

LOCKSTOCK & LITTLE SALLY (B)

LOCKSTOCK

Well, you guessed it. Hope took over her father's business, instituting a series of reforms that opened the public bathrooms to all the people, to pee for free whenever they liked, as much as they liked, for as long as they liked, with whomever they liked. The UGC was renamed the Bobby Strong Memorial Toilet Authority and was operated as a public trust for the benefit of the public.

LITTLE SALLY

Officer Lockstock? Where'd you go?

LOCKSTOCK

Just keeping my head down, Little Sally. Something you should learn to do.

LITTLE SALLY

But aren't you scared the rebels will see you?

LOCKSTOCK

Oh, I may be a cop, but I'm also the narrator. So no one can touch me, not if they want the show to end.

LITTLE SALLY

What kind of musical is this? The good guys finally take over and then everything starts falling apart?!

LOCKSTOCK

Like I said, Little Sally, this isn't a happy musical.

LITTLE SALLY

But the music's so happy!

(LOCKSTOCK chuckles)

LOCKSTOCK

Yes, it is, Little Sally. Yes, it is.

LITTLE SALLY

I don't think too many people are going to come see this musical, Officer Lockstock.

LOCKSTOCK

Why do you say that, Little Sally? Don't you think people want to be told that their way of life is unsustainable?

LITTLE SALLY

That – and the title's awful. Can't we do a happy musical next time?

LOCKSTOCK

If there is a next time, I'm sure we can. Well, that's our story. Hope eventually joined her father in a manner not quite so gentle. McQueen opened a bottling factory just outside of Brasilia, which did rather well until the Amazon dried up. Then they moved. As for the people of this town? They did the best they could. But they were prepared for the world they inherited, weaned as they were on the legend born of their founding father's scare tactics. For when the water dried up, they recognized their town for the first time for what it really was. What it was always waiting to be.