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Merry Old Land Of Oz

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(Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tinman, Lion, Guard & Ozians:
Chorus including Beauticians, Polishers and Manicurists)

DOROTHY. There's a garden spot I'm told,
Where it's never too hot and it's never too cold,

SCARECROW. Where you're never too young,
And you're never too old.

TINMAN. Where you're never too thin or tall,

LION. And you're never, never, never,
Too, too, too, anything at all.

GUARD. It's all true.
Oh, we're not too mad
And we're not too sane,
And we don't compare and we don't complain.
All we do is just sit tight,
'cause it's all so, so, so, downright right!

The gates open, and the GUARD and FOUR FRIENDS pass into the City.

ACT TWO — SCENE 2

The Town Square, Emerald City.

As GUARD, DOROTHY, SCARECROW, TINMAN and LION enter, the EMERALD CITY INHABITANTS throng about them. Music continues.

GUARD. Ha-ha-ha!
Ho-ho ho!
And a couple of Tra-la-las
That's how we laugh the day away
In the merry old land of Oz.
Buzz- buzz-buzz!
Chirp-chirp-chirp!
And a couple of La-di-das...
That's how the crickets crick all day
In the merry old land of Oz.
We get up at twelve and start to work at one,
Take an hour for lunch and then at two we're done.

DOROTHY, TINMAN, LION & SCARECROW.

Jolly good fun!

GUARD. Ha-ha-ha!
Ho-ho ho!
And a couple of Tra-la-las
That's how we laugh the day away
In the merry old land of Oz.

GUARD, DOROTHY, SCARECROW, TINMAN, & LION.

Ha-ha-ha!
Ho-ho ho!
And a couple of Tra-la-las
That's how we laugh the day away
With a ho-ho-ho!
Ha-ha-ha!
In the merry old land of Oz.

Music continues under dialogue.

DOROTHY. It's everything you said it was and more.

SCARECROW. When do we get to see the Wizard?

TINMAN. Will you take us to him?

LION. Is he scary?

GUARD. The Wizard? The Wizard? I — I — well, yes of course.
But first I'll take you to a little place where you can tidy up a bit — what?

DOROTHY. Oh, thank you.

DOROTHY, SCARECROW, TINMAN, LION *And* GUARD *exit*.

Dance

An army of BEAUTICIANS and MAINTENANCE MEN march on stage. At end of the Dance, MAINTENANCE MEN bring SCARECROW on to the BEAUTICIANS.

ALL GIRLS. (*spoken in rhythm*)

Here we rush
With soap and brush
To make you clean and fair

The female BEAUTICIANS first set about adding new straw and brushing the SCARECROW'S clothing.

GIRLS (BEAUTICIANS).

Pat, pat, here
Pat, pat, there,
And a couple of brand new straws,
That's how we keep you young and fair,
In the merry old land of Oz.

TINMAN and DOROTHY reenter. BEAUTICIANS now turn their attention to DOROTHY while a second group set about cleaning the TINMAN.

MEN. (POLISHERS).

Rub, rub, here,
Rub, rub, there,
Whether you're tin or brass,
That's how we keep you in repair,
In the merry old land of Oz.

The FIRST GROUP attends DOROTHY. A GIRL holds a mirror for her.

GIRLS (BEAUTICIANS).

We can make dimple smile out of a frown.

DOROTHY. Can you even dye my eyes to match my gown?

GIRL (*Nodding, spoken*) Uh-huh!

DOROTHY. (*Spoken*) Jolly old town!

LION & GUARD reenter.

Meanwhile, SECOND GROUP has moved on to manicure the LION.

GIRLS (MANICURISTS).

Clip, clip, here,
Clip, clip, there,
We give the roughest claws-

LION.

That certain air
Of *savoir faire*
In the merry old land of Oz.

The ATTENDANTS finish their work.

SCARECROW. Ha-ha-ha

TINMAN. Ho-ho-ho

DOROTHY. Ho-ho-ho-ho

ALL FOUR. Ho, that's how we laugh the day away
In the merry old land of Oz.

GUARD. We get up at twelve and start to work at one

DOROTHY, SCARECROW, TINMAN, LION & GUARD.
Take an hour for lunch and then at two we're done.

ALL. Jolly good fun!

TUTTI ENSEMBLE.

Ha-ha- ha! Ho-ho-ho!

Ho-ho-ho-ho-ho!

That's how we laugh the day away,
In the merry old land of Oz.

That's how we laugh the day away,
With a-ah-ha-ha,

A-ah-ha-ha,

A-ah-ha-ha,

A-ah-ha-ha,

A-ah-ha-ha,

A-ah-ha-ha,

A-ah-ha-ha,

A-ah-ha-ha!

In the merry old land,

Merry old land,

Merry old, merry old,

Merry old land of Oz!

Music segues on applause.

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ALL. That's how we laugh the day away

With a ah-ha-ha,

a-ah-ha-ha,

a-ah-ha-ha,

a-ah-ha-ha,

a-ah-ha-ha,

a-ah-ha-ha,

a-ah...

Explosion, and the roar of the WITCH's broomstick overhead.

The OZIANs shrink back with a gasp. DOROTHY and the OTHERS look skyward.