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Take Care of Yourself My Boy

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Marcia tempo

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand plays a rhythmic melody of eighth notes in a G major key signature. The left hand provides a steady accompaniment with chords and eighth notes.

When the Kai-ser de-ci-ded to have war, I nev-er thought would be so bad, But
I have worried on-ly about my sweetheart, The dearest chum since our school days, For

The piano accompaniment for the first vocal line continues with the same rhythmic pattern as the introduction, supporting the vocal melody.

when the big ships with our flag went down. Then I for once got real-ly mad My
I knew she was true, al-so loy-al. To God's country and me al-ways My

The piano accompaniment continues, with the right hand playing a more active melodic line in the second system.

countries call I have answered with gladness, For marching, drilling night and day. And
dearest sweetheart I came to say good-bye, For I must fol-low Old Glo-ry. O

The piano accompaniment concludes with a final chord and a few notes in the bass line.

when or - der to France was giv - en Then I heard dear old Moth - er say.
 won't you think of me and pray that Our dear boys bring home vic - to - ry.

CHORUS

Take care of your-self my boy, when in the trench you stand,

You know the Hun is trick - y, hun - gry for cash and land.

Fa - ther and I'll be wait - ing, for good news day by day,

When or - ders charge are giv - en, march straight don't loose your way.

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