

Side 7 - Dean, Lorraine

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MATILDA

Oh, Dean, an agitator has come to town -

DEAN

Well, I don't care, I'm not going!

MATILDA

Dean! You've never talked back to me in your life! Did you hear that, Earl? Not now, Earl. Oh Dean, you must leave immediately. Why if the rebel stays, who knows what you might be exposed to - sin - degradation - and, I can barely even say it, interracial dating. Oh, goodbye, Dean! Momma's gonna miss you! Bye!

(MATILDA and EARL exit)

DEAN

Excuse me, sir, how long till this bus leaves?

BUS DRIVER

A couple of minutes.

(LORRAINE enters, riding a bicycle)

LORRAINE

Dean!

DEAN

Lorraine! Thank goodness you're here!

LORRAINE

I've been looking all over for you!

DEAN

Really?

LORRAINE

You left so suddenly -

DEAN

Your mother scared me.

LORRAINE

Well, that's not the worst of it - she absolutely forbids us to be together!

DEAN

And my mother would forbid it, too!

LORRAINE

And so would society!

DEAN

And my school!

LORRAINE

And everyone in the world!

DEAN

Oh, this is so hot! Oh Lorraine, I never thought I could feel this deeply for someone I pretty much met this morning.

LORRAINE

Tell me, Dean, have you ever kissed a girl?

DEAN

Negative.

(DEAN and LORRAINE lean in to kiss)

Wait, I can't! Oh Lorraine, my mother's shipping me back to the barracks on that bus.

LORRAINE

What?!

DEAN

Oh, Lorraine, have you ever disobeyed your mother?

LORRAINE

Every day.

DEAN

Well, I've never disobeyed mine. I'm sorry, but duty calls.

LORRAINE

Will I ever see you again?

DEAN

I'll be back next summer.

LORRAINE

I'll be going off to college then.

DEAN

Gosh -

BUS DRIVER

All aboard!

LORRAINE

And to think - we haven't even kissed.

DEAN

Well, you know what that means -

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IT'S NOW OR NEVER -
 COME HOLD ME TIGHT
 KISS ME, MY DARLIN'
 BE MINE TONIGHT
 TOMORROW WILL BE TOO LATE
 IT'S NOW OR NEVER; MY LOVE WON'T WAIT

LORRAINE

WHEN I FIRST SAW YOU
 WITH YOUR SMILE SO TENDER
 MY HEART WAS CAPTURED
 MY SOUL SURRENDERED

DEAN

YOUR LIPS EXCITE ME

LORRAINE

LET YOUR ARMS INVITE ME

DEAN AND LORRAINE

FOR WHO KNOWS WHEN
 WE'LL MEET AGAIN
 THIS WAY!

BUS DRIVER

All aboard who's going aboard! It's now or never!

*(As DEAN gets on the bus, BUS DRIVER
 and THE PASSENGERS back them up)*

DEAN AND LORRAINE

IT'S NOW OR NEVER!