

SM 2633

# THE FATHERLAND, THE MOTHERLAND The Land Of My Best Girl

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Moderato

Piano

*f*

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The first system of the piano introduction is in 3/4 time, marked Moderato. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The treble staff begins with a triplet of eighth notes (F4, A-flat4, B-flat4) followed by a series of chords and melodic lines. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The piece concludes with a final chord marked with an accent (^).

*Vamp.*

*p*

I'm blue  
By day

*p*

The second system shows the piano accompaniment for the first line of lyrics. It is marked *Vamp.* and *p*. The treble staff contains a melodic line with a repeat sign. The bass staff provides a steady accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics "I'm blue By day" are written below the treble staff.

thru and thru, And I don't know what to do,  
and by night, All the al-lies rage their fight,

The third system shows the piano accompaniment for the second line of lyrics. The treble staff contains a melodic line with a repeat sign. The bass staff provides a steady accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics "thru and thru, And I don't know what to do, and by night, All the al-lies rage their fight," are written below the treble staff.

In my heart a bat-tle's rag-ing, All my sym-pa-thies en-gag-ing, My  
'Gainst my heart their for-ces send-ing, Gen'ral Love its fort de-fend-ing, On

moth-er comes from sun-ny France, My dad-dy from Ber- lin, — And  
one-side waves red, white, and blue, On one red, white, and black, — And

just a-cross the Chan-nel lies — The land my girl lives in. —  
yet an-oth-er side dis-plays — the proud old "Un-ion Jack?" —

*rall.*

## CHORUS

There's the Fath-er-land, the Moth-er-land, And the land of my best

*p-f*

girl, They're all call - ing me, And I love the three, But

make up my mind I can't, For in my heart's a *tri - ple en - tete* That

beats for one, and beats for all, Till my poor head's a - whirl - O - ver the Fa - therland, the

Mo - ther - land, And the land of my best girl. There's the girl.