Scene Three

The lights come up on the COLONEL's set.

The COLONEL is sitting with a newspaper over his head having a snooze. There is a knock on the door. He takes the paper off suddenly.

COLONEL Who is that?

HELGA It is I—Helga.

COLONEL Come in, Helga.

HELGA enters.

I was having a little nap. Is my hair in place?

HELGA Which one are you referring to?

COLONEL Do not be cheeky, Helga. I am a colonel. You are a private. Now did you go to the chemist?

HELGA Yes, Colonel. I have what you ordered. (She hands him a package)

colonel (looking at the package) Reichstag 2000. Restores natural colour to your hair. Well done, Helga. (He starts to put it on his hair with a small brush which is included in the package)

HELGA That is right, Colonel, the sooner you start, the sooner you will look youthful and lovely again.

The COLONEL continues.

It is quite remarkable. You are looking younger already, especially around your right ear.

COLONEL Once I get the colour back in the side bits, I can use this... (He takes a toupee out of the drawer)

HELGA What is that-a wig?