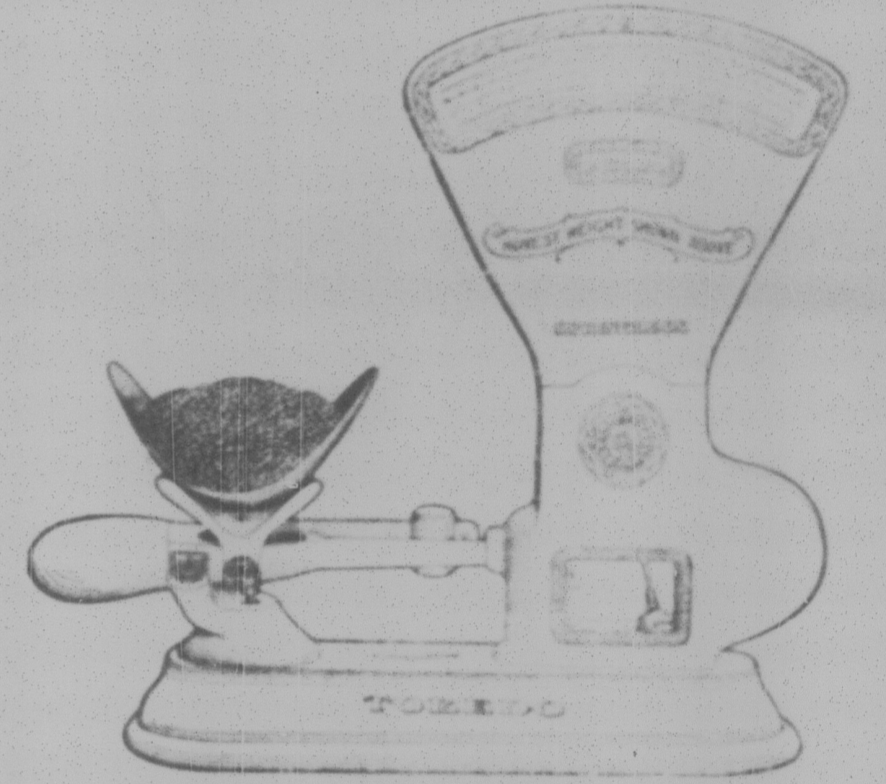
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