

### **Audition Packet**

Auditions: March 16 / 5-9P & March 17 / 7-10P Ages 11+

> Adult Callbacks: March 18 / 7-10 Youth Callbacks: March 19 / 7-8:30P

Performances: Saturdays, May 31 & June 7 / 7P Sundays, June 1 & 8 / 3P Devonshire Cultural Center 4400 Greenwood Street Skokie, IL 60076

For appointment, email rhhorwitz@skokieparks.org



#### The Devonshire Playhouse Audition Notes Gypsy

Welcome to the Skokie Park District Devonshire Playhouse auditions for *Gypsy!* Recommended cast ages are 11+. Auditions are by appointment, but walk-ins will be accepted as time allows. Auditions are from 5-9P, Sunday, March 16 and 7-10P on Monday, March 17.

#### Music Auditions

Prepare 1 minute or a 32 bar cut from music in the same style as the show. An accompanist will be provided as well as a speaker with Bluetooth and auxiliary for those with their own tracks. If you are bringing sheet music, please make sure that it is in the correct key and prepared on card stock or in a binder.

#### **Dance Auditions**

Dance auditions will include a general dance/movement call for all adults and older high school aged actors. Please dress to move with shoes that allow for easy movements, turns etc. (i.e. jazz shoes, character shoes or sneakers).

#### Callbacks

Callbacks will be held on the following schedule:

Adult Actors: Tuesday, March 18 / 7-10P

Youth Actors: Wednesday, March 19/7-8:30P.

- Actors being invited to callbacks will read sides contained in this packet. Actors
  will also be asked to sing the character's song for which they are being called
  back.
- Callback musical pieces are contained in this packet.
- Youth actors will dance at their callback on Wednesday.
- Select adult actors will be asked to dance at callbacks. Particularly those being called back for Tulsa, June or one of the other young adult ensemble.

#### Rehearsal/Performance Schedule

Please see the attached calendar. A more detailed schedule is released after casting is complete. Be sure to list all potential conflicts on your audition application. Not everyone will be called for every rehearsal. It is crucial that all actors be able to attend rehearsals during Pre-tech and Tech weeks: May 14, 15, 18, 19, 21, 22, 26 to 29.

#### Role Offers

We will send role offers out starting Thursday, March 20 and will complete the process by Saturday, March 22. Actors have 24 hours to accept emailed notices.

#### Social Media Cast Announcements

Please refrain from posting any roles offered until the official cast list is released. The release will be emailed to the entire cast.

#### Strike

Those who are cast should plan to assist with strike following the final performance.

**Production Heads** 

Production Supervisor/House/Playbill
Artistic Director
Eileen Hand
Musical Director
Doug Komandt
Choreographer
Kelly Lohrenz
Stage Manager
Cydney Moody

Lighting Designer TBD

Set Construction Evans Poulos & Paul Pint

Props Design/Coordination TBD

Costume Design Annie Guter Sound Design Evans Poulos

Staff can be contacted through message left at the front desk 847-674-1500 ext. 2400 or through Production Supervisor, Robin Horwitz at 847-929-7420 or rhhorwitz@skokieparks.org

#### Production Package Options

#### Adult - No Frills Package - No fee

Actors receive a commemorative poster of the show and two discounted tickets. Actors may purchase optional items such as additional tickets and photos ala carte as listed under Fees & Costs.

#### Adult - Full Production Package – \$108

This includes a commemorative poster, digital photos of the show and two complimentary tickets.

Youth Production Package -Required for actors under the age of 18 - \$108 This includes a commemorative poster, digital photos of the show and two complimentary tickets.

If two members of a household are cast and opt for the full production fee, then the 2<sup>nd</sup> family member receives a 15% discount on their production fee. The third household member would receive a 25% discount. Production Fees are due during the first week of rehearsals.

#### Fees and Costs You Will/Might Incur

Full Production Package \$108
Replacement of Rental Script \$25
Digital Photos ala carte \$50
Charge for removal of pencil markings in rented script \*Costumes \$10~\$40

Tickets Full Price Tickets Discounted for No Frills Package

\$23 – Students/Seniors \$28 – Adults \$25 – Students/Seniors

\*Every effort is made to use costumes that are in stock, but at times, actors may be asked to bring something from home or to purchase items for them to keep (i.e. hose/tights, shoes, socks, some hair pieces, etc.) Costumers work with the cast to produce the best look for the production at the lowest possible cost to the actor.

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# CHARACTER BREAKDOWN GYPSY

**Rose:** Female, The Mother.

Age: 40-60 (Range: Low F to C)

**June:** Female, Rose's daughter Age: 20-30 (Range: A flat to D)

**Louise:** Female, Rose's other daughter, later Gypsy, the stripper.

Age: 20-30 (Range: C Sharp to E Flat)

**Tessie Tura:** Female, Ballet Stripper Age: Flexible (Range: C Sharp to D Flat)

Mazeppa: Trumpet Stripper

Age: Flexible (Range: G below middle C to B Flat)

**Electra**: Female, Lightbulb Stripper Age: Flexible (Range: B Flat to D)

**Baby June**: Female, Rose's baby daughter Age: Youth/Preteen (Range: Eb to Eb)

Baby Louise: Female, Rose's other baby daughter

Age: Youth/Preteen (Range: Eb to Eb)

Herbie: Male, Candy salesman and Rose's manager

Age: 40-60 (Range: Baritone)

**Tulsa:** Male, Farm boy, etc. (with others)

Age: 20-30 (Range: F to G)

Uncle Jocko: Male, Vaudeville master of ceremonies

Age: 40+ (Range: Flexible)

**Georgie:** Male, Jocko's assistant Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

Clarinet Boy (Clarence): Male or Female, Auditioning child

Age: Youth/Preteen (Range: Flexible)

**Pop:** Male, Rose's father Age: 50-70 (Range: Flexible)

Weber: Male, Theatre manager in Los Angeles

Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

**L.A.:** Male, Farm boy, etc. (with others)

Age: 18-30 (Range: G to G)

**Yonkers:** Male, Farm boy, etc. (with others)

Age: 18-30 (Range: G to G)

**Angie:** Male, Farm boy, etc. (with others)

Age: 18-30 (Range: G to G)

Kringelein: Male, Hotel Manager in Akron

Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

Mr. Goldstone: Male, Representative of the Orpheum Circuit

Age: 30-50 (Range: Flexible)

Miss Cratchitt: Female, Secretary at Grantziger's Palace

Age: 20-40 (Range: Flexible)

**Agnes:** Female, Hollywood Blonde

Age: 16-30 (Range: Flexible)

Marjorie May: Female, Hollywood Blonde

Age: 16-30 (Range: Flexible)

Dolores: Female, Hollywood Blonde

Age: 16-30 (Range: Flexible)

Thelma: Female, Hollywood Blonde, non-speaking

Age: 16-30 (Range: Flexible)

Gail: Female, Hollywood Blonde, non-speaking

Age: 16-30 (Range: Flexible)

Cigar: Male, Theatre Manager in Wichita

Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

Pastey: Male, Stage Manager in Wichita

Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

Offstage Announcer: Male or Female, Introducing Gypsy across the country

Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

**Renee:** Female, Louise's maid Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

**Phil:** Male, Louise's press agent Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

Bourgeron-Cochon: Male, Photographer

Age: Flexible (Range: Flexible)

**Baby June's Newsboys**, Male or Female Age: Youth/Preteens (Range: Flexible)

# *Gypsy*Sides

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#1

ROSE

Never!

(She turns to see LOUISE who has entered behind her)

Why aren't you ready for bed, Louise?

LOUISE

 $\ell$  June says you said she can sleep with you tonight.

ROSE

You know how high-strung the baby is after a performance.

LOUISE

I performed.

ROSE

It ain't the same. Now say goodnight and go to bed.

LOUISE

Goodnight, Grandpa.

(Kisses him)

FATHER

Goodnight, Louise. You're a good girl.

ROSE

You are a good girl, and I was proud of you tonight.

(LOUISE runs to her and hugs her. Then:)

LOUISE

Momma, how come I have three fathers?

ROSE

Because you're lucky... You were born with a caul. That means you got powers to read palms and tell fortunes and wonderful things are going to happen for you!  $\$ 

(LOUISE goes)

FATHER

Why do you fill her with such bunk?

ROSE

It ain't bunk!

Tulsa/Lourise

TULSA

It's O.K., Herbie...

HERBIE

I thought you were maybe worried about the act.

Oh, no, Herbie.

HERBIE

Because the way things are pickin' up - why, I wouldn't be surprised if you kids got paid!

(To LÔUISE)

Matter of fact, they're good enough right now for me to treat you to an ice cream soda.

LOUISE

No, thank you.

HERBIE

Chow mein?

LOUISE

Momma doesn't like us to eat just before a show.

HERBIE

(After a beat, gently)

There's one thing your momma khows I wish you did: I like her.

(Starts in)

LOUISE

Herbie...

(HE returns. A moment, them SHE

shakes her head)

Nothing.

HERBIE

Tulsa, if you or the boys have any problems, you bring 'em to

me. Will you?

TULSA

Sure, Herbie.

(HERBIE exits)

LOUISE

You didn't tell him anything, did you? I mean that you're rehearsing a dance team act?

TULSA

How'd you know I was working on an act?

LOUISE

I saw you practicing Monday after the matinee, with your broom for a partner. I was up in the flies.

TULSA

Louise - please -

LOUISE

Oh, I won't tell anybody, Tulsa! I'm very secretive. Just like you.

(Takes his hand)

That's what this means here in your palm. And this means you make up dreams - like me.

TULSA

(Moves away)

What do you make up dreams about?

LOUISE

...People.

TULSA

Oh, I do that too.

LOUISE

Yes, but yours are about a partner for your act.

TULSA

She's gonna be more than a partner, I hope. I mean I dream...that one day well, you know ...

(Starts to dance around)

LOUISE

What would she have to be like, Tulsa? A wonderful singer and dancer, I guess.

TULSA

Oh, no. I'm going to do most of that. I don't mean I'm going to hog it all but - they always look at the girl...in a dance team. Especially if she's pretty.

LOUISE

Makeup can help. And costumes.

TULSA

I've got the costumes all figured out. A blue satin tux for me  $\underline{\ }$ 

LOUISE

With rhinestone lapels --

TULSA

You think?

LOUISE

I'll sew them on.

(Music)

TULSA

(As music starts)

O.K. Secret?

LOUISE

Secret.

TULSA

I pretend I'm home getting dressed for a date. I comb my hair. I take a flower...Put it in my lapel. Then I spot the audience. (Sings:)

/12/ ALL I NEED IS A GIRL - Tulsa (Vocal)

ONCE MY CLOTHES WERE SHABBY,
TAILORS CALLED ME "CABBIE,"
SO I TOOK A VOW,
SAID "THIS BUM'LL
BE BEAU BRUMMEL."

NOW I'M SMOOTH AND SNAPPY, NOW MY TAILOR'S HAPPY.

I'M THE CAT'S MEOW,
MY WARDROBE IS A WOW;
PARIS SILK, HARRIS TWEED,
THERE'S ONLY ONE THING I NEED.
GOT MY TWEED PRESSED,
GOT MY BEST VEST,

TULSA (Cont'd)

ALL I NEED NOW IS THE GIRL!

GOT MY STRIPED TIE,

GOT MY HOPES HIGH,

GOT THE TIME AND THE PLACE, AND I GOT RHYTHM - NOW ALL I NEED'S THE GIRL TO GO WITH 'EM!

IF SHE'LL

JUST APPEAR, WE'LL

TAKE THIS BIG TOWN FOR A WHIRL,

AND IF SHE'LL SAY, "MY

DARLING, I'M YOURS," I'LL THROW AWAY MY

STRIPED TIE AND MY BEST-PRESSED TWEED -

ALL I REALLY NEED

IS THE GIRL!

(LOUISE has been watching with yearning and now, as TULSA begins to dance the yearning increases. He explains his dance to her as he goes along:)

#### /12A/ ALL I NEED IS A GIRL (Dance)

#### Orchestra

I start easy...Now I'm more - debonair...Break! And I sell it here...I start this step, see -- I build it and double it -- and she appears! All in white!

(He reaches out his hand to the

invisible partner, tentatively.

HE is unaware of her, unaware

of her hopes, unaware SHE is

following him about, visualizing

herself as the partner for him)

I take her hand - kiss it - and lead her on the floor...

(SHE holds her hand out)

This step is good for the costumes...Astaire bit. Now we waltz.

(She follows him out "on

the floor")

Strings come in. And I lift her!

(She mimes being lifted)

... Again!... Once more!... Now the tempo changes; and all the

lights come up; and I build!

(At last, he starts a step that LOUISE knows and clumsily, she starts to do it with him. At last, HE notices and shouts:)

RENÉE

Yes, madam.

(Goes out with the furs and the cow head)

ROSE Aren't you going to take your bath?

LOUISE

Yes, Mother.

ROSE

Then why are you fixing your face?

LOUISE

A photographer's coming.

ROSE

Where's he going to photograph you? In the tub?

LOUISE

Eventually.

ROSE

(Shocked)

Louise!!

LOUISE

It's for Vogue.

ROSE

(Elated)

Louise!! Well I better get out our scrapbooks.

LOUISE

Phil's taken care of all that.

ROSE

Phil! He's a rotten press agent. He never tells 'em we headlined the Orpheum Circuit.

(Phone rings)

LOUISE

(Beating her to it)

Hello?...

LOUISE (Cont'd)

(Intimately)

Hello. No, it's difficult right now.

ROSE

I'm not leaving.

LOUISE

I'll see you at the party... Yes, I promise. À bientôt. (Hangs up)

ROSE

À bien what?

LOUISE

I guess I'm being a little much - but Momma, I love it.

ROSE

All right so...who's giving the party?

LOUISE

Some friends.

ROSE

In the old days, I was always invited first.

(Very grandly)

I wouldn't go even if I  $\underline{\text{did}}$  have something to wear. I got more important things to do - like thinking up an idea for a new strip for us.

LOUISE

Mother, we're still stuck with that wind machine you bought to  $\frac{b \log w}{a}$  my clothes off... Actually - I'm putting in a new number on Saturday.

ROSE

...What is it?

LOUISE

You'll see.

ROSE

I'll see.

LOUISE

Let me surprise you.

(z)

These days, you're just one big surprise after another...we have to go shopping tomorrow for the material for the gown.

LOUISE

I've got a French lesson tomorrow.

ROSE

Oh. Well, I'll go alone. Any particular color you have in mind?

LOUISE

Mother - I've already started to make the gown.

ROSE

Oh... Well, I better run your bath.

LOUISE

You don't have to. That's what I've got a maid for.

ROSE

LET ME DO SOMETHING, DAMMIT!

LOUISE

What, Mother?

ROSE

A million things. I'm not a baby.

LOUISE

Neither am I.

ROSE

Don't you take that tone to me. Your sister used to get that edge to her voice  $\ -$ 

LOUISE

I am not June!

ROSE

You're not Louise, either!

LOUISE

And neither are you!

Oh yes I am! More than you, Miss Gypsy Rose Lee -- with your dirty pictures for Vogue!

LOUISE

Mother -

ROSE

And your maids and your press agents and your fancy friends and their fancy parties!

LOUISE

They happen --

ROSE

Your loud-mouth mother ain't invited to those goddam parties. They laugh at her!

LOUISE

They don't --

ROSE

They DO! And don't think I don't know that's one reason why you don't want me backstage: so I won't hear 'em laugh. Well, it's <a href="them">them</a> you oughta keep out, not me! Because they're laughing at you, too! You, the burlesque queen who speaks lousy French and reads book reviews like they was books!

LOUISE

Turn it off, Mother.

ROSE

Do you know what you are to them? A circus freak. This year's novelty act! And when the bill is changed -

#### LOUISE

I SAID TURN IT OFF! Nobody laughs at me - because I laugh first! At me! ME - from Seattle; me - with no education; me with no talent - as you've kept reminding me my whole life. Well, look at me now: a star! Look how I live. Look at my friends! Look where I'm going! I'm not staying in burlesque. I'm moving - maybe up, maybe down -- but wherever it is, I'm enjoying it! Mama, I'm having the time of my life because for the first time, it is my life! And I love it! I love every second of it and I'll be damned if you're going to take it away from me! I AM Gypsy Rose Lee! I love her - and if you don't, you can clear out right now!



(A moment: ROSE stares at her, stunned. Then a knocking on the door and RENÉE enters)

RENÉE

Your Press Agent is here with the photographer.

LOUISE

Tell him I'll be ready in a minute.

(Quieter)

Momma, we can't go shouting seven performances of this a week.

ROSE

The whole family shouts: it comes from our living so near the railroad tracks.

LOUISE

I'm getting an ulcer.

ROSE

You think I'm not?

LOUISE

Yes, I think you're not. And if you want an ulcer, Momma, get one of your own. You can't have mine.

ROSE

(Frustrated)

Everybody has stomach trouble but me.

LOUISE

Mother, you fought your whole life. I wish you could relax now

ROSE

You need more mascara on your left eye.

LOUISE

Momma, you have got to let go of me!

ROSE

Let go?

LOUISE

I'll give you anything you want -

You need me!

LOUISE

A house, a farm, a school -- a dramatic school for kids? You were always great with kids!

ROSE

(Cutting in)

I'm a pro! Not an old work horse you can turn out to pasture just because you think you're riding high on your own!

LOUISE

Momma, no kid does it all on his own but <u>I am not a kid any more!</u> From now on, even if I flop, I flop on my own!

(Knock on door)

PHIL

(Off)

Hey, Gyps, what do you say?

ROSE

"So long, Rose," that's what she says. "Don't slam the door on your way out."

(Starts to go, but is pushed aside by the PRESS AGENT and PHOTOGRAPHERS)

PHIL

(As he enters)

Hi, Rose. Gyps, baby, may I present, Monsieur Bougeron-Cochon.

LOUISE

Enchanté, Monsieur.

BOUGERON-COCHON

Enchanté.

PHIL

Let's make with the oiseau, kiddies. One before you take the plunge. All set...

(LOUISE takes a cheesecake pose)

Fine!

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calling and running out after her. A pause, then LOUISE picks up the phone left off the hook:)

LOUISE

No!

(Hangs up)
Momma's just talking big, June. She won't really --

JUNE

Yes, she will.

LOUISE

Maybe Mr. Grantziger will -

JUNE

No, he won't... Well, that's show business.

LOUISE

Aren't you happy someone like Mr. T. T. Grantziger thinks you can be a star?

JUNE

You're funny.

LOUISE

Why?

JUNE

Well, you're never jealous.

LOUISE

Oh. Well, I don't have any talent. I don't mind really - except Momma would like it better if I did.

JUNE

I guess that's what she likes about me. Momma's no fool. I'm not a star.

LOUISE

You are.

JUNE

I'm not! Mr. Grantziger could make me one if --

LOUISE

Momma can make you a star, too.



JUNE

Momma can do one thing: she can make herself believe anything she makes up. Like with that rhinestone finale dress <u>you</u> sewed for me. Momma wants publicity so she makes up a story that three nuns went blind sewing it! Now she believes it. She even believes the act is good.

LOUISE

Isn't it?

JUNE

It's a terrible act and I hate it! I've hated it from the beginning and I hate it more now! I hate pretending I'm two years old. I hate singing those same awful songs, doing those same awful dances, wearing those same awful costumes -- I didn't mean it about the costumes.

LOUISE

No. You just meant you're too big for them now.

JUNE

Do you ever feel like you didn't have a sister?

LOUISE

... Sometimes.

JUNE

It's Momma's fault.

LOUISE

You can't blame everything on Momma.

JUNE

You can't maybe. I wish she'd marry Herbie and let me alone.

LOUISE

Herbie doesn't want to marry her. All he cares about is the act.

JUNE

Oh, honest. Louise.

LOUISE

Well, he's an agent!

(2)

(Baby-talk to dog) 'Atsa healthy-wealthy lady-wadie.

HERBIE

Oh, God!

JUNE

Herbie's angry.

ROSE

Herbie's never angry; it's bad for his stomach. Come on, girls, beddie-bye.

JUNE

It's so early!

ROSE

But, you have to audition for Mr. T. T. Grantziger at his Palace Theatre tomorrow and you have to look young.

LOUISE

Can I wear a dress?

ROSE

You'd look old in a dress. Besides, you haven't got one.

(SHE and JUNE have lined up with LOUISE: 3 blanket-coats in a row)

JUNE

Good night, Uncle Herbie.

(Kisses him)

HERBIE

Good night, June.

(Stands up to kiss LOUISE who

stiff-arms him)

Good night, Louise.

LOUISE

Good night, Herbie.

(Exits with JUNE)

ROSE

I'll cold-cream their faces and be right back.

HERBIE

Rose, the hotel is two doors away! Honestly, you behave as though those girls - Rose!

(This is because SHE is collecting silverware)

ROSE

We need new silverware.

(Stops)

Herbie, how long is it going to take you to get used to me?

HERBIE

How long did it take me to get used to those coats?

ROSE

What's the matter with them? They're very stylish! Louise is very handy with a needle.

(Picking up silverware)

Herbie, as the good Lord says: an eye for an eye - a tooth for a tooth -

(Dumps the silver into her bag)

And it serves them right for over-charging. --

(Starts to go - HERBIE hands her a knife which SHE also takes. But then she stops and returns)

They can skip the cold cream for one night.

(Automatically, HE gets up too and helps her off with her coat)

(ROSE, admiringly:)

All this time we've been together and you still stand up for me!

HERBIE

Instead of standing up to you.

ROSE

I wanted to have dinner tonight, just the two of us, but what was I going to do with the girls? They're babies.

HERBIE

Rose, no matter how you dress 'em, no matter how you smother 'em, they're big girls. They're almost young women---



They're not and they never will be!

HERBIE

I'm embarrassed in front of them! When are you going to marry me, Rose?

ROSE

Don't forget to take our scrapbooks to Mr. Grantziger's tomorrow.

HERBIE

When are you going to quit stalling? Honey, don't you know there's a depression?

ROSE

Of course I know! I read Variety.

HERBIE

Don't you know what it's doing to vaudeville? Don't you know what the talkies are doing to vaudeville? Don't you know I love you?

ROSE

You think I'd be unfaithful to my husbands if you didn't? But I have to think of my girls and their happiness.

HERBIE

Louise is very happy being the rear end of a cow!

ROSE

She loves animals.

HERBIE

She and June should both be in school ---

ROSE

And be like other girls; cook and clean and sit and die! (To Waitress, sweetly)

Honey, could I have a spoon to stir my tea?... I promised June she'd be a star and she will be. I promised I'd get her on the Pantages Circuit and I did. I promised I'd get her on the Orpheum Circuit and I did.

HERBIE

 $\underline{\text{I}}$  did! And you promised me that after I did, you'd marry me.



I promised her she'd headline on Broadway and --

HERBIE

Didn't you hear what I said?

ROSE

Yes, but I'm ignoring it.

(To Waitress)

Thanks, honey.

(Waits 'til she's gone, then

puts spoon in her bag)

Herbie, it isn't very polite for a gentleman to remind a lady that she welched. There was no date on that promise --

HERBIE

ROSE, STOP HANDING ME THAT BULL.

ROSE

Your stomach!

(Quickly handing him a pill)

(Music starts)

Herbie, why don't you get angry outside, instead of letting it settle in your stomach?

HERBIE

I'm afraid.

ROSE

Of me?

HERBIE

Of me.

ROSE

What do you mean?

HERBIE

If I ever let loose, it'll end with me picking up and walking.

ROSE

Only around the block.

HERBIE

No.



Don't say that.

#### /9/ YOU'LL NEVER GET AWAY FROM ME - Rose & Herbie

ROSE

(Sings)

YOU'LL NEVER GET AWAY FROM ME. YOU CAN CLIMB THE TALLEST TREE,

I'LL BE THERE SOMEHOW.

TRUE, YOU COULD SAY, "HEY, HERE'S YOUR HAT," BUT A LITTLE THING LIKE THAT

COULDN'T STOP ME NOW.

I COULDN'T GET AWAY FROM YOU

EVEN IF YOU TOLD ME TO,

SO GO ON AND TRY!

JUST TRY,

AND YOU'RE GONNA SEE

HOW YOU'RE GONNA NOT AT ALL GET AWAY FROM ME!

HERBIE

Rose, what do you want? There are better agents.

ROSE

Not for me.

HERBIE

Even weaker men.

ROSE

Not for me.

HERBIE

Then what?

ROSE

You. Herbie, just help me like you been helping. Just let me get June's name up in lights so big, it'll last my whole life.

HERBIE

Rose, what you expect --

ROSE

I'll get! And after I get it, I promise I'll marry you. I even promise to keep my promise. Please, Herbie.



ROSE (Cont'd)

I don't want to upset anything before the audition tomorrow. Including your stomach.  $\$ 

HERBIE

(Sings)

ROSE, I LOVE YOU, BUT DON'T COUNT YOUR CHICKENS.

ROSE

COME DANCE WITH ME.

HERBIE

I WARN YOU THAT I'M NO BOY SCOUT.

ROSE

RELAX A WHILE - COME DANCE WITH ME.

HERBIE

SO DON'T THINK

THAT I'M EASY PICKIN'S -

ROSE

THE MUSIC'S SO NICE --

HERBIE

ROSE!

'CAUSE I JUST MAY SOME DAY

PICK UP AND PACK OUT.

ROSE

OH NO. YOU WON'T. NO, NOT A CHANCE. NO ARGUMENTS, SHUT UP AND DANCE.

YOU'LL NEVER GET AWAY FROM ME, YOU CAN CLIMB THE TALLEST TREE -I'LL BE THERE SOMEHOW!

TRUE, YOU COULD SAY, "HEY, HERE'S YOUR HAT," BUT A LITTLE THING LIKE THAT COULDN'T STOP ME NOW.



gaudiest, fanciest, richest costume ROSE has been able to whip up. She whirls madly to the footlights, does a split and coyly screeches:)

JUNE

Hello, everybody! My name is June. What's yours?

/6A/ LET ME ENTERTAIN YOU (Ragtime version)

(Sings)

LET ME ENTERTAIN YOU,

LET ME MAKE YOU SMILE,

LET ME DO A FEW TRICKS,

SOME OLD AND THEN SOME NEW TRICKS,

I'M VERY VERSATILE.

AND IF YOU'RE REAL GOOD,

I'LL MAKE YOU FEEL GOOD,

I WANT YOUR SPIRITS TO CLIMB.

SO, LET ME ENTERTAIN YOU

(Scream)

AND WE'LL HAVE A REAL GOOD TIME, YES SIR! WE'LL HAVE A REAL GOOD TIME!

(After that, she toe-tap dances wildly and does every trick ROSE has been able to teach, steal and think up. She has a big finish - with the BOYS offstage, of course. SHE does high kicks for her bows and then, breathing as though each gasp were her last, she trips daintily to the footlights and says:)

/6B/ <u>INCIDENTAL</u> (Let Me Entertain You)
Orchestra

JUNE

Thank you so much, ladies and gentlemen. You're very kind...

(Music)

/6C/ RECITATION & MILITARY ROUTINE Orchestra

JUNE

You know, everybody has somebody to thank for their success. Usually, it's their mother; and sometimes, it's their father.



JUNE (Cont'd)

But tonight, I would like you all to join me in giving thanks to an uncle of mine -- and an uncle of yours. The greatest Uncle of Them All: OUR - UNCLE - SAM!

(A crash from the orchestra and as JUNE darts behind the kiosk to change her costume, the BOYS and LOUISE return - in military costumes. Each of the REAL BOYS represents a wing of our armed forces, LOUISE is Uncle Sam. Each child does whatever he can for a specialty; LOUISE does "bells" (which she also did in the opening). The piece de resistance is, naturally, JUNE. This time she is dressed like a red-white-and-blue Statue of Liberty and she is on point, twirling batons for all she is worth. Behind her, the American Eagle pops up over the kiosk; the band plays "The Stars and Stripes." But ROSE takes no chances. As JUNE twirls herself into a split, LOUISE and the BOYS fire the rifles they are carrying - and American flags pop up.)

## /6D/ THE SCENE CONTINUES (Let Me Entertain You) - Orchestra

(Wild applause, stopped only (?) by:

JUNE, breathing harder than ever)

JUNE

Mr. Conductor, if you please.

#### /6E/ MILITARY ROUTINE (Part II) - Orchestra

(The orchestra strikes up again and JUNE and her NEWSBOYS start a travel-ing step. The lights on the performers begin to flicker faster and faster - by using a lobsterscope - and as JUNE and her BOYS seem to dance faster and faster, they appear to be flying in space and growing. Actually, through the



HERBIE

Listen, you little punk. For the next two weeks, you're gonna speak like a Sunday school teacher. You have something in this theatre you've never seen before. A lady.

(Points him toward ROSE)

That is a lady.

(Points him toward LOUISE)

That is also a lady. Every girl in this damn act is a lady, you understand?

PASTEY

Yes, sir.

HERBIE

Now get on stage and I'll give you those cues when I'm ready.

PASTEY

Yes, sir. Excuse me, ma'am.

(He goes out and off. ROSE kisses HERBIE, who hikes his pants up. He goes out but is stopped in the corridor by TESSIE:)

TESSIE

Oh, sir? Won't you give me your protection? I'm a lady, too! (On the last, a vivacious grind and bump. The bumper flips)

Hey! The goddam thing worked!

(She goes into the dressing room as HERBIE goes off to the "stage")

HERBIE

Oh, no, no, no...

TESSIE

/ Well, if you ladies will excuse me -

ROSE

We're very busy.

TESSIE

In my dressing room.

ROSE

In your dress--



LOUISE

(Overlapping)

Momma --

TESSIE

You're damn right. And I don't like sharing it any more than you do. Particularly with a troupe of professional virgins.

ROSE

We are not -

TESSIE

All right, so you're acrobats.

ROSE

We happen to be headliners from the Orpheum Circuit. We were booked into this theatre by mistake.

TESSIF

Weren't we all!

(Reaching for a costume ROSE has

unpacked)

Say! Who made that?

LOUISE

I did. I make all our costumes.

TESSIE

My! Look at them lady-like little stitches! That miserable broad that's been makin' my gowns must be usin' a fish hook!

LOUISE

What do you pay her?

TESSIE

25 bucks a gown and I provide the material.

ROSE

30.

TESSIE

She's new in the business!

ROSE

30.

(Z)

TESSIE

Who're you? Her mother?

ROSE

Yes.

TESSIE

30. I'll get the material after the matinee.

ROSE

It's a deal.

(To LOUISE)

Where's your toreador costume?

LOUISE

The girls must have it in the dressing room with them.

ROSE

God knows what else they have in the dressing room with them. (Exits)

TESSIE

She's your mother?

LOUISE

Yes, she's my mother.

(A burly man, the MANAGER enters)

CIGAR

Tessie, I'm short a talking woman.

TESSIE

Tough titty.

CIGAR

Tessie, the new comic won't use a chorus girl.

TESSIE

Then let him use Mazeppa.

(To LOUISE)

Everyone else has.

(Laughs at her joke)

CIGAR

Now you know Mazeppa's got her Revolution Ballet just before his spot.

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JOCKO/Rose

ROSE

Hold it, please, hold it! Save your strength, June. Louise, dear, if you don't count --

JOCKO

Madame, do you realize you are absolutely --

ROSE

I do, Uncle Jocko, but I want to save your very valuable time for you.

JOCKO

In that case --

ROSE

When I saw your sensitive face at the Odd Fellows Hall -- my first husband was an Odd Fellow --

JOCKO

I am not an Odd Fellow!

ROSE

I meant a Knight of Pythias. My second husband was --

JOCKO

I'm not a Knight of Pythias!

ROSE

Then where  $\underline{\text{did}}$  you catch our act?

JOCKO

At the Elks.

ROSE

My father is an Elk! I have his tooth in here someplace.

(She dumps the dog into JOCKO's

arms as SHE rummages in her hand-

bag)

If you will just hold Chowsie for me -- that's short for chow mein.

(Baby talk)

Mommy just loves chow mein, doesn't she, chowsie wowsie? Stop sucking your thumb, Louise.

(To the Conductor)

Professor, I just marvel how you can make a performer into an artist.



JOCKO

What is going on here??

ROSE

Now if you could help my little girls by giving them a good loud la da da da da da da ---

(To JOCKO)

God helps him who helps himself.

(To the Drummer)

Mr. Zipser -- when the girls do their specialty would you please ad lick it? Thank you. Show him, girls.

JOCKO

Is this really happening?!

ROSE

Oh, Gus? Gus, would you please slap Baby June with something pink? She's the star. Smile, baby dear!

JOCKO

I have seen all kinds of mothers --

ROSE

Don't hang on the baby's dress, you'll rumple it up -- Do you know of a really good agent who could book a professional act like ours?

JOCKO

(Laughing)

A professional act! Hey, Georgie! Get a load of this --

ROSE

Don't you laugh! Don't you dare laugh! ... That child is going to be a star.

JOCKO

That's what they all say. All right --

ROSE

But we're not finished!

JOCKO

They are as far as I'm concerned.

ROSE

Because you're trying to play favorites!



JOCKO

(Stops)

What?

ROSE

How dare you let that rotten, untalented fat balloon block up my babies? I won't leave this stage till she does!

JOCKO

That child --

ROSE

Have you no loyalty to the Elks?

JOCKO

I'm not an Elk!

ROSE

Well, the editor of the Gazette  $\underline{is}$ ! I happen to know because at the last meeting he showed my father a letter he got -- complaining some contest was fixed... I guess desperate people do desperate things.

(ROSE looks at Conductor)

La da da de da da!

(Music starts and the GIRLS begin their act)

Thank you, Professor. Thank you, Uncle Jocko.
(She takes back the dog)
Thank you, Gus! Thank you, Mr. Zipser! Smile, girls, smile!

(She is singing along with her girls as she dances toward the BALLOON GIRL. Still singing gaily, ROSE removes her hatpin. The BALLOON GIRL backs away as ROSE comes after her, the hatpin extended like Joan of Arc's sword. She carefully punctures one or two and dances off as her dancing daughters grin, and finish to a blare of music)

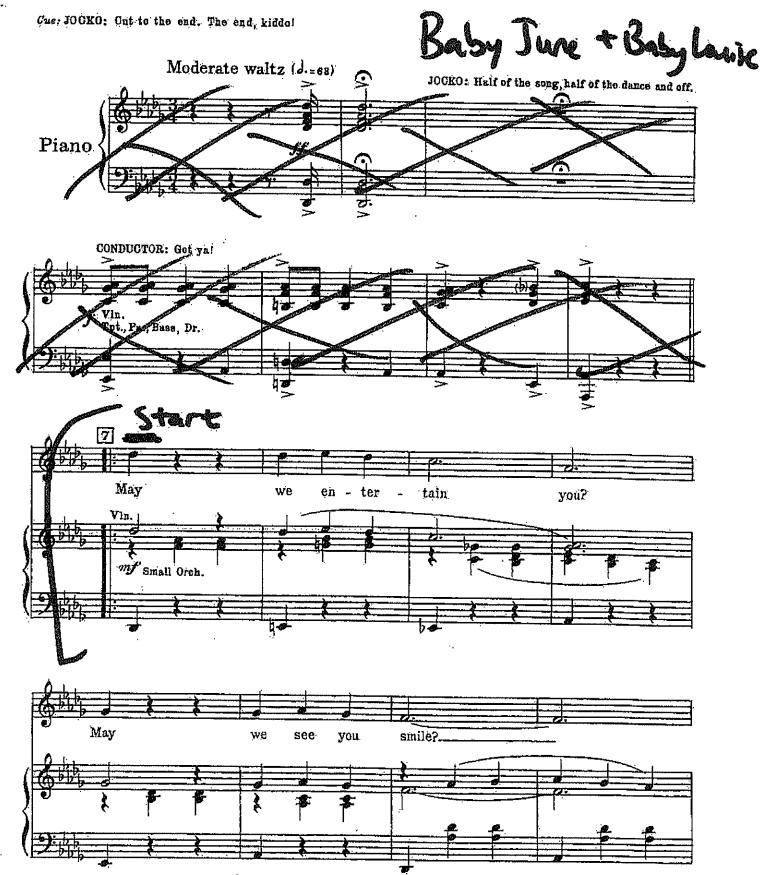
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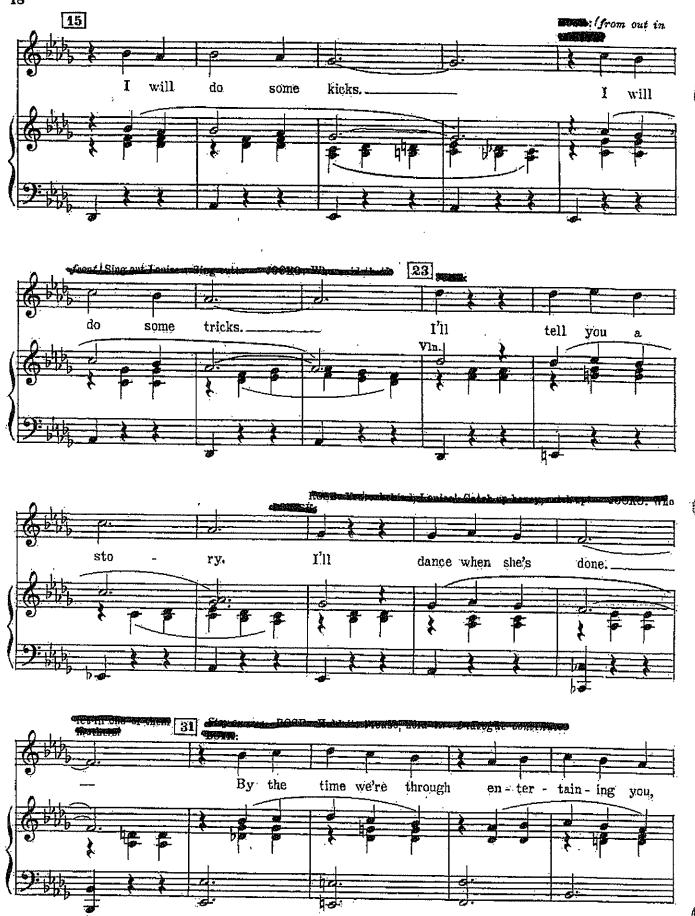
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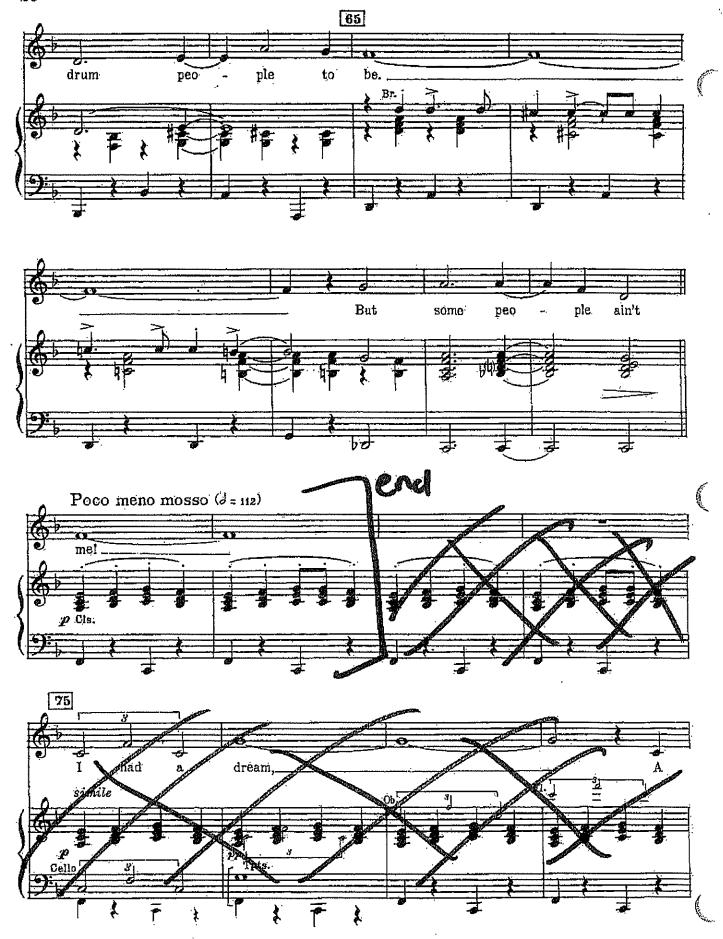


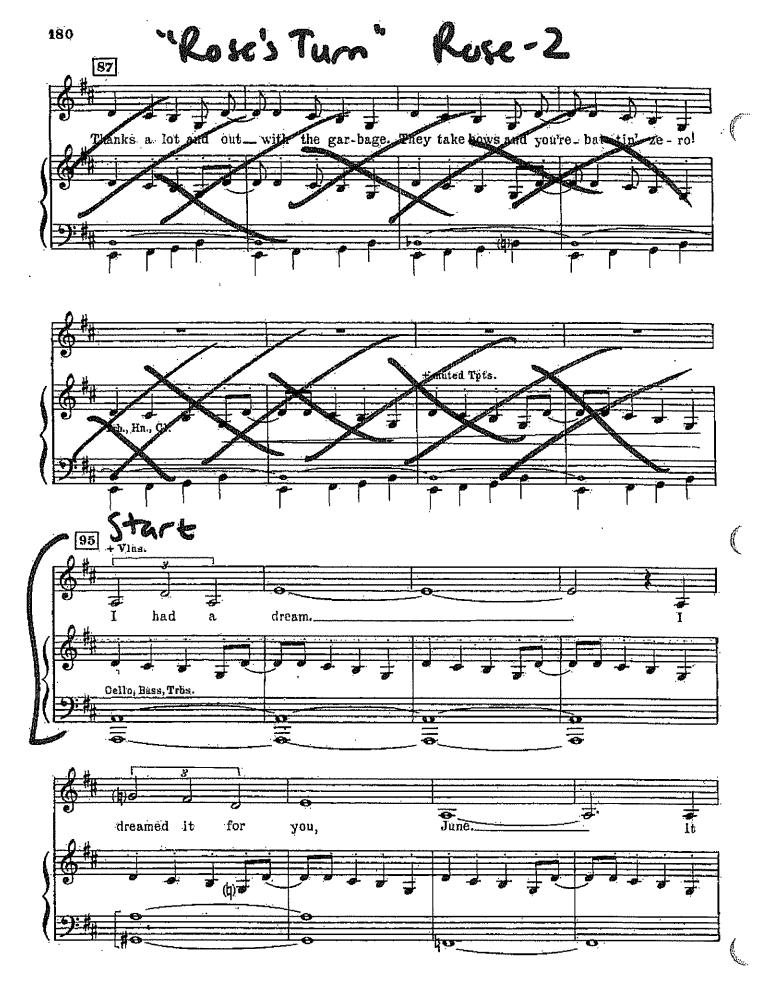














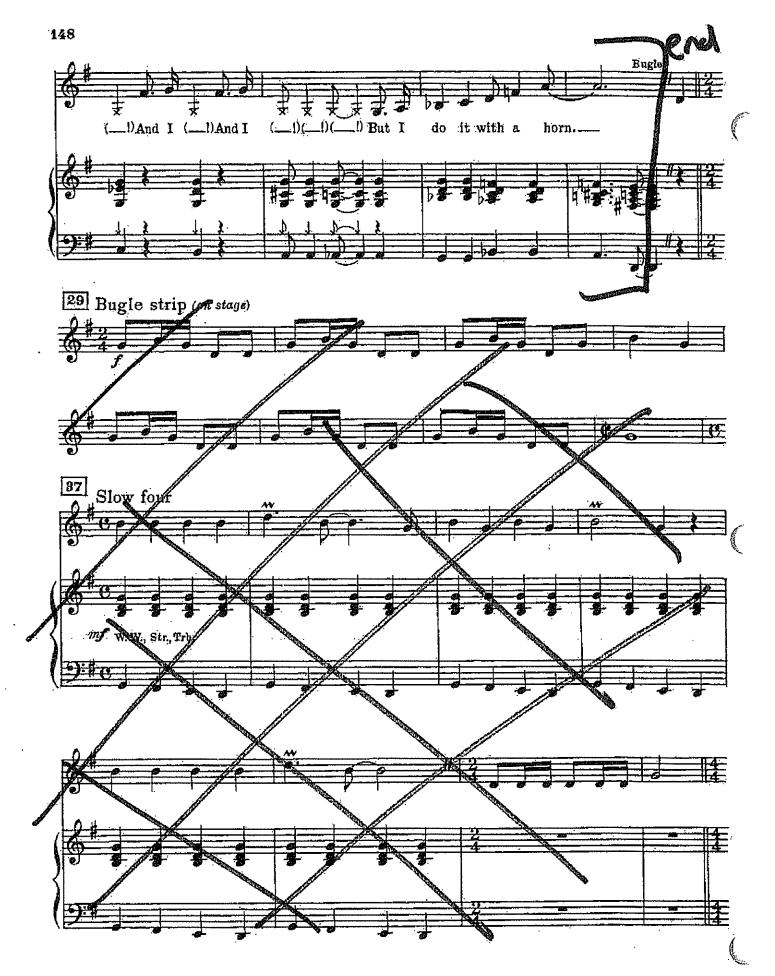




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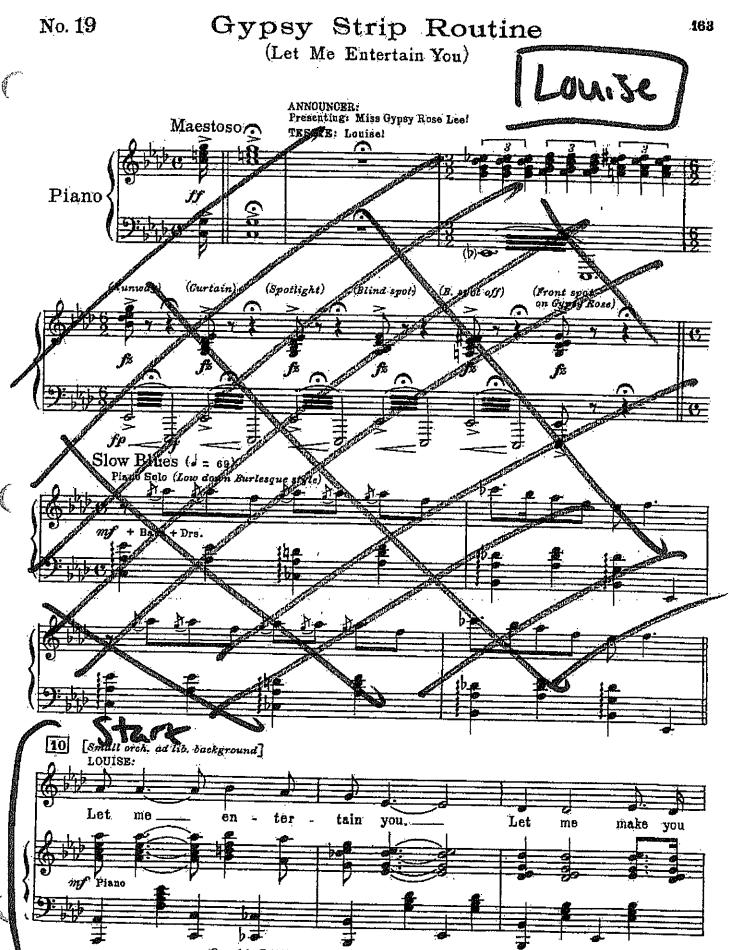










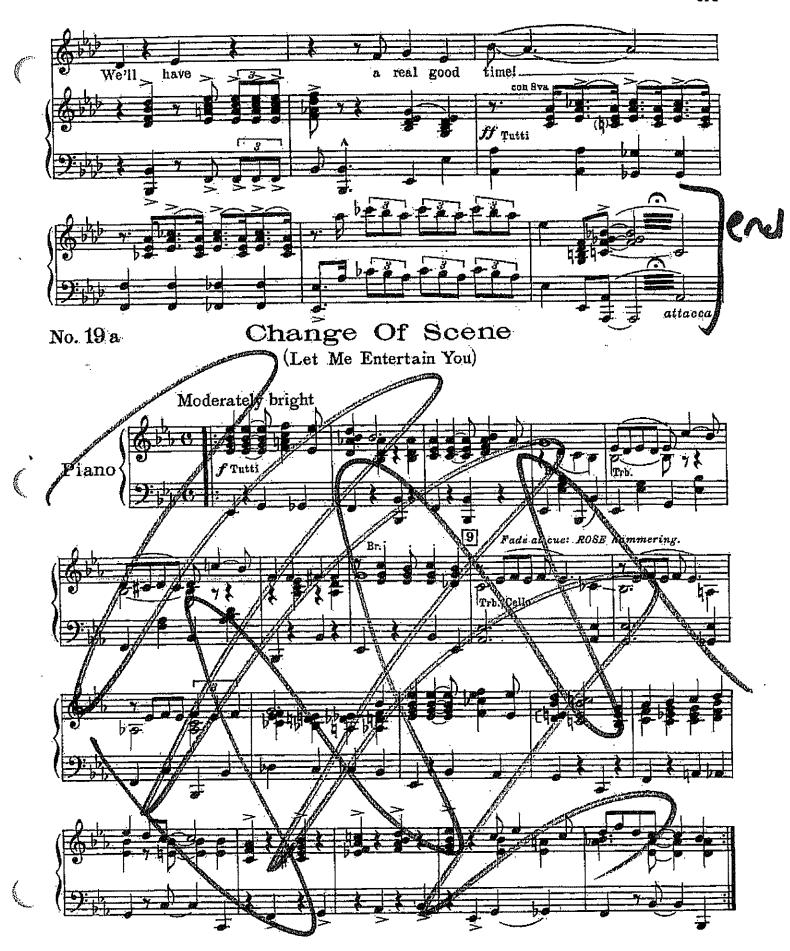


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