

AN AFFAIR TO REMEMBER

Props

spices

Sherry

Corkscrew

Flowers

Candy

Jig saw puzzle

Telephone

Mixing bowl and spoon

Poison

Sound Effects

telephone bell

door slamming

Characters:

Wife: Lucy

Husband: Gus

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Lucy, "And we have lemon juice and we have cinnamon . . ."

Door slams

Gus, "I'm home !

Lucy, "Ah Sherry, we need the sherry.

Gus, "I'm sorry I'm late but I have an airtight alibi – – Just before I left the office, My boss, Mr Crane, you remember my Crane, Mr. Boss. I've been working for him for 8 years and besides he's your brother. He said he'd like for me to finish the report so I went back into the office and finished up the report – – no sense checking with him because he went out of town for the rest of the week."

Lucy, "Oh that's nice darling, did you happen to drink the sherry last night?"

Gus, "Questions! Questions! Questions about every little thing. I was an hour and forty minutes late – – what's the big deal about that?"

Lucy, "Oh! Here it is, just where I left it last night. Would you believe I'm trying to make a Sherry Cheese cake. Heh ! Heh! Heh!

Gus, "Lucy, you're wonderful. Much too good for a wretch like me! – – – Don't look at me like that. I can't bear it."

Lucy, "Have you seen the corkscrew lately?"

Gus, "Again with the Questions! Look ! I don't have to put up with this. This incessant spying. investigating. You don't have anything on me. - - - - Do you?"

Lucy, "Here it is right where I left it last night. Heh! Heh! Heh!"

Gus, "Ha! Ha! Ha!" (Embarrassed laugh)
Look here honey, I've got some things for you. I've got some flowers, some candy and some jig-saw puzzles. Great to do when you're home alone and feeling rejected - - - suspecting me of Heaven knows what. Ha! Ha! Ha!"

Lucy, "Darling that's so sweet of you but you didn't have to do that."

Gus, "Oh yes I did! (quickly)

Lucy, "Sweetheart, why don't you go lie down and let me finish this cheesecake. You do seem a bit tired.

Gus, "Why of course I'm tired. I've got a tiring job. I've got a lot to do - memos to write - phone calls to make - all kinds of innocent jobs to do.

Lucy, "OK, why don't you open the wine while I put these flowers in water?"

Gus, "OK honey."

Lucy, "You'll never guess who I ran into in the market today."

Gus, "OH NO! Say it isn't so, Not Helen."

Lucy, "Who's Helen?"

Gus, "Nobody!"

Lucy, "No! I ran into my cousin Agnes. We had such a good time. She invited us over tonight."

Gus, "OH really! My day was really dull. Same old routine -- didn't meet anyone at all -- are you buying that?"

Lucy, "Oh these flowers are absolutely lovely!"

Gus, "The best I could find. Nothing but the best for you. It's the least I could do to make up for my -- -- -- (the phone rings)

I'll get it! Hello (Whispers) I told you not to call me here. OH Hello MOTHER! Ya! I didn't recognize your voice for a second -- sounded like an old army buddy of mine. Yeh! Yeh! Yeh, she's fine. Ha! Ha! Ya, Sunday as usual. Goodbye MOTHER

Chatter box. Nag! Nag! Nag! (falls into chair)

Lucy, "I'll tell you what darling, you do seem a bit tired. Why don't I cancel our date with Agnes and we can stay home and watch television. There is a wonderful movie on tonight - - -a real sob story - - Cary Grant and Debra Kerr in 'An affair to Remember'".

Gus, "You think you're clever don't you? I can't take this anymore - - - I want everything out in the open - - unless you don't suspect anything. "

Lucy, "For heavens sake the way you're carrying on, one would think you're having an affair with another woman or something."

Gus, "It wasn't my fault! - - Helen is so cheap! she's garbage - - she leers at me from behind her desk all day long. She's a Jezebel that has invaded the sanctity and patriotism of my home. Lucy, forgive me."

Lucy, "Of course I can - - You only did what any normal, healthy male would do under the same circumstances. If a gorgeous, sexy blonde lady comes up and throws herself at your feet, how could I expect to have you remember the sanctity of a silly little marriage vow?"

Gus, "You're a Saint Lucy. It'll never happen again. Boo - hoo - boo - Hoo !

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Lucy, "I know, I know it won't happen again. Calm down darling. Here taste this to see if I have enough cinnamon in it. (She dips her finger into the bowl and lets him taste it)

Gus, "Hummmm! (And falls to the floor with a groan.

Lucy, "That's right you won't do it again."

(Lucy has an evil grin on her face as the scene ends)

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