

PRINCE ALBERT GRAND OLE OPRY...# 1002

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GRANT: From the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, Tennessee... the country music capitol of the world... here's the one thousandth and second broadcast of the GRAND...OLE.....OPRY... tonight starring...MARTY ROBBINS !!

(APPLAUSE)

MUSIC: 'WINTER WONDERLAND'.....MARTY ROBBINS

(APPLAUSE)

MARTY: Thank you....thanks so much....and welcome....to The Grand Ole Opry. Since Christmas comes in the middle of next week...we're taking this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a very merry Christmas. And here comes Santa Claus too.....no....no it isn't Santa Claus after all...it's Grant Turner to tell you about the people on the show,

GRANT I sure am, Marty...and a fine list of performers it is, There's Cousin Minnie Pearl.....The Jordanaires....Grandpa Jones....Archie Campbell....Floyd Cramer.....Tommy Jackson.... The Opry Square Dancers....and all the Grand Ole Opry Gang !!

(APPLAUSE)

(MARTY OVER)

MARTY: And a great line-up of talent it is, Grant...if ever I heard one. But now it's time we had a little sample...so here to entertain us is that funny man who hails from up around East Tennessee way.....ARCHIE CAMPBELL !!

(APPLAUSE & PLAYON)

ARCHIE'S ROUTINE

(APPLAUSE & PLAYOFF)

MARTY: Thank you, Archie Campbell. Well now...after all that... I think it's time we had a little music...and here to give it to us is a great entertainer and one of our Opry Regulars... GRAND PA JONES.

BUSINESS: GRAND PA & RAMONA RNN ON STAGE....BELLS CLANKING

(APPLAUSE)

MARTY: Well Grandpa Jones ! What in time is goin' on? What...what are all these bells hung all over you? You got bells on your arms...and on your legs...and around your neck...what... what are they?

GRAND PA: They're COW bells...ye danged idiot. Can't you see that?

MARTY: Well...yes...but you aren't a cow, Grandpa. And who is this pretty girl with you? I see she's got some bells too.

(GRAND PA OVER)

GRAND PA: That ain't no girl....that is my wife, Ramona.

MARTY: Your wife? You're kiddin'. Your daughter, maybe, but not your wife. How would an ornery old cuss like you get a young, pretty wife like this?

GRAND PA: I got her an' I aim to keep her...so just keep your distance.

MARTY: Okay...okay ! But you still haven't told me about the cowbells.

GRAND PA: Well...me and Ramona...that's my wife...have worked up some special Christmas music...and we aim to play it for you...right now. So stand way back...outa the way...while we play
JINGLE BELLS.!!

(APPLAUSE)

MUSIC: "JINGLE BELLS".....GRAND PA & RAMONA

(APPLAUSE)

MARTY: Grant Turner, you sure look mighty calm, cool and comfortable,
you sittin' there smokin' your pipe. Man...don't you know Christmas
is only a few days off !

GRANT: Three SHOPPIN' days ^{to go Marty} off.....to be exact.

(MARTY OVER)

MARTY: Speakin' of shoppin'...I sure wish I had all my presents bought.

GRANT: Well, Marty...I got news for you...and for ^{all} ~~any~~-other late shoppers. You STILL got time to get the pound tin of Prince Albert Smokin' Tobacco for all your pipe smokin' friends. On the outside...it's specially decorated ready to give as a gift...there's even a built-in greeting card. On the inside, it's still that same,...fresh...crimp cut P.A. that's been the favorite with smokers for years. You know.... Prince Albert always gives a man a cool...tasty...satisfyin' COMFORTABLE smoke...every time.

MARTY: Makin' men like P.A., too....so neighbors...let's take Grant's advice. Let's give our smokin' friends the bright red holiday wrapped pound tin of good Prince Albert....America's largest selling smoking tobacco.

MUSIC: "TOM & JERRY".....TOMMY JACKSON....FADE UNDER AS BG FOR:

MARTY: Now, here's Tommy Jackson and all the Opry Square Dancers with some fast music that fits right in with this season of the year....an old timer called... "Tom and Jerry ! "

MUSIC: "TOM & JERRY".....TOMMY JACKSON & SQUARE DANCERS

(APPLAUSE)

(MARTY OVER)

MARTY: Thank you, Tommy Jackson and Square Dancers... that was a great performance. Grant... Grant Turner... you've been real quiet so far this evening. Anything wrong?

GRANT: Not a thing, Marty... not a thing. Just been enjoyin the music. But you know somethin'?

MARTY: No....what ?

GRANT: There's a great Christmas tune that's a real favorite of mine and so far this Christmas Season, I haven't heard it once !

MARTY: Name it, Grant... and I'll sing it for you if I can.

GRANT: Well... it's called... "Silver Bells... and I think it's the....

MARTY: (INTERRUPTS) Grant... that is a great tune... and it just so happens I know it. If the Jordanaires will crowd around... I'd like to do it... right now !!

(APPLAUSE)

MUSIC: "SILVER BELLS".....MARTY ROBBINS

(APPLAUSE)

MARTY: Thank you.... thank you just a whole lot. That's a great song and I'm glad Grant suggested it. But speakin' of bells... we've got a boy here on The Grand Ole Opry who has played the guitar for you... all through the year. Now... he'd like to send out HIS Christmas Greeting to all of you as he plays... "The Bells of St. Mary's." CHESTER... ATKINS !!

(APPLAUSE)

(MUSIC OVER)... ATKINS)

MUSIC: 'THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S'.....CHET ATKINS

(APPLAUSE)

MARTY: The Bells of St. Mary's",...,played by Chet Atkins. And speakin' of bells...,we've got one right here on our own show. She's been hangin' around quite a while...but she is still ringin'.....COUSIN MINNIE PEARL !!

(APPLAUSE & PLAYON)

(MINNIE)

(APPLAUSE & PLAYOFF)

MINNIE: *Hey Marty Robbins*
~~You Hoo, Mister Robbins.~~ You comin' to the Christmas party tonight? We're gonna play post office an' I'm gonna kiss all the fellers.

MARTY: That so, Cousin Minnie? Hezzy says he's gonna give free Prince Albert Smokin' Tobacco to all the men folks !!

MINNIE: That Hezzy !! I'll bet my kisses make a bigger hit than Hezzy's Prince Albert.

MARTY: *Now Well,*
1 I don't know, Minnie. Prince Albert's mighty hard to beat. It's always fresh....and it's crimp cut.

MINNIE: I got an awful cute pucker.

(MARTY OVER)

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MARTY:

you know
But Prince Albert gives a man just the kind of smoke he wants...
every time. Tasty, *and* cool... satisfyin' ... and comfortable.

And that special Prince Albert process locks IN all the natural
flavor of the fine tobacco. Makin' men like P.A., too. In
OCB paper, P.A. rolls easy... smokes mild and mellow. So
pipe smoker or makin' man... get the kind of smoke you really
enjoy... every time... with Prince Albert !!

MUSIC:

TAG WITH JINGLE

MARTY:

Now it's time for another traditional Christmas Carol... so here
are the Jordanares , along with Miss Millie Kirkum... back
again with that great one... "Oh Come All Ye Faithful,"

(APPLAUSE)

MUSIC:

"OH COME ALL YE FAITHFUL".....JORDANAIREs.

(APPLAUSE)

MARTY:

"Oh Come All Ye Faithful"... the Jordanares and Miss Millie
Kirkum... and they send their best season's greetings along with
it. Now... to send you his Christmas Greetings... here's
another of the Opry's featured performers... Floyd Cramer...
and his own piano version of... "Santa Claus is Comin' To
Town."

(APPLAUSE)

(MUSIC OVER... FLOYD CRAMER)

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MUSIC: "SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN"....FLOYD CRAMER

(APPLAUSE)

MARTY: Thank you, Floyd....thanks so very much. That was the best I've ever heard that song played !!

GRANT: Marty.....you know....in a way....I hate to see this Christmas show come to a close....and in a way....I don't.

Because for our last number, everybody is going to do that wonderful, wonderful Christmas song that is loved and sung.... just about all over the whole world. So get The Jordanaires in here.....and Cousin Minnie Pearl....and Chet...and Archie... and The Square Dancers and Floyd Cramer and Grandpa and Ramona....and just everybody on the show!.....so we can wish everybody the merriest of Christmasses.....as we all join in singing...."Silent Night." And everybody out there in the audience join in with us.

MUSIC: "SILENT NIGHT".....EVERYBODY

(APPLAUSE)

MUSIC: "JINGLE BELLS".....BAND....FADE UNDER AS BG FOR

(MARTY OVER)

MARTY: Now...it's time for us to get our of here...but we sure did enjoy havin' you with us at The Grand Ole Opry. Next week _____ will be haadin' up the show....with _____ along as his guest. Listen then, won't you. Now..this is Marty Robbins sayin'.... "Merry Christmas" ...and "Thanks"and we'll be seeing you NEXT week....at The Grand....OleOpry !!

(MUSIC AND APPLAUSE....TEN SECONDS)

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ANNCR:

Here we are right smack in the middle of the last weekend before Christmas! You know what that means: time's running out for your Christmas shopping. One good way to save time...and give real pleasure...is to buy the new "Camel Christmas House." This attractive package, designed just like a Colonial house, contains two cartons of Camels, America's real cigarette. 20 packs, 400 cigarettes, of the top-selling brand today. The "Camel Christmas House" needs no wrapping...and there's a built-in greeting card right on the back of the house for your own personal message. You can also buy Camels, of course, in the single carton...beautifully decorated in Christmas colors and complete with built-in greeting card, just like the two-carton "Christmas House" package. When you give Camels, you give the rich tobacco flavor and easygoing mildness found only in Camel's costly blend. This Christmas, give a real cigarette...give Camels !!

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(TWO SECONDS PAUSE)

(ANNCR OVER)

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