

SCRIPT

CHICAGO: TEEN EDITION

(AMOS)

THIS WHOLE PLACE IS A POWDER KEG!"
YOU'D NOTICE HIM.
AND EVEN WITHOUT CLUCKING LIKE A HEN,
EVERYONE GETS NOTICED, NOW AND THEN,
UNLESS, OF COURSE, THAT PERSONAGE SHOULD BE
INVISIBLE, INCONSEQUENTIAL ME.

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MISTER CELLOPHANE.
SHOULD HAVE BEEN MY NAME,
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START

BILLY

Oh, Andy. I didn't see you there.

AMOS

Amos. My name is Amos.

BILLY

Who said it wasn't? It's the kid's name I'm thinkin' about.

AMOS

What kid?

BILLY

Roxie's kid. You know when she's due? Early Fall. September. Can you count? September. That means you couldn't possibly be...the father. But I want you to pass out those cigars anyway. I don't want you to care when people...laugh.

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AMOS

Laugh? Why would they laugh?

BILLY

Because they can count. Can you count? Early Fall? Here's a copy of Roxie's first statement. It says she hadn't copulated with you for four months prior to the...incident.

AMOS

That's right. We hadn't done no copulating for four months...early Fall. Now, wait a minute.

BILLY

But I want you to forget all that! My client needs your support.

AMOS

Well, that don't figure out right. I couldn't be the father.

BILLY

Divorce her? Is that what you said? My God man, you wouldn't divorce her! Over a little thing like that, would ya?

AMOS

You're damned right. That's what I'll do. I'll divorce her!

Music out.

She probably won't even notice.

BILLY

Are you still here, Andy? I thought you'd gone.

AMOS

Yeah, I'm still here. I think.

Music in.

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