Then I'll Come Back To You

Words and Music
By JOHN W. BRATTON

Piano

Voice

1. While can-nons roar and thunder far a-cross the deep blue sea,
   There's a lit-tle girl at home whose heart is break-ing,
   And while she sits and won-der-s where her sol-dier boy can be,
   He is some-where in the trench-es for France and Lib-er-ty.

2. When all this war is o-ver and we've licked the en-e-my,
   What a wel-come waits the boys who'll be re-turn-ing,
   Then hearts will cease their yearn-ing for the boys a-cross the sea,
   And we'll all be glad to see France and poor old Bel-gium free.

Day I see her smile with joy,
   She reads this let-ter from her dar-ling sol-dier boy;
   R-e-mind her what he wrote of and it all came true;
   R-e-mind his sweet-heart, too.
When the Russian army stand and fight united one and all, Then I'll come back to you.

But they need a Yankee leader, Mr. Wilson heed their call Then I'll come back to you.

If you send our Teddy over there to help Kerensky back to you When the Stars and Stripes are flying from each Castle on the bluff.

Back to you, When our brave Sam-mie boys have called our big, giant city.

Back to you, When our brave Sam-mie boys have called.

Back to you, When General Banneker played Yankee Doodle in ragtime.

And that imperial quince the Prince will feel his daddy's boot, And the Kaiser says to his people:

Rhine, And German bands are playing Yankee Doodle in ragtime, And the Kaiser tells his loot.

And cannon their German kufur, and their rotten U-boat stuff, And the Kaiser tells his people:

And when Wilson's picture hangs inside the palace in Potsdam, Then I'll come back to you.

And when Uncle Sam has made the world safe for democracy, Then I'll come back to you.

When we hear the German roosters crowing "Yankee Doodle Dandy" Then I'll come back to you.

For the Irish love to fight, and want to prove it just once more, Then I'll come back to you.

When the "Wacht am Rhein" is changed in to "My Country 'Tis of the Irish lad to meet his sweet colleen.

When they home-ward march, each Irish lad to meet his colleen.

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