

Little Orphan Annie



GOOD MORNING, COLONEL ANNIE--

AW, I'M NO REAL COLONEL--AN' PLEASE DONT KID ME, DOC-- I'M HAVIN' PLENTY O' TROUBLE, AS IT IS---



I'M NOT KIDDING YOU, ANNIE! I'M PROUD OF YOU--BY ORGANIZING ALL THE YOUNGSTERS IN TOWN AND COLLECTING JUNK TO HELP OUR COUNTRY, YOU'VE DONE A GREAT JOB---WE'RE ALL PROUD OF YOU--

YEAH? THANKS BUT I GUESS YOU DONT KNOW HOW MANY FOLKS ARE SORE AT ME--



WE DID COLLECT TEN TIMES AS MUCH OLD IRON, RAGS, PAPER, 'LUMINUM AN' STUFF AS ANYONE DREAMED THERE REALLY WAS--IT'LL HELP, O' COURSE--

HA! AND YOU GOT THE MAYOR AND THE LEGION BEHIND YOU AND YOUR 'ARMY'--



OH, SURE-- WE GOT OLD CANNONS AND BOILERS AN' IRON FENCES AN' STREET-CAR RAILS-- THAT PARTS ALL RIGHT--

BUT SOME OF THE PARENTS ARE UPSET THAT THEIR LITTLE DARLINGS GOT ALL DIRTY DOING A LITTLE WORK, EH?



WELL, SOME FOLKS SEEM TO THINK WE KIDS SHOULDN'T EVEN THINK ABOUT WAR-- COURSE MOST FOLKS ARE FOR US--

ALL THE FOLKS WHO LOVE THEIR COUNTRY SHOULD BE FOR YOU YOUNGSTERS IN WHAT YOU'RE DOING, ANNIE--



HEY! MUST BE A HUNDRED OR MORE KIDS OUT IN FRONT-- WHAT'S UP NOW, ANNIE?

OH--THOSE ARE THE CAPTAINS AN' LIEUTENANTS--WE'VE GOT ANOTHER JOB TO DO-- TODAY WE'RE COLLECTIN' BOOKS TO SEND TO TH' SOLDIERS AN' SAILORS--



THE OFFICERS ARE REPORTING FOR DUTY, COLONEL ANNIE--

VERY GOOD, MAJOR LORETTA-- I'LL GIVE THEM THEIR ASSIGNMENTS-- AND WE'LL GET STARTED--



MAJOR LORETTA HAS READ YOU YOUR ORDERS--REMEMBER, OUR FIGHTIN' MEN NEED EVERY BOOK ANYBODY CAN SPARE--SO LET'S GO! JUNIOR COMMANDOS! LEFT FACE! FORWARD--- MARCH!



JUNIOR COMMANDOS! WHOEVER SAID CHILDREN ARE "TOO YOUNG TO KNOW"? THOSE KIDS KNOW WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT-- YES, AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT, TOO--

YES, DOCTOR--



OH, HELLO, PADRE-- GAD! DONT THEY GIVE YOU A THRILL? THE CHILDREN OF AMERICA! WHAT A POWER THEY ARE!

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF TOMORROW--ALREADY THEY ARE MARCHING--TAKING THEIR PLACES IN THE GREATEST ARMY OF ALL TIME--



YES, PADRE! IN THE ARMY THAT FIGHTS THE NEVER-ENDING WAR FOR LIBERTY---AND YET A FEW STILL SAY ALL WAR IS WRONG!

"BEAT YOUR PLOWSHARES INTO SWORDS, AND YOUR PRUNINGHOOKS INTO SPEARS; --YES--"---"AND A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM"---

HAROLD GRAY

Maw Green



I'D LIKE TO BUY WAR STAMPS AND BONDS--BUT WITH EVERYTHING SO HIGH, AFTER BUYING GROCERIES THERE'S HARDLY ANYTHING LEFT---



OI GOT A BETTER ANGLE---OI BUY ALL TH' WAR BONDS AN' STAMPS OI CAN FIRST--



THIN OI SPIND WHATEVER IS LEFT FER GROCERIES---

HAROLD GRAY