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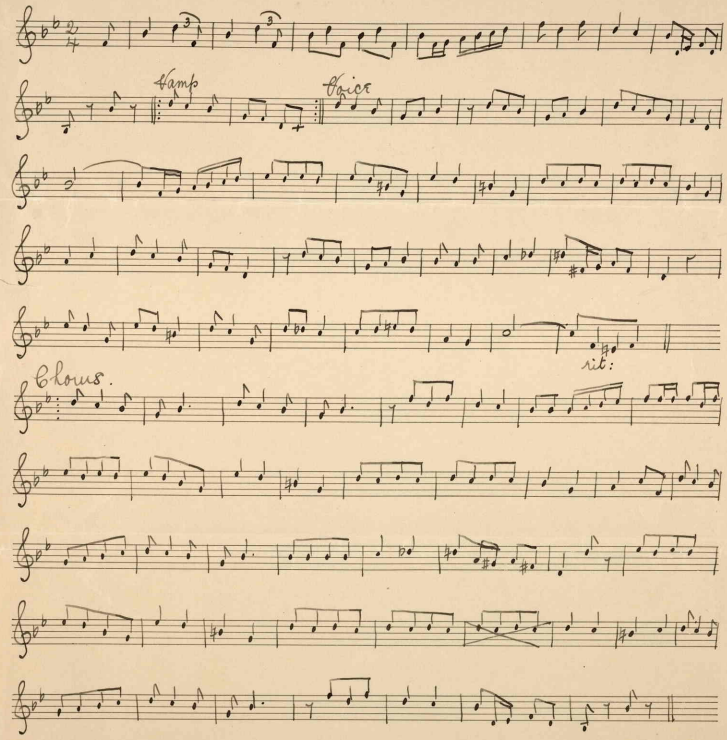

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By Frank Perry.

Verse I

Why did we go to war? What were we fighting for?
Someone asked old Uncle Sam.
Sam said it was duty, and that must be heeded,
Over there in France my boys were sadly needed.
We had to beat the Huns, make them throw down their guns,
Make them for Peace implore.
Too long they've had their way. We had a "Bill" to pay
This is why we went to war.

Chorus

'Twas for your Fathers and Mothers, Sisters and Brothers,
That's why we went to war,
Forward was the battle cry, we rushed to meet them.
Yankee doodle do or die, we had to beat them.
Into the trenches with the Tommies and Frenchies.
"Kamerad" we made them roar.
Made them pay for Belgium and their cruel outrages,
Made them proudly place our names on History's pages.
We gave the kaiser such a Yankee surpriser,
That 's why we went to war.

Verse II

Why did we go to war? What were we fighting for?
To make and keep the wide world free.
Free from kaiserism and its cruel oppression,
Freedom when Democracy gains full possession.
We had to call their Bluff. We made them cry "enough"
And we were prepared for "More".
Freedom on Land and Sea, Honor and Victory,
That's what we were fighting for.

Chorus

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That's why we went to war.
Forward was our battle cry, we rushed to meet them.
yankee Doodle do or die, we had to beat them.
Two million fighting for a wrong we were righting,
We'd have sent ten million more.
To keep the light of Liberty so brightly burning,
Welcoming our Sammies from the Front returning.
To keep the flag flying and our Freedom from dying,
That's why we went to war.