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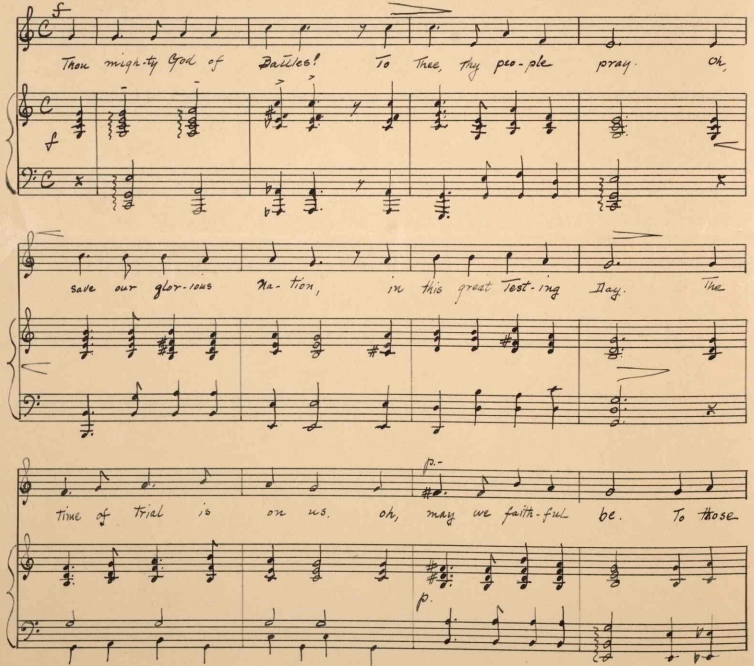

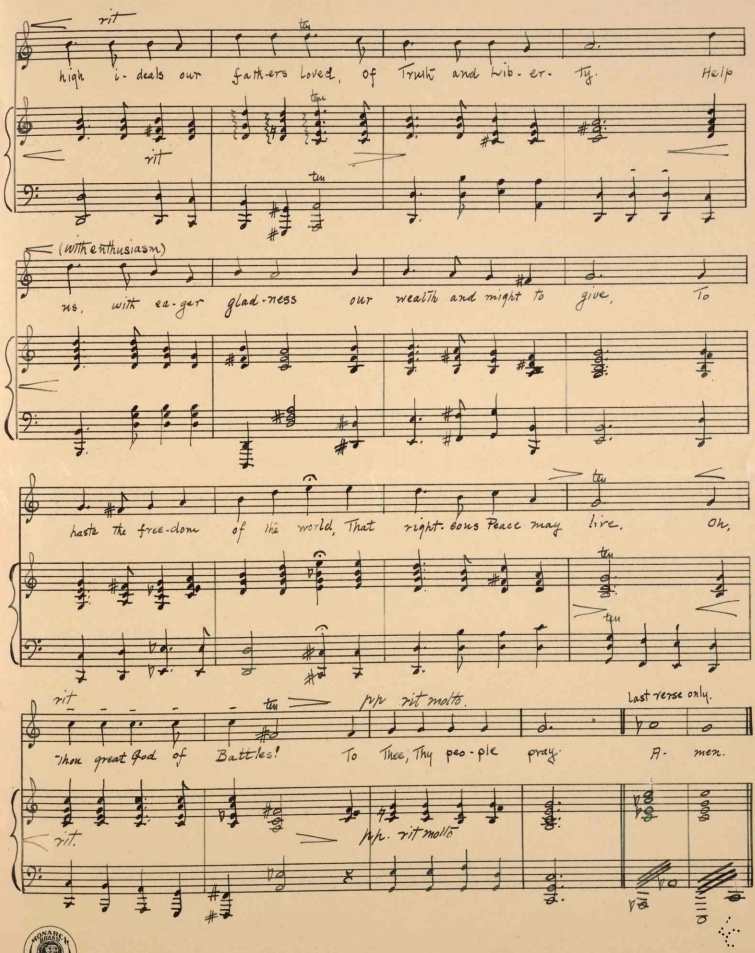

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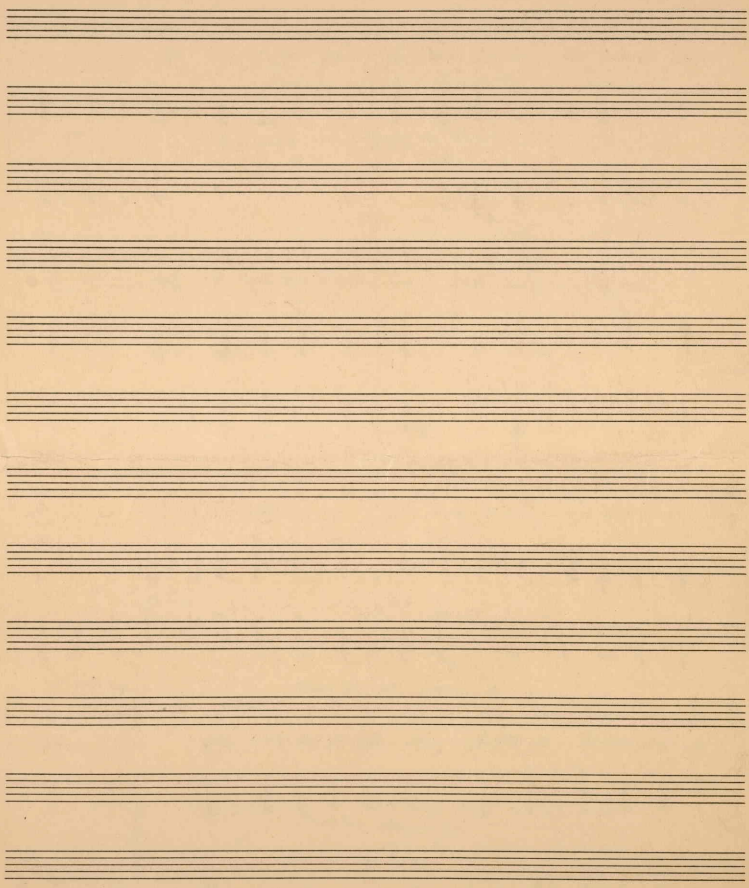

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Thou mighty God of Battles! To Thee, Thy people pray.
Oh, save our glorious nation in this great Testing Day.
The time of trial is on us, oh, may we faithful be,
To those high ideals our fathers loved, of Truth and Liberty.
Help us, with eager gladness, our wealth and might to give,
To haste the Freedom of the World, that righteous Peace may live.
Oh, Thou great God of Battles!
To Thee, Thy people pray.

Oh, God of Mercy save us! We cry our need to Thee,
Unite our diverse People, with bonds of loyalty.
Let none from lofty purpose, in paths of error stray,
But preserve our Nation's honor bright; let hate ne'er dim its ray.
In every heart emblazoned, the sacred Oath we swore
In Liberty's Crusade to serve, 'til War shall be no more.
Oh, Thou great God of Battles!
To Thee, Thy people pray.

"In God we Trust"- our motto; the clarion accents sing,
While loyal sons and daughters their gifts of service bring;
To everyone is offered the joy of sacrifice;
But not all may be that Honored One, who for his country dies.
Thus Freedom's cause advancing, unto that perfect Day,
When Love and Peace and Righteousness shall o'er the Earth hold sway.
Oh, Thou great God of Battles!
To Thee, Thy people pray.

Thou God of Hosts we praise Thee! The Dawn of Light we see
For poor oppressed mortals, denied fair liberty.
In chains of darkest evil, the many still are found,
But from hatred's terror, sin's deep hell, God grant they be unbound.
United then, triumphant, in peaceful Brotherhood,
All nations of the Earth shall hail their King,- the Son of God.
Oh, Thou great God of Battles!
To Thee, Thy people pray.

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