

JUSTIN THYME

The following year Perry Drew was hired to be a custodian at the Stockton Street School.

WALTER

As Custodian, you'll maintain the Stockton Street School, but we'll also need you to fire up the boilers that keep the schools warm.

PERRY

And how many boilers are there?

WALTER

Eight.

PERRY

And what do they run on?

WALTER

Coal so you'll need to get in there early to get the fires going strong.

PERRY

Sounds good.

Perry and Walter exit.

JUSTIN THYME

He was responsible for the buildings twenty-four hours a day. In fact, the police would call him at all hours of the night.

There's a phone on a table. Perry enters in his pajamas to answer it.

PERRY

I'm coming. I'm coming.

He answers the phone.

PERRY (CONT'D)

Hello? The alarm is going off? A door? It's open? Ok, I'll be right over.

Perry exits.

JUSTIN THYME

And not to be outdone by Ethel and Melvin, Perry took on multiple jobs.

Walter and Perry enter.

WALTER
We need a Truant Officer.

PERRY
I'll take it.

WALTER
But you're the custodian.

PERRY
I'll do both!

WALTER
And we need a bus driver.

PERRY
Bus driver? When did we get a bus?

WALTER
We just bought it!

PERRY
Neat. I'll do that too.

Walter and Perry exit.

JUSTIN THYME
And sometimes he would just check
the building because.

Perry walks through with a flashlight.

PERRY
Good. No shenanigans happening.

JUSTIN THYME
If snow was predicted he would make
sure the boilers were working and
check the condition of the roads to
determine if school should be
canceled.

Perry is standing in the middle of a massive snowstorm.

PERRY
Yea, I think it's safe to close the
schools today.