

"LARRY-BOY AND THE RUMOR WEED"

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SCENE 1

OUTSIDE VEGGIE THEATER

(Many VEGGIES are exiting The Pecking Theater on the corner of Vischer and Narowicki Streets. Two PEAS speak.)

PEA 1: That was a lousy movie.

PEA 2: You're telling me. That monster looked like a chicken in a wig.

(Shadowy figure moves in alleyway. Camera moves to a close-up shot of the PEAS.)

PEA 1: Hey, do you remember what we saw the last time we were here?

(The PEAS look up while a creepy sound effect plays.)

BANDIT: *(A scallion in a bandana.)* Hey kids, could ya spare a nickel?

PEA 1: We're not supposed to talk to strangers. And we don't have any extra money.

BANDIT: Oh, really. Well how about a dollar and twenty-eight cents?

PEA 1: Wha? How did you know I had that?

BANDIT: I've been watching ya kid. Every Monday morning, your mom gives ya a dollar and twenty-eight cents. And I want it.

PEA 1: But that's my...milk money

SCENE 2

VEGGIE ROOF TOP

(BANDIT climbs ladder to rooftop.)

BANDIT: *(Laughs.)* Ha ha. See ya later boys. I hope ya like water with your lunches! Ha

ha, ha ha ha

(The PEAS look up while a creepy sound effect plays. LARRY-BOY outline in shadows. Hero music plays. LARRY-BOY steps forward.)

LARRY-BOY: I believe that you have something that belongs to those boys.

BANDIT: *(Worried.)* I...uh. *(Stutters.)* Who are you?

LARRY-BOY: I'm Larry-Boy. *(Singers proclaim his name.)*
(Attaches plunger on super hero hat to BANDIT and moves to ladder.)

BANDIT: What are ya gonna do?

LARRY-BOY: It's not nice to take peoples milk money.

BANDIT: Hey take it easy fellow; don't get crazy.
(Yelling.)

(The PEAS look up from the ground to the rooftop, surprised at what they see.)

LARRY-BOY: *(Shakes BANDIT, money jingles in his pockets.)*

(Several coins fall at the feet of the PEAS.)

BANDIT: I ain't feelin' so good. *(LARRY-BOY bounces away with the BANDIT still attached to his plunger.)* Hey where we goin'? You can't do this! I got rights. Hey! Hey!

SCENE 3

ON A VEGGIE STREET

(POLICE CARROT's car is on the street. POLICE CARROT stands next to car on sidewalk eating a donut and drinking coffee. Music plays from the car stereo. The BANDIT falls from above into the police car's backseat.)

POLICE CARROT: *(Speaks with a Scottish accent.)*
 (Startled.) Ah! (The car's music stops.)
 It's another space alien! *(Looks around,*
 sees BANDIT in the car.)

BANDIT: *(Giggles, grins, looks sorrowful.)*

POLICE CARROT: Ah. It's the milk money bandit. We've been
 lookin' fur yoo fur moonths. *(Turns to*
 look up at rooftop.) Thanks Larry-Boy.

(Congratulatory music.)