

ALL THREE
WE' RE TWO SHIPS PASSING
AT A DISTANCE,
THROUGH THE DARKNESS,

FATHER
ONE GOING FROM

MOTHER and TATEH
ONE COMING TO

ALL THREE
AMERICA.

STRANGERS SHARING
THE BEGINNINGS
OF A JOURNEY

FATHER
I SALUTE YOU

TATEH
GOD BE WITH YOU

MOTHER
I WILL MISS YOU

ALL THREE
IN THE DARKNESS
OF THE DAWN
JOURNEY ON!

YOUNGER BROTHER (START

(MOTHER' S YOUNGER BROTHER appears.)

YOUNGER BROTHER
Mother' s Younger Brother was in love with Evelyn Nesbit. Ever since that first glimpse of her on the stage, nothing else mattered. He was late for work. He forgot to shave. He dreamed of writing her name with fireworks in the sky. When she opened in a new review at Hammerstein' s Olympia on West 44th Street, he took the day off and was first in line to buy a ticket!

(The JUDGE, JURY and PRESS enter. →

YOUNGER BROTHER runs to his seat in the second balcony, a spectator at the "Trial of the Century.")

JUDGE
And now, testifying for the defense, Miss Evelyn Nesbit.

(EVELYN NESBIT makes her "entrance.")

PRESS and JURORS

LA LA
LA LA LA

ALL, EVELYN

NOW IT'S THE
CRIME OF THE CENTURY!
CRIME OF THE CENTURY!
GIVING THE WORLD A THRILL!

EVELYN

HARRY'S IN TROUBLE
AND STANNY'S IN HEAVEN
AND EVELYN IS IN VAUDEVILLE!

ALL, EVELYN

THE CRIME OF THE CENTURY!
CRIME OF THE CENTURY!
ALL FOR A YOUTHFUL FLING.
FORTUNE, FAME,
AND A RUINED NAME!

(read as one)

EVELYN

AND NOW I'M THE GIRL ON THE SWING!
WHEE!

YOUNGER BROTHER

From what had become his regular seat in the front row of the second balcony, Younger Brother would lean far over the railing, hoping his goddess would notice him. One night he almost fell. Evelyn caught sight of him and smiled. Life was suddenly wonderful and full of delicious possibilities.

END!

PRESS and JURORS

OH! OH!

EVELYN

HARRY MUST NOT BE HUNG!

PRESS and JURORS

BANG! BANG!

JUDGE

LET'S HAVE THAT VERDICT SUNG!

PRESS and JURORS

BOO HOO!

JURY FOREMAN (Spoken)

YOUR HONOR WE FIND
THAT HARRY'S NOT GUILTY...

EVELYN (Spoken)

MY HARRY'S NOT GUILTY!