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Tempo di Marcia

The piano introduction consists of two systems of music. The first system is in 2/4 time, marked *f* (forte). The right hand plays chords and moving lines, while the left hand plays a steady bass line. The second system continues the introduction, ending with a final chord.

The first system shows the vocal melody in the treble clef and piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The music is in 2/4 time and marked *p* (piano). The lyrics are:

1. We're fight - ing for our coun - try, we're fight - ing for our trust, We're
 2. Our dip - lo - mat - ic pol - i - cy to Ger - man - y we sent Was
 3. We treat - ed you like broth - ers un - til you drew the sword, With
 4. We sought not your king - dom nor dared your flag that waves, But
 5. Hor - eas blasts and nep - tunes waves may toss us to and fro And
 6. When this war is o - ver we'll each re - sume our home, And

The second system continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are:

fight - ing for our free - dom bought by our fath - ers dust, With
 set at naught and Kai - ser Bill who bold - ly did re - sent, Ig -
 Emp' - ror's hand on high seas you cut the sil - ver cord, So
 rath - er than sub - mit to you we'll fill your Ger - man graves Our
 threat - en us with wat - er graves when to Ger - man - y we go, Cog -
 treat you still like broth - ers where ev - en you may roam, We'll

Wil - son for our chief - tain we'll wear our coun - try's scars, And
 nored our chief - tain's kind ap - peal thus prompt - ed by his crown, Com -
 now you hear our bu - gles we come as sons of war, To
 coun - try's val - iant sons will thwart your Ger - man Kai - ser Czars, And
 ni - zant of the per - ils of hoar - y head - ed wars, O'er
 pledge the hand of friend - ship and think no more of wars, And

we'll de - fend the dear old flag that bears the stripes and stars.
 mand - ed Ger - man sub - ma - rines to send our ves - sels down.
 ral - ly 'round the brave old flag that bears the stripes and stars.
 gal - lant spir - its wave the flag that bears the stripes and stars,
 Ger - man soil we'll float the flag that bears the stripes and stars,
 dwell in peace be - neath the flag that bears the stripes and stars.

CHORUS

Hur - rah! hur - rah! for A - mer - i - ca's rights, hur - rah! Hur - rah, for the
 brave old flag that bears the stripes and stars! Hur - rah! hur - rah! for A -
 mer - i - ca's rights, hur - rah! Hur - rah, for the brave old flag that bears the stripes and stars!

