

## **Audition Sides - Warbucks, Annie, Grace**

### **(WARBUCKS)**

I noticed that old, broken one you always wear, and I said to myself, "I'm going to get that kid a nice new locket."

*(starting to take off Annie's old locket)*

Here, we'll just take this old one off and...

### **ANNIE**

*(recoiling from WARBUCKS; yelling)*

No! I don't want a new one.

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## **START**

### **WARBUCKS**

*(following ANNIE as she cowers back from him)*

Annie, what is it?

### **ANNIE**

*(touching her locket)*

This locket, my mom and dad left it... when they left me at the orphanage. And a note, too. They're coming back for me. I know I'm real lucky, being here with you for Christmas. But... the one thing I want in all the world...

*(crying)*

...is to find my mother and father. And to be like other kids, with folks of my own.

*(ANNIE goes into a hysterical crying fit. ANNIE runs to GRACE, who has returned at the sound of her hysterics. GRACE embraces and attempts to comfort her while WARBUCKS stands helpless, dazed, totally unable to cope with a crying child.)*

### **WARBUCKS**

It'll be all right... I'll find them... I'll find your parents for you.

### **GRACE**

Shh, shh. Mr. Warbucks will find your mother and father. If he has to put everyone in his organization on the job. If he has to pull every political string there is to pull.

### **WARBUCKS**

Up to and including the White House! Annie, give me your locket.

### **ANNIE**

But, Mr. Warbucks...

### **WARBUCKS**

I understand. But it could be our best clue. We'll have the F.B.I. trace it and find out who bought it.

## **END**

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*begins.)*