Vocal

Watching The Big Parade Go By

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Moderator (in 2) ♩. = 110

Beau - ti - ful balm - y day____ Ev - 'ry - one's on dis - play____
Some - bo - dy leads 'em on,____ Boun - cin' a big ba - ton.____

March - in' March - in' Strut - tin' a lit - tle and get - tin' the glo - ry 'n' Here on the porch am
Twirl - in' twirl - in' Toss - in' and catch - in' it ov - er his should - er 'n' Oh, does he hold my

1.
I____ Watch - in' the big pa - rade go by____ **2.** by____
eye____ Watch - in' the big pa - rade go____

B
____ Look at the peo - ple go wild when Cav - al - ry, three by three____

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Give's 'em a sight to see____ Do - in' their drill Pro - vin' their skill

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Thrill - in the fell - ow who's watch - in' from up in a tree____ me! *mp*

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Af - ter the croud is gone,____ Of - ten I lin - ger on____ Wa - vin'

Wa - vin' Keep - in' the beat of a fae - a - way tem - po 'n' Sigh - in' an emp - ty sigh____

Watch - in' the big pa - rade go by____ Watch - in' it from the side____

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mf Al-ways there's got-ta be some-bo-dy watch-in the show

Some-bo-dy lov-in' the mum-mers 'n' let-tin' 'em know An - y act - or's

got-ta at-tract ap-plause Those are the laws. They wan-na be liked a bit *mp*

mf That's why I'm per-fect-ly glad to be cheer-in' the bands.

Mil-lions of peo-ple like me got-ta fill up the stands. *mp* So when the house lights

dim, give me a call And I'll be there giv-in' my all And when the

drums roll out, Think a-bout me, There's got-ta be me! *f*

If I like it. I will cheer it, cheer it loud and let 'em hear it How can there be a pa-

rade with-out a crowd? Proud-ly the mu-sic comes, Bu-gles and fifes and drums, *ff*

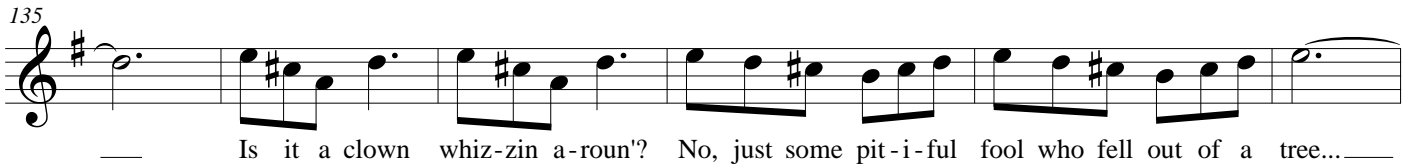Blar-in' Blar-in' Smash-in' the air with a crash of the cym-bals 'n' Lord, how it makes me

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cry Watch-in' the big pa-rade go by _____ Look at the peo-ple all turn and

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gig-gle and shout with glee _____ At the fun-ni-est sight you'd see _____

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____ Is it a clown whiz-zin a-roun'? No, just some pit-i-ful fool who fell out of a tree...____

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_____ me. Why do I lin-ger on____

3 **I**

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Af-ter the crowd is gone____ Wa-vin' wa-vin' Hop-in' to sa-vor a far-a-way ech-o, but

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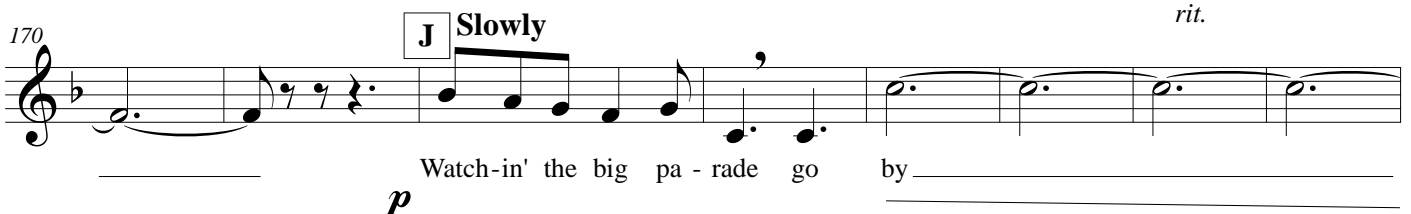hear-in' the mu-sic die,____ Watch-in' the big pa-rade go by _____

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____ Al-ways an emp-ty sigh____ Watch-in' the big pa-rade go by _____

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Watch-in' the big pa-rade go by_____

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