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## THE STORY

Here is a one-set operetta about the 1880s Colorado mining town of Dead Dog Gulch - oops, we mean, Columbine Valley. You see, the ladies of the Beautification Society have purtied the town - the general store is now a pink "emporium," and even the jail - well, crime is down because no man would be caught dead in it!

Now the miners are always fighting, that is, until the cowboys arrive and start shooting and making fun of this sissy town. The kids and ladies solve the problem but pretend the miners did it all.

Unison songs. About 60 minutes.

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## THE CAST

MRS. McNUTT  
 EMMA  
 OLGA .....Ladies of the Beautification Society  
 HANNA  
 OTHERS\*

HANS  
 BIG HENRY  
 BLACKY .....Miners  
 CARL  
 OTHERS\*

COFFEE POT  
 BULLHEAD HUFF  
 SLIM JIM  
 BUZZARD .....Cowboys  
 HAPPY HOMER  
 SHORTY  
 OTHERS\*

LITTLE JOSH  
 NETTIE .....Kids  
 SAMUEL  
 PETUNIA

BELLE  
 LULU  
 HARRIET .....Sweet Young Things  
 IRIS  
 IRMA  
 OTHERS\*

HIRUM (Store owner)  
 HARRY (Barber)  
 SHERIFF .....TOWNSPEOPLE  
 OTHERS \*

OLD JOSH .....Your Story Host

\*Others...to include as few or as many as desired.

## SYNOPSIS

TIME: Just before the turn of the century.

PLACE: Colorado mining town of Dead Dog Gulch.

SCENE: Main Street in front of jail.

## MUSICAL NUMBERS

"Overture"

### SCENE 1

1. "Howdy, Folks" (Opening number) .....All of the Cast
2. "Miners' Bragging Tune" .....All Miners
3. "Ladies of the Beautification Society" .....Ladies of Society and All Girls
4. "We Just Got In From Abilene" .....Cowboys and All Others

### SCENE 2

5. "Miners and Cowboys Should Be Friends" ....Sweet Young Things and All Others
6. "Western Lament" .....Cowboys and All Others

### SCENE 3

- Repeat two or three measures from offstage of  
"Ladies of the Beautification Society" .....Ladies
7. "When Good Men Stick Together" ..... All Men
  8. "Dead Dog Hoe-Down" .....Square Dancers and All Others
  9. "So Long, Folks" .....All
  10. Repeat "Howdy, Folks" for curtain call.....All

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