

Ambition

Rosen

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When the mail-man brings the mail on through, in gloom and rain and snow be-

He's do-ing what he's trained to do

- hav-ing like a pro. No-bo-dy looks up to him or thinks that he's a he-ro; he's just an or-din-a-ry Jim, his

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glam - our in-dex ze-ro. And po-lice - men spend their pro-fes-sion-al time on the beat, on the

glam-our in-dex ze-ro. And po-lice-men spend their pro-fes-sion-al time on the beat, on the street, pre-

street, pre-vent-ing crime. They're ex-pect-ed to be a-bove sus-pi-cion, cor-a-geous,

- vent-ing crime. They're ex-pect-ed to be a-bove sus-pi-cion, cor-a-geous, calm, with-

calm, with-out am-bi-tion, ex-cept, per-haps, to die in sav-ing us nice folks from those who are

- out am-bi-tion, ex-cept, per-haps, to die in sav-ing us nice folks from

mis-be-hav-ing. Their her-o-ic ac-count-a-bil-i-ty.

those who are mis-be-hav-ing. But un-til they do we rare-ly see their her-o-ic ac-count-a-bil-i-ty. When a

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In - side that dark con - fes - sion - al, he does - n't wor - ry in the

Cath - olic goes to see a priest he does - n't wor - ry in the least, for he

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least, for he knows the man's pro - fes - sion - al. He does - n't fear he'll rue the day he

knows the man's pro - fes - sion - al. He does - n't fear he'll rue the day he let his sec - ret out,

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let his sec - ret out, be - cause, what - ev - er he may say, he nev - er has a doubt

be - cause, what - ev - er he may say, he nev - er has a doubt that how - ev - er sin - ful he may

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that how - ev - er sin - ful he may be, the priest will have in - teg - ri - ty. Most of us live un - re -

be, the priest, the priest will have in - teg - ri - ty, in - teg - ri - ty. Most of us live un - re - mark - a - ble

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- mark - a - ble lives, just try - ing to make good as hus - bands and wives; not be - ing

lives, just try - ing to make good as hus - bands and wives; not be - ing he - roes,

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he - roes, for there are few chan - ces these days to don ar - mor and ride, and ride - - - - -

not be - ing he - roes, for there are few chan - ces these days to don ar - mor and ride, and

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- out with lan - ces, with lan - ce with lan - ces. is that

ride - - - out with lan - ces, with lan - ces. The thing a - bout pros that's dif - rent from us

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they're al-ways there with-out mak-ing a fuss a-bout whose turn it is to do a hard task: they

is that they're al-ways there with-out mak-ing a fuss a-bout whose turn it is to do a hard

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sim-ply step in with-out wait-ing to ask. For a pro, a

task: they sim-ply step in with-out wait-ing to ask. For a

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pro is ac-count-a-ble down to the ground: no bucks will get passed when a pro is a-round.

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And does it. And well, I don't

pro is a per-son who knows what to do and does it. And well, I don't know a-bout

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know a-bout you, but I have an am-bi-tion to be a pro too. For I've lived long e-

you, but I have an am-bi-tion, I have an am-bi-tion to be a pro too.

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- nough now to say I can see that the "some one" who "ought to do some-thing" is

For I've lived long e-nough now to say I can see that the "some one" who

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me.

"ought to do some-thing" is me.