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1 Now I lived at home with moth-er And three  
2 Oh they sent me here for train-ing With out  
3 Then they load us down with rif-les A

**DRILL**

sis-ters and a broth-er Bat I felt some-how or oth-er That I  
ev-er once ex-plain-ing That I'd drill when it was rain-ing As a  
blan-ket roll that stif-les And eigh-ty oth-er trif-les Then

ought to join the boys and do my bit So I went for in-for-mation To the first re-cruiting  
con-se-quence I got ex-treme-ly wet They said that I was yel-la 'Cause I asked a sear-gent  
take us out and march us up-steen miles And when our eyes are bleary And we're foot-sore worn and

sta-tion Where they seized me with e-la-tion And I thought that I had sure-ly made a hit.  
fel-la If he'd loan me an um-brel-la And I ain't for-got-ten what he called me yet.  
wear-y The cap-tain says right cheer-y "Fours right a-bout" then starts us back and smiles.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part includes a 'DRILL' section with a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano accompaniment consists of a right-hand part with chords and a left-hand part with a steady bass line.

## CHORUS

Oh it's great to be a priv-ate in the ar-my, Tho' why they call it priv-ate I can't

see. It's an-y thing but priv-ate, You'll find when you ar-rive at A

train-ing camp and join the In-fan-tree Oh wow boys Hep, Hep, Buck Priv-ates watch your step, It's

drill till you're full of mis-er-ry. You bet they keep you lump-ing

On the run and jump-ing Oh gee Oh gee All a priv-ate lacks is priv-ac-y.

# THE BOYS ARE SINGING THEM!



**WHEN PERSHING  
SAYS  
LET'S GO!**

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When Pershing Says  
"LET'S GO!"



**OUR NATION  
ROUSED  
AGAIN**

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Our Nation Roused Again



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