

SM 1233

You Can't Be A Friend To Everybody.

Lyric by
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Music by
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Allegretto.

Piano introduction in G major, 6/8 time. The right hand features a melody of eighth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of eighth notes. The piece concludes with a final chord marked with a fermata.

First vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a rest, followed by the lyrics: "You can't please Mrs. ——— The op - er - a - tion,". The piano accompaniment continues with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes.

Second vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: "Grun - - dy and taste life's deep - est joys, ——— And ev' - ry bod - y said was a suc - cess, ——— The". The piano accompaniment features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes.

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if you're strong with all the girls you're in wrong with the
 doc - tors all were tick - led and the nur - ses, too, I

boys. ——— A glass of beer will queer you with the
 guess. ——— They took the pa - tient all a - part and

W. ——— C. T. U. ——— But if no - bod - y
 looked — at him in - side ——— But when I asked "How

drank a drop what would the bar - keeps do.
 is he now" the doc - tor just re - plied

Refrain.

Oh you can't be a friend to ev'-ry-bod-y And you'll
Oh you can't be a friend to ev'-ry-bod-y And you'll

p-f

have lots of trou-ble if you try. _____
have lots of trou-ble if you try. _____

Lis - ten to the an - gels sing WHISTLE
Lis - ten to the an - gels sing

Then per - haps you'll learn the rea - son why. _____ There's a
Then per - haps you'll learn the rea - son why. _____ I had

place that's con cealed be neath the neck - tie Where you'll
al - most for - got a - bout the pa - tient I be -

get what they hand - ed out to me. If you
lieve that he did - n't live to see. If you

try to be a friend to ev' - ry -
try to be a friend to ev' - ry -

bod - - y. Oh you y.
bod - - y. Oh you y.

3.

One night you meet a pal of yours who's holding up a wall:
He says, "If you don't help me, friend, I can't get home at all!"
You think his wife will worry, so you do the best you can:
But when you get him home his wife is with another man.

CHORUS.

Oh you can't be a friend to ev'rybody.
And you'll have lots of trouble if you try;
Listen to the angels sing

WHISTLE.

Then perhaps you'll learn the reason why,
If you do help him home she'll get in trouble,
If you don't he'll get twice as much as he
Oh it's hard to be a friend to ev'rybody.

4.

A pretty maiden on a car is holding to a strap,
The car starts quickly and she sits upon a fellow's lap;
She looks embarrassed so, of course, you jump up to your feet,
And say, in quite a friendly way "I wish you'd take my seat."

CHORUS.

But you can't be a friend to ev'rybody.
And you'll have lots of trouble if you try;
Listen to the angels sing

WHISTLE.

Then perhaps you'll learn the reason why;
She said "Thanks," but the man thinks you're a lobster,
For she still might be sitting on his knee;
Oh it's hard to be a friend to ev'rybody.

5.

Across a street that's muddy with a pretty girl you go:
She says, "If my skirt's up too high, I wish you'd tell me so!"
Behind her are some Johnnies who've been watching all the way.
They look so very tickled that you don't know what to say.

CHORUS.

For you can't be a friend to ev'rybody.
And you'll have lots of trouble if you try;
Listen to the angels sing

WHISTLE.

Then perhaps you'll learn the reason why;
As her friend you should say "I'd hold it lower!"
If you did, then the Johnnies couldn't see:
Oh it's hard to be a friend to ev'rybody.

6.

A girl and man out driving in the forest chanced to see
A tiny little kitten that was caught up in a tree.
"Please help it down" she asked him and he shinned up the trunk,
For at the time he didn't know the kitten was a skunk.

CHORUS.

Oh you can't be a friend to ev'rybody.
And you'll have lots of trouble if you try,
Listen to the angels sing.

WHISTLE.

Then perhaps you'll learn the reason why
Now he talks to that lady through long distance
That's as close as she'll let him come, you see,
Since he tried to be a friend to ev'rybody.