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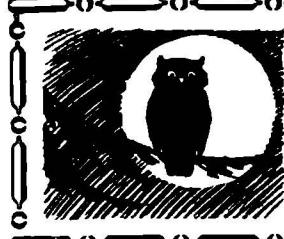
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MORAVSKY**

**M**IDNIGHT strikes. An owl hoots  
I am sick of hope and delays.

I will brew mandragora roots,  
To drug my humdrum days.