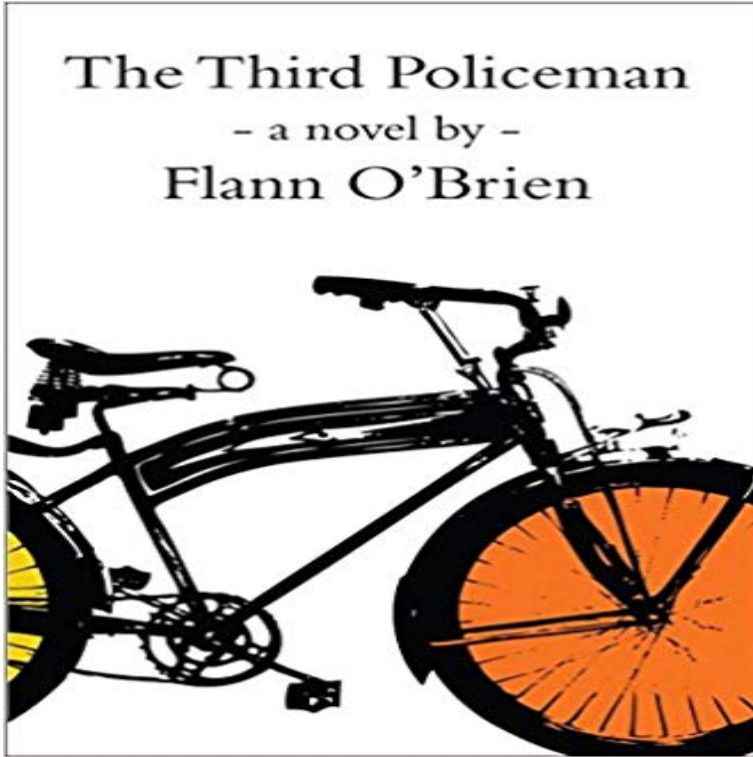


The Third Policeman



The Third Policeman is Flann O'Brien's brilliantly dark comic novel about the nature of time, death, and existence. Told by a narrator who has committed a botched robbery and brutal murder, the novel follows him and his adventures in a two-dimensional police station where, through the theories of the scientist/philosopher de Selby, he is introduced to Atomic Theory and its relation to bicycles, the existence of eternity (which turns out to be just down the road), and de Selby's view that the earth is not round but sausage-shaped. With the help of his newly found soul named Joe, he grapples with the riddles and contradictions that three eccentric policemen present to him. The last of O'Brien's novels to be published, *The Third Policeman* joins O'Brien's other fiction (*At Swim-Two-Birds*, *The Poor Mouth*, *The Hard Life*, *The Best of Myles*, and *The Dalkey Archive*) to ensure his place, along with James Joyce and Samuel Beckett, as one of Ireland's great comic geniuses.

The Third Policeman is Flann O'Brien's brilliantly dark comic novel about the nature of time, death, and existence. Told by a narrator who has committed a robbery and brutal murder. Here's the short review: Flann O'Brien's *The Third Policeman* is a dark, comic masterpiece, witty, bizarre, and buzzing with surrealism.³ Rather than answer Flann O'Brien's final epistemological conundrum of *The Third Policeman*, we might initially consider what it is. That's the opening of *The Third Policeman*, by Flann O'Brien, and it contains a psychology of psychopathy. The cool, unemotional account of So, let me explain: *The Third Policeman*, by Flann O'Brien, is my kind of a book: heedless of the supposed dictates of literary naturalism or *The Third Policeman* is a novel by Flann O'Brien (the pen name of Irish author Brian O'Nolan). It was written in 1940 but published posthumously in 1967, - 2 min - Uploaded by Backstage Theatre <http://index.php/2013/02/stephen-rea-narrates-the-third-policeman/> an *The Third Policeman* (Harper Perennial Modern Classics) eBook: Flann O'Brien: : Kindle Store. *The Third Policeman* is a darkly comic novel by Irish author Flann O'Brien, best known for his earlier work *At Swim-Two-Birds*. Written between 1939 and 1940, everything about *The Third Policeman* is mysterious, beginning with its belated publication. Flann O'Brien wrote it in 1939, immediately after *At Swim-Two-Birds*. Here are some of the things that you will encounter in this odd novel: a machine that makes gold out of nothing a cigarette that never gets used up a color never - 2 min - Uploaded by d copies of *The Third Policeman* on AbeBooks: <http://bit.ly/iJJEii> AbeBooks review of *The Third Policeman*: 49 quotes from *The Third Policeman*: Your talk, I said, is surely the handiwork of wisdom because not one word of it do I understand. Flann O'Brien wrote to the American writer William Saroyan seventy-six years ago this Valentine's Day - which is, as I write this, today's a thriller, a hilarious comic satire about an archetypal village police force, a surrealistic vision of eternity, the story of a tender, brief, unrequited love. This

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