

Act I

No 2

CHORUS— (with Oliver and 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Solo Boys)

"FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD"

(♩ = 112)

A All the boys

Repeat *ad lib.*

Tutti

Is it worth the wait-ing for? If we live'til eigh-ty-four,

ALL

All we'll ev - er get is gru - el! Ev - ry day we say a prayer-

W.W.

ALL

Will they change the bill of fare? Still we get the same old gru - el! There's not a crust, not a

sempre staccato

ALL

crumb can we find, Can we beg, can we bor - row or cadge, But there's

Oliver

ALL

noth - ing to stop us from get - ting a thrill when we all close our eyes and i - mag - ine

B Lento (♩ = 50) *The boys begin wistfully and build excitement as the image they describe becomes more vivid*

ALL

Food, glo - ri - ous food! Hot saus - age and mus - tard! While we're in the mood -

Fl.

W. W. Str.

1st Solo Boy All 2nd Solo Boy

Cold jel - ly and cus - tard! Pease pud - ding and sa - ve - loys "What next?" is the ques - tion.

All rit. **C** *The boys begin to rise from table*

Rich gen - tle - men have it boys In - dye - ges - tion! Food, glo - ri - ous food!

Fl.

rit. Trom. (Wa - Wa) W. W. Str.

with fervour

ALL

We're an - xious to try it. Three ban - quets a day - Our fa - vour - ite di - et!

poco a poco accel.

2nd Solo Boy All 3rd Solo Boy

ALL *rit.* Just pic-ture a great big steak—Fried, roast-ed or stewed. Oh, food, won-der-ful food, mar-vel-lous

ALL *Vivo* (♩ = 160) food, Glo-ri-ous food

add.Br. *Str. Bsn.* *add W.W.*

ALL *D* *The boys mime carrying food* Food, glo-ri-ous food! What is there more

W.W.

ALL hand - some? Gulped, swal-lowed or chewed

ALL *E* Still worth a King's Ran - som. What is it we

ALL dream a - bout? What brings on a sigh?

1st Solo Boy Piled peach - es and cream a - bout Six feet

ALL

ALL high! Food, glo - ri - ous food!

F The boys mime eating

W.W.

ALL Eat right through the me - nu. Just loos - en your

ALL belt Two inch - es and then you,

ALL **G**
 Work up a new ap - pe - tite. In this in - ter -

ALL 2nd Solo Boy All 3rd Solo Boy
 - lude Then food, once a - gain food, fa - bu - lous

etc.

All *rit.* food, Glo - ri - ous food! *One boy runs down R.*

W.W.Str.

ALL **H** *He conducts the other boys*
 Food, glo - ri - ous food! Don't care what it looks like.

Tutti

ALL 1st Solo Boy 3rd Solo Boy All
 Burned, un - der - done, crude Don't care what the

W.W. Str.

ALL Cook's like — Just think-ing of grow-ing fat — Our

ALL 1st,2nd Solo Boys sen-ses go reel - ing — One mo-ment of know-ing that

ALL 'full - up - feel - ing' — Food, glo - ri - ous

K All the boys are now grouped round

ALL *the end of the table* food! — What would-n't we give for — That

W.W.

ALL ex-tra bit more — That's all that we live for —

W.W.

ALL *L*
 Why should we be fa - ted to Do noth - ing but

ALL *1st Solo Boy* *All*
 brood On food, ma - gi - cal food,

W.W. *etc.*

2nd Solo Boy *All* *3rd Solo Boy* *All* *4th Solo Boy* *All*
 Won - der - ful food, mar - vel - lous food. Fa - bu - lous food

Oliver *All* *ten. ten. ten.* *The boys reach to Heaven for imaginary food*
 Beau - ti - ful food, Glo - ri - ous food.

ten. ten. ten. *attacca*

Slowly and sadly
The boys sink dejectedly to their seats

Ob. *Ft.* *Cl.* *Ft.*