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But Tess and Patsy stop Bobby from bothering Zangler just yet. A trumpet fanfare, the Stage Manager takes Zangler's cigar, and Zangler sweeps onstage to make his curtain speech.

Zangler raises his arms, and the "applause" dies down.

ZANGLER. Ladies and gentlemen. Vell vell. My name is Bela Zangler. (*Applause*) Thank you for coming to Zangler Follies—our final performance of the season, and I hope you vill all be here in just eight veeks for vonderful new show!

Wild applause as ZANGLER leaves the stage and the COMPANY bows begin. As soon as ZANGLER gets to the wings,-BOBBY tries again.

ZANGLER. Tessie!

BOBBY. Mr. Zangler, could I see you a min-

ZANGLER. I must talk now to dance director about very important professional matter!

BOBBY. Right.

BOBBY moves away, and ZANGLER pulls TESS aside.

ZANGLER. (Business-like) Tessie.

TESS. Yes, Mr. Zangler?

ZANGLER. Tessie, I love you.

TESS. Bela!—

ZANGLER. Vhat do you say ve have intimate supper?

TESS. I'm not hungry.

ZANGLER. Tessie, please! You make me crazy!

TESS. And how is Mrs. Zangler?

ZANGLER. I am sorry to say, she is in excellent health.

TESS walks away.

ZANGLER. Tessie!

By this time the FOLLIES GIRLS are leaving the stage in a line, past ZANGLER.

MITZI. Vacation!

FOLLIES GIRLS. (as each of them passes) Goodnight, Mr. Zangler.

And at the end of the line is BOBBY.

BOBBY. Hi, Mr. Zangler.

ZANGLER. Not you again.

BOBBY. I'm here to audition.

ZANGLER. Not now!

ZANGLER starts to leave. By now, BOBBY and ZANGLER are alone onstage.

BOBBY. Mr. Zangler! You don't understand.

When I go to your office, they throw me out!

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Music fades out and pauses.

ZANGLER. Good. I give them a raise.

BOBBY. Would you wait a second!

ZANGLER. Mr. Child. Vhy are you vasting my time?!

BOBBY. (Indicating the theater around him) Because this is my life! It's all I care about! (BOBBY'S convictions make even ZANGLER pause) Now look, you're going to love this. I promise. Just—just—okay. Okay?

ZANGLER. ... Okay.

BOBB and you hold this? Thanks. (Hands ZANGLER band hat) Here goes.

BOBBY takes a breath—then launcher addition, dancing as he sings.

BOBBY. me give you the lowdown:

Qrchestra accompaniment

I'm you.

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auses.

Hold on g finish!

ZANGLER. (" annoyed) I'm holding, I'm

BOBBY does an elaborate tap rout.

ZANGLER pointedly looks at his was finishes the routine with a slam, literally nose-to-no (ANGLER.)

Orchestra short chord at finish of Bobby's ... te, then music pauses again.

BOBB what do you say to that?!

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BOBBY. Huh

ZANGLER. Foot . re standing on m

BOBBY. Oh, sorry...

ZANGLER. You are a mo

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BOBBY. Mr. Zangler! ... Le e I'm an unknown, here in New York and stal!

ZANGLER. Ya. You Zunknown America!

MGLER strides off, and sums after him. As they exit, music picks up again for sceamed and the set changes.

Scene change music fades out a street.