Lily O Lily

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Dan Parmenter — 06 Feb 2001, 15:05

> From: "Endymion9" <endymion9 at mindspring.com>
> I can understand Silk's attraction to Hy. She is the beautiful (movie
> star/pin up girl/prostitute) that many a young man develops a crush on. She
> is his "Picture of Lily." But as the father says to the son in that Who
> song, "Son now don't be silly."

Dennis, that's brilliant! And how about the rest of the song?

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And here I thought that the perfect Vironese song would be Oreb's take on the Wailers' classic "No Woman. No Cry".

Shellac

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Endymion9 — 08 Feb 2001, 04:38 · follows Dan Parmenter

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Dan. Thanks for filling in the rest of the song. I hadn't carried it to that progression and much enjoyed your insight. :)

Dennis/Endy (Now struggling up to p. 219 in RTTW).
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