

Little Orphan Annie

"ANNIE'S SURPRISE PARTY"

[SFX: INTRO MUSIC]

ANNOUNCER:

Here it is 5:45 on **Little Orphan Annie's** Birthday, and so far, she has no idea about the big surprise party that we're going to have for her tonight. You remember that Joe is keeping **Annie** away from the farm so that she won't catch on, and all of **Annie's** school friends have already arrived for the party. Can you hear the noise they're making in the kitchen?

[SFX: KIDS YELLING AND PLAYING TOGETHER]

ANNOUNCER:

All the kids are running around Mr. and Mrs. Silo, listen there's Mrs. Silo now...

MRS. SILO:

I declare, my goodness, not so much noise!

GIRL 1:

When is she coming Mrs. Silo?

GIRL 2:

Yes Mrs. Silo, when will she be here?

MRS. SILO:

Are all the children here?

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GIRL 1:

Yes ma'am, everyone from school is here. Everyone except Mike Gold.

MRS. SILO:

He didn't come, huh?

JIMMY:

He's just a sore head!

POTATO FACE:

Joe had to give him a good licking at school today so he wouldn't tell **Annie** about the surprise party.

MRS. SILO:

I declare to goodness!

GIRL 1:

Well, it served him right.

GIRL 2:

When is she coming Mrs. Silo?

MRS. SILO:

Well, Joe promised to have her here by 20 minutes to 4.

GIRL 1:

Oh! It's almost 20 to 4 now!

MRS. SILO:

Yes indeedy, I know it is.

POTATO FACE:

Hey Jimmy, take a look out the window and see if you can see Joe and **Annie** coming.

JIMMY:

Okay!

MRS. SILO:

Now you children go and hide in the barn, and when **Annie** and Joe come, you can run out and holler surprise!

GIRL 2:

All right, Mrs. Silo.

JIMMY:

Hey, get ready everybody, here they come!

MR. SILO:

Get under cover there hide!

MRS. SILO:

I declare to goodness! Hide everyone hide! Hurry up!

MR. SILO:

Yes indeedy, get hidden you children...heh heh heh! It looks like we're all ready

Ma.

MRS. SILO:

Pa! That tablecloth - pull it straight! All the presents are hidden there. She'll see them when she comes in!

MR. SILO:

Sure, Ma, sure.

MRS. SILO:

Quick, quick, we don't want her to suspect anything...oh my goodness, whose hat is that over on the windowsill? Throw it in the bedroom Pa! **Annie's** got sharp eyes, she'd notice if there was anything wrong.

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MR. SILO:

I'll get it Ma.

MRS. SILO:

(Sighs) There, now I think everything is alright.

MR. SILO:

There she is comin' now!

[SFX: DOOR OPENS; ANNIE AND JOE ENTER TALKING]

JOE:

Aw gosh **Annie**, I'm sorry I couldn't find it.

ANNIE:

Oh, I bet there never was a beaver there.

JOE:

Sure there was **Annie**, Peter and Paul told me. They saw him building a dam. We just didn't look in the right place is all.

MR. SILO:

What's a matter there you youngins?

JOE:

I was gonna show **Annie** a place where a beaver was building his house, but when we got over there, we couldn't find it.

ANNIE:

Mrs. Silo?

MRS. SILO:

What's the matter, **Annie**?

ANNIE:

Leapin' lizards! What's the matter with you Mrs. Silo?

MRS. SILO

Me? Well there's nothing wrong with me!

ALL:

Surprise! Happy birthday, **Annie**!!

ANNIE:

Leapin' lizards! Golly! Jumpin' grasshoppers!

MRS. SILO:

All together children.

ALL:

[Sing "Happy Birthday" song to **Annie**]

ANNIE:

Leapin' lizards!

[SFX: GENERAL CHATTER]

ANNIE:

Are there presents too?

POTATO FACE:

Course' there are! This is a regular party!

ALL:

Hooray for **Annie**!

MRS. SILO:

That's right Pa, put those presents right up there on the table.

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ANNIE:

I've never had a birthday party like this before in all my life!

MRS. SILO:

Well, for mercy's sake **Annie**, open them! I'm just as curious as you are!

JOE:

Oh golly **Annie**, here's one you will want to open yourself.

ANNIE:

Well, what is it?

JOE:

Here, it's just a **little** package.

MRS. SILO:

Well, who's it from **Annie**?

ANNIE:

It's from Daddy Warbucks!!!

POTATO FACE:

Look at the stamps, it's from another country!

JIMMY:

Let me see 'em **Annie**. Oh gosh those stamps are from Poland!

JOE:

Poland, where's that?

JIMMY:

It's a country in the middle of Europe.

MRS. SILO:

Open it and see what it is **Annie**!

[SFX: PAPER CRUMPLING]

ANNIE:

Oh look here's a box, and here's an even smaller one, oh look, a ring! Wow it's beautiful!

ALL:

[General chatter] Wow! It's pretty! I wish I had a ring like that...(etc.)

MR. SILO:

That rose stone in the center is the birth stone for October.

ANNIE:

Leapin' lizards! That makes it my own personal birthday ring. Daddy Warbucks is a peach to get me such a swell present!

ANNOUNCER:

Hey, wasn't that a grand surprise for **Little Orphan Annie**? And did you ever see such a keen birthday present as that beautiful ring she got from Daddy Warbucks? Well that's all for now, but join us next week at 5:45 for more adventures of *Little Orphan Annie*!

[SFX: MUSIC OUTRO]