

SAM LEWIS, SIDE ONE

HAROLD

Sam, what's the matter?

SAM

Frustrated.

Harold, these kids aren't supposed to be on the train! It's against Pullman's express orders.

HAROLD

They're here now. There isn't any use shouting about it. I didn't bring them straight to Mr. Mallard because I don't want -

SAM

So you're responsible for this, Harold?

HAROLD

Mr. Lewis, I -

SAM

I guess I can't expect anything more from the likes of you.

HAROLD

Sam! Sa - Mr. Lewis, you -

SAM

I'm telegraphing Mr. Pullman at the next stop. The very next stop.

HAROLD

I didn't know anything about this.

SAM

We can't have *children* on the *Night Train*, Harold! Let alone *stowaways*!

HAROLD

They didn't mean to sneak aboard the train. It's not their fault.

SAM

Not their fault? They expressly disobeyed Mr. Pullman's orders and - and why are you defending them, Harold? Who's side are you on?

HAROLD

I didn't know there were sides, Mr. Lewis. They're kids. They fell asleep in the pillow cart and woke up to find themselves onboard the train.

SAM

A likely story - I'll bet you snuck them onboard to get points with Mr. Mallard - I'll bet that's exactly what you did.

HAROLD

Come to think of it, Mr. Lewis, weren't you the one who took aboard the laundry cart? The cart with all the pillows?

Sam is silent.

SAM

I don't remember.

HAROLD

I almost forgot the pillow cart in my haste, but *you* remembered.

SAM

Well - what's your point? So what if I brought the pillows aboard?

HAROLD

I doubt Mr. Pullman will be happy if he finds out that you brought aboard the kids.

SAM

I didn't bring them aboard - stop being preposterous.

HAROLD

You brought the pillow cart aboard, didn't you?

SAM is quiet as he realizes the situation.

HAROLD

I'm not the only one who saw... If you reveal Edith and Paul, your career is over.