

Side D - Hugo and Kim

ROSIE sighs, puts down ALBERT'S briefcase and throughout the following picks up two of the seven bags placed center stage by the TRAINMEN. ROSIE puts them on the baggage wagon. KIM and the last TWO GIRLS start off left after the others. As they do, a BOY who has been standing apart from crowd steps forward.

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HUGO. ... Kim, before you go, could I talk to you for a minute?

KIM. Right now? I mean, couldn't it wait? I'm in an awful hurry!

HUGO. I don't think so, Kim. It's important.

DEBORAH SUE. Hugo Peabody, what's so important that you have to talk to her right now?

HUGO. (*Bursting forth*) What's so important? I'll tell you what's so important! The day after I give her my pin she goes around kisses someone else, that's what's so important! I want you to know I'm quite upset about this. I've already had several headaches and a nosebleed!

ALICE. Why Hugo, I believe you're actually jealous of Conrad Birdie!

HUGO. Me jealous? I'm the opposite of jealous. I'm very jealous! And I have every right to be. Kim's my steady!

KIM. That's just it, Hugo, I'm your steady! Oh I may admire Conrad Birdie as one admires a far-distant and unattainable ideal. But I'm pinned to you, Hugo, and I don't care how common and ordinary you are, that's how I'm going to stay!

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HUGO. You're not just saying that to make me feel better?

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One Boy

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(Kim, Two Girls & Rosie)

KIM. (*Over music*) I mean every word of it, Hugo.
Conrad Birdie is just a fling. A steady is forever ...

KIM sings as ROSIE sits on a suitcase and listens quietly.

KIM. (*Sung*) One boy,
One special boy,
One boy to go with,
To talk with,
And walk with,

KIM & ONE LITTLE GIRL (*Optional: ALICE & DEBORAH SUE*).
One boy,
That's the way it should be.

TWO GIRLS (*Optional: ALICE & DEBORAH SUE*).
That's the way it should be.

KIM & ONE GIRL.
One boy,
One certain boy,
One boy to laugh with,
To joke with,
Have coke with,
One boy,
Not two or three.

KIM. One day you find out
That is what life is all about,
You need someone who
Is living just for you.

KIM & TWO GIRLS.
One boy,
One steady boy,
One boy to be with,
Forever
And ever,
One boy,
That's the way it should be,
That's the way it should be.

Music continues under dialogue.

HUGO. ...Oh Kim, I feel so much better now!
All thoughts of a nosebleed have utterly vanished!

KIM. You were silly to worry, Hugo. Conrad Birdie may be a great public figure
but he doesn't make me feel all dizzy and faint when I think of him.
Only my steady does that. Why even when I say his name, I don't feel a thing.
Listen. Conrad Birdie! Conrad Birdie. (*And it hits her. Huskily.*) Conrad Birdie ...

*As KIM wavers, the other TWO GIRLS
step down on either side and take her arms.*

KIM & ONE GIRL.
One boy,
One steady boy,
One boy to be with,
Forever,
And ever,

START

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