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GREAT GILDERSLEEVE

ANNCR:

N.B.C. presents Willard Waterman as -- THE GREAT

GILDERSLEEVE.

MUSIC:

THEME UP AND FADE 33-1

ANNCR:

Five nights a week W.B.C brings you the transcribed adventures of the Great Gildersleeve, with Leroy, Birdie,

Mr. Peavey, and your many friends in Summerfield. The

show is written by John Elliotte and Andy White.

MUSIC:

UP & OUT

ANNCR:

Well, it looks like wedding bells will soon chime for Birdie, who has been housekeeper for the Great Gildersleeve and Leroy so long they almost consider her as permanent a fixture as taxes. But the Water Commissioner is being big about it. On Birdie's day off he's shooing her out of the house before breakfast.

LEROY: Gosh, Unk, we haven't eaten yet today!

GILDY: Now Leroy, let me handle this:

BIRDIE: (OFF) I'm goin' now, Mr. Gilsleevel

GILDY: Fine, Birdie! Have a good day!

(OFF) Yes sir: Goodbye, Leroy: Door Close BIRDIE:

Goodbye! (2) LEROY:

GILDY: Now then, My boy, I want to prove we can manage for ourselves when Birdie leaves.

LEROY: Oh, sure.

GILDY: The first thing I want you to do --

(SLIGHTIM OFF) SWINGING DOOR Opens SOUND:

(STICKING HER HEAD IN KITCHEN) Before I go, is there BIRDIE: anything I can do?

Yeah! Cook breakfast LEROY:

GILDY: (LOW WARNING) Lee-roy...! Birdie, you min along. This is your day off, so have fun.

BIRDIE: Yes sir, I'm goin'.

SCUND: CLOSE SWINGING DOOR GILDY: Ta, ta! Now, Leroy --

30UND: SUPPORTED DOOR open you Gildersleeve

BIRDIE: (STICKING HEAD IN AGAIN) / You sure you don't want me to

get breakfast?

LEROY: Same I do!

GILDY: Young man -- ! (UP) Birdie, please!

BIRDIE: (FADING, GIGGLES) Yes sir, I'm gone!

SOUND: SHEWSENG DOOR Close

GILDY: Now, then, Leroy, what do you want for breakfast?)

LEROY: Well -- what have you got?

GILDY: Don't make it easy for me. Your old uncle is no novice

at this sort of thing. Speak up. Order your breakfast.

LEROY: A chocolate nut sundae.

GILDY: Wee-haus!

LEROY: You don't have it, huh?

GILDY: Leroy, you want bacon and eggs and you know it.

LEROY: Okay.

GHLDY: Now you get out the bacon and eggs and I'll heat up the

frying pan.

LEROY: (FADING) Okay.

SOUND: (OFF) OPEN AND CLOSE REFRIGERATOR DOOR

GILDY: This is just like camping out without the mosquitoes.

SOUND: SKILLET ON STOVE, RATTLE A PAN OR TWO

LEROY: Here's the bacon and eggs, unk.

GILDY: All right, my boy. Put some bacon in the skillet while I

check the coffee. (RADING A LITTLE) I've already

started it 3

SOUND: BACON SIZZLES LOUDLY IN SKILLET

LEROY: Your coffee doesn't smell like coffee.

GILDY: It doesn't?

SOUND: LIFT COFFEE LID

GILDY: Homm! Does look pale.

LEROY: You forgot to put in the coffee!

GILDY: Well, I can always poach the eggs in this hot water. You

have to be on your toes in the kitchen, Leroy.

LEROY: But I want my eggs fried with this bacon.

GILDY: My boy, poached eggs are good for you.

LEROY: Heck, I'm not getting any thing I want.

GILDY: Heh, heh. Now I'll just crack the eggs and drop them

gently into the boiling water ...

SOUND: CRACK AN EGG

GILDY: Here we go... Oop! Missed the pot!

SOUND: "SPLAT" OF EGG

LEROY: Yeah, it's on the toe of your shoe.

GILDY: Oh, for --!

LEROY: (FADING) Well - be seein' you, Unk.

GILDY: Where are you going?

LEROY: (SLIGHTLY OFF) Out to get a chocolate nut sundae!

HIDY: If I didn't have to clean up the kitchen I'd go with you!

MUSIC: BRIDGE 40-14

SOUND: DOOR. GONG...DOOR STEPS IN STORE

UNIDY:

Hello, Peavey.

PEAVEY:

(FADING IN) Well, hello Mr. Gildersleeve. What can I

do for you this morning?

GILDY:

Give me a cup of coffee and one of those sugar-coated

donuts.

PEAVEY:

Very well.

SOUND:

POUR A CUP OF COFFEE. . . RATTLE OF PLATE

GILDY:

I didn't have much of a breakfast this morning.

PEAVEY:

Birdie elope last night?

GILDY:

No, she's still with us. This is her day off. Peavey,

how do you get along when Mrs. Peavey is out of town and

you have to shift for yourself?

PEAVEY:

The parrot and I get along very well. We sit around and

talk about Mrs. Peavey.

GILDY:

What?

PRAVEY:

(CHUCKLES) We get a little upset when she leaves us.

GILDY:

I mean how do you make out in the kitchen? Leroy and I

don't do so well. (4-

PEAVEY:

I take my meals here at the pharmacy, and the parrot's no problem so long as he has a cracker. Of course, I

guess you can't just toss Leroy a cracker.

GILDY:

No, indeed. Leroy was a little impatient this morning,

but we haven't had any experience cooking, Peavey.

PEAVEY:

Oh, my no.

GILDY:

But men do it all the time. Look at Judge Hooker, he

lives alone and likes it.

PEAVEY:

Maybe he lives alone because nobody'll live with him.

GILDY: I don't know. There's a well-fed old goat if I ever

saw one.

PEAVEY: The Judge sets a fine table, all right. He invited Mrs.

Peavey and me to dinner. once

GILDY: He did?

PEAVEY: He was celebrating the second anniversary of his trip

to Europe.

GILDY: Oh, that.

PEAVEY: He had some pretty fancy dishes - something the Judge

called Lamb Brochette ala Parisienne.

GILDY: Sounds pretty fancy.

PEAVEY: I'm here to tell you. He was going to serve it on a

flaming sword.

GILDY: What do you mean, he was going to serve it?

PEAVEY: Well, the kitchen caught fire.

CLLY: Oh, my goodness.

PEAVEY: We ended up eating here at the pharmacy.

GILDY: Well, Leroy admires the Judge. If I could get the Judge

to invite us over there Leroy could see how easy it is

to get along without a woman in the kitchen.

PEAVEY: That could be.

GILDY: I'll have to be diplomatic and let the Judge think this

is his idea. He doesn't like it if you get pushy.

PEAVEY: I'll keep the pharmacy open in case his kitchen blows

up again.

SILDY: Now, Peavey, the Judge has managed for a long time.

PEAVEY: Yes, he has.

GILDY: Come to think of it, we could pick up kitchen hints from

a lot of people we know.

PEAVEY: How's that?

MUSIC:

CHDY: We can eat at the Judge's one night, with Floyd one

night, and at your house one night -- I have enough friends

to invite us out every night for a month.

PEAVEY: Well, now, I wouldn't say that.

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ACT II

GILDY: (TO SELF) It isn't going to be easy to finagle an invitation from the Judge for tonight. I know he's working on a case this week. He'll probably want to eat out himself.

SOUND: KNOCK ON DOOR

JUDGE: (OFF) Come in

SOUND: OPEN DOOR, STEPS INTO OFFICE

GILDY: Hello, Judge.

JUDGE: Gildy! You're just the man I want to see.

GILDY: I am?

JUDGE: I'm practicing my plea to the jury, and you can be the

accused.

GILDY: What?

JUDGE: You're about to be sent to prison for five years --

GILDY: Now wait a minute! I don't like that.

JUDGE: You mean the Water Commissioner doesn't want to go up

the river? (CACKLES)

GILDY: Heh, heh! (TO SELF) Better humor the old goat. (UP)

Horace, you have quite a sense of humor.

JUDGE: Thank you.

GILDY: As a matter of fact, Leroy and I are great admirers of

yours. We don't see enough of you.

JUDGE: Well, I we been thinking the same thing.

GILDY: You're a brilliant lawyer - a good conversationalist -

I don't know why you spend so much time alone.

JUDGE: Perhaps because nobody invites me out.

GILDY: Oh. Well - perhaps you should invite more people over to

your house. People who are close to you.

CUDCE: Cildy, you and Leroy are among my closest!

GILDY: We hope we are. After all, you're little Leroy's

godfather.

JUDGE: Little Leroy! Many times these lonely nights I fondly

recall the happy hours I spent bouncing him on my knee!

ONLDY: And it was I who got you in the Jelly Boys' Olub se

you wouldn't be so lonely.

JUDGE: I'll always be grateful for that.

GLDY: West, I just don't like to see you are. In fact,

Horace, you eat alone too much.

JUIGE: You think so?

GILDY: No doubt about it. Nothing like the warmth of good

friends around your table.

JUDGE: Old friend! Are you inviting me out to dinner?

GILDY: Well --

JUDGE: I was just about to ask you.

GILDY: Fine! I accept.

JUDGE: No, no, you thought of it first. I accept.

GTLDY: Confound it, Judge, Leroy and I are coming to your place!

When you give an invitation, don't renege!

JUDGE: (WARM CACKLE) se at my house at seven, Gildy.

MUSIC: BRIDGE

SOUND: MOTOR CAR IN TOTION

GILDY: Now mind your manners, Leroy.

LEROY: Okay.

GILDY: And when we leave, don't forget to tell the Judge you

enjoyed the evening.

LLROY: Whether we do or not, Unk?

GILDY: Of course.

LEROY: Do you suppose the Judge will get out his old magic

lantern slides from the Chicago World's Fair?

CILOY: We can stand those. The important thing is to see how he

menages his house.

Well don't go past it. We're here.

GYLDY: Ch.

SOUND: STOP CAR QUICKLY

GILLY: I m just trying to prove to you that if the Judge can go

it alone, we can get along without Birdie.

SOUND: OPEN CAR DOORS AND GET THEM OUT

LEROY: Oh, sure.

GTLDY: He's busy. He has the lights on in the kitchen.

SOURD: SLAM CAR DOORS. STEPS ON WALK

LEROY. Glanden. I smell something good cooking.

GILLY: Well, the Judge sets a fancy table. You and I can, too,

once we get the hang of it.

SCUND: (ANTICIPATE) UP STEPS ONTO PORCH AND RING ANTIQUE TYPE

CLANGY DOORBELL - THE KIND YOU TURN BY HAND

GILDY: Zeek! I wonder why the Judge doesn't sell that doorbell

to the fire department.

SOUND: OFEN DOOR

JUDGE: (SLIGHTLY OFF) Well, Gildy! And Leroy!

GTIDY: Hello, Judge.

LEROY: Hi.

JUDGE: Welcome to my humble table!

SOUND: STEPS IN

LEROY: You mean you don't have much?

GILDY: Now, Loroy...

SOUND: CLOSE DOOR

JUDGE: I know how interested boys are in food.

LEROY: Yeah?

SOUND: STEPS IN HOUSE

JUDGE: Leroy, why don't you help yourself to the hors d'ouvres?

They're on the table.

LEROY: The what?

GILDY: The little meatballs, Leroy.

JUDGE: You'll also find some canapes and smoked oysters wrapped

in bacon.

LEROY: Oh, boy!

GILDY: Judge, you're going all out! (ASIDE) Only one handful,

Leroy!

LEROY: Okay, okay.

GILDY: This looks wonderful, Judge. How do you do it?

JUDGE: Well the years have taught me a few culinary tricks.

GILDY: You see, Leroy?

LEROY: (EATING) Yeah!

GILDY: There's nothing to it once you get the hang of it.

JUDGE: If you don't mind we'll have an early dinner because I

have some slides to show.

LEROY: (TO SELF) Oh, groan!

JUDGE: Some pictures I took in Burope.

GILDY: Fine, Judge. We were hoping you'd show slides. Weren't

ve Lorey?

LEROY:

JUDGE: The strangest thing happened. I snapped the Leaning Tower

of Pisa and it came out straight.

GILDY: Heh, heh.

JUDGE: Now if you'll come into the kitchen I'll show you what

we're having for dinner.

XUND: THEIR STEPS

LEROY: We haven't finished the meatballs out here yet!

GILDY: Leroy, save some room.

SOUND: OPEN DOOR...STEPS ON LINOLEUM

LEROY: 0 K What was it that smelled so good outside?

JUDGE: Could it be this, Leroy?

SOUND: OPEN OVEN DOOR

LEROY: Hey! A whole turkey!

GILDY: /// and chestnut dressing!

LEROY! And it isn't even Thanksgiving!

SOUND: CLOSE OVEN DOOR

JUDGE: (PROUDLY) And then we have fresh fruit salad, broccoli

with Hollandaise sauce....

LEROY: How about that, Unk?

JUDGE: And for dessert --- homemade brown Betties!

LEROY: Man, oh man!

GILDY: You see, Leroy? If the Judge can do it we can do it!

How do you do it, Horace?

JUDGE: Well, you gave Birdie the day off so Its using her

me

tenight. (LIGHT CACKLE)

GILDY: What?

Come in Birdie

JUDGE: (CALLS) Birdiel You've got friends here

SOUND: (ANTICIPATE) STEPS FADE IN

BIRDIE: (FADING IN) Yes sir! (BIG LAUCH)

MUSIC: PLAYOFF #2

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LEROY: Wasn't that a good dinner last night, unk!

GILDY: You bet! You can't beat Birdie.

LEROY: Hey, I just got an idea! If she was cooking for the Judge, that means she didn't spend the day with Chestor.

CILDY: That's right. And nobody's seen Chester yet.

LEROY: I'll bet she doesn't have a boy friend. I'll bet there's no such person as Chester! I'll bet she writes those

letters to herself!

GILDY: By George, I m beginning to believe we've been worrying

about nothing.

BIRDIE: (OFF) Mr. Gilsleeve?

GILDY: Yes, Birdie?

SOUND: STEPS FADE IN

BIRDIE: (FADING IN) You didn't mind me cooking dinner for the

Judge last night, did you?

GILDY: Of course not!

BIRDIE: That's good, 'cause the ten dollars he paid me sure

helped on my troussess.

GILDY: Ohhh, pooo! Goodnight, folks.

MUSIC: CLOSING THEME

ANNCR:

The Great Gildersleeve is played by Willard Waterman and is a transcribed N.B.C. Radio Network Production directed by Virgil Reimer. Included in the cast were Walter Tetley, Lillian Randolph, Earle Ross, and Richard LeGrand. Musical compositions by Jack Meakin.

This is (ANNCR) ________ inviting you to listen again tomorrow night when the Great Gildersleeve faces the worst -- he goes looking for a new housekeeper.

GILDY:

(SAD SIGH)

MUSIC:

UP TO FILL

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