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"Pilot"

Cast aside by Hollywood, screen legends Joan Crawford and Bette Davis battle ageism, sexism and each other when they sign up to make What Ever Happened To Baby Jane?

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MAIN EPISODE CAST

Jessica Lange
Susan Sarandon
Judy Davis
Jackie Hoffman
Alfred Molina
Stanley Tucci
Alison Wright
Catherine Zeta-Jones

Kathy Bates
Kiernan Shipka
Mark Valley
Reed Diamond
Ken Lerner

Joel Kelley Dauten Raleigh Adams Robert Arce Kris Black Twink Caplan Lizz Carter Robert Catrini Collin Christopher Thomas Crawford James DeAngelo Kevin Fabian Paul Haitkin Justin Hobson Doug Hurley Radek Lord Jason Lott

Billy Meade Frank Noon Donna Pieroni Jake Robards Tony Rossi Giuseppe Russo Alisha Soper Joe Souza

James McCoy

Jon Morgan Woodward

Joan CrawfordBette DavisHedda HopperMamacita

... Robert Aldrich... Jack Warner... Pauline Jameson... Olivia de Havilland

... Joan Blondell
... B.D. Merrill
... Gary Merrill

... Peter
... Marty

... Adam Friedman... Second Reporter... Burned Out Executive

... Cliff Robertson
... Hairstylist

... Margaret Leighton
... Bennie the Reporter
... Bookstore Clerk

... Minister ... Dave

... Broadway Stage Manager
... Muscular Leading Man

... Young Reporter
... Photographer

... Young Delivery Man
... Young Studio Executive
... Another Photographer

... Bill Aldrich
... Clapper

... Nonah

... Patrick O'Neal
... Makeup Artist
... DP Contini
... Marilyn Monroe
... Studio Executive

... Al Steele

00:01:03,365 --> 00:01:06,199 (seagulls chirping, waves crashing)

3 00:01:17,412 --> 00:01:18,645 (bell rings)

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00:01:22,217 --> 00:01:24,184
 (indistinct conversations)

5

00:01:29,691 --> 00:01:32,225 OLIVIA DE HAVILLAND: There was never a rivalry like theirs.

6

00:01:32,260 --> 00:01:36,262 For nearly half a century, they hated each other,

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00:01:36,298 --> 00:01:39,232 and we loved them for it.

8

00:01:39,267 --> 00:01:42,969
You know, Joan's real
name was Lucille LeSueur.

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00:01:43,004 --> 00:01:46,272 The poor thing, she was raised in utter squalor.

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00:01:46,308 --> 00:01:47,841 I mean literally.

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00:01:47,876 --> 00:01:50,009 Scrubbed toilets before coming to Hollywood.

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00:01:51,446 --> 00:01:54,318 At the peak of the Depression...

13

00:01:54,320 --> 00:01:56,082 that's when I first started out...

00:01:56,118 --> 00:02:02,222 she was the woman every man wanted and every woman wanted to be.

15 00:02:02,257 --> 00:02:04,124 Many think of her

16 00:02:04,159 --> 00:02:07,327 as the greatest star of all time.

17 00:02:07,362 --> 00:02:11,331 Now, my dear friend Bette...

00:02:11,366 --> 00:02:13,299 well, she, quite frankly,

19 00:02:13,335 --> 00:02:17,003 was the greatest actress Hollywood had ever known.

00:02:17,038 --> 00:02:23,843

During the war, she played all the best roles, and she played them with a...

21 00:02:23,879 --> 00:02:25,445 I-I don't know how to say this,

00:02:25,480 --> 00:02:32,218 but with a ballsy intensity that none of us, actor or actress, would have dared.

23 00:02:33,688 --> 00:02:36,122 You know, they only made one film together.

24 00:02:36,158 --> 00:02:42,362 And how that happened and what happened afterwards, well...

25 00:02:42,397 --> 00:02:47,233 well, that was a story and a feud 00:02:47,269 --> 00:02:49,769 of biblical proportions.

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00:02:49,805 --> 00:02:51,838 What was behind their feud?

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00:02:51,873 --> 00:02:54,674 Why did they hate each other so much?

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00:02:54,709 --> 00:02:58,278 Feuds are never about hate.

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00:02:59,614 --> 00:03:01,548 Feuds are about pain.

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00:03:05,220 --> 00:03:07,887 They're about pain.

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00:03:07,923 --> 00:03:09,556 ANNOUNCER: Please welcome to the stage, tonight's winner,

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00:03:09,591 --> 00:03:11,157 Miss Marilyn Monroe!

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00:03:11,193 --> 00:03:12,992 (sweeping orchestra music plays, cheering and applause)

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00:03:22,737 --> 00:03:24,204 I've got great tits, too,

36

00:03:24,239 --> 00:03:26,105 but I don't throw them in everyone's face.

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00:03:26,141 --> 00:03:27,507 All right, darling.

38

00:03:29,010 --> 00:03:31,377 MARILYN (giggles): Gee.

00:03:31,413 --> 00:03:34,614 Gosh, I just sure didn't expect this.

40

00:03:34,649 --> 00:03:37,917
You know, I always said
that, if I was the star,

41

00:03:37,953 --> 00:03:41,187 it was because the people made me a star, and...

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00:03:41,223 --> 00:03:43,189
You know, when I was a girl,

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00:03:43,225 --> 00:03:46,392
I used to look out into the
Hollywood sky and think,

44

00:03:46,428 --> 00:03:49,128
"Gosh, I just want to be
a movie star," you know?

45

00:03:49,164 --> 00:03:50,196 (chuckles)

46

00:03:50,232 --> 00:03:54,400 And now I'm part of you. So, thank you so much.

47

00:03:54,436 --> 00:03:57,136
 Gosh, I should try to
 thank some people, huh?

48

00:03:57,172 --> 00:03:59,572
I'm just so bad at remembering names.

49

00:03:59,608 --> 00:04:00,874 (car door closes)

50

00:04:03,645 --> 00:04:05,578 (doorbell rings)

00:04:05,614 --> 00:04:07,180 Hedda Hopper for Joan.

52

00:04:07,215 --> 00:04:09,482 Miss Crawford is occupied.

53

 $00:04:09,517 \longrightarrow 00:04:11,584$ She's had enough time to sleep it off.

54

00:04:11,620 --> 00:04:13,219
Announce me.

55

00:04:19,327 --> 00:04:21,694
 Is there anything we can
 do about these lines?

56

00:04:21,730 --> 00:04:24,697 I'm afraid I'm gonna be served for Thanksgiving dinner.

57

00:04:24,733 --> 00:04:26,566
The best you can do for this?
High collars.

58

00:04:26,601 --> 00:04:28,401 Turtle neck for turkey neck.

59

00:04:28,436 --> 00:04:30,904 Christ, Nonah, can't you give me some hope?

60

00:04:30,939 --> 00:04:32,305 Ugh. You know how it is.

61

00:04:32,340 --> 00:04:34,207 Men age, they get character.

62

00:04:34,242 --> 00:04:35,708 Women age, they get lost.

63

00:04:35,744 --> 00:04:37,377

- (knocks on door)
- What?

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00:04:37,412 --> 00:04:39,178 I'm sorry, Miss Joan.

65

00:04:39,214 --> 00:04:41,414 Hedda Hopper's downstairs.

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00:04:41,449 --> 00:04:44,651 (quietly): Oh, Jesus.

67

00:04:49,691 --> 00:04:51,591 Hedda. (chuckles)

68

00:04:51,626 --> 00:04:55,662
You know I never receive unscheduled guests, not even my children.

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00:04:55,697 --> 00:04:57,664 - (both chuckle) - But here you are.

70

00:04:59,734 --> 00:05:03,603 Well, you ran out of the Globes last night before I could get a quote.

71

00:05:03,638 --> 00:05:05,471 Did I?

72

00:05:05,507 --> 00:05:07,540 Mamacita? Coffee.

73

00:05:09,344 --> 00:05:13,146 Well, it was a marvelous event.

74

00:05:13,181 --> 00:05:15,114 I do so appreciate the foreign press.

75

00:05:15,150 --> 00:05:17,116
They've been so very kind to me.

00:05:17,152 --> 00:05:20,153
 I didn't come here for
 the boilerplate, Joan.

77

00:05:20,188 --> 00:05:23,489 From what I hear, you stumbled out of there in a drunken fit.

78

00:05:23,525 --> 00:05:26,559 - JOAN: I'm gonna go back inside. - MAN: Baby...

79

00:05:26,594 --> 00:05:29,629 Well, you know how those award dinners can be.

80

00:05:31,066 --> 00:05:32,532 Stop it!

81

00:05:32,567 --> 00:05:35,768
I must've eaten something
that disagreed with me.

82

00:05:35,804 --> 00:05:36,569 Crow?

83

00:05:36,604 --> 00:05:38,237 (grunts)

84

00:05:38,273 --> 00:05:40,106 HEDDA: Had to have been pretty galling,

85

00:05:40,141 --> 00:05:44,110 watching the foreign press fawn all over Monroe like that.

86

00:05:44,145 --> 00:05:47,714 JOAN: Hedda, you know, when I'm out in public events like that,

87

00:05:47,749 --> 00:05:49,515 I only drink Pepsi-Cola.

00:05:49,551 --> 00:05:52,251 I am the brand ambassador.

89

00:05:52,287 --> 00:05:55,922
I don't know why you keep plugging that shitty sugar water.

90

00:05:55,957 --> 00:05:59,192 Word is, since Al died, the board isn't paying your bills anymore,

91

00:05:59,227 --> 00:06:03,730 and you're having to sell your custom Billy Haines furniture piece by piece

92

00:06:03,765 --> 00:06:05,898 just to keep the lights on.

93

00:06:05,934 --> 00:06:08,101 You wouldn't print those lies.

94

00:06:08,136 --> 00:06:09,602 Got to print something.

95

00:06:11,239 --> 00:06:13,172 All right.

96

00:06:13,208 --> 00:06:14,807 Then print this:

97

00:06:16,978 --> 00:06:20,580 Joan Crawford, after mourning

98

 $00:06:20,615 \longrightarrow 00:06:24,617$ the passing of her husband, the beloved

99

00:06:24,652 --> 00:06:26,552 Alfred Steele,

100

00:06:26,588 --> 00:06:29,956

is ready to get back to work.

101

00:06:29,991 --> 00:06:31,391 Oh, come on, Joan.

102

00:06:31,426 --> 00:06:33,326 Give me a quote.

103

00:06:33,361 --> 00:06:35,595
You know my readers would be fascinated

104

00:06:35,630 --> 00:06:39,732 with hearing the thoughts of yesterday's it girl about today's.

105

 $00:06:42,370 \longrightarrow 00:06:46,139$ There can only be room for one it girl.

106

00:06:46,174 --> 00:06:47,840 Is that right?

107

00:06:47,876 --> 00:06:50,777 Well, men built the pedestal, darling, not me.

108

00:06:50,812 --> 00:06:54,247
There's only room for one goddess at a time.

109

 $00:06:54,282 \longrightarrow 00:06:56,149$ Well, men may have built the pedestal,

110

00:06:56,184 --> 00:06:58,785 but it's the women who keep chipping away at it

111

00:06:58,820 --> 00:07:00,853 until it comes tumbling down.

112

00:07:00,889 --> 00:07:02,955 So what's it gonna be, honey? 00:07:02,991 --> 00:07:07,460
A quote on Monroe, or am I gonna have to write about how a valet

114

00:07:07,495 --> 00:07:10,396 saw you stumble into a Cadillac?

115

00:07:20,642 --> 00:07:22,175 All right.

116

00:07:25,146 --> 00:07:27,213 (chuckles) Good.

117

00:07:30,151 --> 00:07:36,089
I think that Marilyn Monroe and the vulgarity of her clothing and pictures

118

00:07:36,124 --> 00:07:40,493 is ruining this great industry that I love.

119

00:07:40,528 --> 00:07:43,629
People don't want to see stars
like Monroe in pictures.

120

00:07:43,665 --> 00:07:49,135 They want their stars to be wholesome, with good morals.

121

00:07:49,170 --> 00:07:52,405 Like me.

122

00:07:52,440 --> 00:07:55,441 That's not the only difference between you and her.

123

00:07:55,477 --> 00:07:57,810 She's getting roles.

124

00:08:00,348 --> 00:08:02,115
What's this about?

00:08:02,150 --> 00:08:03,549 This, my friend,

126

00:08:03,585 --> 00:08:08,154 is the Academy Award for Best Actress I won in 1945

127

00:08:08,189 --> 00:08:09,689 for Mildred Pierce.

128

00:08:09,724 --> 00:08:12,091 And I would like another one.

129

00:08:12,127 --> 00:08:14,694 And do you know what I need, Marty, to make that happen?

130

00:08:16,297 --> 00:08:18,097 A great script.

131

00:08:20,201 --> 00:08:22,368
I want to work now that Al's dead.

132

00:08:22,403 --> 00:08:24,337 I want to work, Marty.

133

00:08:24,372 --> 00:08:26,072 I need to work.

134

00:08:26,107 --> 00:08:28,341
I sent you a great script
 four months ago, Joan.

135

00:08:28,376 --> 00:08:30,803 - You did it, and you were wonderful in it. - No.

136

00:08:30,805 --> 00:08:31,677 It was a pilot.

137

00:08:31,713 --> 00:08:35,985

I had to do my own makeup, and it wasn't even picked up to series.

138

00:08:35,987 --> 00:08:40,987

Joan, how about this,
let me read everything that's out there,

139

00:08:41,022 --> 00:08:42,488 send over the highlights.

140

00:08:42,524 --> 00:08:46,192
You go through the pile
and find something that excites you.

141 00:08:46,227 --> 00:08:48,194

142

00:08:55,403 --> 00:08:57,203 MARTY: Joanie!

143

00:08:57,238 --> 00:08:59,705

JOAN: I can't play Elvis' grandmother.

144

00:08:59,741 --> 00:09:01,340 I won't do it.

145

00:09:01,376 --> 00:09:03,176

Maybe you better send
me some other scripts.

146

00:09:03,211 --> 00:09:04,377 That's all I have, Joan.

147

00:09:04,412 --> 00:09:06,579 That's all they're making.

148

00:09:06,614 --> 00:09:08,181 Marty,

149

00:09:08,216 --> 00:09:11,150 I am an actress, I want to act.

 $00:09:11,186 \longrightarrow 00:09:13,119$ I'm at the top of my game right now.

151

00:09:13,154 --> 00:09:16,389

Then you need to find a project yourself, 'cause the roles just aren't out there.

152 00:09:28,636 --> 00:09:29,936 May I help you?

153 00:09:29,971 --> 00:09:31,771 I need books.

154 00:09:31,806 --> 00:09:35,541 Was there a particular title you were interested in?

155 00:09:35,577 --> 00:09:37,577 Anything with ladies on the cover.

156 00:09:45,220 --> 00:09:47,220 (door opens)

157 00:09:47,255 --> 00:09:48,221 (sighs)

158 00:09:48,256 --> 00:09:49,355 (door closes)

159 00:09:51,459 --> 00:09:53,893 Oh, Mamacita. Good.

160 00:09:53,928 --> 00:09:56,162 That's all they had.

161 00:09:56,197 --> 00:09:57,630 I could try Encino next.

162 00:09:57,665 --> 00:09:59,298 Unless you found something you like. 00:09:59,334 --> 00:10:03,202 Everything written for women seem to fall into just three categories:

164

00:10:03,238 --> 00:10:05,805 ingénues, mothers, or gorgons.

165

00:10:05,840 --> 00:10:07,039 So where does that leave you?

166

00:10:10,044 --> 00:10:11,844 We'll find something.

167

00:10:13,681 --> 00:10:16,616
No, no, Mamacita, nothing Sapphic.

168

00:10:17,952 --> 00:10:19,318 I ran into the gardeners outside.

169

 $00:10:19,354 \longrightarrow 00:10:20,853$ They want to know when they'll get paid.

170

00:10:20,888 --> 00:10:22,655 We owe them two months.

171

00:10:22,690 --> 00:10:24,323 What did you tell them?

172

00:10:24,359 --> 00:10:26,525
That it was an honor to
prune Miss Crawford's bush

173

00:10:26,561 --> 00:10:27,827 and to shut up.

174

00:10:34,168 --> 00:10:36,135 (sighs)

175

00:10:36,170 --> 00:10:40,673
These are lean times, Mamacita, but we'll get through them.

00:10:46,247 --> 00:10:48,080 This one is about a baby.

177

00:10:48,116 --> 00:10:50,082 Which pile, "mothers"?

178

00:10:56,658 --> 00:10:58,624 (sighs)

179

00:11:07,735 --> 00:11:09,235 (soundstage bell rings)

180

00:11:09,270 --> 00:11:10,836 ROBERT ALDRICH: And action!

181

00:11:14,275 --> 00:11:16,108 Cut! Cut! Plywood.

182

00:11:16,144 --> 00:11:17,343 You get them plywood in there...

183

00:11:17,378 --> 00:11:18,844 - Plywood. Plywood. - Plywood.

184

00:11:18,880 --> 00:11:21,147
 Dad, you're needed in the
 control center, pronto.

185

00:11:21,182 --> 00:11:22,181 Plywood. Plywood!

186

00:11:22,216 --> 00:11:25,851
If I make another sandal saga,
 put a bullet in my head.

187

00:11:29,357 --> 00:11:31,057 Eva Braun's on the horn.

188

00:11:31,092 --> 00:11:34,260

I told her you're busy, but she keeps calling back.

189

00:11:36,297 --> 00:11:38,964 Gretchen, my love.

190

00:11:39,000 --> 00:11:41,667 How's my little strudel?

191

00:11:41,703 --> 00:11:45,137 What? No, no, you can't come down here today.

192

00:11:45,173 --> 00:11:48,407 Why? Because my kids are working on the set, that's why.

193

00:11:48,443 --> 00:11:51,677 What if word got back to my wife?

194

00:11:51,713 --> 00:11:54,580 Yeah.

195

00:11:54,615 --> 00:11:56,148
I'll call you back.

196

00:11:56,184 --> 00:11:57,483 Christ.

197

 $00:11:57,518 \longrightarrow 00:11:59,151$ She wants to be in the movie now.

198

00:11:59,187 --> 00:12:01,153
Well, that's because she
knows the only time

199

00:12:01,189 --> 00:12:04,123 you really pay attention to a woman is when she's in front of your camera.

200

00:12:07,628 --> 00:12:12,965 This movie we're making, Pauline,

it is a piece of crap.

201

 $00:12:13,000 \longrightarrow 00:12:14,567$ Hey, what about that espionage script?

202

00:12:14,602 --> 00:12:15,968 Oh, no, stinko.

203

00:12:16,003 --> 00:12:17,737 I know who did it on page three.

204

00:12:17,772 --> 00:12:21,173
But... this one...

205

00:12:21,209 --> 00:12:23,442 This one has potential.

206

00:12:23,478 --> 00:12:27,146
Horror/thriller, two broads,
former movie stars.

207

00:12:27,181 --> 00:12:31,350
A cripple and her crazy sister
battling it out in their Hollywood home.

208

00:12:31,386 --> 00:12:34,820 (sighs): A horror picture?

209

00:12:34,856 --> 00:12:35,988 Hitch just did it with Psycho.

210

00:12:36,023 --> 00:12:37,356 Still raking it in.

211

 $00:12:37,392 \longrightarrow 00:12:40,593$ But even better, Baby Jane has one set.

212

00:12:40,628 --> 00:12:42,961 It's a very small cast. You can have final cut. 00:12:42,963 --> 00:12:44,230 You can produce this yourself.

214

00:12:44,655 --> 00:12:47,742 Face it, Bob, Ben-Hur has already been done.

215

00:12:47,744 --> 00:12:48,768 Where'd you get this?

216

00:12:48,803 --> 00:12:52,638
Oh, it came by messenger,
 special delivery.

217

00:12:55,243 --> 00:12:57,243 Along with this.

218

00:13:12,627 --> 00:13:14,026 BOY: Miss Crawford?

219

00:13:14,061 --> 00:13:16,495 Yes?

220

00:13:18,966 --> 00:13:20,499 Special delivery.

221

00:13:20,535 --> 00:13:22,034 ("Autumn Leaves" by Nat King Cole playing)

222

00:13:22,069 --> 00:13:24,437 (engine starts)

223

00:13:26,641 --> 00:13:28,607 (car door closes, car departs)

224

00:13:33,881 --> 00:13:38,751

• The falling leaves •

225

00:13:38,786 --> 00:13:41,020

Drift by the window D

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226
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00:13:41,055 --> 00:13:42,221 She's expecting you.

227

00:13:42,256 --> 00:13:46,559

• The autumn leaves •

228

00:13:46,594 --> 00:13:49,028

• Of red and gold •

229

00:13:49,063 --> 00:13:50,663 She's expecting you on the patio.

230

00:13:50,698 --> 00:13:54,433 I see your lips J

231

00:13:54,469 --> 00:13:58,337

Description The summer kisses Description

232

00:13:58,372 --> 00:14:02,107

The sunburned hands >

233

00:14:02,150 --> 00:14:04,400

J I used to hold J

234

00:14:04,402 --> 00:14:05,768
Joanie.

235

00:14:06,138 --> 00:14:07,170 Bob.

236

00:14:07,215 --> 00:14:09,148 - Tea?

- If we're gonna talk business,

237

00:14:09,183 --> 00:14:11,083 I'm gonna need a real drink.

238

00:14:11,118 --> 00:14:17,756
Sally, dear, will you go in the house and see if Mamacita needs any help?

00:14:17,792 --> 00:14:19,325 One of your fans?

240

00:14:19,360 --> 00:14:23,696 Well, if they're going to hang around all day, I'm going to put them to work.

241

00:14:25,733 --> 00:14:29,768

→ Most of all, my darling →

242

00:14:29,804 --> 00:14:33,138 So, are we gonna make this picture?

243

00:14:34,208 --> 00:14:37,343

> Start to fall >

244

 $00:14:37,378 \longrightarrow 00:14:39,945$ If you can satisfy my demands.

245

00:14:39,981 --> 00:14:41,614 Can anybody, Joanie?

246

00:14:41,649 --> 00:14:43,315 We did pretty well the last time.

247

00:14:43,351 --> 00:14:44,817 Autumn Leaves made millions.

248

00:14:44,852 --> 00:14:46,218
It would have made a million more

249

00:14:46,254 --> 00:14:48,754 if you'd gotten off your goddamn high horse and let me mess you up a little.

250

00:14:48,789 --> 00:14:51,757 It would have made \$2 million more if you'd gotten me Brando.

251

 $00:14:51,792 \longrightarrow 00:14:53,592$ Now, you listen to me on this picture.

00:14:53,628 --> 00:14:56,028 I'll get you the perfect costar.

253

00:14:56,063 --> 00:14:58,964 Who do you have in mind?

254

00:14:59,000 --> 00:15:03,536

> Start to fall.

255

00:15:13,447 --> 00:15:16,782
MAN: I didn't know the patrona
 had turned to a widow,

256

00:15:16,817 --> 00:15:18,984 a sort of bright widow spider.

257

00:15:19,020 --> 00:15:20,986 (applause)

258

00:15:31,032 --> 00:15:32,698 Cocktails, anybody?

259

00:15:32,733 --> 00:15:35,801 (laughter)

260

00:15:35,836 --> 00:15:37,303 No, thank you, Mrs. Faulk.

261

00:15:37,338 --> 00:15:38,604 I don't believe we'll have any.

262

00:15:38,639 --> 00:15:42,775 MAN: They don't serve cocktails between the fish and the entree, Maxine, honey.

263

00:15:42,810 --> 00:15:44,643 WOMAN: Mercilessly accurate, Mr. Shannon.

264

00:15:44,679 --> 00:15:46,211

MAN: But when I asked you for one,

265

00:15:46,247 --> 00:15:48,781 you offered it to me without a sign of reluctance.

266

00:15:48,816 --> 00:15:51,517 WOMAN: Aren't you making a large point out of a small matter?

267

00:15:51,552 --> 00:15:53,185 MAN: Just the opposite, honey.

268

00:15:53,220 --> 00:15:57,222
 I'm making a small point
out of a very large matter.

269

00:15:57,258 --> 00:16:00,092
 Where'd you learn how to
 light a match in the wind?

270

00:16:00,127 --> 00:16:02,494 WOMAN: Oh, I've learned lots of useful little things along the way.

271

00:16:02,530 --> 00:16:04,697
I only wish I'd learned some big ones.

272

00:16:04,732 --> 00:16:08,133 - MAN: Such as what?

- WOMAN: How to help you, Mr. Shannon.

273

00:16:08,169 --> 00:16:09,602 MAN: Now I know why I've come here.

274

00:16:09,637 --> 00:16:11,003 WOMAN: So you can meet someone who knows how

275

00:16:11,038 --> 00:16:12,104 to light a match in the wind?

00:16:12,139 --> 00:16:15,107 (applause)

277 00:16:20,848 --> 00:16:22,815

278

00:16:47,174 --> 00:16:49,341 - (man coughs, knocks on door) - What?!

279

00:16:49,377 --> 00:16:51,644 There's a lady here to see you.

280

00:16:51,679 --> 00:16:52,845 Who is it?

281

00:16:52,880 --> 00:16:55,147 Joan Crawford.

282

00:16:56,350 --> 00:16:59,518 You're fucking kidding me.

283

00:16:59,553 --> 00:17:00,919 Bette.

284

00:17:00,955 --> 00:17:03,389
 Lucille, what the hell
brings you to the theater?

285

00:17:03,424 --> 00:17:05,090 Well, you, of course.

286

 $00:17:05,126 \longrightarrow 00:17:06,392$ Oh, you were wonderful tonight.

287

00:17:06,427 --> 00:17:08,160 You lit up the stage.

288

00:17:08,195 --> 00:17:10,496
I can't believe you didn't
get better reviews.

00:17:10,531 --> 00:17:13,198

New York critics, they don't

like us Hollywood people

290

00:17:13,234 --> 00:17:15,200 coming in, taking over their town.

291

00:17:15,236 --> 00:17:17,302 I say screw 'em.

292

00:17:17,338 --> 00:17:20,739
Make it quick, Lucille, I've got a car
waiting to take me to the country.

293

00:17:20,775 --> 00:17:24,009 Guess what, Bette.

294

00:17:24,045 --> 00:17:28,180
I have finally found the perfect project for the two of us.

295

00:17:28,215 --> 00:17:31,016
 It's always been my
dream to work with you.

296

00:17:31,052 --> 00:17:35,187
Do you remember how I begged Jack Warner
to put us together in Ethan Frome?

297

00:17:35,222 --> 00:17:36,789 With Mr. Gary Cooper.

298

00:17:36,824 --> 00:17:38,357 You do remember.

299

00:17:38,392 --> 00:17:40,225

You wanted to play the pretty young servant girl,

300

 $00:17:40,261 \longrightarrow 00:17:42,194$ and I was to play the old hag of a wife.

00:17:42,229 --> 00:17:43,195 Forget it.

302

00:17:43,230 --> 00:17:46,532 But this is different.

303

 $00:17:46,567 \longrightarrow 00:17:48,167$ These are the parts of a lifetime.

304

00:17:48,202 --> 00:17:49,334 No, thanks, Lucille.

305

00:17:49,370 --> 00:17:51,136 I've got plenty of better offers.

306

00:17:51,172 --> 00:17:53,238 (chuckles): Bullshit.

307

00:17:53,274 --> 00:17:55,574
I know what kind of offers
you've been getting.

308

00:17:55,609 --> 00:17:58,177
Exactly none, because the
 same is true for me.

309

00:17:58,212 --> 00:18:00,546
They're not making women's pictures anymore.

310

 $00:18:00,581 \longrightarrow 00:18:02,448$ Not the kind we used to make.

311

00:18:02,483 --> 00:18:03,682 It's all cyclical.

312

 $00:18:03,718 \longrightarrow 00:18:04,683$ They'll come back in fashion.

313

00:18:04,719 --> 00:18:06,351 But we won't.

00:18:06,387 --> 00:18:08,153 If something's going to happen,

315

00:18:08,189 --> 00:18:09,755 we have to make it happen.

316

 $00:18:09,790 \longrightarrow 00:18:13,092$ No one's looking to cast women our age.

317

00:18:13,127 --> 00:18:18,864

But together,
they wouldn't dare say no.

318

00:18:21,102 --> 00:18:23,502 We need each other, Bette.

319

00:18:25,139 --> 00:18:28,774 So what the hell happened to her anyway, Baby Jane?

320

00:18:28,809 --> 00:18:32,711 Read it. Find out.

321

00:18:32,747 --> 00:18:38,217 Oh, I-I'm offering you the title role.

322

00:18:40,254 --> 00:18:41,687 The lead?

323

00:18:44,358 --> 00:18:46,692 You can call it that.

324

00:18:59,907 --> 00:19:05,511

In the evening I

325

00:19:05,546 --> 00:19:08,080

In the evening, people A

326

00:19:08,115 --> 00:19:11,483

• When the sun goes down •

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327
     00:19:14,355 --> 00:19:17,089
♪ Don't your heart feel mighty empty? ♪
                  328
     00:19:17,124 --> 00:19:18,323
              Thank you.
                  329
     00:19:18,359 --> 00:19:20,325
     > Little baby's not around >
                  330
     00:19:20,361 --> 00:19:23,162
                 B.D.
                  331
     00:19:23,197 --> 00:19:25,164
                  7 7
                  332
     00:20:04,205 --> 00:20:09,308
         ♪ If I could holler ♪
                  333
     00:20:09,343 --> 00:20:13,145
     ♪ Just like a mountain jack ♪
                  334
     00:20:13,180 --> 00:20:16,715
         ♪ Then I would go way
         up on the mountain ♪
                  335
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335 00:20:16,750 --> 00:20:20,219 And call my baby back A

336 00:20:20,254 --> 00:20:25,190 In the e...

337 00:20:31,198 --> 00:20:35,834 \$\infty\$ Evening... \$\infty\$

338 00:20:35,870 --> 00:20:37,736 In the evening I

00:20:40,007 --> 00:20:41,540

- (receiver picks up)

- BETTE: Did you fuck

341

00:20:41,575 --> 00:20:45,177

- Joan Crawford?

- No, I did not fuck her.

342

00:20:45,212 --> 00:20:46,645

Not that I didn't have

ample opportunity.

343

00:20:46,680 --> 00:20:50,215
We all know what special relationship
Joan has with her directors.

344

00:20:50,251 --> 00:20:51,216 Oh, come on, Bette.

345

00:20:51,252 --> 00:20:52,618 William Wyler?

346

00:20:52,653 --> 00:20:56,788
Oh, I see someone has been a good
little boy and done all his homework.

347

00:20:56,824 --> 00:20:59,391 Bette, listen, here's the deal.

348

00:20:59,426 --> 00:21:01,793 Crawford's name on the marquee gets us distribution.

349

00:21:01,829 --> 00:21:05,797
I need her to get the picture made, but I need you to make the picture great.

350

00:21:05,833 --> 00:21:07,199 Keep talking.

351

00:21:07,234 --> 00:21:09,368

Bette, listen, I've made my share of steaming piles of shit,

352

00:21:09,403 --> 00:21:12,237 but every now and again I get a chance to work with an artist like you.

353

00:21:12,273 --> 00:21:14,039 Someone who isn't afraid to leap off a cliff.

354

00:21:14,074 --> 00:21:16,608 Most people are terrified to go anywhere near the edge.

355

00:21:16,644 --> 00:21:18,176 Now, that gets me excited.

356

00:21:18,212 --> 00:21:21,246 I-I'm a kid again. Everything's possible.

357

00:21:21,282 --> 00:21:25,317

Bette, I promise you this is gonna be the greatest horror movie ever made.

358

00:21:25,352 --> 00:21:29,121 And Baby Jane's the greatest part you'll play since Margo Channing.

359

00:21:29,156 --> 00:21:33,191
All right, answer this question, and don't lie...

360

00:21:33,227 --> 00:21:34,660 why this picture?

361

00:21:36,463 --> 00:21:39,131 Honestly?

362

00:21:39,166 --> 00:21:41,199 I'm not being offered anything else.

363 00:21:41,235 --> 00:21:44,002 (chuckles)

364

00:21:44,038 --> 00:21:47,406
You're too big for Broadway, Bette.

365

00:21:47,441 --> 00:21:50,609 Come back to Hollywood, where you belong.

366

00:21:53,781 --> 00:21:55,881 I'll get back to you, Bob.

367

00:21:59,653 --> 00:22:01,620 (rain falling outside)

368

00:22:03,324 --> 00:22:06,091 (thunder rumbles)

369

00:22:10,480 --> 00:22:12,447

370

00:22:18,785 --> 00:22:20,618
STUDIO EXECUTIVE: It's a socko script, Bob, just socko.

371

00:22:20,653 --> 00:22:23,493 We ran the numbers and it looks doable, very doable.

372

00:22:23,495 --> 00:22:24,363 Fantastic.

373

00:22:24,490 --> 00:22:27,058
We feel like Crawford and Davis
may be a little long in the tooth.

374

00:22:27,060 --> 00:22:28,488
 Why don't we go just a
 little bit younger?

00:22:28,490 --> 00:22:30,323 How about Hepburn in the Blanche role?

376

00:22:30,472 --> 00:22:32,675 Well, Katherine Hepburn's the same age as Davis.

377

00:22:32,677 --> 00:22:33,824
I think she's a year older.

378

00:22:33,826 --> 00:22:36,988 Audrey Hepburn and Doris Day as Baby Jane.

379

00:22:37,070 --> 00:22:38,703 STUDIO EXECUTIVE 2: Are you kidding?

380

381

00:22:40,907 --> 00:22:42,373

Now, the character of the sexy neighbor girl,

382

00:22:42,408 --> 00:22:43,908 - have you thought about that? - Not really.

383

00:22:43,943 --> 00:22:46,277
 - I-It's a small part.
 - Yeah. Let's beef that up.

384

00:22:46,312 --> 00:22:48,913 In fact, we want to tell the story from her point of view.

385

00:22:48,948 --> 00:22:50,648
You know, like Hitchcock
did with Rear Window.

386

00:22:50,683 --> 00:22:52,383 It's not really a story

about a sexy neighbor girl.

387

00:22:52,418 --> 00:22:53,918 We want to make it about her.

388

00:22:53,953 --> 00:22:55,286
We've been looking for something for Natalie Wood.

389

00:22:55,321 --> 00:22:56,620 STUDIO EXECUTIVE 3: It's not gonna work here, Bob.

390

00:22:56,656 --> 00:22:59,123 No, I-I won't take no for an answer, Ed.

391

00:22:59,158 --> 00:23:00,658 These two women are legends.

392

00:23:00,693 --> 00:23:02,526
They've got millions of
fans across the globe

393

00:23:02,562 --> 00:23:04,295 who would pay good money just for the chance

394

00:23:04,330 --> 00:23:06,030 to see them together on-screen.

395

00:23:06,065 --> 00:23:10,067
I agree, but it's not Davis and
Crawford we don't want, it's you, Bob.

396

00:23:10,103 --> 00:23:12,269
They're just not willing to get into bed with you.

397

00:23:12,305 --> 00:23:14,023 - Not after Sodom. - No offense. 00:23:14,025 --> 00:23:16,492 Bromo.

399

00:23:21,714 --> 00:23:23,547 Would you fuck 'em?

400

00:23:23,583 --> 00:23:25,683 I don't know.

401

00:23:25,718 --> 00:23:27,608 (chuckles) It's a very simple question, Bobby.

402

00:23:27,688 --> 00:23:30,622
Would you give either of those
 broads a toss in the hay?

403

00:23:31,196 --> 00:23:32,963 - » Catch a falling star... » - Would you fuck 'em?

404

00:23:33,092 --> 00:23:34,349 - (laughs) - Yes.

405

00:23:34,351 --> 00:23:35,420 What?

406

00:23:35,422 --> 00:23:38,556 (chuckling): Bullshit.

407

00:23:39,132 --> 00:23:41,132 It's a no, Bobby.

408

00:23:41,167 --> 00:23:42,767 Sorry.

409

00:23:42,802 --> 00:23:45,369
So every other studio passed
 on this project, huh?

410

00:23:45,405 --> 00:23:47,304

And you come to me as the last resort?

411

00:23:47,340 --> 00:23:49,340 I find that disrespectful.

412

00:23:49,375 --> 00:23:52,510 No. Not last, Jack... inevitable.

413

 $00:23:52,545 \longrightarrow 00:23:54,745$ It's kismet that we make the movie here.

414

00:23:54,781 --> 00:23:57,181
Warner Brothers is the studio where both Davis

415

00:23:57,216 --> 00:23:59,984 and Crawford worked when they were still under contract.

416

00:24:00,019 --> 00:24:01,619 I-It'll be like a homecoming.

417

00:24:01,654 --> 00:24:03,220 You know, I can see the headlines.

418

00:24:03,256 --> 00:24:04,722 They're still big stars.

419

00:24:04,757 --> 00:24:06,223 Big has-beens, you mean.

420

00:24:06,259 --> 00:24:08,292 All right, that's good. That's enough, that's good.

421

00:24:08,327 --> 00:24:10,127 And big pains in my ass.

422

00:24:10,163 --> 00:24:13,197
Both those women made my life a
living hell when they worked for me,

00:24:13,232 --> 00:24:15,299 because they thought that I worked for them.

424

00:24:15,373 --> 00:24:16,339 - (spanks) - Ooh.

425

00:24:18,371 --> 00:24:21,105 More perks, more perks, more perks.

426

00:24:21,140 --> 00:24:25,242 And always questioning the material that I wanted them to do, always.

427

00:24:25,278 --> 00:24:27,215 - Oh, come on, Jack. - No. It's true.

428

 $00:24:27,217 \longrightarrow 00:24:28,716$ And you know what the worst part is?

429

00:24:29,186 --> 00:24:30,418
The ingratitude.

430

00:24:30,455 --> 00:24:33,422
I created goddesses, Bobby.

431

00:24:33,424 --> 00:24:34,762 I created goddesses.

432

00:24:34,764 --> 00:24:37,988
 I was Zeus and they were
 a couple of Aphrodites.

433

00:24:37,990 --> 00:24:39,690 But you know what happens to Aphrodite

434

00:24:39,692 --> 00:24:43,761 when her tits start to sag and her pictures start losing money?

00:24:43,796 --> 00:24:46,030 Or Venus, who should just look pretty and keep her mouth shut,

436

00:24:46,065 --> 00:24:47,932 and she starts having an opinion about everything...

437

00:24:47,967 --> 00:24:49,667 you know what happens to her?

438

00:24:49,702 --> 00:24:51,869 Zeus picks up a lightning bolt

439

00:24:51,904 --> 00:24:54,371 and he hurls it right at her head and he splits it open.

440

00:24:54,407 --> 00:24:55,840 That's what happens.

441

00:24:58,077 --> 00:25:00,277 I need a lunch thing.

442

00:25:00,313 --> 00:25:03,280 And my clothing.

443

00:25:03,316 --> 00:25:05,182
You've got a pretty short
 goddamn memory, Bobby.

444

00:25:05,218 --> 00:25:08,052 What does that mean?

445

00:25:08,087 --> 00:25:11,589
That bitch Davis sued me in 1936
to get out of her contract.

446

00:25:11,624 --> 00:25:13,290 She literally sued me.

00:25:13,326 --> 00:25:17,770
Bobby, I was so upset about that, that I
got an ulcer and hemorrhoids from it.

448

00:25:17,772 --> 00:25:19,839
 I still have them.
I'll show them to you.

449

00:25:21,234 --> 00:25:22,399 And you know what else?

450

00:25:22,435 --> 00:25:25,069
I won that suit, I won it.

451

00:25:25,104 --> 00:25:26,670
And she was ordered to come
 back to work for me...

452

00:25:26,706 --> 00:25:28,806 She just wanted better parts, Jack.

453

00:25:28,841 --> 00:25:30,107 A say in her own destiny.

454

00:25:30,142 --> 00:25:31,675 Yeah, okay, fine.

455

00:25:31,711 --> 00:25:34,044
But because of her selfishness and her bullheadedness,

456

00:25:34,080 --> 00:25:37,681 the entire studio contract system came crashing down!

457

00:25:37,717 --> 00:25:40,451 The whole thing because of her!

458

00:25:40,486 --> 00:25:43,087 She's the one who put the crack in the levee, 00:25:43,122 --> 00:25:44,855 and you want me to work with her again?

460

00:25:44,891 --> 00:25:46,290 Are you fucking crazy?!

461

00:25:46,325 --> 00:25:47,858 Never!

462

00:25:47,894 --> 00:25:49,093 Never again.

463

00:25:49,128 --> 00:25:51,295 Never. That cunt!

464

00:25:51,330 --> 00:25:55,132

• Save it for a rainy day •

465

00:25:55,167 --> 00:25:59,103

• Save it for a rainy day •

466

00:25:59,138 --> 00:26:02,239
Her unemployment is my
long simmering revenge.

467

00:26:02,275 --> 00:26:06,510

→ Save it for a rainy day →

468

00:26:10,116 --> 00:26:12,383
You're gonna make my picture, Jack.

469

00:26:13,419 --> 00:26:14,985 I'm s-sorry?

470

00:26:15,021 --> 00:26:17,521 You need it.

471

00:26:17,557 --> 00:26:20,324 Television is kicking your ass.

472

00:26:20,359 --> 00:26:21,631

- Oh...

- And the movies you're making,

473

00:26:21,633 --> 00:26:22,992 they're all bombs.

474

00:26:23,229 --> 00:26:25,671 - Crowded Sky? Bomb. - Bad title.

475

00:26:25,673 --> 00:26:28,644

Fever in the Blood,
you couldn't even give tickets away.

476

 $00:26:29,105 \longrightarrow 00:26:31,338$ And you know why? You got no stars.

477

00:26:31,771 --> 00:26:33,304 I got stars.

478

00:26:33,339 --> 00:26:37,274
I got a great script that I wrote
myself, a script I believe in.

479

00:26:37,310 --> 00:26:39,009 And I've got a genre

480

00:26:39,011 --> 00:26:42,446 television isn't doing, Jack... horror.

481

00:26:47,353 --> 00:26:50,020 Hmm.

482

00:26:51,591 --> 00:26:53,090 No.

483

00:26:53,125 --> 00:26:56,093
We got most of our
financing from Seven Arts.

484

00:26:56,128 --> 00:26:56,925 Yeah. Seven Arts, yeah, yeah.

485

00:26:56,927 --> 00:26:58,630
I just need you to release the
 picture in your theaters.

486

00:26:58,664 --> 00:27:00,764 You'll be the single largest profit participant.

487

00:27:00,800 --> 00:27:03,300 Yeah.

488

00:27:08,240 --> 00:27:10,507 I'll pay you first.

489

00:27:15,214 --> 00:27:17,214 (camera shutters clicking)

490

00:27:17,249 --> 00:27:19,917 (photographers clamoring)

491

00:27:19,952 --> 00:27:22,052 REPORTER: Miss Davis,

492

00:27:22,088 --> 00:27:24,054 how do you feel about Baby Jane Hudson?

493

00:27:24,090 --> 00:27:25,522 We hear she's pretty mean.

494

00:27:25,558 --> 00:27:29,126 She's full of venom and doesn't mince words.

495

00:27:29,161 --> 00:27:31,328 We have nothing in common.

496

 $00:27:31,364 \longrightarrow 00:27:33,330$ JOAN: Which is wonderful for me, Jimmy.

497

00:27:33,366 --> 00:27:38,836

Usually, I play the bitch, but this time, I can sit back and watch Bette do it.

498 00:27:38,871 --> 00:27:40,204 (laughter)

499

00:27:42,041 --> 00:27:44,942 I told you, together they're an event.

500

00:27:49,315 --> 00:27:52,149
 I can't believe I let
 you talk me into this.

501

00:27:52,184 --> 00:27:53,451 (Warner sighs)

502

00:27:53,453 --> 00:27:55,378 PHOTOGRAPHER: How about signing some contracts, ladies?

503

00:27:57,523 --> 00:27:59,690 Who do you think's gonna grab the chair on the left?

504

00:27:59,725 --> 00:28:01,025 What do you mean?

505

00:28:01,060 --> 00:28:02,292 Whoever gets there first gets top billing

506

00:28:02,328 --> 00:28:04,061 right underneath the caption in tomorrow's paper.

507

00:28:05,577 --> 00:28:07,877 Why, thank you, Lucille.

508

00:28:13,673 --> 00:28:16,607
How about one with the two of you
 signing your contracts?

00:28:22,481 --> 00:28:23,914 Oh, man, that's great.

510 00:28:27,086 --> 00:28:29,053

511

00:28:43,135 --> 00:28:45,703 PHOTOGRAPHER: And one more.

512

00:28:50,943 --> 00:28:53,143 Get the car, Mamacita.

513

00:28:53,179 --> 00:28:55,245 ROBERT: Joan, you didn't sign the contract.

514

00:28:55,281 --> 00:28:58,182
JOAN: You know, I expected more
from you, Bob, I truly did,

515

00:28:58,217 --> 00:28:59,550 though why I don't know.

516

00:28:59,585 --> 00:29:03,754
Starting with my no-good father, who ran
off with a stripper from Galveston,

517

00:29:03,789 --> 00:29:10,160 to Louis B. Mayer, I have been lied to and cheated on by men my entire life.

518

00:29:10,196 --> 00:29:11,695 I don't know why you should be any different.

519

00:29:11,731 --> 00:29:13,197 What are you talking about, Joan?

520

00:29:17,636 --> 00:29:23,311
She's getting 600 more dollars a week
in expenses than I am.

00:29:24,009 --> 00:29:29,012

Now, I cannot go into this project feeling resentment for my costar.

522

00:29:29,048 --> 00:29:33,217

Not after it was my idea
to throw this party in the first place.

523

00:29:34,520 --> 00:29:37,187
 I bet you never treated
 Kirk Douglas like this,

524

00:29:37,223 --> 00:29:38,689 did you, on The Last Sunset?

525

00:29:38,724 --> 00:29:41,125 It's an oversight, Joan. I'll take care of it.

526

00:29:41,160 --> 00:29:43,327 I promise.

527

00:29:48,234 --> 00:29:51,201 You understand, don't you, Bob?

528

00:29:51,237 --> 00:29:55,339 It's not about the money.

529

00:29:57,143 --> 00:29:59,042 It's about trust.

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00:29:59,078 --> 00:30:01,111 Of course.

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00:30:10,456 --> 00:30:14,024 I want \$1,500.

532

00:30:20,866 --> 00:30:26,670 JOAN BLONDELL: The 1950s and early '60s were tough times for all us mature gals.

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00:30:26,705 --> 00:30:29,339

The studio system was dying out big time,

534

00:30:29,375 --> 00:30:31,241 and the only women who were getting hired were...

535

00:30:31,277 --> 00:30:33,076 well, they had big chests and small brains.

536

00:30:33,112 --> 00:30:34,678 (laughs)

537

00:30:34,713 --> 00:30:37,748
Say, is this documentary gonna be about all of us or just Joanie?

538

00:30:37,783 --> 00:30:39,349
Is it like That's Entertainment?

539

00:30:39,385 --> 00:30:40,751 ADAM: Um, I'm not sure.

540

00:30:40,786 --> 00:30:45,025 Well, honey, I'm sure both people who see it are gonna love it.

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00:30:45,027 --> 00:30:47,060 Can somebody get this girl a drink here?

542

00:30:47,493 --> 00:30:50,093 - Thanks, honey. - Well, what were we talking about?

543

00:30:50,129 --> 00:30:51,962 ADAM: How tough it was for women in the '50s.

544

00:30:51,997 --> 00:30:54,164 Right. But not for Joan. 00:30:54,200 --> 00:30:55,599 Wow.

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00:30:55,634 --> 00:30:57,601 She was really something.

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00:30:57,636 --> 00:31:01,305 She barreled through that decade like a freight train.

548

00:31:02,441 --> 00:31:05,242 Thanks.

549

00:31:05,277 --> 00:31:07,244 Hmm.

550

00:31:09,281 --> 00:31:12,449 Who cares if her costars were getting younger and younger?

551

00:31:12,484 --> 00:31:14,218 She was still Joan.

552

00:31:14,253 --> 00:31:16,286 Still ambitious as hell.

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00:31:16,322 --> 00:31:21,225 And making hits till she got the best offer of her career:

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00:31:21,260 --> 00:31:25,462 A proposal from a widower, Al Steele, CEO of Pepsi-Cola,

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00:31:25,497 --> 00:31:28,265 and one of the wealthiest men in the country.

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00:31:28,300 --> 00:31:31,735 With all that money, after 40 years of working her ass off,

00:31:31,770 --> 00:31:34,104 and sweating over every goddamn dime,

558

00:31:34,139 --> 00:31:36,907 she could finally exhale and live the high life.

559

00:31:36,942 --> 00:31:39,142 Al, you may kiss the bride.

560

00:31:39,178 --> 00:31:41,311 (giggles) Come to Momma.

561

00:31:41,347 --> 00:31:43,247 Oh, yeah!

562

00:31:43,282 --> 00:31:44,548 BLONDELL: Bette...

563

00:31:44,583 --> 00:31:46,917 well, she was a different story.

564

00:31:46,952 --> 00:31:49,453 After All About Eve, she was on top of the world.

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00:31:49,488 --> 00:31:52,489
And she thought she'd
be swamped by offers,

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00:31:52,524 --> 00:31:56,927 but her biggest comeback turned into her biggest letdown.

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00:31:56,962 --> 00:31:59,663 So Bette decided to throw herself into the one role

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00:31:59,698 --> 00:32:02,599 she'd never gotten right: wife and mother.

00:32:02,635 --> 00:32:06,336 She married her All About Eve costar, Gary Merrill.

570 00:32:06,372 --> 00:32:07,704 (door opening)

571 00:32:07,740 --> 00:32:11,475 Bette was, to say the least...

572 00:32:11,510 --> 00:32:14,478 miscast.

573 00:32:21,520 --> 00:32:23,487

574 00:32:38,938 --> 00:32:42,139 Hello, wife.

575 00:32:43,876 --> 00:32:46,543 Make yourself useful for once.

576 00:32:46,578 --> 00:32:50,647 So I've been reading about you and Crawford.

577 00:32:50,683 --> 00:32:52,649 Start shooting next week?

578 00:32:52,685 --> 00:32:55,452 Day five I get to kick her right in the head.

579 00:32:55,487 --> 00:32:57,387 I can't wait.

580 00:32:57,423 --> 00:33:01,458 So what brings you crawling back to Hollywood?

581 00:33:01,493 --> 00:33:04,328 Another guest shot on Wagon Train? 582

00:33:04,363 --> 00:33:06,196 Twilight Zone, actually.

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 $00:33:06,231 \longrightarrow 00:33:07,798$ Oh. Well, that should be easy for you.

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00:33:07,833 --> 00:33:10,467 Our whole marriage was a Twilight Zone.

585

00:33:10,502 --> 00:33:14,671
You went to bed with Margo Channing and you woke up with me.

586

00:33:14,707 --> 00:33:17,207 So why did we stop living together again?

587

00:33:18,444 --> 00:33:21,411
You wanted me to starch your shirts
and greet you at the door

588

00:33:21,447 --> 00:33:23,013 with a martini in hand and ask,

589

00:33:23,048 --> 00:33:25,248 - "How did your day at work go, darling?" - Mm.

590

00:33:25,284 --> 00:33:28,485 I'm the one that needed a wife.

591

00:33:28,520 --> 00:33:30,287 I brought you something.

592

00:33:30,322 --> 00:33:32,255
You've wanted it for a long time.

593

00:33:39,598 --> 00:33:41,565 (sighs) Here it is.

00:33:41,600 --> 00:33:43,567 It's all there.

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00:33:45,804 --> 00:33:48,905
 I gave you everything...
houses, kids, bank accounts,

596

00:33:48,941 --> 00:33:51,108 - even the broken china. - You goddamned prick!

597

00:33:51,143 --> 00:33:54,444
Oh, admit it. You don't want me,
but you can't stand the idea of me being

598

00:33:54,480 --> 00:33:56,113 - with anybody else. - Who would have you,

590

00:33:56,148 --> 00:33:58,065 - you broken-down has-been? - You viper.

600

00:33:58,067 --> 00:33:59,833 - You drunk. - Takes one to know one.

601

00:34:02,121 --> 00:34:04,321 (both laughing)

602

00:34:19,304 --> 00:34:21,738 BLONDELL: You know why they really broke up?

603

 $00:34:21,774 \longrightarrow 00:34:23,940$ Well, it wasn't his performance in bed.

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00:34:23,976 --> 00:34:25,942 It was his performance onstage.

605

00:34:25,978 --> 00:34:28,545 God, was Gary a stiff.

606

00:34:28,580 --> 00:34:31,448

Just when Bette realized her marriage was about to close,

607

00:34:31,483 --> 00:34:34,317 she took it on the road.

608

00:34:34,353 --> 00:34:38,688
GARY: "Let the lights of Broadway spangle and splatter... and the taxis

609

00:34:38,724 --> 00:34:40,924 "hustle the crowds away when the show is over.

610

 $00:34:40,959 \longrightarrow 00:34:43,260$ "Let the lights of Broadway spangle. The girls wash off

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00:34:43,295 --> 00:34:45,962
"the paint and go for their
 midnight sandwiches...

612

00:34:45,998 --> 00:34:48,298
"let 'em dream in the morning
 sun, late in the morning,

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00:34:48,333 --> 00:34:49,966 "long after the morning papers,

614

00:34:50,002 --> 00:34:52,502 and dream as long as they want to in June somewhere..."

615

00:34:52,538 --> 00:34:54,704 BLONDELL: You know, she fired him from the tour.

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00:34:54,740 --> 00:34:57,507 Her own husband. And replaced him the very next day

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00:34:57,543 \longrightarrow 00:34:59,176
     with Barry Sullivan.
              618
00:34:59,211 --> 00:35:02,479
              619
00:35:02,514 --> 00:35:06,083
           ♪ I... ♪
             620
00:35:06,118 --> 00:35:10,087
         ♪ Love all ♪
              621
00:35:11,356 --> 00:35:17,094
♪ The many charms about you ♪
              622
00:35:19,131 --> 00:35:23,433
         ♪ Above all ♪
              623
00:35:26,338 --> 00:35:30,207
      ♪ I want my arms ♪
              624
00:35:30,242 --> 00:35:33,009
         ♪ About you ♪
              625
00:35:37,249 --> 00:35:41,718
  ♪ Naughty, naughty baby ♪
              626
00:35:41,753 --> 00:35:43,520
       ♪ Come to mama ♪
              627
00:35:43,555 --> 00:35:49,526
    ♪ Come to mama do... ♪
              628
00:35:49,561 --> 00:35:51,928
  When Bette had to choose,
              629
00:35:51,964 --> 00:35:55,432
    she always picked the
professional over the private.
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630 00:35:55,467 --> 00:36:00,070 JOAN: She actually claimed she coined the term "Oscar."

631

00:36:00,105 --> 00:36:01,438 Can you believe that?

632

00:36:01,473 --> 00:36:04,574

Back when she nabbed the award for Dangerous in '35,

633

00:36:04,610 --> 00:36:07,777 she told the press that its posterior reminded her

634

00:36:07,813 --> 00:36:10,046 of her first husband's ass.

635

00:36:10,082 --> 00:36:11,181
His middle name was Oscar.

636

00:36:11,216 --> 00:36:13,183 No one ever called him that.

637

00:36:13,218 --> 00:36:15,886 (scoffs) It was just more of her bullshit.

638

00:36:15,921 --> 00:36:18,889
His name was Harmon.
Everyone called him Ham.

639

00:36:18,924 --> 00:36:22,392

Joanie,
do you have to keep doing that?

640

00:36:22,427 --> 00:36:25,061 What? It keeps my elbows supple.

641

00:36:25,097 --> 00:36:28,064 I wasn't talking about that. Do you realize from the time

00:36:28,100 --> 00:36:30,667 we got in the car tonight, all through dinner, and now

643

00:36:30,702 --> 00:36:32,802
all you've done is complain
 about Bette Davis?

644

00:36:32,838 --> 00:36:34,304 Oh, that is not true.

645

646

00:36:37,342 --> 00:36:39,643 You two have so much in common. More than any two other people

647

00:36:39,678 --> 00:36:42,646
 on the planet. Why can't
 you just get along?

648

00:36:42,681 --> 00:36:46,049 Oh, don't you think I've tried?

649

00:36:46,084 --> 00:36:48,451
Back when she won that Oscar,
I was the first person

650

00:36:48,487 --> 00:36:52,455 to send a congratulatory note and a bouquet.

651

00:36:52,491 --> 00:36:55,458 And you know that I never heard back.

652

00:36:55,494 --> 00:36:57,260 Not a word. Radio silence.

653

00:36:57,296 --> 00:37:01,031 And this after she tried to screw my boyfriend. 00:37:01,066 --> 00:37:03,633 Franchot was her costar in that picture, you know.

655

00:37:03,669 --> 00:37:07,237 Yes, you mentioned it at dinner.

656

00:37:07,272 --> 00:37:10,840 She knew he was mine. That's why she tried to take him away.

657

 $00:37:10,876 \longrightarrow 00:37:14,244$ But he rejected her advances, of course.

658

00:37:14,279 --> 00:37:15,512 Told me everything.

659

00:37:15,547 --> 00:37:20,215 So then I married him, out of spite.

660

00:37:21,620 --> 00:37:24,788

Do you realize that Bette

Davis is responsible

661

00:37:24,823 --> 00:37:27,591 for one of my failed marriages?

662

00:37:27,626 --> 00:37:29,593 Personally responsible.

663

00:37:29,628 --> 00:37:32,329 And yet you still wanted her to do this picture with you.

664

00:37:32,364 --> 00:37:34,531
I think it's because you
two survived all that

665

00:37:34,566 --> 00:37:36,733 and you realize that you

really should be friends.

666

00:37:36,768 --> 00:37:38,468 Friends?

667

00:37:38,503 --> 00:37:41,671
You think it's friendship
I want from her?

668

00:37:41,707 --> 00:37:43,006
Is that what you think?

669

00:37:43,041 --> 00:37:44,674 You're wrong. It's respect.

670

00:37:44,710 --> 00:37:47,510
It's the only thing I have
 ever wanted from her.

671

 $00:37:47,546 \longrightarrow 00:37:50,113$ Or any of them, for that matter.

672

00:37:50,148 --> 00:37:52,415 And it's the one thing I've never gotten.

673

00:37:52,451 --> 00:37:55,619 It took me until Mildred Pierce

674

 $00:37:55,654 \longrightarrow 00:37:58,288$ to be taken seriously as an actress.

675

00:37:58,323 --> 00:38:03,760

And when I won my Oscar, do you think I received any congratulatory notes

676

00:38:03,795 --> 00:38:06,296 - or bouquets? - No.

677

00:38:06,331 --> 00:38:09,599 Mm. But I did. 678

00:38:09,635 --> 00:38:11,301 From men.

679

00:38:11,336 --> 00:38:18,008

Men whose admiration I already had and whose respect I never craved.

680

00:38:18,043 --> 00:38:20,310 But not the women.

681

00:38:20,345 --> 00:38:23,213 None of the bitches in this town.

682

00:38:23,248 --> 00:38:28,218

Least of all Queen Bitch, who always thought she was better than me,

683

00:38:28,253 --> 00:38:31,821 more talented than me.

684

00:38:33,625 --> 00:38:35,191 You admire her.

685

00:38:35,227 --> 00:38:37,627 (exhales)

686

00:38:37,663 --> 00:38:39,629 (chuckles)

687

00:38:39,665 --> 00:38:43,633 I admire her talent

688

00:38:44,461 --> 00:38:46,204 and her craft.

689

00:38:46,206 --> 00:38:49,841 And I will have her respect.

690

00:38:50,909 --> 00:38:54,411 Even if I have to kill both of us to get it.

691

00:39:23,026 --> 00:39:25,327 (alarm ringing)

692

00:39:35,606 --> 00:39:38,039 (sighs)

693

00:39:52,743 --> 00:39:54,310 Keep practicing.

694

00:39:54,345 --> 00:39:55,945 Could be faster.

695

00:39:58,950 --> 00:40:01,383 (indistinct chatter)

696

00:40:05,523 --> 00:40:08,524 (indistinct chatter)

697

00:40:08,559 --> 00:40:11,393 (quietly): Billy. Billy.

698

00:40:11,913 --> 00:40:15,081 Billy, how is that new baby?

699

00:40:15,116 --> 00:40:16,631 (chuckles)

700

00:40:16,686 --> 00:40:20,321 Fred! Oh, looks like you've lost some weight.

701

00:40:20,356 --> 00:40:22,523 Pablo. Mother not so good.

702

00:40:22,559 --> 00:40:25,860 Pablo, how is your mother, dear?

703

00:40:25,895 --> 00:40:28,896 Dave.

704

00:40:28,932 --> 00:40:30,665 - (chuckles) - Miss Crawford.

705

00:40:30,700 --> 00:40:34,736 How lovely to see you again after all these years.

706

00:40:34,771 --> 00:40:37,071 (chuckles)

707

00:40:43,113 --> 00:40:45,513 It's small.

708

00:40:49,919 --> 00:40:52,320 And dirty.

709

00:40:54,390 --> 00:40:57,959 Okay, Mamacita, let's go to work.

710

00:41:01,131 --> 00:41:03,598 (indistinct chatter)

711

00:41:09,906 --> 00:41:11,372 Christ, she's at it again.

712

00:41:11,407 --> 00:41:14,976
Sucking up to the goddamn crew
so she gets better lighting and props.

713

 $00:41:15,011 \longrightarrow 00:41:17,678$ Maybe she's just being nice, Mother.

714

00:41:35,965 --> 00:41:38,132 (exhales)

715

00:42:03,226 --> 00:42:05,993
Before noon, Lucille?

716

00:42:07,030 --> 00:42:09,997

Got enough for two?

717

00:42:26,249 --> 00:42:28,216 To us.

718

00:42:28,251 --> 00:42:30,484 Together at last.

719

00:42:30,520 --> 00:42:33,221 At last.

720

00:42:39,929 --> 00:42:42,697 Nervous?

721

00:42:42,732 --> 00:42:44,031 Terrified.

722

00:42:44,067 --> 00:42:46,500 I haven't done a film in...

723

00:42:46,536 --> 00:42:47,668 Three years, Joan.

724

00:42:47,704 --> 00:42:49,070 You haven't worked in three years.

725

00:42:51,274 --> 00:42:54,242 (laughs)

726

00:42:57,280 --> 00:43:02,283 You know,

when I drove on the lot this morning,

727

00:43:02,318 --> 00:43:08,489 saw the crew bustling about, sets being built, the smell of sawdust...

728

00:43:08,524 --> 00:43:12,760 It's magic what we do, isn't it?

729

00:43:12,795 --> 00:43:17,420

All right, let's cut through the bullshit.

730

00:43:17,422 --> 00:43:19,188
I don't like you, you don't like me.

731

00:43:19,535 --> 00:43:21,339 But we need this picture to work.

732

00:43:21,341 --> 00:43:26,047

Both of us. All I ask is that you do your best work. Try.

733

00:43:26,075 --> 00:43:30,711
Because when you're good, Joan,
goddamn it, you're good.

734

00:43:34,751 --> 00:43:37,785 Do you really think so?

735

 $00:43:37,820 \longrightarrow 00:43:39,987$ Oh, Christ, you're not going to cry.

736

00:43:40,023 --> 00:43:42,390 Yes, I really think so.

737

00:43:42,425 --> 00:43:45,192 I've always thought so.

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00:43:48,331 \rightarrow 00:43:50,531 Oh, one last thing.

739

00:43:50,566 --> 00:43:53,567 Lose the shoulder pads.

740

00:43:54,604 --> 00:43:56,370 I beg your pardon?

741

00:43:56,406 --> 00:43:58,472 And cut back on the lipstick.

00:43:58,508 --> 00:44:03,177
You're playing a recluse who hasn't seen the sun for 20 years, for Christ's sake.

743

00:44:14,190 --> 00:44:18,559
You have a perfect face for the movies, Miss Crawford.

744

00:44:18,594 --> 00:44:20,561 There are no bad angles.

745

00:44:20,596 --> 00:44:22,897 Thank you, Jimmy.

746

00:44:22,932 --> 00:44:24,899 (Aldrich and Bette arguing indistinctly)

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00:44:24,934 --> 00:44:27,635 Look, just give me a chance to talk to her.

748

00:44:27,670 --> 00:44:30,371 We can work this out...

749

00:44:30,406 --> 00:44:33,407 Are you talking about me?

750

00:44:33,451 --> 00:44:35,201 No.

751

00:44:35,203 --> 00:44:37,571
Yeah. I'm just offering some ideas.

752

00:44:37,647 --> 00:44:41,449

Don't tell me how to play my character before I've even shot a scene.

753

00:44:41,484 --> 00:44:44,585
I have done a lot of hard
 work and preparation,

754

00:44:44,620 --> 00:44:46,921

and you are just trying to throw me.

755

00:44:46,956 --> 00:44:48,389 I'm trying to help you.

756

00:44:48,424 --> 00:44:51,225
You want me to look bad,
but I won't do it.

757

00:44:51,260 --> 00:44:57,631

My fans show up to a Joan Crawford picture expecting to see Joan Crawford.

758

00:44:57,667 --> 00:44:59,400 This is not a Joan Crawford picture.

759

00:45:01,804 --> 00:45:08,442 Mr. Aldrich, will you please escort Miss Davis back to her dressing room

760

00:45:08,478 --> 00:45:10,778 so she can work on her character?

761

00:45:10,813 --> 00:45:14,648
 Or shall I get out of this
wheelchair and walk off the set?

762

00:45:14,684 --> 00:45:16,450 I'll handle it. Bette, please.

763

00:45:16,486 --> 00:45:18,452 BETTE: Did you see her?

764

00:45:18,488 --> 00:45:21,588

She's ridiculous, Bob. She's got falsies on under there.

765

00:45:21,902 --> 00:45:25,459

Bette,

it's the first day, okay?

766

00:45:25,495 --> 00:45:28,262

May I remind you I took out a second mortgage on my house

767

 $00:45:28,297 \longrightarrow 00:45:30,631$ to make this picture? So don't look at me as if I don't care.

768

00:45:30,666 --> 00:45:33,801
I've got to handle her very carefully.
She's nervous.

769

 $00:45:33,836 \longrightarrow 00:45:35,469$ And we got a lot of work to do today.

770

00:45:35,505 --> 00:45:37,471
We haven't even decided
on your look yet,

771

00:45:37,507 --> 00:45:39,407 and your first scene is straight up after lunch.

772

00:45:39,442 --> 00:45:41,409 I've got to get that right.

773

00:45:41,444 --> 00:45:44,645 Fine. Handle it.

774

00:45:51,312 --> 00:45:53,020 (alarm rings)

775

00:45:58,312 --> 00:46:00,101 Scene 11, take one.

776

00:46:06,821 --> 00:46:09,288 (sighs)

777

00:46:11,293 --> 00:46:13,093 Joan?

778

00:46:13,267 --> 00:46:15,653 Joan, now, in this scene, 779

00:46:15,655 --> 00:46:19,690 Blanche is looking at one of her early pictures on TV.

780

00:46:19,725 --> 00:46:21,525 There's your mark right there.

781

00:46:24,563 --> 00:46:26,330 Okay.

782

00:46:26,365 --> 00:46:27,531 Ready?

783

00:46:27,566 --> 00:46:30,734 Yeah.

784

00:46:30,770 --> 00:46:32,736 Camera's rolling.

785

00:46:32,772 --> 00:46:34,939 (whirring)

786

00:46:37,043 --> 00:46:39,009 And action.

787

00:46:43,049 --> 00:46:45,015 (woman on TV): Everything.

788

00:46:45,051 --> 00:46:47,251 We were gonna be married.

789

00:46:49,957 --> 00:46:52,990 This girl, Dolly Merrick.

790

00:46:53,025 --> 00:46:56,593 Oh, Jack, please try to understand.

791

00:46:56,629 --> 00:46:59,196 I married you because I was...

792

00:46:59,231 --> 00:47:02,399 We should've held that shot a little longer.

793

00:47:02,435 --> 00:47:06,770 I told him that when we were rehearsing, also when we shot it.

794

00:47:06,806 --> 00:47:09,873 But he wouldn't listen.

795

00:47:09,909 --> 00:47:12,876 I can't think of anything else.

796

00:47:12,912 --> 00:47:16,447 Still...

797

00:47:16,482 --> 00:47:20,784 it's a pretty good picture.

798

00:47:20,820 --> 00:47:23,587 (camera whirring)

799

00:47:23,622 --> 00:47:25,055 Cut.

800

00:47:25,091 --> 00:47:27,591 (chuckles)

801

00:47:27,626 --> 00:47:29,059 That's great work, Joan.

802

00:47:29,095 --> 00:47:30,700 Yeah?

803

00:47:30,702 --> 00:47:32,335 Oh, yeah. (chuckles)

804

00:47:35,735 --> 00:47:37,701 Let's do another one, Bob.

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00:47:37,737 --> 00:47:39,436 Right away.

806

00:47:39,472 --> 00:47:42,072 I'm just getting warmed up.

807

00:47:43,876 --> 00:47:45,442 (exhales)

808

00:47:45,478 --> 00:47:48,645 (whirring)

809

00:47:48,681 --> 00:47:51,081 - These are wrong. - I want her to look demented.

810

00:47:54,286 --> 00:47:56,053 This one.

811

00:47:56,088 --> 00:47:57,888 Wigs.

812

00:47:57,923 --> 00:47:59,623 Funny fact for you, Bette.

813

00:47:59,658 --> 00:48:04,428 Joan wore this one in some early 1930s MGM melodrama.

814

00:48:04,463 --> 00:48:08,432 And from the looks of it, it hasn't been touched since.

815

00:48:13,005 --> 00:48:15,305

816

00:48:22,281 --> 00:48:25,716 Clara Bow beauty mark.

817

00:48:27,486 --> 00:48:28,252 (chuckles)

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00:48:29,922 --> 00:48:31,388 (chuckles) Mm.

819

00:48:31,424 --> 00:48:35,059 My God, Mother, is that how you really want to look?

820

00:48:37,129 --> 00:48:39,129

Just wait.

821

 $00:48:41,133 \longrightarrow 00:48:46,503$ Now, I just think there are too many words in this section, Bob.

822

 $00:48:46,539 \longrightarrow 00:48:49,006$ God, I miss the silent pictures.

823

00:48:49,041 --> 00:48:51,675 (footsteps approaching)

824

00:48:52,778 --> 00:48:54,411 (whistles)

825

00:48:54,447 --> 00:48:56,880

826

00:49:01,854 --> 00:49:05,022 Christ! She can't be serious.

827

00:49:05,057 --> 00:49:07,558

828

00:49:31,884 --> 00:49:34,618 Hello, Daddy.

829

00:49:49,869 --> 00:49:53,337 (applause)

830

00:50:01,914 --> 00:50:03,458 All right, all right!

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00:50:03,460 --> 00:50:05,627 Everybody back to work! Back to work.

832

00:50:06,051 --> 00:50:08,285 (whirring)

833

00:50:10,256 --> 00:50:13,223 (door opens)

834

00:50:20,599 --> 00:50:23,033 (beep)

835

00:50:24,103 --> 00:50:27,037

ROBERT: Action.BETTE: Blanche,

836

00:50:27,072 --> 00:50:30,040 you aren't ever gonna sell this house.

837

00:50:30,075 --> 00:50:34,093
And you aren't ever gonna leave it...
either.

838

00:50:35,414 --> 00:50:36,880 (beep)

839

00:50:36,916 --> 00:50:39,283 ROBERT: And... action.

840

00:50:40,352 --> 00:50:42,920 Blanche,

841

00:50:42,955 --> 00:50:45,789 you aren't ever gonna sell this house.

842

 $00:50:45,824 \longrightarrow 00:50:47,333$ And you aren't ever gonna leave it.

843

00:50:47,335 --> 00:50:52,729 Bob,

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isn't that lighting unnecessarily harsh?
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844

00:50:52,765 --> 00:50:56,066
Oh, we haven't balanced the footage yet, Joan. Don't worry.

845

00:50:56,101 --> 00:50:57,935 Don't worry about it.

846

00:50:57,970 --> 00:50:59,269 Blanche,

847

00:50:59,305 --> 00:51:03,073 you aren't ever gonna sell this house.

848

 $00:51:03,108 \longrightarrow 00:51:07,344$ And you aren't ever gonna leave it...

849

00:51:07,379 --> 00:51:09,346 either.

850

00:51:09,381 --> 00:51:11,882 ROBERT: Cut.

851

00:51:13,919 --> 00:51:15,152 (sniffles)

852

00:51:15,187 --> 00:51:17,688 (beep)

853

00:51:23,529 --> 00:51:25,862 (clapperboard claps)

854

00:51:32,004 --> 00:51:34,471 ROBERT: And action.

855

00:51:34,506 --> 00:51:37,274 (sobbing)

856

00:51:50,856 --> 00:51:53,323 (beep)

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857
    00:51:56,629 --> 00:51:59,029
                 )
                 858
    00:52:00,633 --> 00:52:03,100
        ♪ Hey, little girl ♪
                 859
    00:52:03,135 --> 00:52:06,136
 ♪ Comb your hair, fix your makeup ♪
                 860
    00:52:06,171 --> 00:52:11,041
   ♪ Soon he will open the door ♪
                 861
    00:52:11,076 --> 00:52:14,044
       ♪ Don't think because ♪
                 862
    00:52:14,079 --> 00:52:17,814
  ♪ There's a ring on your finger ♪
                 863
    00:52:17,850 --> 00:52:21,618
    > You needn't try anymore >
                 864
    00:52:21,654 --> 00:52:23,920
           - ♪ For wives ♪
         - (doorbell rings)
                 865
    00:52:23,956 --> 00:52:27,424
  ♪ Should always be lovers, too ♪
                 866
    00:52:27,459 --> 00:52:30,060
Welcome to the house that fear built.
                 867
    00:52:30,095 --> 00:52:31,561
             Come on in.
                 868
    00:52:31,597 --> 00:52:33,664
      ♪ He comes home to you ♪
                 869
    00:52:33,699 --> 00:52:36,066
         ♪ I'm warning you ♪
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870
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00:52:36,101 --> 00:52:38,869 - Just the two of us? - The three of us.

871

00:52:38,904 --> 00:52:41,872
 Oh, didn't I specify
 that in my invitation?

872

00:52:41,907 --> 00:52:45,242 I suppose you expected one of my legendary dinner parties.

873

00:52:45,277 --> 00:52:49,746
No, Gloria and Jimmy Stewart and the Fondas are on Wednesday.

874

00:52:49,782 --> 00:52:51,718 Tonight it's just us gals.

875

00:52:51,720 --> 00:52:54,688 Sit down, please. The sofa's comfy.

876

00:52:55,120 --> 00:52:58,989

Now may not see him again N

877

00:52:59,024 --> 00:53:00,991

878

00:53:05,664 --> 00:53:08,799
Can I get you ladies something to drink?

879

00:53:08,834 --> 00:53:10,600 Scotch.

880

00:53:10,636 --> 00:53:13,036

Just a glass.

881

 $00:53:13,072 \longrightarrow 00:53:15,038$ I take it that's not Pepsi-Cola.

882

00:53:15,074 --> 00:53:16,907

Vodka. 100 proof.

883

00:53:16,942 --> 00:53:19,736
I say if you're going to drink,
drink something you like.

884

00:53:19,738 --> 00:53:20,830 I'll be right back.

885

00:53:20,832 --> 00:53:22,304 Dining room's through there.

886

00:53:22,348 --> 00:53:24,881
I hope you gals brought your appetites.

887

00:53:24,917 --> 00:53:27,117

Ready

888

00:53:27,152 --> 00:53:29,052 It's an ambush.

889

00:53:29,088 --> 00:53:30,520 She's out for blood.

890

00:53:30,556 --> 00:53:32,089 You gonna give it to her?

891

00:53:32,124 --> 00:53:33,924 Are you?

892

00:53:35,861 --> 00:53:37,694 BETTE: Fish Jell-O.

893

00:53:37,730 --> 00:53:40,497
- Goody.

- No, it's aspic, darling.

894

00:53:40,532 --> 00:53:42,065 It's all the rage.

895

00:53:42,101 --> 00:53:46,536

I thought it'd be the perfect dish for our little tête-à-trois.

896

00:53:46,572 --> 00:53:50,974 Something substantial, but transparent.

897

00:53:51,009 --> 00:53:52,576

• So alone •

898

00:53:52,611 --> 00:53:54,077 All right, ladies.

899

00:53:54,113 --> 00:53:56,680
You know what I need, and you
know what the fans want.

900

00:53:56,715 --> 00:54:00,517 So feel free to let 'er rip.

901

00:54:00,552 --> 00:54:03,120 - (vodka pouring) -) Alone)

902

00:54:03,155 --> 00:54:07,257

Matching lovers passing by A

903

00:54:07,292 --> 00:54:10,927 So, who gets top billing?

904

00:54:10,963 --> 00:54:15,734
Oh, Bette, of course. I mean, she plays the title role. It only makes sense.

905

00:54:15,736 --> 00:54:18,877
Both roles are tremendously important.

906

00:54:19,171 --> 00:54:24,141
You know, Hedda, I have been wanting to work with Bette since 1944,

907

00:54:24,176 --> 00:54:27,677

when I first went to Warner Brothers.

908

00:54:27,713 --> 00:54:31,148
And when I found What Ever
Happened to Baby Jane?,

909

00:54:31,183 --> 00:54:33,950
I sent it to Bob Aldrich and told him

910

00:54:33,986 --> 00:54:39,956 in no uncertain terms that this was for Bette and me only.

911

00:54:39,992 --> 00:54:44,027
I was thrilled. Think of
 it, Joan Crawford was

912

00:54:44,062 --> 00:54:47,130 a big star when I arrived fresh off the boat.

913

00:54:47,166 --> 00:54:49,699 Such a lovely thing to say.

914

00:54:49,735 --> 00:54:51,701 Fascinating.

915

00:54:51,737 --> 00:54:56,006

I want to be wanted I

916

00:54:56,041 --> 00:54:57,707

I want someone

917

00:54:57,743 --> 00:55:00,010 Ah.

918

00:55:00,045 --> 00:55:03,780 Oh, how lovely. (chuckles)

919

00:55:03,816 --> 00:55:08,018 - What are you serving for dessert? - HEDDA: We're skipping dessert.

00:55:08,053 --> 00:55:11,321 I'm already getting diabetes.

921

00:55:11,356 --> 00:55:13,623

I want to be wanted I

922

00:55:13,659 --> 00:55:15,992 Dateline: Los Angeles.

923

00:55:16,028 --> 00:55:19,996
Stars of the night sky tend
 to keep to fixed orbits

924

 $00:55:20,032 \longrightarrow 00:55:22,399$ and never interfere with one another.

925

00:55:22,434 --> 00:55:25,869
Things sometimes operate
that way in Hollywood, too.

926

00:55:25,904 --> 00:55:30,073
Bette Davis and Joan Crawford,
stars of equal magnitude

927

00:55:30,108 --> 00:55:34,077 who ruled in motion pictures during the fabulous '30s,

928

00:55:34,112 --> 00:55:36,079 never got to know one another.

929

00:55:36,114 --> 00:55:39,082

Now, in the Indian
summer of their careers,

930

00:55:39,117 --> 00:55:41,017

- they're about to.
- (typewriter dings)





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