STRIKE UP THE BAND

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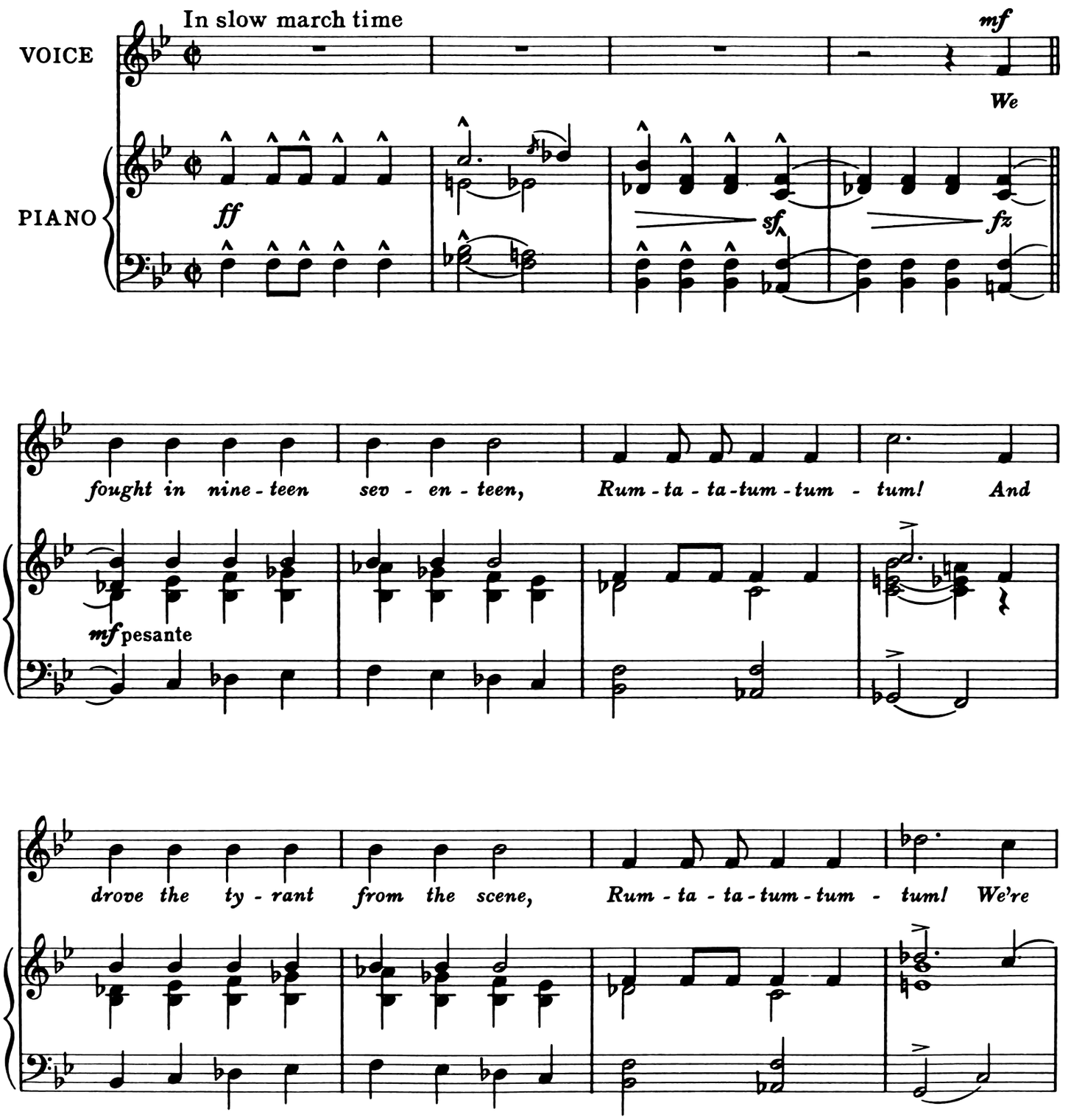

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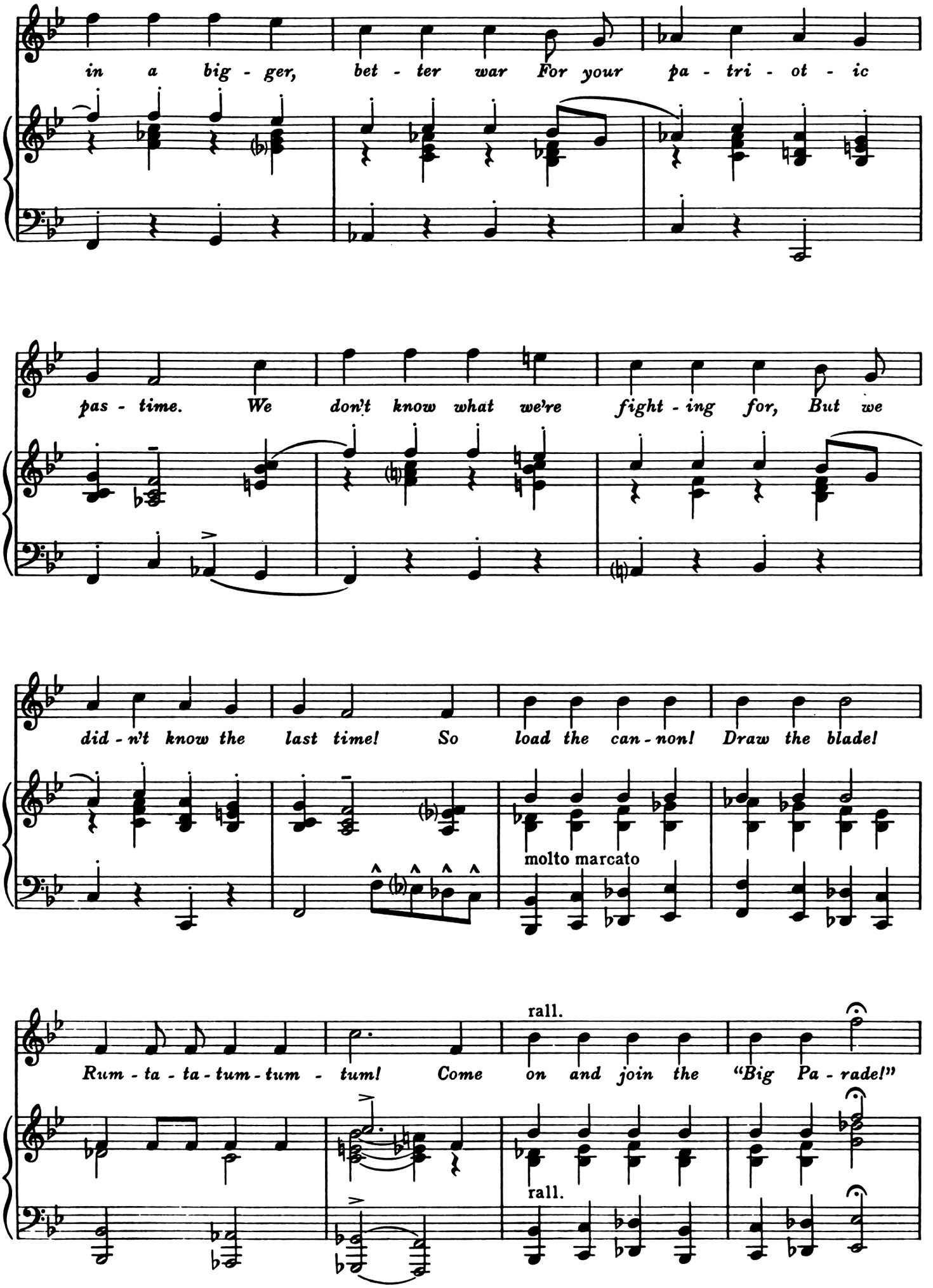
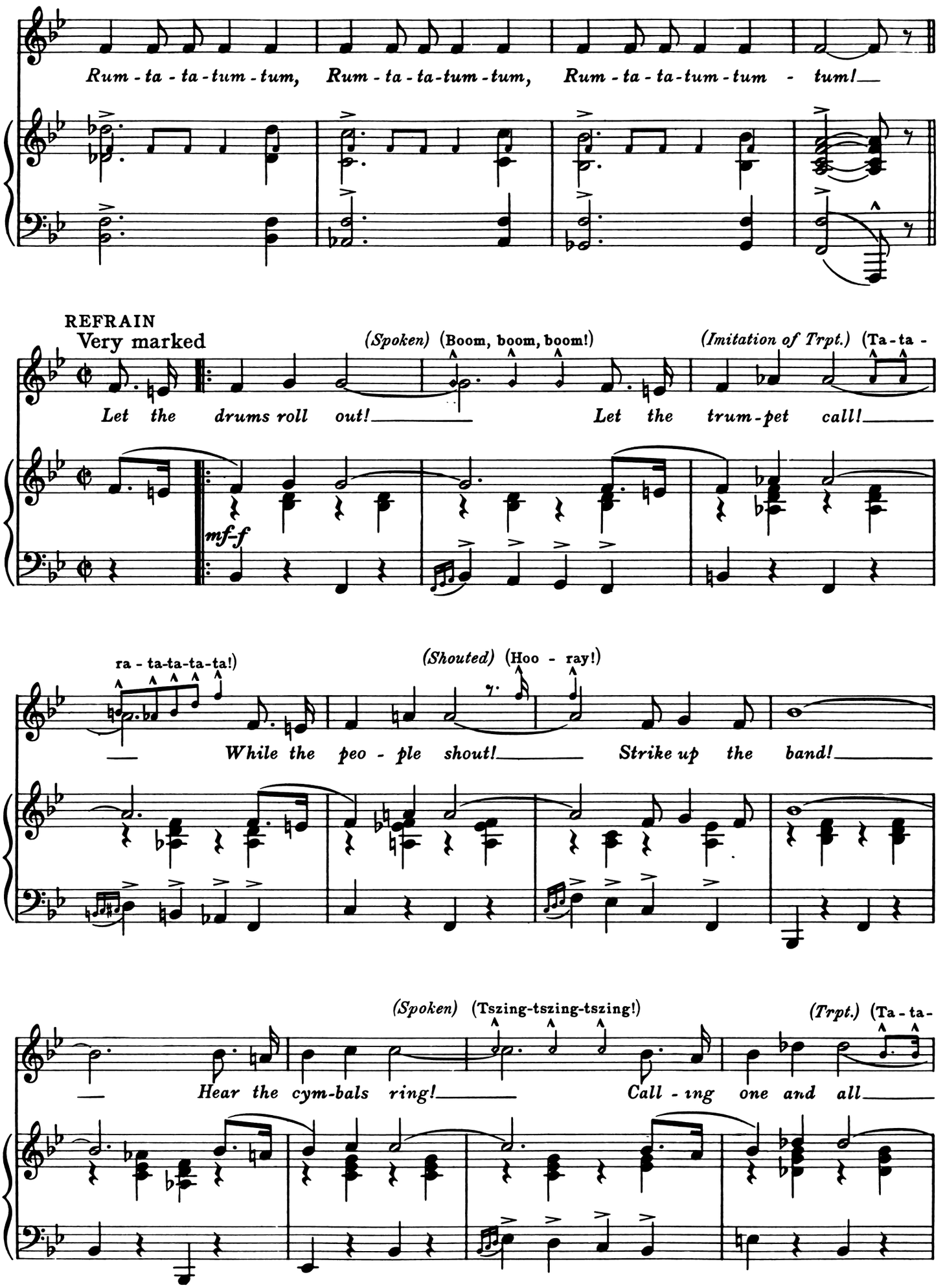
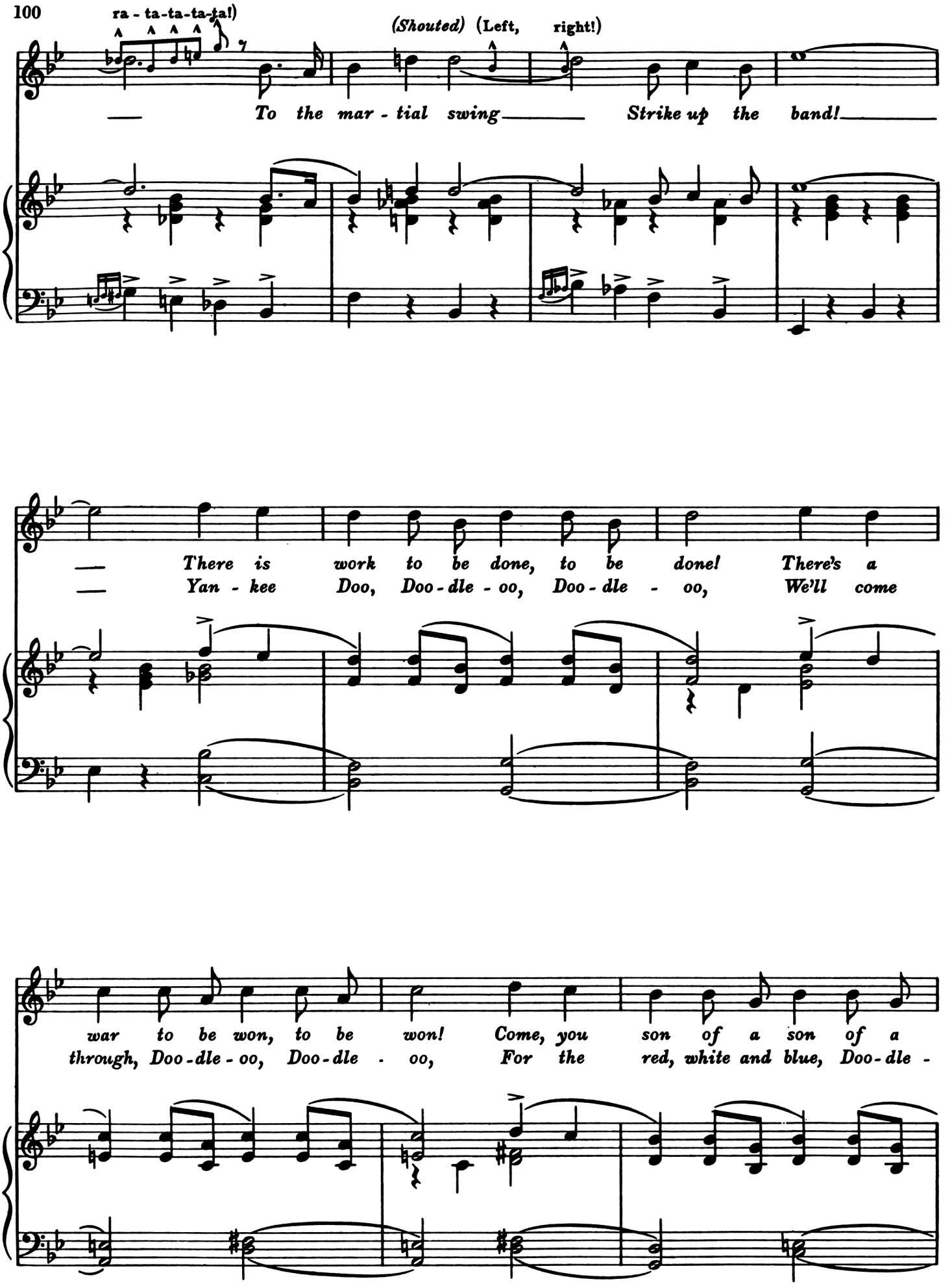
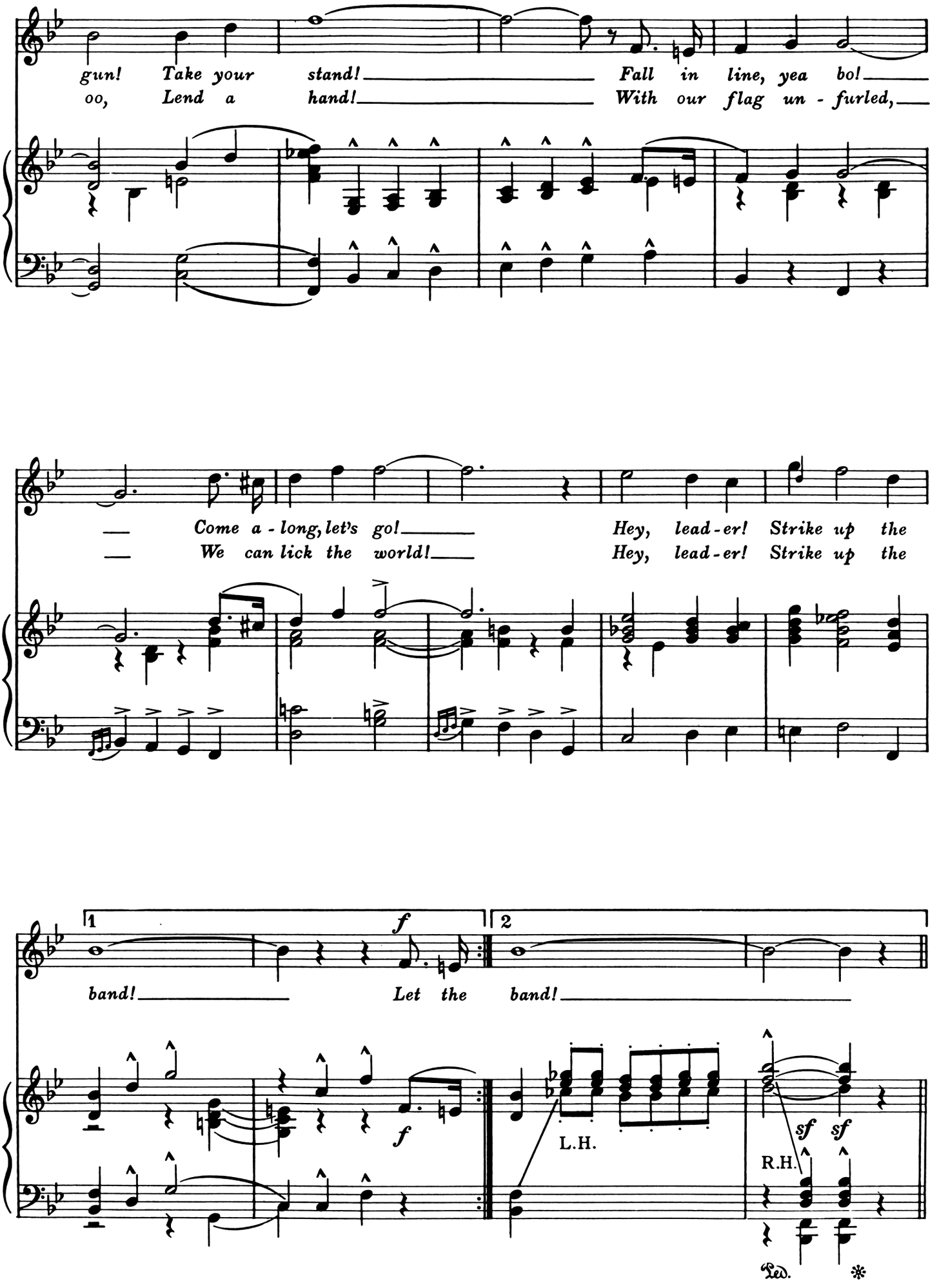

in a big - ger, bet - ter war For your pa - tri - ot - ic
pas - time. We don't know what we're fight - ing for, But we
did - n't know the last time! So load the can - non! Draw the blade!
molto marcato
rall.
Rum - ta - ta - tum - tum - tum! Come on and join the "Big Pa - rade!"
rall.


Rum - ta - ta - tum - tum, Rum - ta - ta - tum - tum, Rum - ta - ta - tum - tum - tum!
REFRAIN
Very marked
(Spoken) (Boom, boom, boom!)
(Imitation of Trpt.) (Ta - ta -
Let the drums roll out! Let the trum - pet call!
mf-f
ra - ta - ta - ta - ta!)
(Shouted) (Hoo - ray!)
While the peo - ple shout! Strike up the band!
(Spoken) (Tszing-tszing-tszing!)
(Trpt.) (Ta - ta -
Hear the cym-bals ring! Call - ing one and all


ra - ta-ta-ta-ta!)
(Shouted) (Left, right!)
To the mar - tial swing Strike up the band!
There is work to be done, to be done! There's a
Yan - kee Doo, Doo - dle - oo, Doo - dle - oo, We'll come
war to be won, to be won! Come, you son of a son of a
through, Doo - dle - oo, Doo - dle - oo, For the red, white and blue, Doo - dle -


gun! Take your stand! Fall in line, yea bo!
oo, Lend a hand! With our flag un - furled,
Come a - long, let's go! Hey, lead - er! Strike up the
We can lick the world! Hey, lead - er! Strike up the
1
2
f
band! Let the band!
f
L.H.
R.H.
sf sf
Ped.