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## Kristina "Queen Of The Prairie"

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Harald You be quiet

Johan It was your fault

Karl Oskar Let her sleep - it's Christmas morning

> Harald It's a secret

> Marta Our secret

Karl Oskar I have given her no warning!

> Harald What a present

Johan What a Christmas Marta I can hardly wait to try it

Karl Oskar When I saw it in the window I could hardly wait to buy it!

Children Don't you think she will faint when she sees it

> Karl Oskar She deserves nothing less For the way she has cared for us all

Heaven knows, she could do with some help

Children It's a beauty It's a wonder

Marta I will keep it new and gleaming

> Karl Oskar She'll be speechless For the first time!

Children She will think she still is dreaming

Karl Oskar & Children Like a royal lady with a silv'ry crown She's such a splendid sight It's as if an angel fluttering down Has filled the room with light It's as if a Queen in full array Upon her throne has come to stay "Queen of the Prairie" For doing us the honour Peace and blessings be upon her Here on this happy Christmas Day

Kristina Dear God - it's heavenly. What a gift to get out of the blue And it better all be paid for, too!

Karl Oskar "Queen of the Prairie" is never gonna leave us

> Children Never ever gonna leave us

Karl Oskar & Children Here is a present just for you

> Kristina You are welcome

> > Karl Oskar

Very welcome

Ulrika Snow is high

Guest -- and piling higher

Danjel I am frozen to the marrow

Karl Oskar Come and sit here by the fire

Thomassen I smell women - lovely ladies Fina Kajsa Have you ever seen such weather?

Kristina When I saw it Well, I tell you Could've floored me with a feather!

Ulrika Well now, what in the world have we got here?

Karl Oskar It's a cast iron stove that they say is the best

Kristina And "The Queen of the Prairie" is how she's addressed

> Ulrika Shall I curtsey?

Fina Kajsa Keep you cosy

Danjel God is good to you, Karl Oskar

All

Like a royal lady With a silv'ry crown She's such a splendid sight It's as if an angel fluttering down Has filled the room with light Raise a glass of stout and shout hooray For a lady's here, and here to stay Queen of the Prairie, for doing us the honour Peace and blessing be upon her Happy, oh happy Christmas day

She is worthy of a palace kitchen Or a very grand hotel She will cook a goose, or boil you a moose And keep you warm as well More pots and pans you've seldom seen Such a regal stove there's never been Queen of the Prairie For doing us the honour Peace and blessings be upon her Hail to Her Majesty the Queen!

Karl Oskar ...I say, it feels good To know I am my own master Here I own every acre I bring in my corn from fields that are mine

Nojd

Damn you, Nilsson! This is not your land Nor can it belong to any man They say among the Indians This earth is like the heavens No arms can ever hold a cloud The earth cannot be claimed By any people

Karl Oskar Every acre stamped and paid for You've lived too long with the Indians

> Nojd All is taken All is stolen From the proud Indians

> > Karl Oskar

Must I show you deeds and treaties? One dollar twenty per acre

Nojd

Scraps of paper From a white man They don't make sense to these people

> Karl Oskar We have laws in Minnesota

## Nojd The laws of white men Not of Indians

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