

1. The sound era 1930-1945 – Martin Frič: *Kristian* (1939)

**Screenplay:** Eduard Šimáček, Josef Gruss. **Director of photography:** Ferdinand Pečenka. **Art director:** František Zázvorka. **Music:** Sláva Eman Nováček. **Cast:** Oldřich Nový (Alois Novák), Nataša Gollová (Mařenka Nováková), Raoul Schráníl (Fred), Bedřich Veverka (Petr), Adina Mandlová (Zuzana Rendlová), Jára Kohout (Josef Novotný), Jaroslav Marvan (Kráľ). **Running time:** 85 min.

Alois Novák, a minor clerk in a travel agency and the husband of a dowdy housewife, lives a run-of-the-mill, dull life. In his soul, however, there resides an inextinguishable desire for adventure. And so once a month he poses as a playboy.

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