

LEO

This Roger De Bris, is he good? I mean, is he bad?

MAX

He stinks. That's why we're here. This guy couldn't direct you to the bathroom.

CARMEN

*(entering)*

Here's Roger!

## #10b Roger's Entrance

ROGER DE BRIS

*(enters, in a silvery full-length Art Deco gown)*

Ahhh, Messers Bialystock and Bloom, I presume. Forgive the pun.

MAX

Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha.

LEO

*(aside to MAX)*

What pun?

MAX

*(aside to LEO)*

Shut up. He thinks he's witty. Ah, Roger, good to see you again.

LEO

*(aside to MAX)*

Max, he's wearing a dress.

MAX

*(aside to LEO)*

No kidding.

*(to ROGER)*

Roger, you look gorgeous. Gorgeous.

ROGER

Merci. Oh, by the way, Max, darling, we loved "Funny Boy!", didn't we, Carmen?

## #10c To Be or Not To Be

CARMEN

Worshiped it!



CARMEN (CONT'D)

TO BE OR NOT TO BE ...

CARMEN & ROGER

... YOU MEAN A LOT TO ME ....

ROGER

Show-stopper!

CARMEN

Fabulous!

ROGER

Oh, dear, your Mr. Bloom is staring at my gown.

LEO

Oh, well, I ...

ROGER

I should explain. I'm going to the choreographer's ball this evening. There is a prize for best costume.

CARMEN

We always win.

ROGER

*(looking in a mirror as HE puts on a pointed Art Deco tiara; turning back to face front)*

I'm not so sure about this year. I'm supposed to be the Grand Duchess Anastasia. But I think I look more like the Chrysler Building.

CARMEN

As far as I'm concerned, without your wig on, you're only half dressed.

ROGER

Well, then, why don't you go and get it, oh Wicked Witch of the West?

CARMEN

If your intention was to shoot an arrow through my heart ... Bulls eye!

*(HE exits)*

ROGER

Mr. Bloom, what do you think of my gown? Be brutal, brutal. God knows they will.

LEO

Uh ... where do you keep your wallet?

MAX

What a kidder. Roger, let's face it, that building is you. Listen, I know we sent it to you only this morning, but did you get a chance yet to read "Springtime For Hitler"?

ROGER

Read it? I devoured it! And I found it remarkable, remarkable. I feel that it is a very



## ROGER (CONT'D)

important piece. Drenched with historical goodies. I for one, for instance, never realized that the Third Reich meant Germany.

MAX

Yeah, how about that? Then you'll do it?

#11 *Keep It Gay*

Do it? Of course not. Not my kind of thing. I mean, Max, please, World War Two? Too dark, too depressing....

(CARMEN re-enters with Roger's wig)

THE THEATRE'S SO OBSESSED  
WITH DRAMAS SO DEPRESSED,  
IT'S HARD TO SELL A TICKET ON BROADWAY.  
SHOWS SHOULD BE MORE PRETTY,  
SHOWS SHOULD BE MORE WITTY,  
SHOWS SHOULD BE MORE...

What's the word?

LEO

Gay?

ROGER

Exactly!

NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO ON THE STAGE  
KEEP IT LIGHT, KEEP IT BRIGHT, KEEP IT GAY!  
WHETHER IT'S MURDER, MAYHEM OR RAGE.  
DON'T COMPLAIN, IT'S A PAIN, KEEP IT GAY!

CARMEN

PEOPLE WANT LAUGHTER WHEN THEY SEE A SHOW,  
THE LAST THING THEY'RE AFTER'S  
A LITANY OF WOE.

ROGER &amp; CARMEN

A HAPPY ENDING WILL PEP UP YOUR PLAY...

ROGER

OEDIPUS WON'T BOMB ...

CARMEN

... IF HE WINDS UP WITH MOM!

ROGER

KEEP IT GAY ...



Roger: "Ngahh!"

Max: "What's the matter?"

Leo: "Is he all right?"

Carmen: "He's having a stroke..."

Max/Leo: "What?"

Carmen: "...of genius!"

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Roger: "I see it, I see it!"



At last the chance to do something important!"

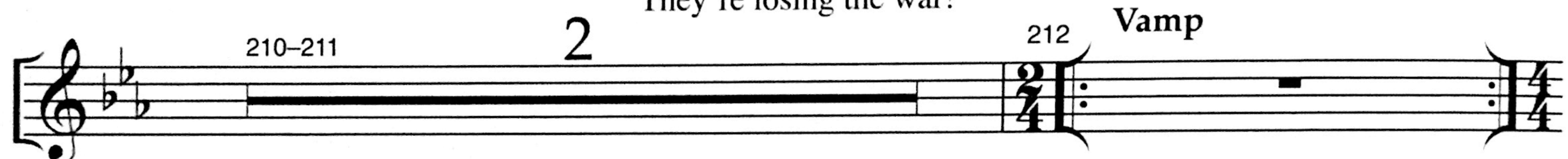
Carmen:



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Roger: "Of course, that whole second act has to be rewritten. They're losing the war!"

Excuse me. It's too downbeat."



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Carmen:

Roger: "But maybe...it's a wild idea, but it just might work..."

Roger:



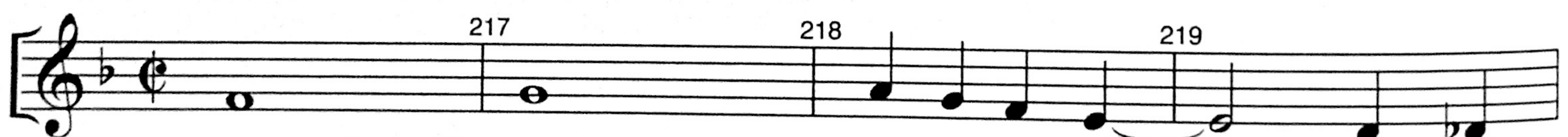
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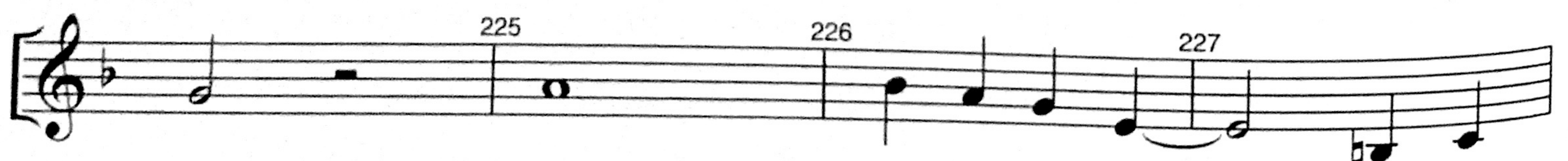
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## Carmen/Roger's Team:

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Turn, turn, kick, turn, turn, turn, kick, turn One, two, three, kick, turn Keep it

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sas - sy keep it clas - sy keep it... say that you're the only man in the world who can do justice to Springtime For Hitler. Will you do it please?"