

ACT TWO
Scene 4

In one of Sweet Apple's "low dives"
...MAUDE'S ROADSIDE RETREAT, which
is proclaimed on neon-sign. We
notice sign above bar that says
NO MINORS SERVED. Also, a door
leading to a room UC, a small bar.
HUGO, trying to look casual,
saunters over to bar and sits on
stool. BARTENDER ignores HIM,
continues polishing glasses.

Music fades out.

HUGO

...I'll have a double rocks on the scotch. And put some rocks
in it this time. Can you make me a vodka malted?

BARTENDER

How old are you?

HUGO

(Taking no chances)

32.

BARTENDER

Get out.

HUGO

What about a beer?

BARTENDER

Beat it.

HUGO

Just let me sit here with an empty glass in front of me.

BARTENDER

Out.

HUGO

I demand to see the manager. Where's Maude?

BARTENDER

I'm Maude. Charles F. Maude.

(Comes around bar to HUGO)

...And if you're not out of here in one minute, I'll take you
by the scruff of the neck and throw you out!

START!

HUGO

Okay, I'm going...

(Xes L, then turns)

...This is the last time I do my drinking in this place!

(HUGO exits. At the exact same moment,
 ROSIE, still lugging the two suitcases,
 starts in from R)

ROSIE

(As SHE dumps suitcases and strides to bar)

...Double bourbon, scotch on the side, no ice, and a cherry in
 it! Make that two cherries! And bring on the dancing boys!
 Alvarez is the name but I want you to call me Spanish Rose!
 Siboney...Da da da da, da da da da da, da dum dum dum!

MAUDE

Spanish Rose...

ROSIE

Si.

MAUDE

Get out.

ROSIE

Now wait a minute! You can't throw me out! I'm an American
 citizen and it's my constitutional right to have a drink here
 if I so choose and get loaded here if I so choose and do any
 manner of wild and trashy things here if I so choose! This is
 Spanish Rose's coming out party and when I say coming out I
 mean coming out!

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MAUDE

That means there's a man involved.

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ROSIE

No! A mama's boy. And she hates me.

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MAUDE

Mama's boys' mamas always do. So what's the problem?

/26A/SPANISH ROSE [Revised]

ROSIE

I'M JUST A SPANISH TAMALE,
 SHE LOVES TO SAY,
 RIGHT OFF A BOAT FROM THE TROPICS
 FAR, FAR AWAY...
 WHICH IS KINDA FUNNY,
 SINCE I COME FROM ROMANTIC, EXOTIC...
 PITTSBURGH, P.A.!

She thinks I'm too Spanish! Oh, could I show her Spanish! If
 I ever marry that mouse--