

Letters

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There seems to be three suspects in the killing: Lily, Rosemary and the Jack of Hearts. In reality, there are really **two**—Rosemary and Lily, who **is** the Jack of Hearts. Now, as this statement is liable to spark some controversy, I shall diverge for a moment to clarify. First of all, there is no outright statement that the man who walked into the bar was the Jack of Hearts; the song merely states that he was "lookin' like the Jack of Hearts." And when Rosemary whispered into **some-one's** ear (not necessarily Big Jim's), he didn't seem to hear, because he was "starin' into space, over at the Jack of Hearts." Lily had just drawn the Jack of Hearts in her poker game; therefore, the man was looking at her. Indeed, both Big Jim and the other man were looking at "the butterfly who just drew the Jack of Hearts." Other passages which prove Lily was the Jack of Hearts were the fact that she knew that the gang was drilling through the wall (witness her

warning to the man not to touch the wall); she had dyed her hair just for the crime ("there was no actor anywhere better than the Jack of Hearts") and after all that had happened, "most of all, she was thinkin' about the Jack of Hearts", i.e., the job that her gang had just pulled off. Of course, some will ask, "If the man who came into the bar wasn't the Jack of Hearts, who was he?" The answer is simple—he was Lily's father. This explains why Big Jim had seen his picture upon Lily's shelf, and also why she was thinking of him after Rosemary's execution. Upon reflection, one will easily see that this theory makes sense.

Now, back to the original question. There are three alternatives: (1) Rosemary did it; (2) Lily did it; (3) Big Jim committed suicide. Since he died from a penknife in the back, the third alternative can be ignored. The first attempt on Jim's life occurred when the "door to the dressing room burst open and a Colt revolver **clicked**." Rosemary and Jim ("you couldn't say sur-

prised") were in the room. The evidence would indicate that this was Rosemary's attempt to kill Jim, as he could hardly be surprised at Rosemary's action, after the way he had treated her. In this sense, Rosemary was "leanin' to the Jack of Hearts" in that they were both trying to kill Jim. This would also account for Rosemary's willingness to go to the gallows; she had wanted to kill Big Jim, and failed, but someone else had succeeded, so she was willing to accept the punishment which would have been hers anyway, had she succeeded.

By elimination, it is clear that Lily killed Big Jim while her gang "waited on the ground for one more member who had business back in town." Why did she kill him? The only reason is the fact that somehow he had gotten mixed up in her plot to rob the bank, as "nothing would ever come between Lily and her king, no, nothing ever would, except **maybe** the Jack of Hearts."

Well, Mr. Coyle, I hope I have put your curiosity to rest, and, if all of

this is not quite clear, well, don't think twice—it's all right.

Yours truly,
J.C. Travers

To the Gazette,

I have often stated that those that really want to work, will always find a job.

I have been operating the Burger Bite canteen in Howe Hall now for quite some time. One of my bigger problems has been to find staff. Neither campus manpower or word of mouth has been of much help.

I hear each day of unemployment, and students' lack of funds. I find it very difficult to feel sympathy for those students who complain for lack of job opportunity because of the poor response I have received.

I am being forced to stop searching for past time help and into hiring full time staff from off campus.

Do students really want part-time work?

Sincerely,
Carl D. Snelgrove
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Grumps. Achievers. Gropers. Leaders. Puppets. Planners. Procrastinators. Those who empathize. Those who don't. Hypocrites.

It takes one kind to work with all kinds. If you really think you've got that rare ability to talk with all kinds of people without breaking into a cold sweat and if you're convinced that working with people is a lot better than weeding through thickets of corporate paper work, we'd like to see your face and hear your voice.

We're London Life. And our success depends on one thing. Talking to people who can talk to people. All kinds.

Spend half an hour checking us out. We have a career possibility that will put you face to face with the human side of business.

The first step is to arrange a meeting with our on-campus recruiter. When you arrive, ask him what we're really like then tell him what you're really like. That should give each of you enough info to know if it's worth getting together again.

We'll be on campus at:

Dalhousie University, November 9

We'd like to talk.
And listen.

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