

TICKET TO HEAVEN

INT. DISNEY'S BEDROOM-NIGHT

A DARK bedroom and SOUNDS of PEBBLES hitting a WINDOW. The room is small, there is one bed, one small dresser, a large poster of the solar system and not much else. The only light comes from the moon through the window. Again the SOUNDS of PEBBLES hitting the WINDOW. A WHISPER...

RODEN (O. S.)
Disney! Hey! Disney! Disney! You
up there? Disney!

MUMBLING SOUNDS and a SHADOWY FIGURE upon the window. The figure approaches the window and looks inside, he raps softly on the window and looks again.

CUT TO:

EXT. OUTSIDE OF WINDOW-NIGHT

RODEN climbs down from the window and dust himself off. He is a small frail looking young man in his early twenties. Dressed in dark clothes that fit him to big. RODEN, a heroin addict, is the nervous type who is always mumbling to himself. A light comes on and he quickly ducks behind a couple of trash cans.

OLD LADY (O. S.)
Who's there? Who's out there? I
got a gun! I'll fill your behind
full a lead! Hello?

Pause, the light goes off and RODEN slowly sticks his head over the trash cans. He looks around and stands to his feet. He pulls out a small revolver and mimics the OLD LADY.

RODEN
I got a gun! I'll fill your behind
full of lead!

The gun goes off and RODEN jumps, tumbling into the trash cans. Lights from all the houses come on and RODEN takes off running down the alley.

EXT. ALLEY-NIGHT

RODEN comes flying over a fence and then to a dead stop. He composes himself and searches until he finds half a cigarette. He lights up and begins walking. He freezes in his tracks and watches intently. He decides to go no further and cuts the other way.

EXT. ROOFTOP-NIGHT

We are watching the stars through a telescope. As the telescope slowly moves from right to left, DISNEY'S voice.

DISNEY (O. S.)
Where is it? Where is it? My, my,
my. I know it's up here.

EXT. ROOFTOP-NIGHT

DISNEY watches the sky through a telescope only breaking to write down notes on a small pad. He immediately returns to the telescope. DISNEY is a young man in his mid to late twenty's. His clothes look second hand but he is dressed neatly. Disney is a little slow mentally.

DISNEY
Where is it? Think now...think...

DISNEY looks up toward the sky and searches intently. The sounds of someone mumbling and then bumping into something can be heard. DISNEY doesn't break from the telescope.

DISNEY
(continuing)
Hey Roden.

RODEN (O. S.)
Ah...muck.

RODEN now comes into the picture hopping on one foot.

DISNEY
It's not right to swear. Remember
what...

RODEN
What! What! I said muck! I did!
Muck, muck, muck, mucking! I keep
telling you muck ain't a bad word!

DISNEY
You want to know how I knew it was
you without even looking?

RODEN
Where you been!

DISNEY
Cause you always bumping into
something. Yea, I said that's...

RODEN
I been looking all over for you.
Muck, I almost broke my mucking
neck climbing up here!

DISNEY
You really shouldn't swear. It's a
bad...

RODEN
Muck! I said muck! It ain't a
bad...

Disney puts his fingers in his ears and screams to drown out
Roden's words. Roden rushes over to him grabbing his hands
and begins to sing.

Roden (SINGING)
Who's that crying nobody knows,
must be mamma singing her woes.
Woosie, woosie woosie.

DISNEY (SINGING)
Woosie, woosie, woosie

RODEN (SINGING)
Woosie, woosie, woosie.

Disney calms down.

RODEN
(continuing)
Alright, alright! Look, see that
was my last one! Really...I had to
get it out of my system. Now,
look, I'm fine now! See!

DISNEY stops collecting his things.

RODEN
(continuing)
Did you forget about tonight?

Disney goes back to looking through the telescope.

RODEN
(continuing)
It's the big night! Remember, the
big time. We do this for Lou,
we're in baby!
(MORE)

RODEN (cont'd)
That's what I'm talking bout! Big
time! Remember? Hello!

DISNEY
You always say that. You say it
everyday. The big time. Yea, you
say it...

RODEN
Boy, you know what? Drag! That's
what you are. Drag! Lou is down
there waiting on us right now as I
speak! Hey, hey, hey, hey! Looky
here what he gave me to hold on to!

RODEN pulls out a small caliber hand gun but DISNEY has not
noticed. He continues to look through the telescope. RODEN
is just now aware that Disney is not paying attention. RODEN
goes and stands in front of the telescope.

RODEN
(continuing)
Please, I'm having a moment here.
Now, see it's got bullets too, see.
Big time! Now, lets go.

RODEN begins the strut off. He notices that DISNEY is not
following. RODEN does an about face.

RODEN
(continuing)
What? I knew it! I knew it! I
knew you was going to do this!

DISNEY
I think this is a bad thing?

RODEN
No, no, no, no! This ain't bad.
Remember, remember what I told you?
I said these are bad people, not a
bad thing. Bad people.

DISNEY
Bad people?

RODEN
We don't like bad people.
Remember? See, see we take there
bad stuff and use it for good.
Remember?

DISNEY
Like Robin Hood?

RODEN
 Oh, yea. Hey, me and you!
 Partners! I look after you, right?
 Now lets go. Lets go!

Again Disney doesn't move.

RODEN
 (continuing)
 Look, Di s... I'm thi n... thi n... I owe
 Lou... I...

DISNEY
 These are bad people?

RODEN crosses his heart. DISNEY concedes and RODEN walks to the edge of the roof and begins to climb off. He then notices that DISNEY is bringing his telescope with him

RODEN
 (continuing)
 What the? No, no... What are you
 doing? You can't bring that! Leave
 it here.

Disney begins to cry.

RODEN
 (continuing)
 I don't care! Look, don't start
 that! You should be glad I'm
 letting you in on this. Cry all you
 want! You ain't bringing that
 stupid telescope!

EXT. ALLEY-NIGHT

RODEN is walking with part of the telescope in his hands and DISNEY walks next to him with the other part.

RODEN
 What do you look at through this
 thing?

DISNEY
 Stuff...but tonight I was looking
 for...Roden? Are you gonna be sick
 tonight?

RODEN
 No, I'm not gonna be sick! Me, I'm
 straight. I'm straight.

DISNEY

Cause if you gonna be sick maybe we should stay at home. Last time you got real...

RODEN

Look...I ain't gonna be sick. Dis look, just...

RODEN stops to try and explain to DISNEY when he notices...

RODEN

(continuing)

There's Lou...Let me do all the talking. Hear me? Hear me? Good, good. Come on.

INT. CAR-NIGHT

LOU, is bald, clean shaven, and there is also a touch of evil about him. He sits in the driver seat of a car and watches as DISNEY and RODEN approach through the rear view mirror.

He clinches a tooth pick in his mouth as he watches. RODEN and DISNEY enter the car with tri-pod and telescope in hand.

LOU

What the hell is all this?

DISNEY

You really shouldn't swear it's a bad thing. It says in the Bible...

LOU

What? What did he just say? What?

DISNEY

You really shouldn't swear it's a bad thing.

Roden signals Lou to come close to him so they may speak in private.

RODEN

Ah man, he's got this thing about...swearing. You know curse words. Yea, yea I know it's crazy. What I do is say...you know. Muck, mod hamn, motherducker...you know stuff like that.

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