VIOLIN
Volume One

THE INTERMEDIATE STRING CLASS

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THE INTERMEDIATE STRING CLASS: Teachers Manual and Full Score

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To the student.....

Congratulations! You are about to begin the next part of your musical training. I hope that you will find it exciting, entertaining and valuable. The reason that this book is fun to use is that it makes you part of a real string ensemble right from page one. Whether you are in a small group or a large one, you will have responsibilities as an individual musician in making the group perform at its best. In fact, you will have the most fun if you can find several classmates or string-playing friends who can form a quartet or quintet so that you can practice together as a *Chamber Music* group.

Keep in mind that as a member of a string orchestra, string class or string ensemble the part you play is as important as any other part. What you need to remember is that you are making real music as both an individual player and as a member of a larger organization.

In this book you will come across new words and phrases, ideas, musical styles and technical terms. Please do not hesitate to ask your teacher to explain them to you. It will make for more interesting class lessons.

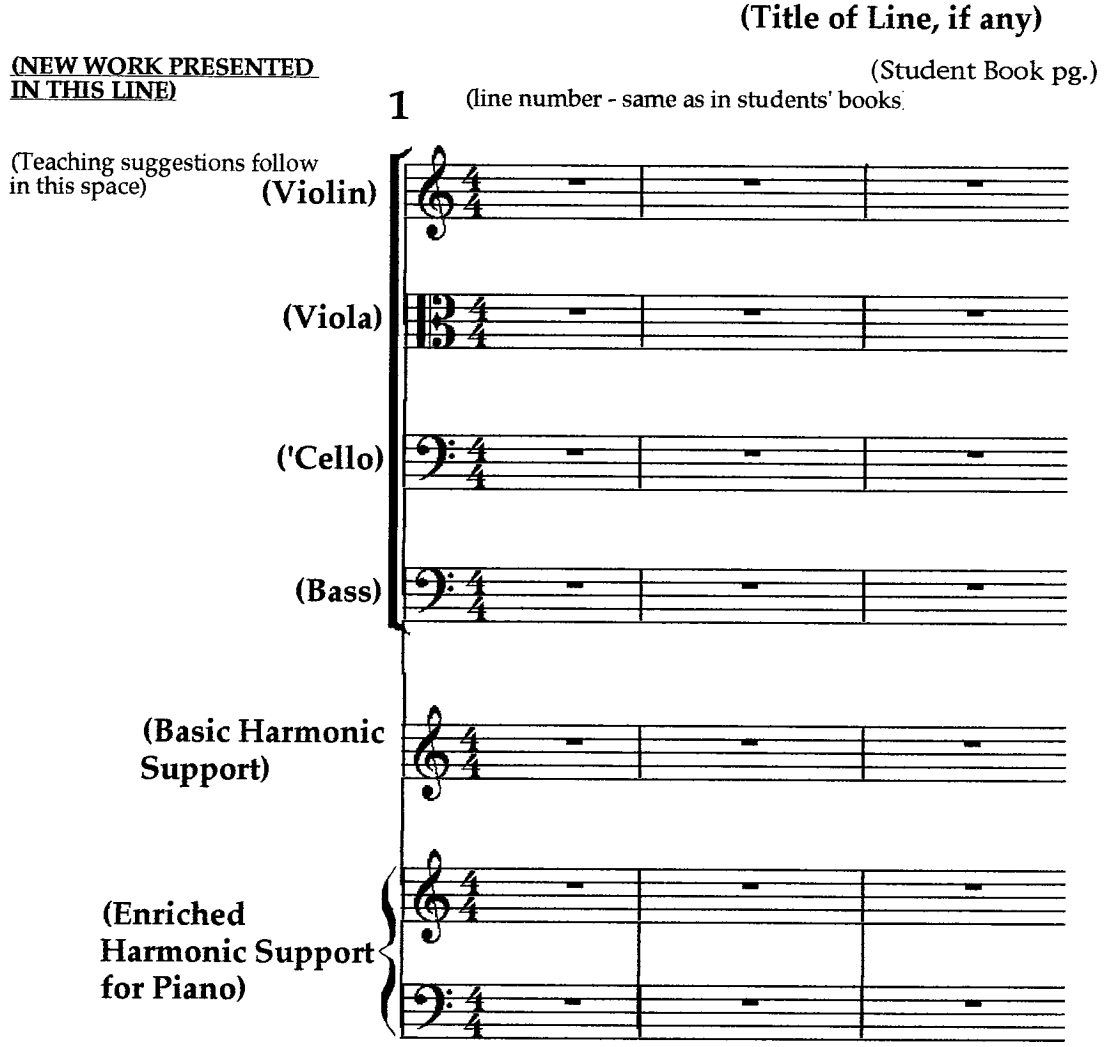
Good luck!

Herbert S. Gardner

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK!

The Intermediate String Class is organized into 15 key-centered chapters divided into two volumes. These are developmentally linked by a series of graduated steps.

The **Teachers Manual** contains a full score and an overview of the new work to be covered in each chapter. This materially aids in the preparation of lesson plans. Each numbered line lists the new work to be introduced in that line, teaching suggestions specific to the new work. and on-going reminders to the teacher. Many additional exercise lines and familier tunes are provided for extra drill and reinforcement. A sample of a portion of a score page appears below. (Note that in the actual score the identifications of the instruments and the accompaniment staves are *not* included in the interest of space economy.)



Compare the foregoing sample with the first score page to see how an actual work, with teaching suggestions, is formatted.

The success which this book promises is based upon two central ideas: (1) that real music, supported by correct harmonies, counterpoint and voice leading promotes the musical growth of the student, and, (2) that, at this point in the development of young players, the fingers of the left hand have been freed of the constrictions previously imposed by tapes on the fingerboard, finger patterns or the habituation of holding fingers down on the string past the correct rhythmic value of the pitch being played. In other words, "one note, one finger!"

Chapter 1, in C major, has been designed to assist teachers in the accomplishment of this sometimes daunting task. Take this opportunity to enable your students break out of the "D major mold" by requiring them to be responsible for their own intonation. Basically, this is facilitated by asking them two questions: (a) Does it sound right? and (b) How can it be improved?

The teacher must now focus on the ear-training aspects of string teaching and playing. This is a central purpose of the book. Teaching suggestions for achieving this are included throughout. The two piano parts support this goal.

The single staff, **Basic Harmonic Support**, is included for teachers whose piano skills may be limited, or who prefer to use a "one-hand" technique. The full piano, **Enriched Harmonic Support**, provides complete accompaniments

GETTING STARTED

Begin with Chapter I, (C Major) and continue in sequence. Drill material, tunes and review exercises are included in each chapter. It is a good idea to occasionally go back to previously learned work for review and reinforcement.

When preparing performance materials, it has been found useful to return to the appropriate chapter in ***The Intermediate String Class*** to get the players warmed up in a "new" key prior to introducing a new piece.

CHAPTER I - C MAJOR

FIRST POSITION (I) UNTIL CHAPTER 9

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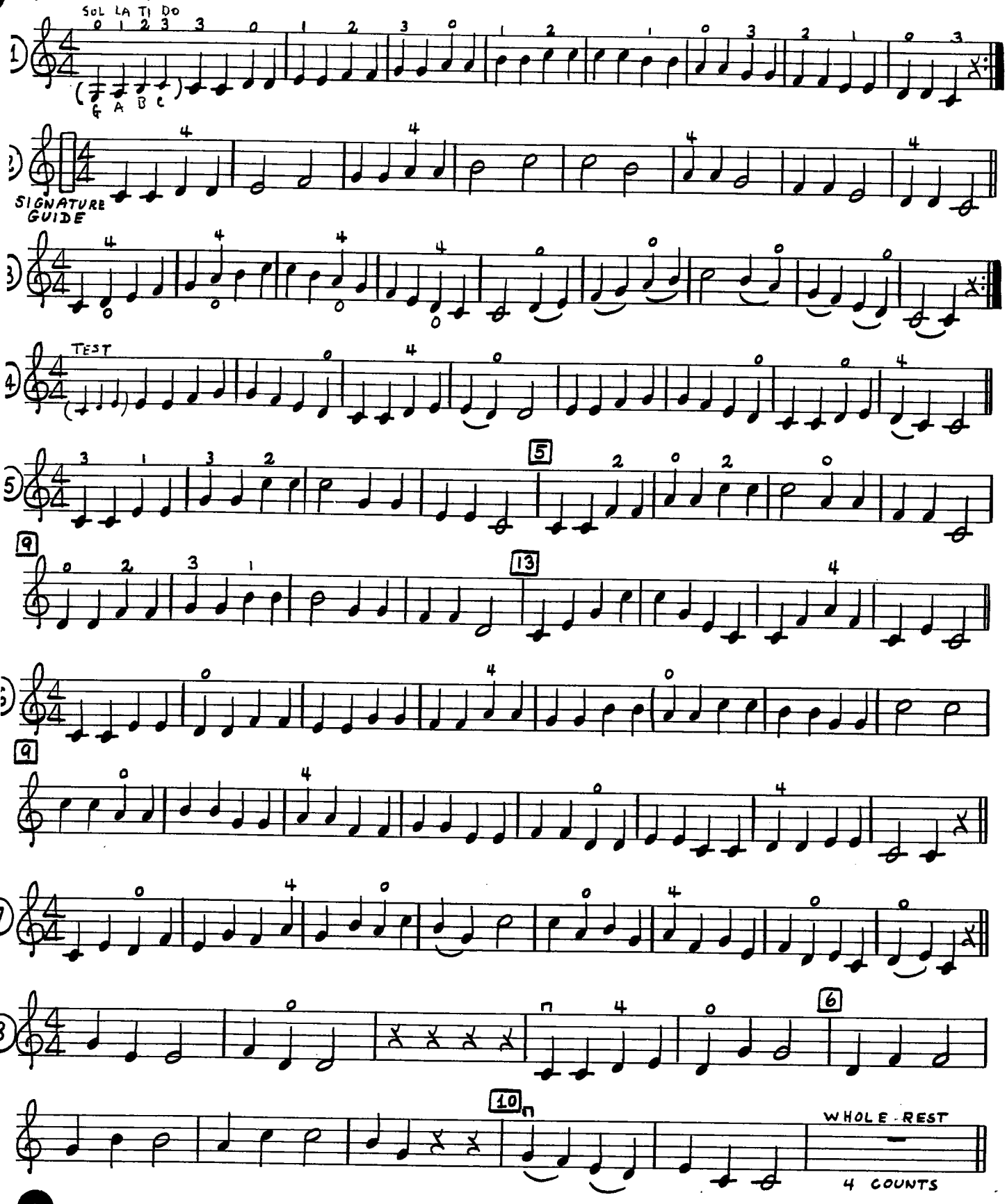
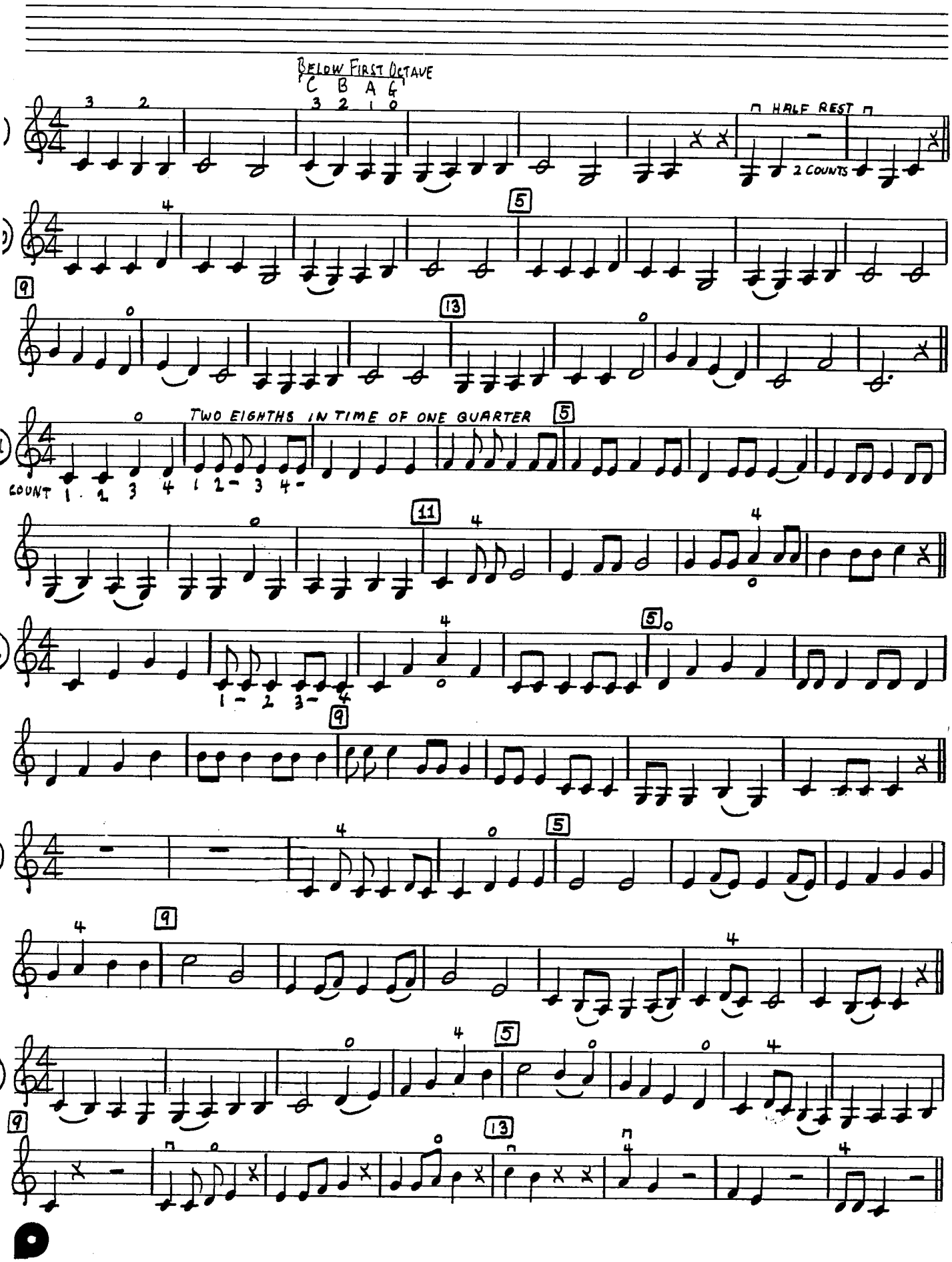
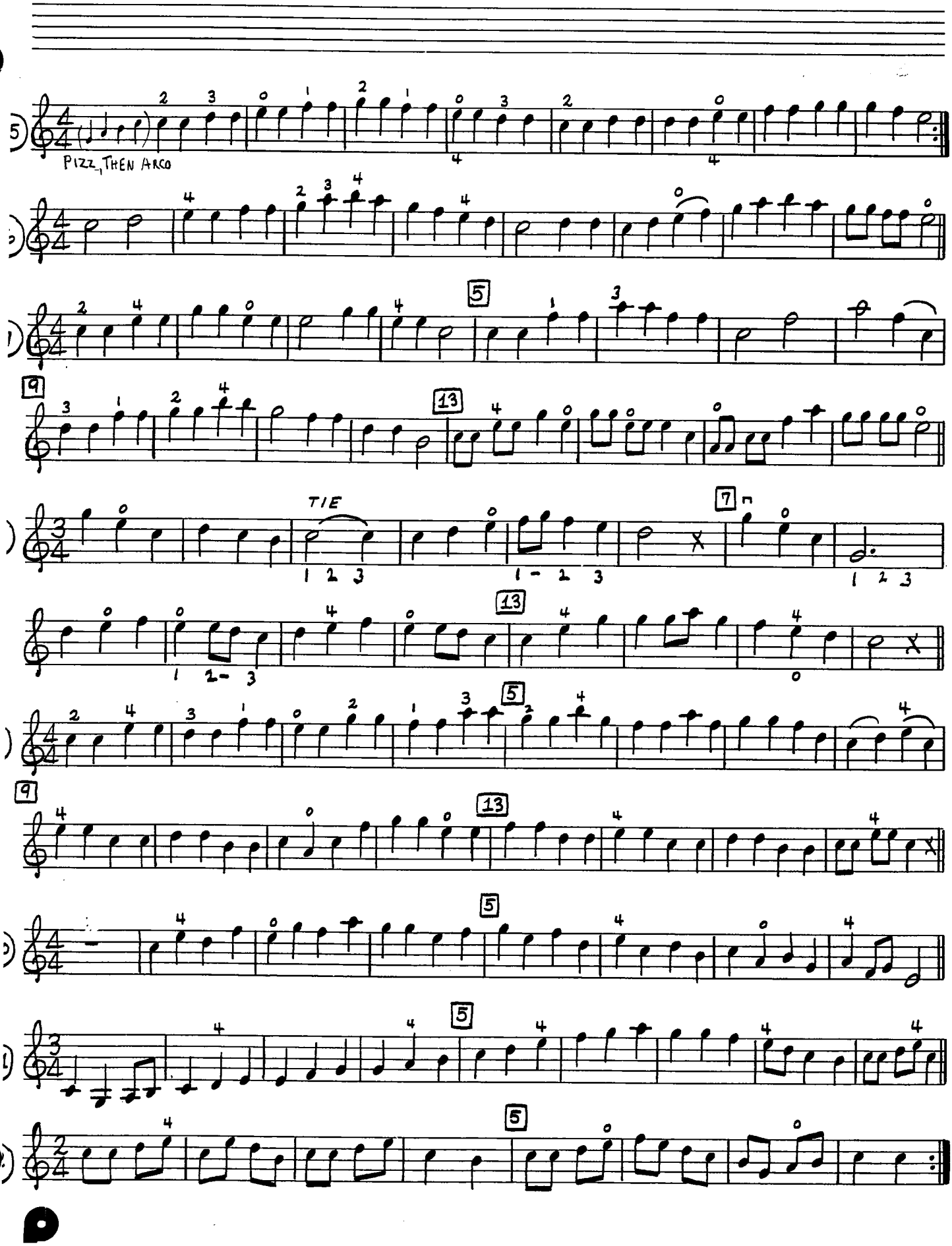
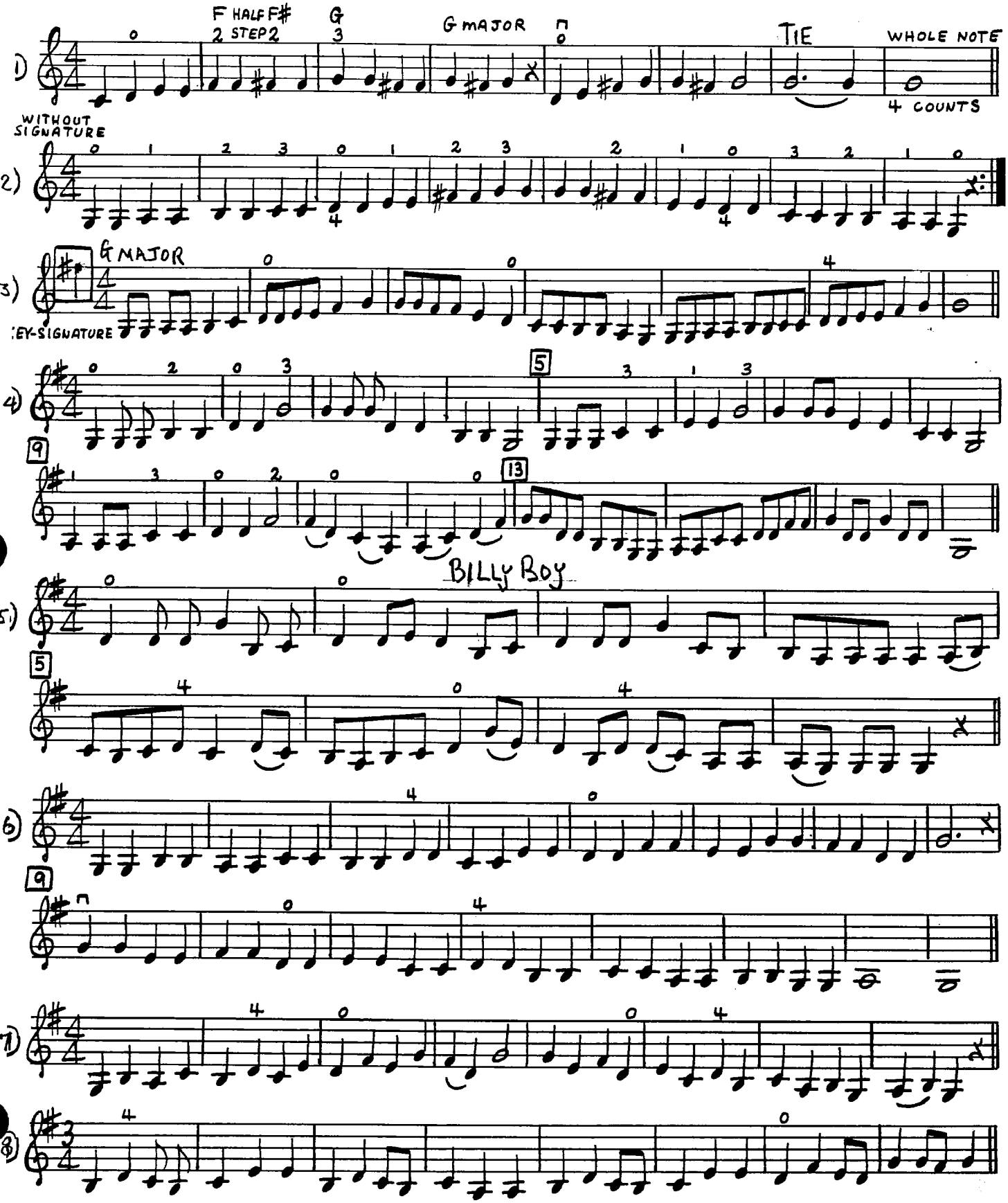


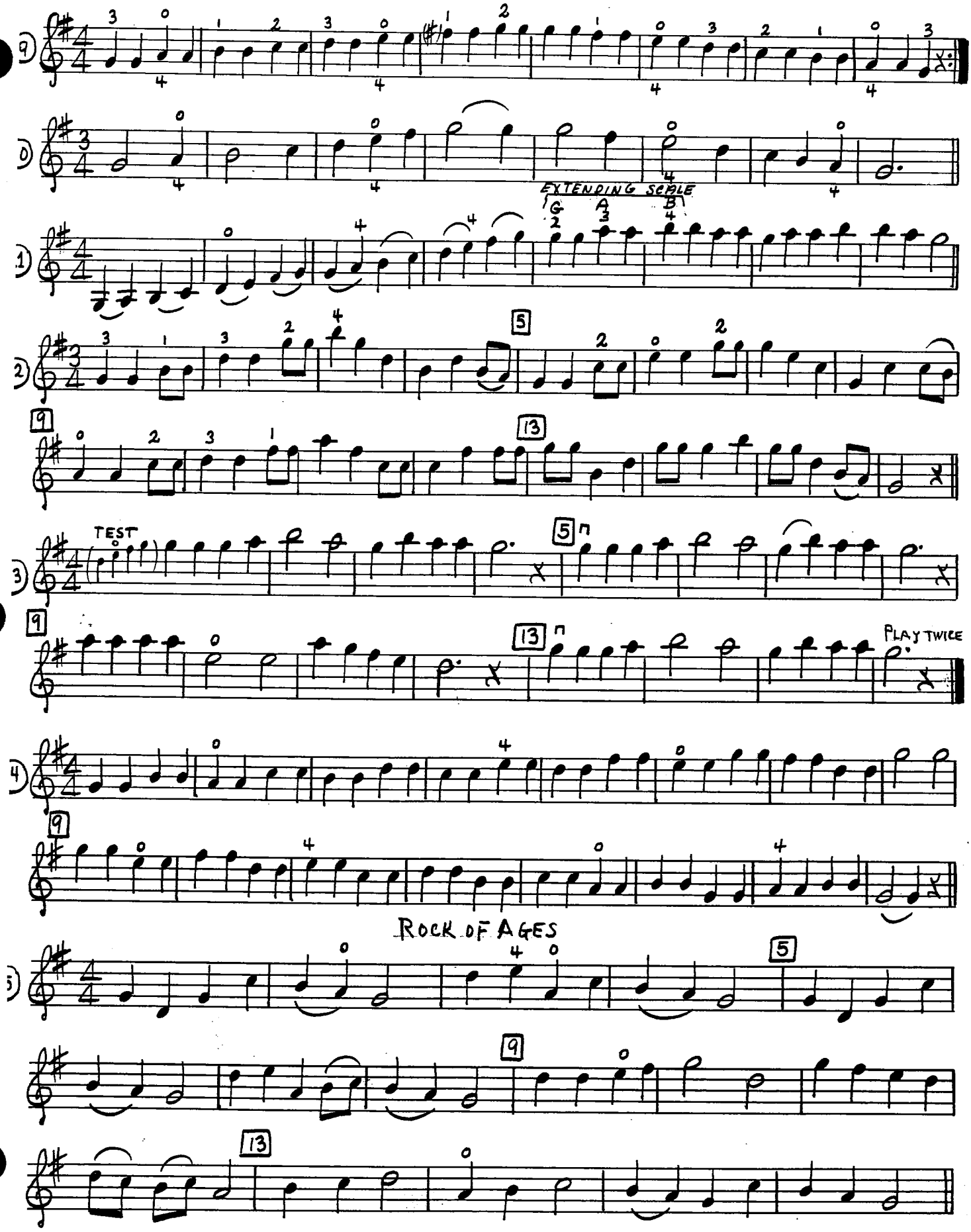

BELOW FIRST OCTAVE
C B A G
HALF REST
2 COUNTS
TWO EIGHTHS IN TIME OF ONE QUARTER
COUNT 1 . 2 3 4 1 2- 3 4-
1- 2 3- 4


PIZZ., THEN ARCO
TIE

CHAPTER 2 - G MAJOR

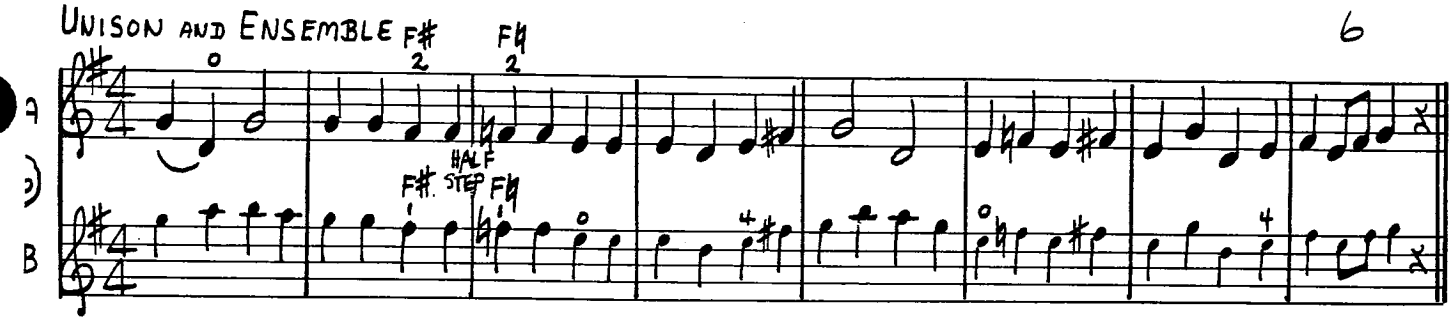
C MAJOR, MODULATING TO G MAJOR - ASCENDING CHROMATIC



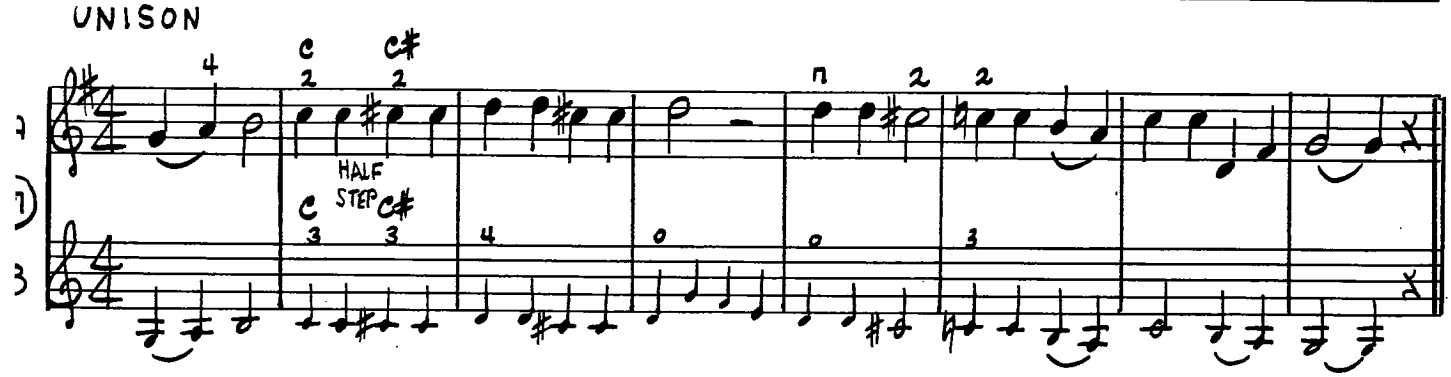

EXTENDING SCALE
TEST
PLAY TWICE
ROCK OF AGES

CHROMATICS IN G MAJOR

UNISON AND ENSEMBLE

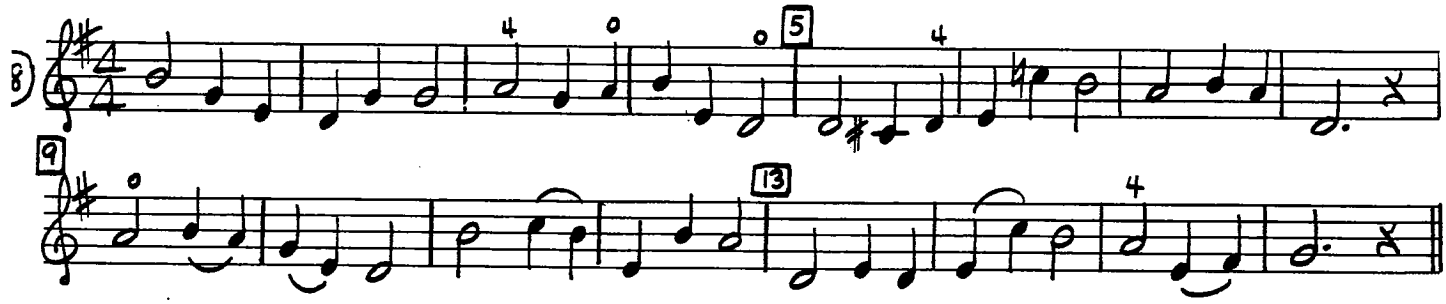


UNISON

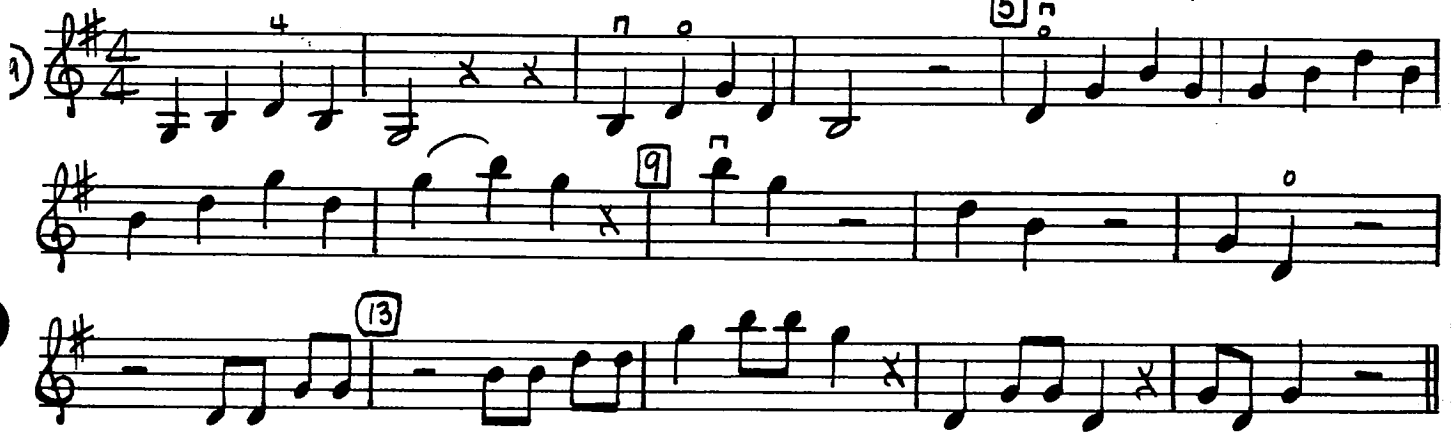


UNISON

THURINGIAN FOLK SONG



TWO-OCTAVE ARPEGGIOS
IN STYLE OF A CANON



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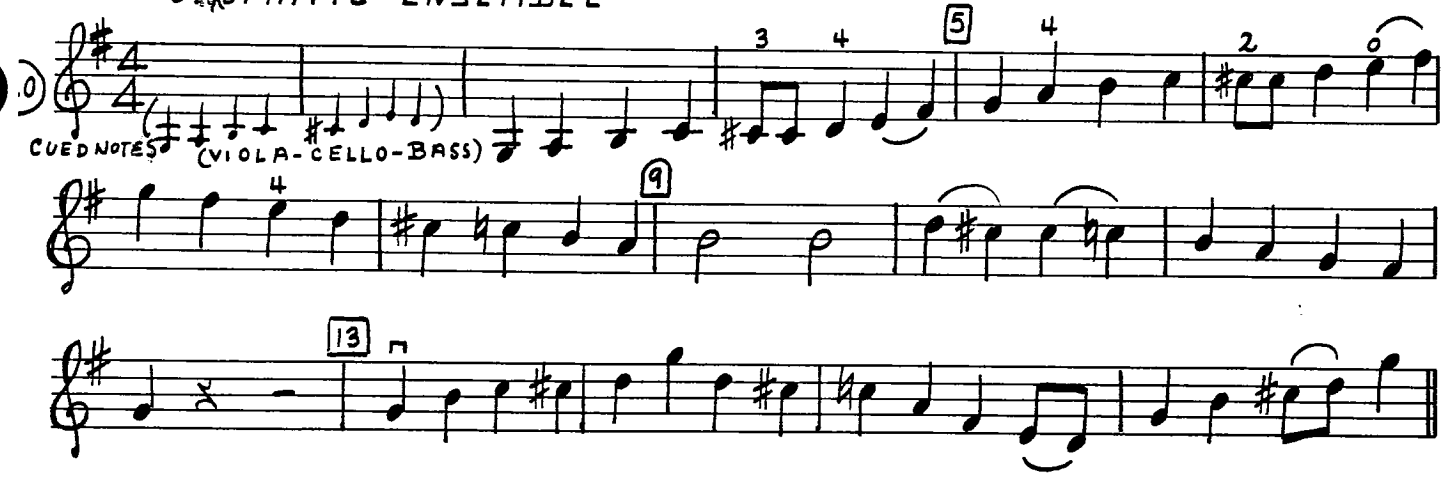
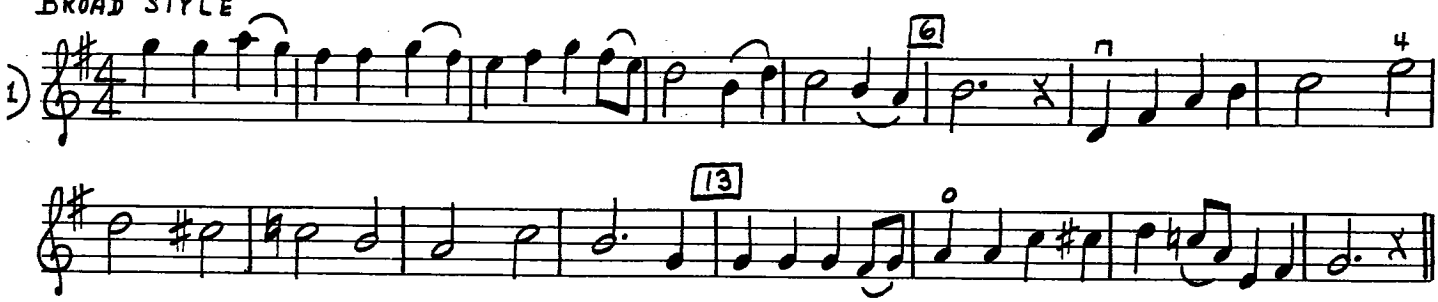


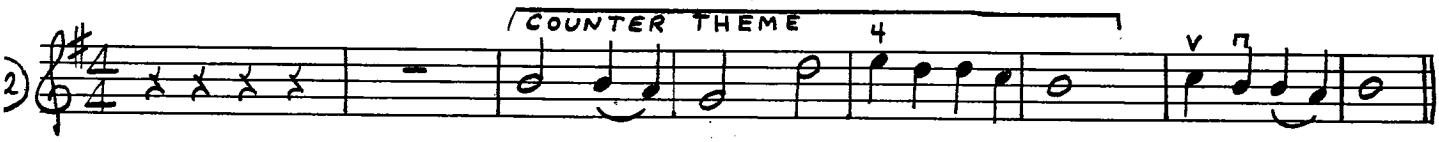
ENSEMBLE THEME
BROAD STYLE

CHORALE IN G MAJOR



PREPARATORY ENSEMBLE STUDIES

FOR "ABIDE WITH ME"



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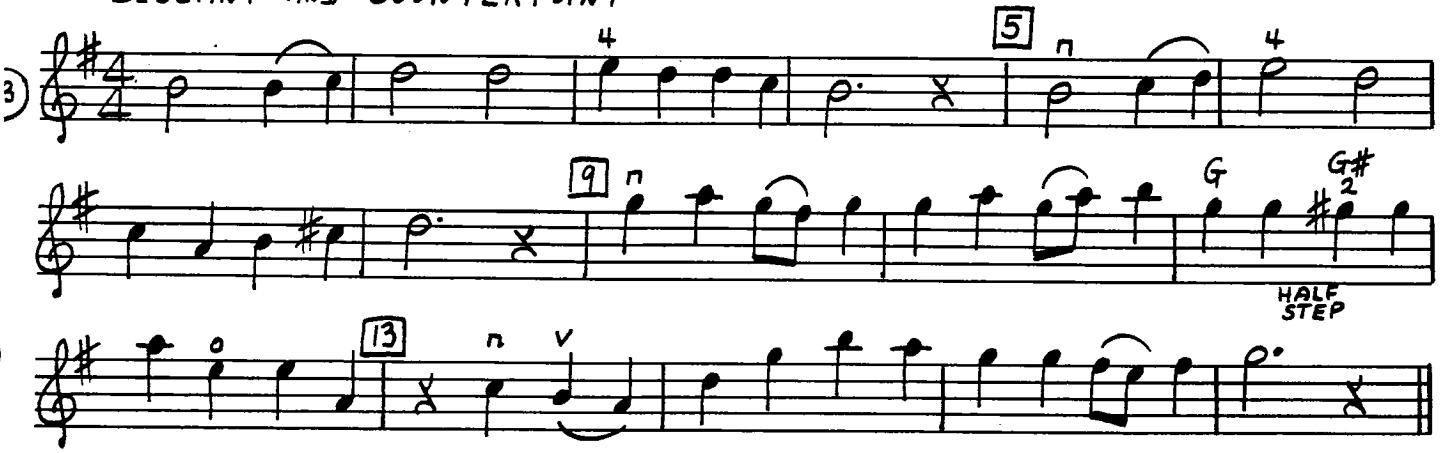
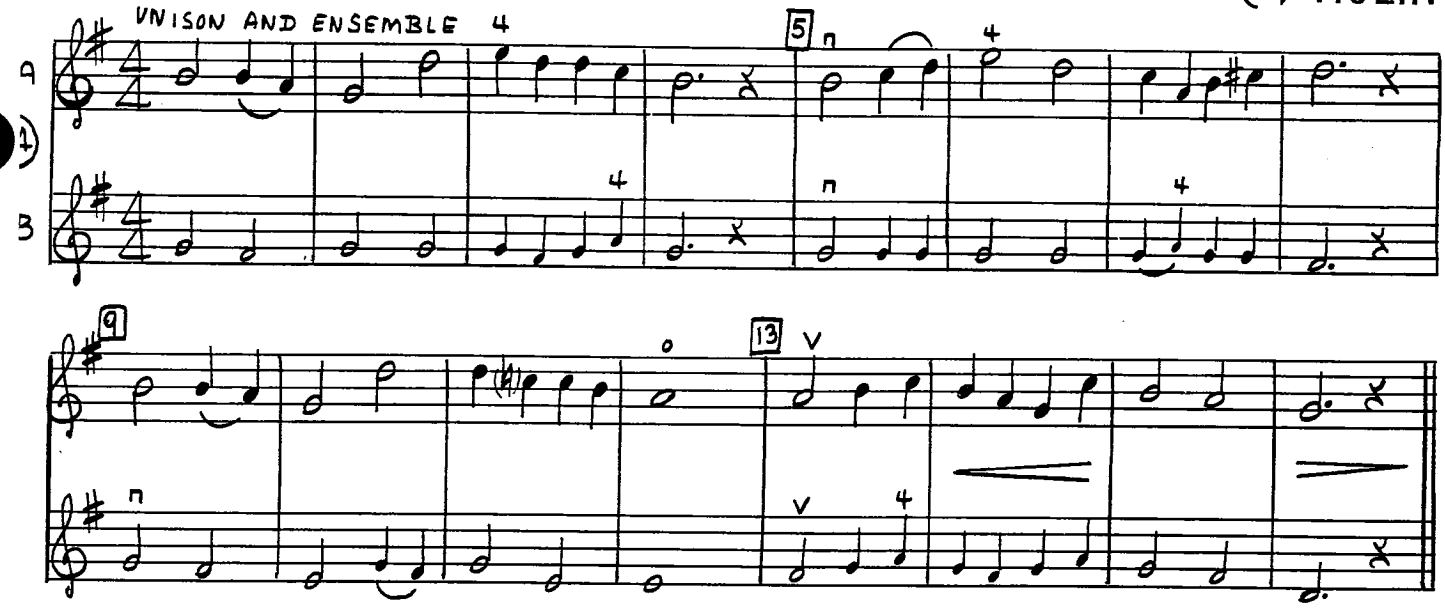
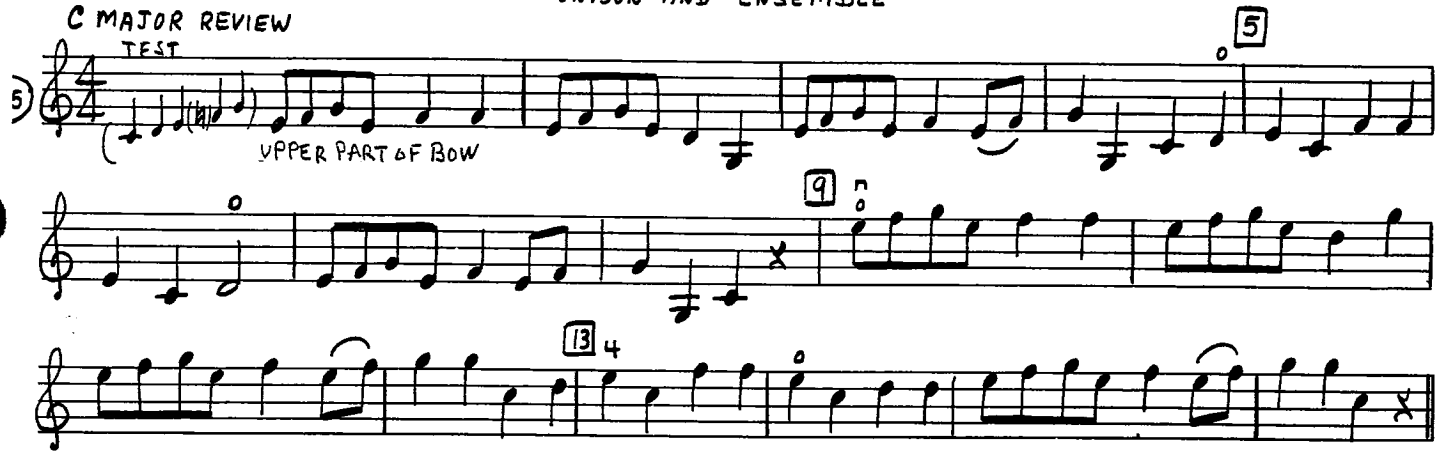


ABIDE WITH ME
CONCERT VERSION IN G MAJOR

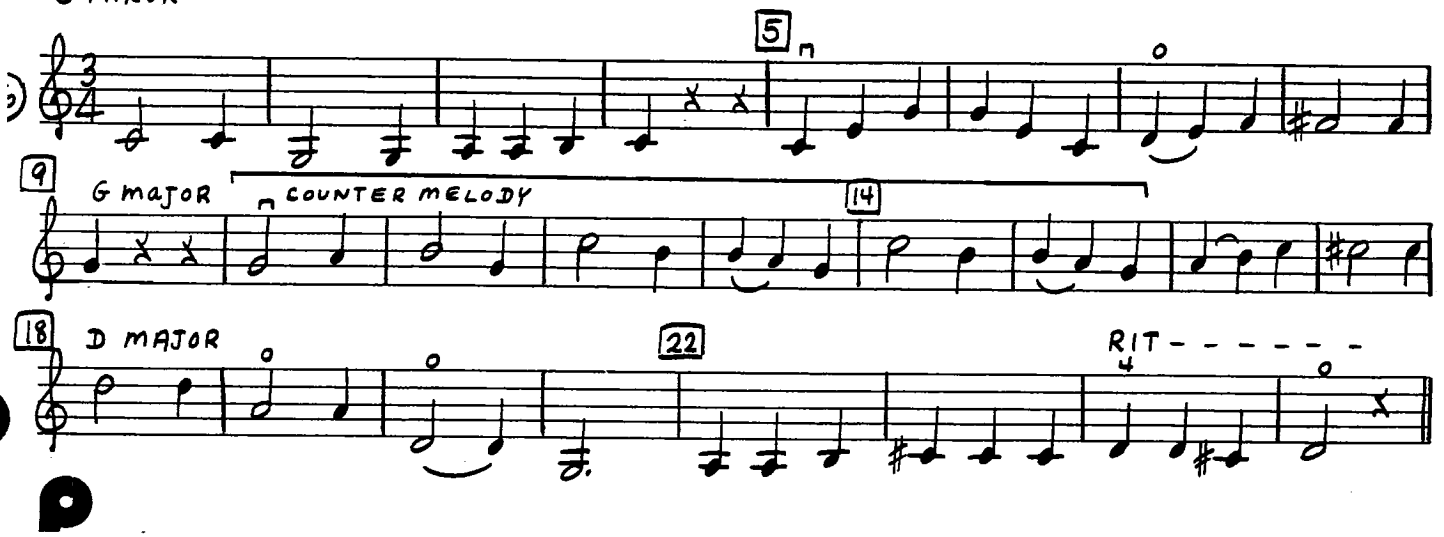
(2) VIOLIN



OLD ENGLISH DANCE
UNISON AND ENSEMBLE



MODULATION ENSEMBLE
C TO G TO D MAJOR



CHAPTER 3 - D MAJOR

D MAJOR SCALE - FIRST OCTAVE

D E F# G A B C# D

REPEAT THREE TIMES

EIGHTH REST

THE MYSTERIOUS DOT - ROTE TO NOTE

FROM TIE TO DOT — DOTTED QUARTER AND EIGHTH NOTE IN 4/4 TIME (♩. ♪ ♩♩)

SINGLE FLAG EIGHTHS — TIE — DOT STARTS SECOND QUARTER

COUNT 1 2 - 3 4

D MAJOR F# C#

DRILL THE DOT

PLAY TWICE

FROM TIE TO SLUR FOR THE DOTTED QUARTER AND EIGHTH (BEAMED EIGHTHS)

DOTTED QUARTER IN 2/4

JOY TO THE WORLD

NEW TIE

HANDEL

THE MYSTERIOUS DOT STARTS THE FOURTH QUARTER

COUNT 1 2 3 4 -

TWO - OCTAVE CONCEPT IN D MAJOR

UNISON AND ENSEMBLE

D MAJOR - FIRST OCTAVE

INCOMPLETE SECOND OCTAVE

D E F# G A B

MOZART MELODY VARIATION

EXTENDING D SCALE DOWN

FIRST OCTAVE

DOWN THE SCALE

D C# B A

IN THE GLOAMING

UNISON AND ENSEMBLE

SLOWLY

D MAJOR ARPEGGIO ENSEMBLE *

VA. - C. - B

UNISON CHROMATICS IN D MAJOR

(CHROMATICS ARE HALF STEPS)

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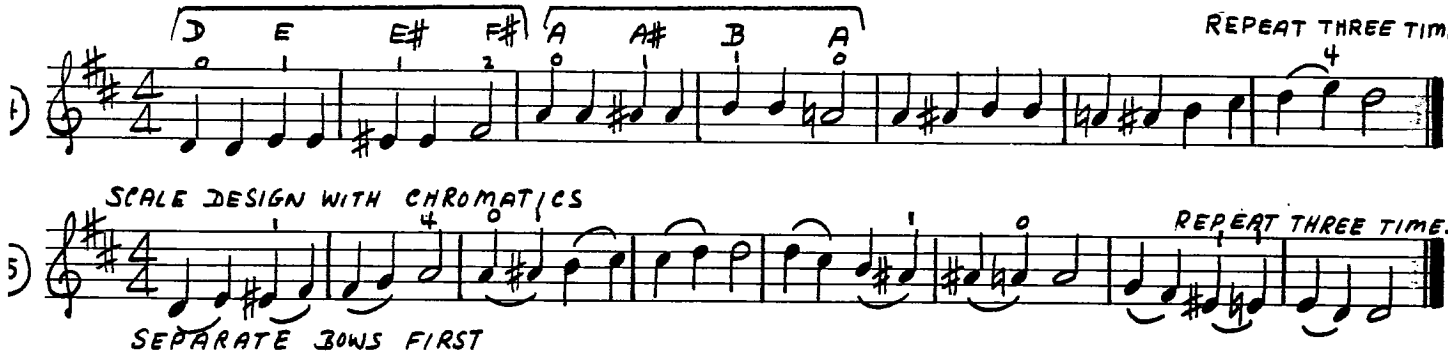
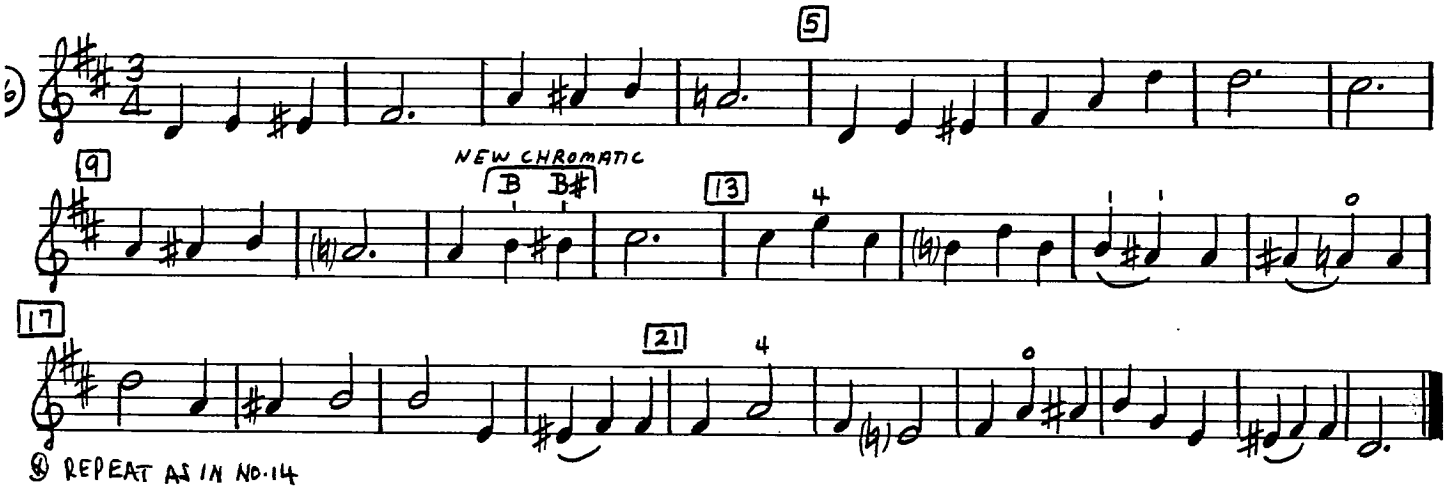
III

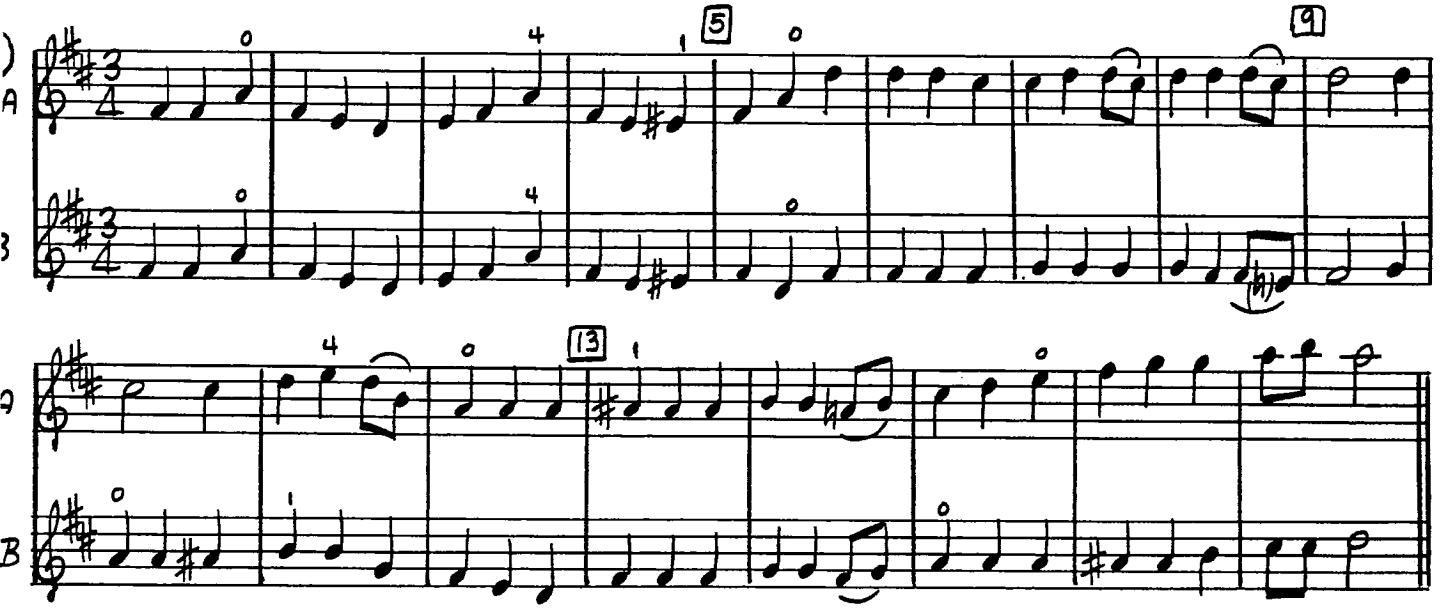


CHROMATIC WALTZ IN UNISON ⊛



PREPARATORY CHROMATIC ENSEMBLE *

RHYTHMIC VARIATION OF "LARGO"



LARGO

CONCERT VERSION IN D MAJOR

FROM "NEW WORLD SYMPHONY"
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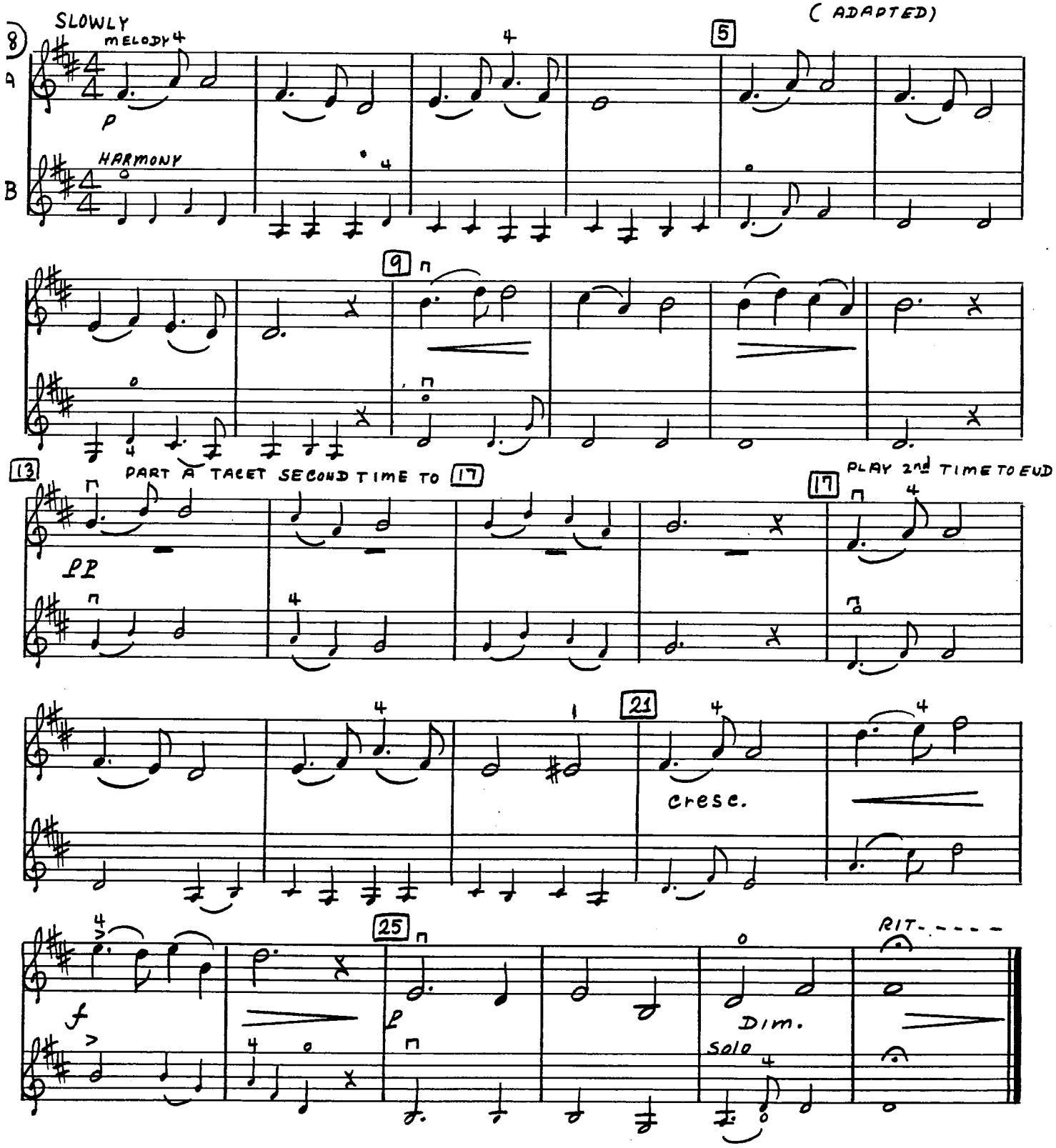
UNISON AND ENSEMBLE



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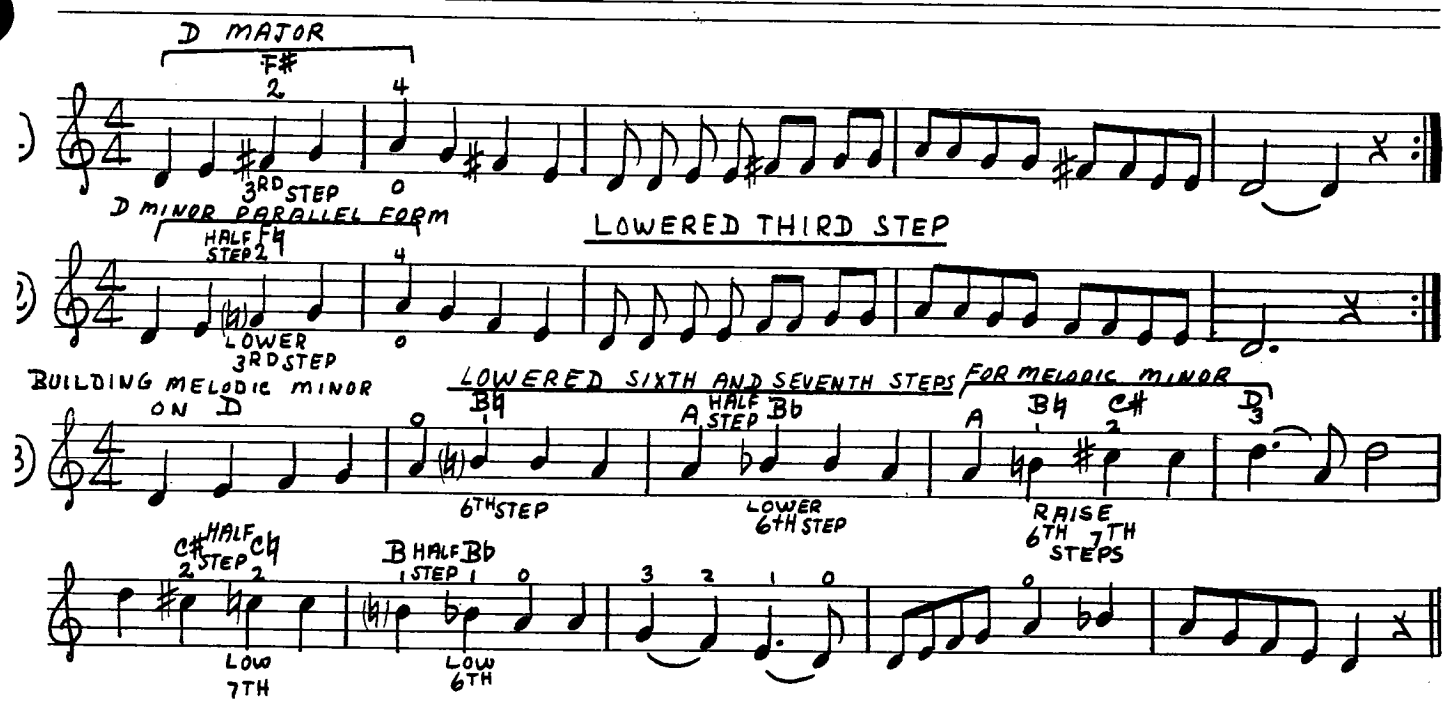
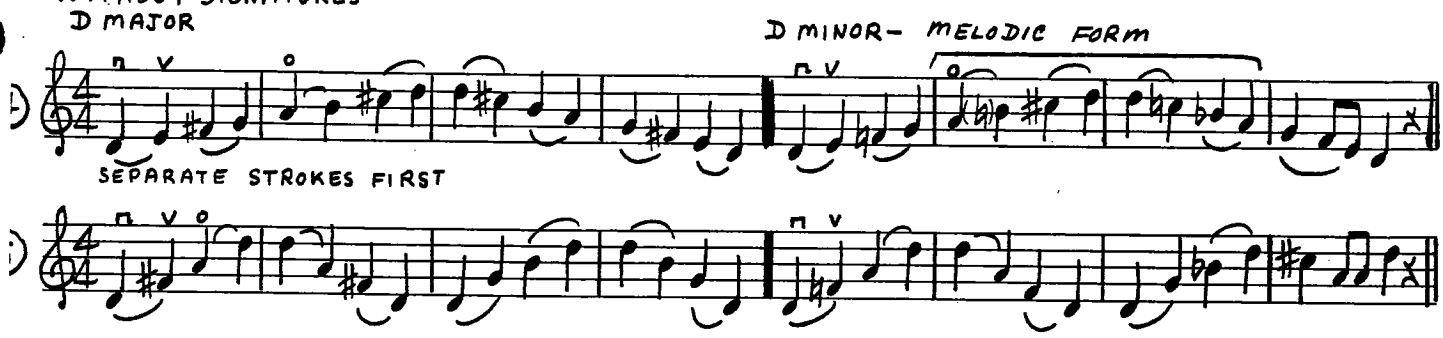
D MAJOR TO THE PARALLEL D MINOR - WITHOUT SIGNATURES

LOWERED 3RD, 6TH AND 7TH STEPS OF THE SCALE



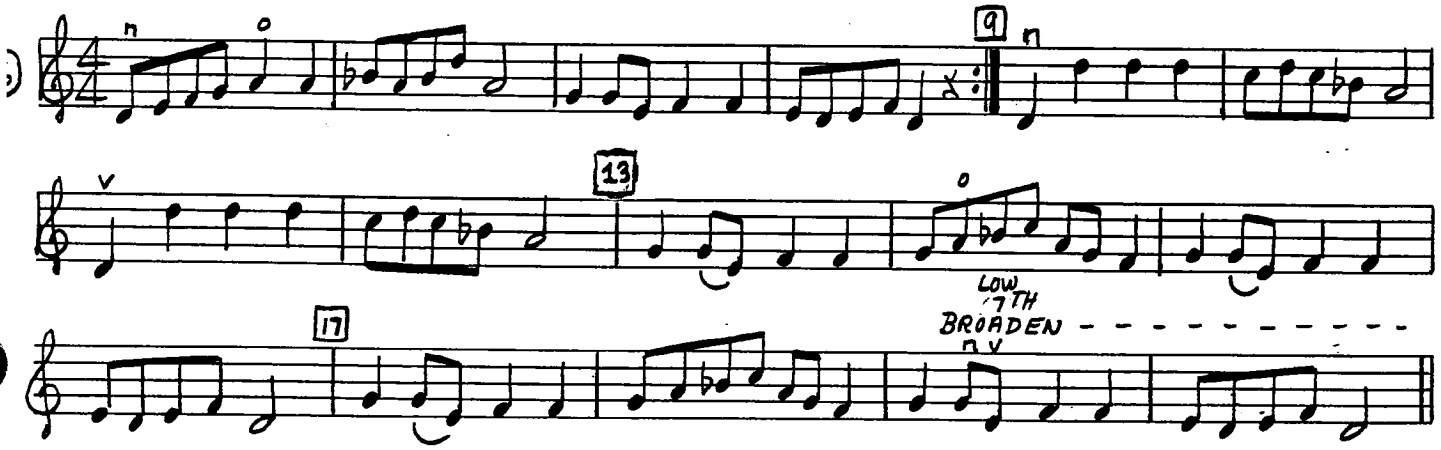
PARALLEL FORMS — MAJOR AND MINOR MODES

WITHOUT SIGNATURES

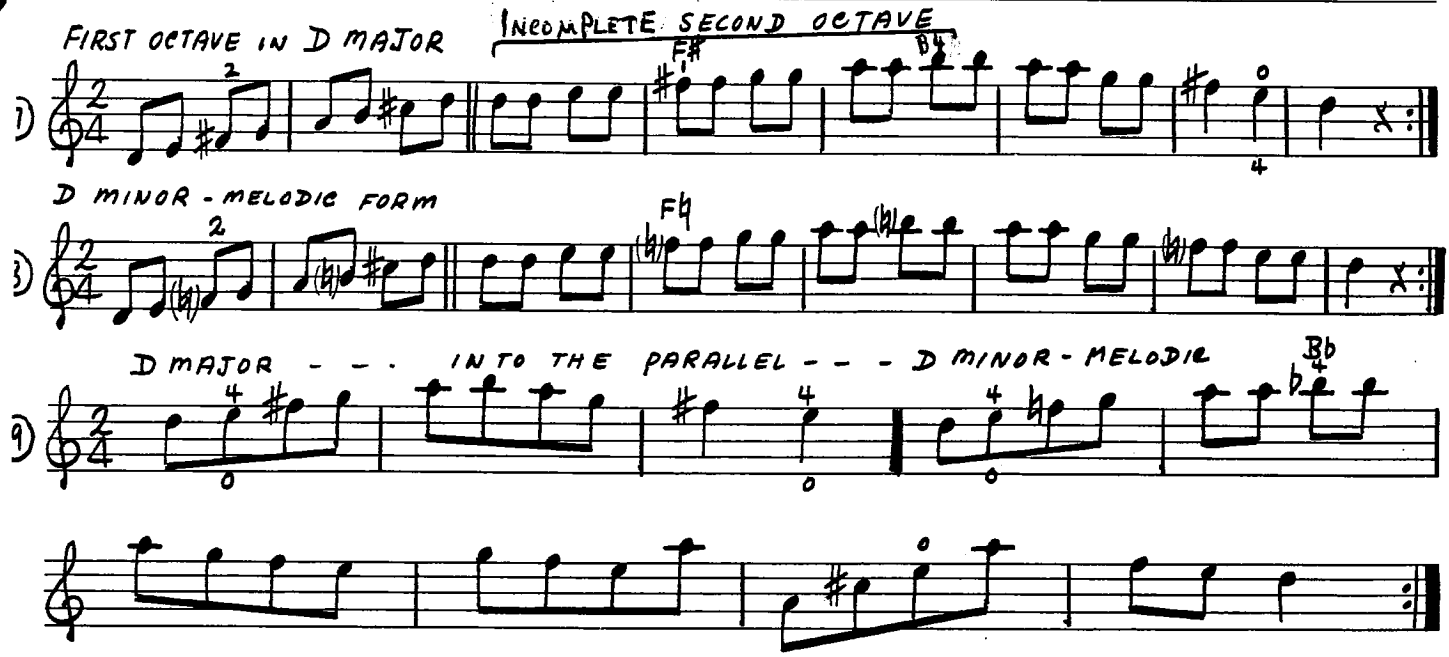


HATIKVAH IN D MINOR

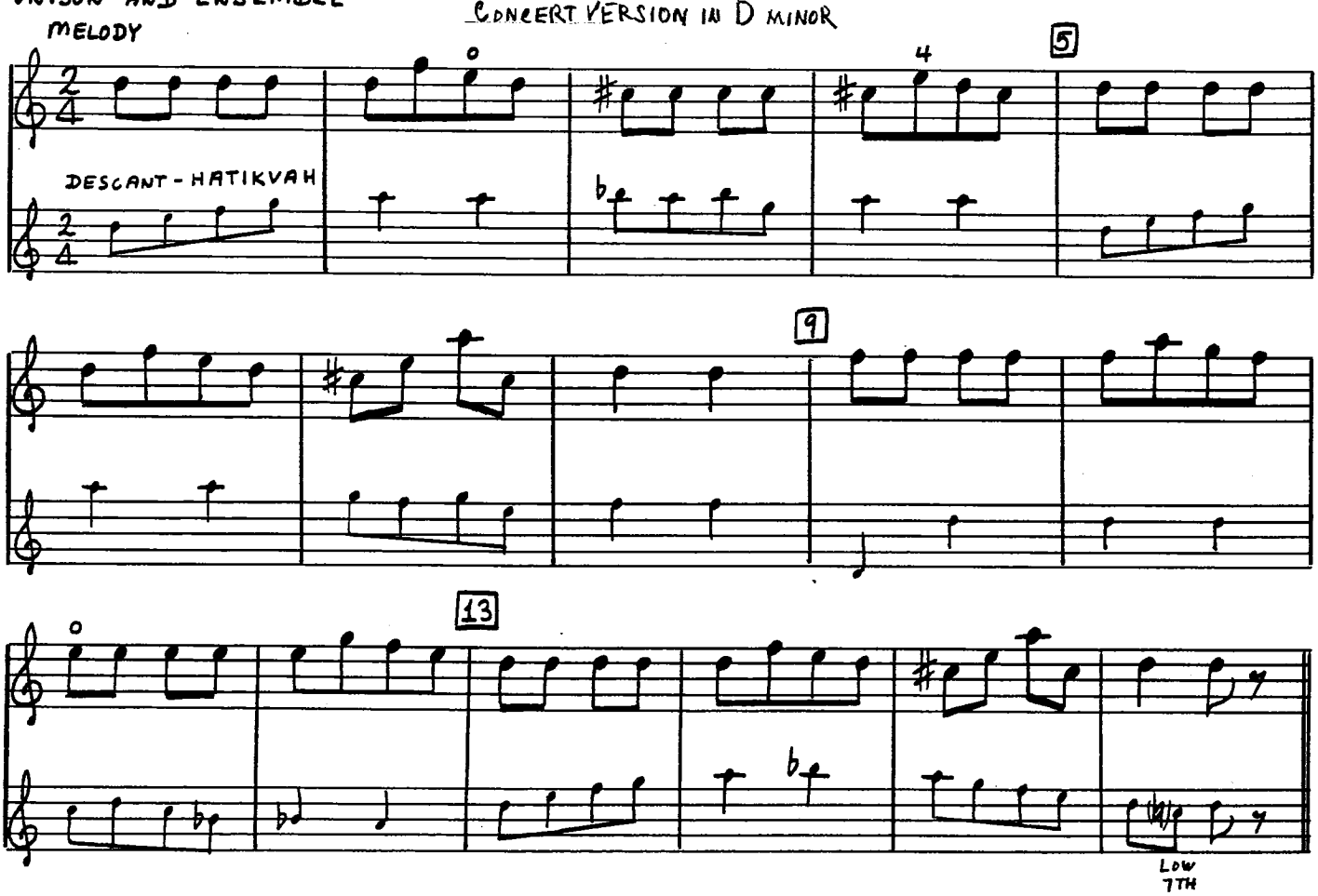
UNISON — ISRAELI NATIONAL ANTHEM



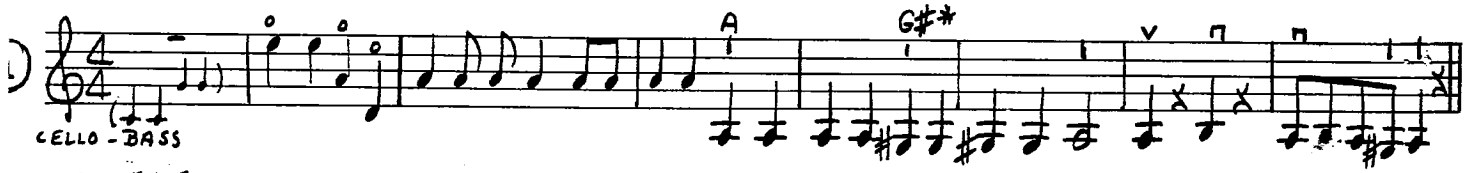
TWO- OCTAVE CONCEPT IN MAJOR AND MINOR



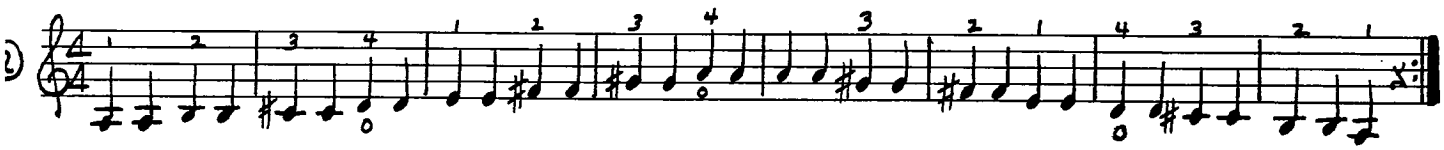
RUSSIAN FOLK DANCE



C MAJOR - - - - - - - - - MODULATION - - - TO - - - A MAJOR

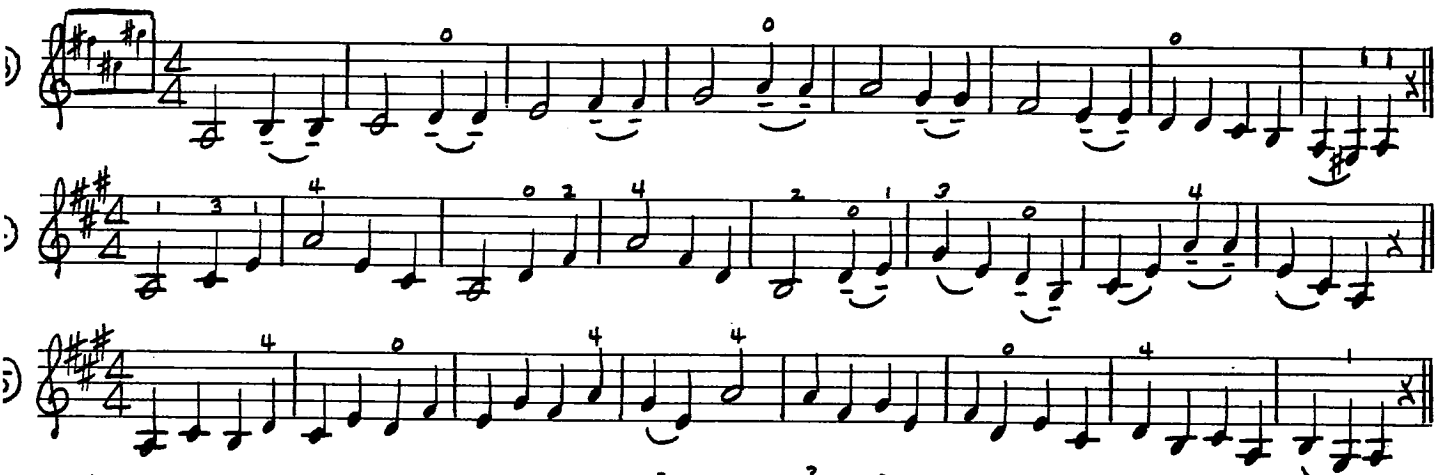


* SHIFT FIRST FINGER BACK A HALF STEP TO: G#



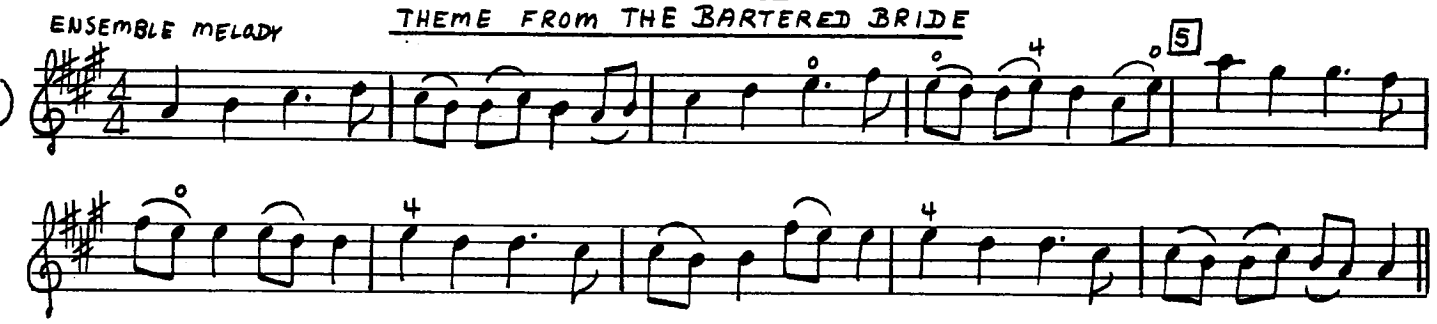
THE DETACHED STROKE

A MAJOR



ENSEMBLE MELODY

THEME FROM THE BARTERED BRIDE



EXTENDING A SCALE DOWN

9

SEPARATE STROKES FIRST

10

DOTTED QUARTER AND EIGHTH IN $\frac{3}{4}$

PREPARATORY RHYTHM DRILLS FOR MOZART

FIRST PLUCK, THEN BOW

1

COUNT 1 2 - 3 1 2 - 3 1 2 - 3 1 2 - 3

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MOZART AT THE PIANO

UNISON AND ENSEMBLE

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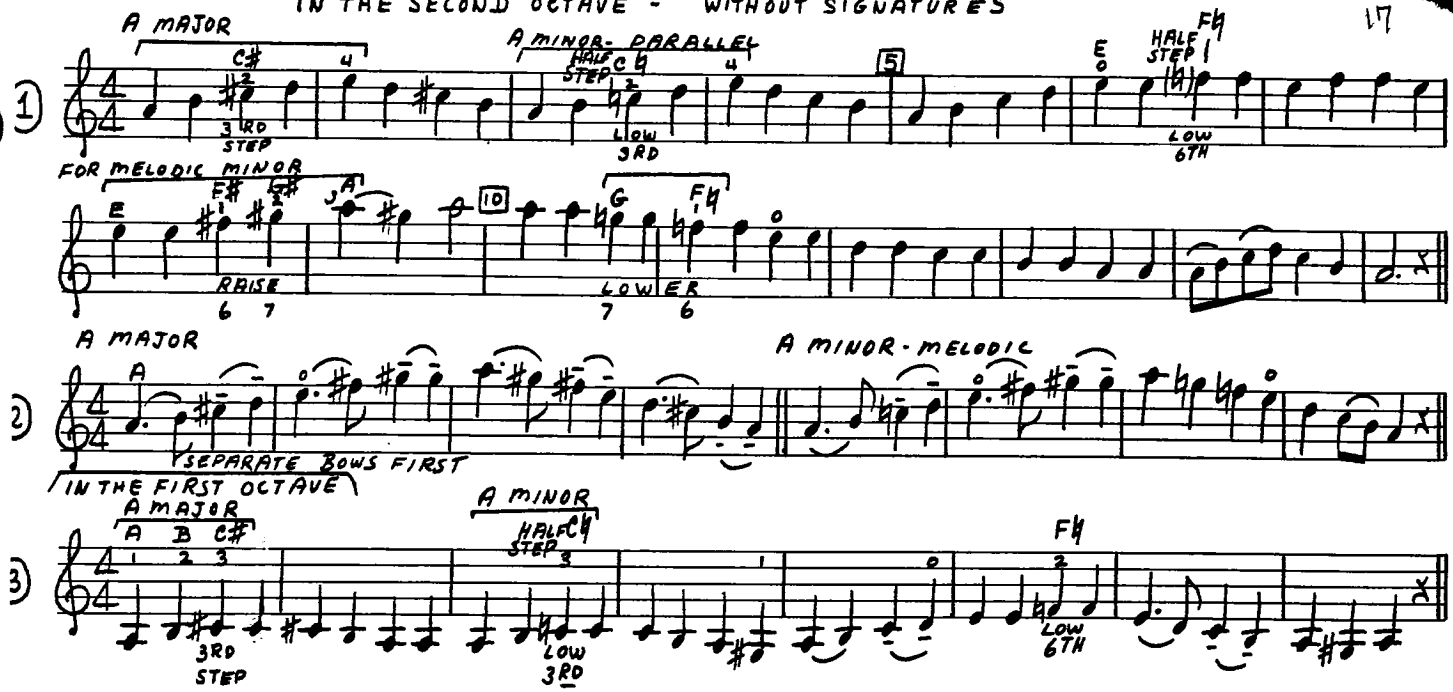
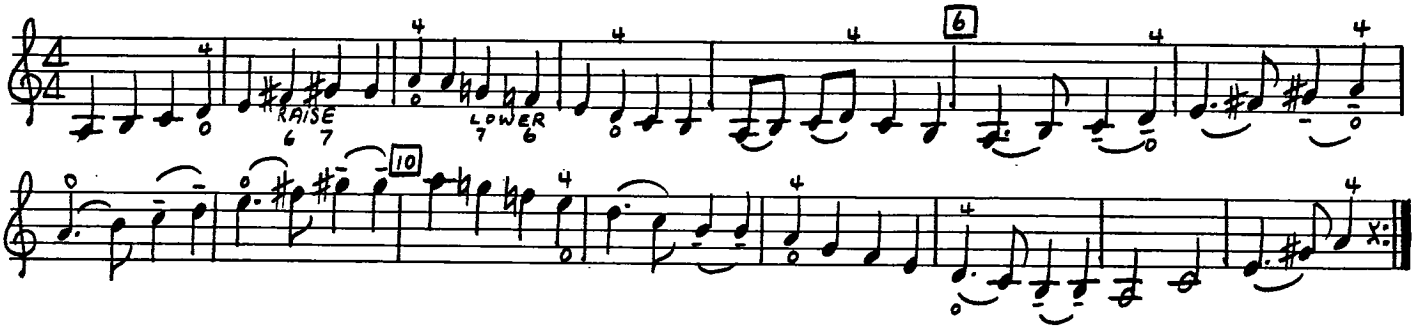
CHAPTER 6

A MAJOR TO A MINOR - PARALLEL FORM IN THE SECOND OCTAVE - WITHOUT SIGNATURES

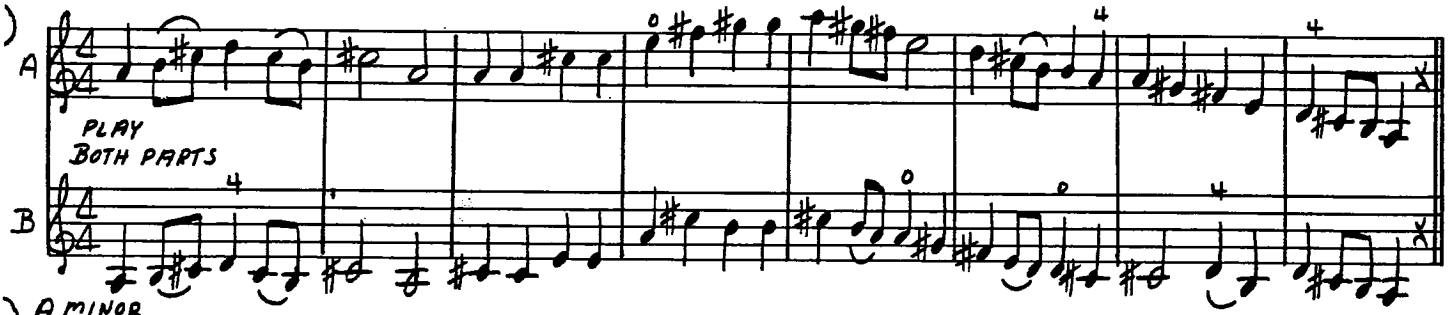


TWO-OCTAVE MELODIC MINOR ON A

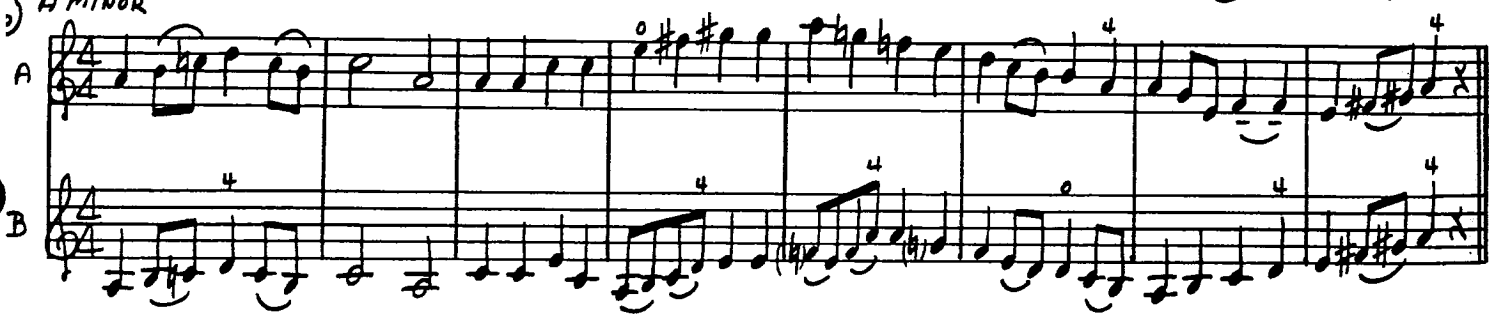


MAJOR AND MINOR EAR TRAINING

A MAJOR — HARMONIC PREPARATION FOR HATIKVAH



A MINOR



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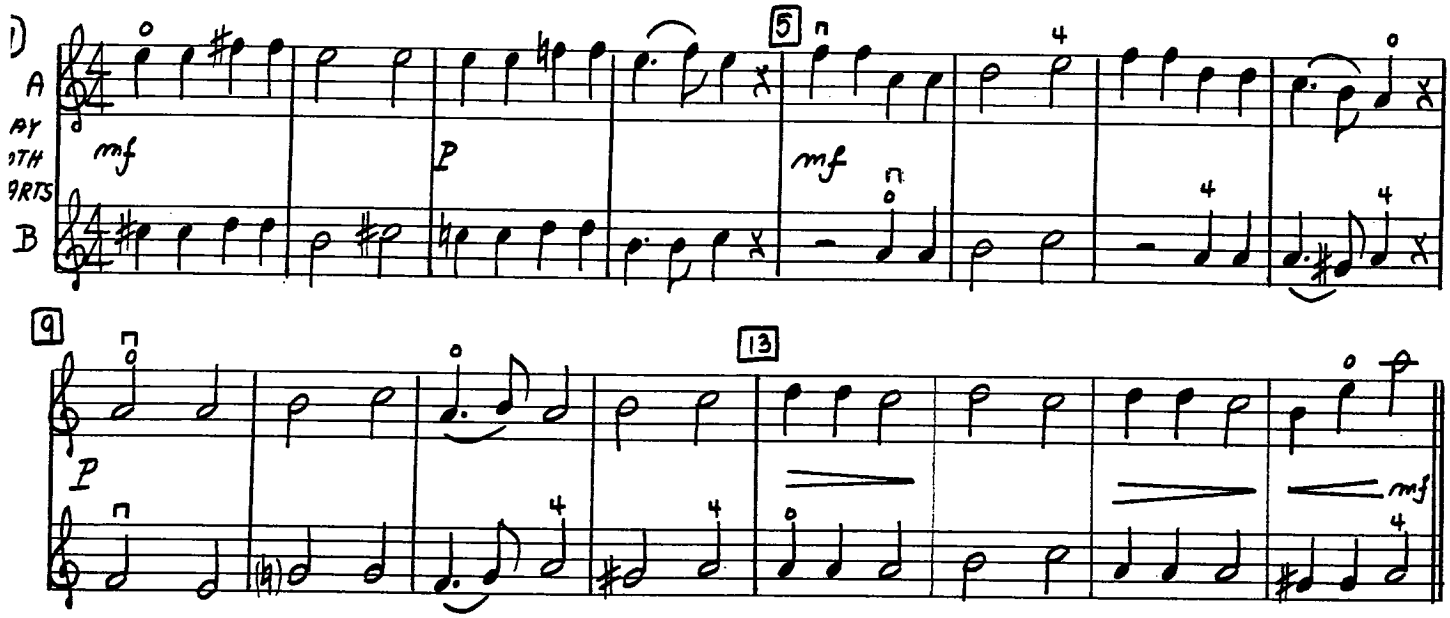

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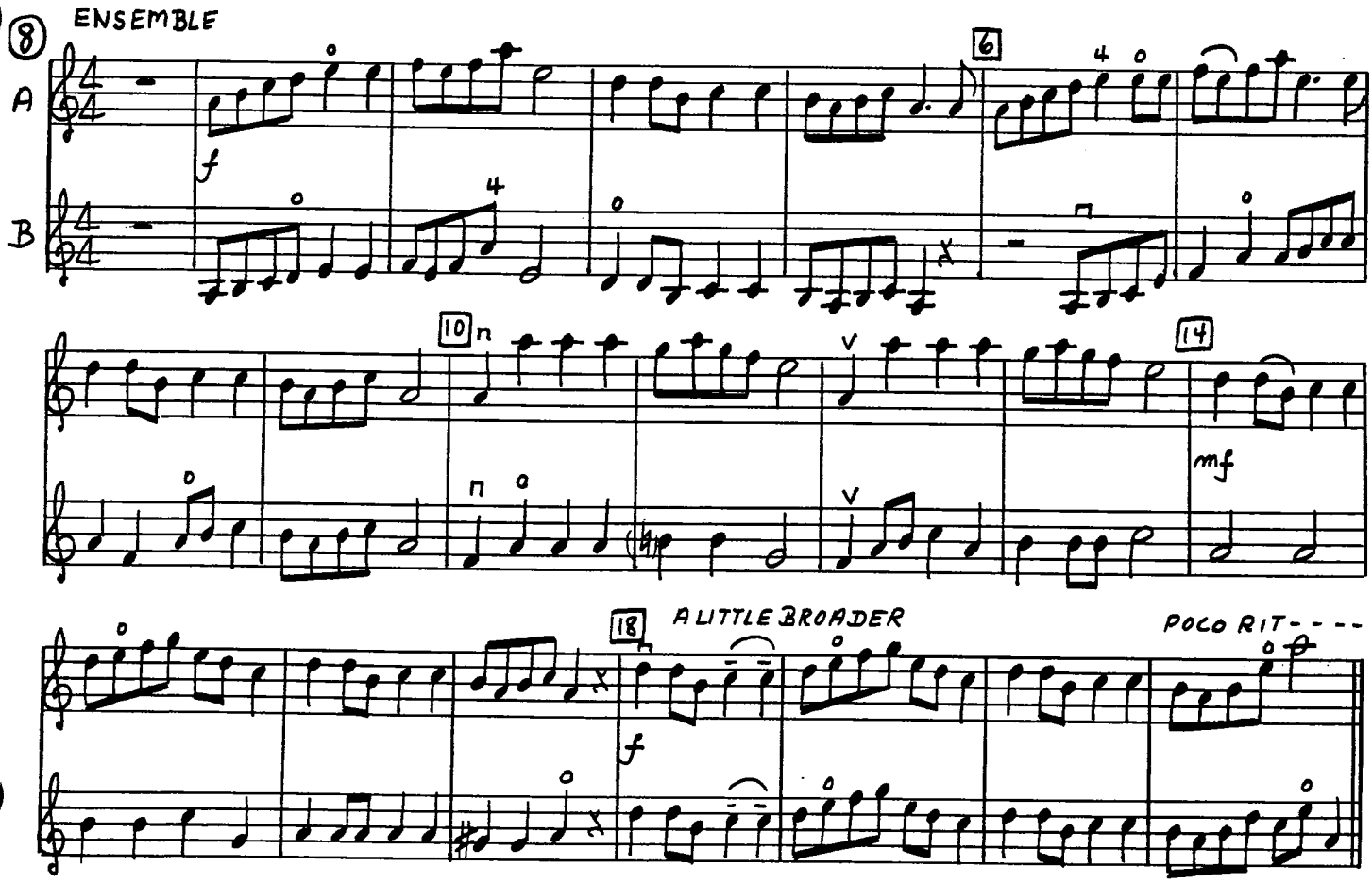

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PART I - C MAJOR

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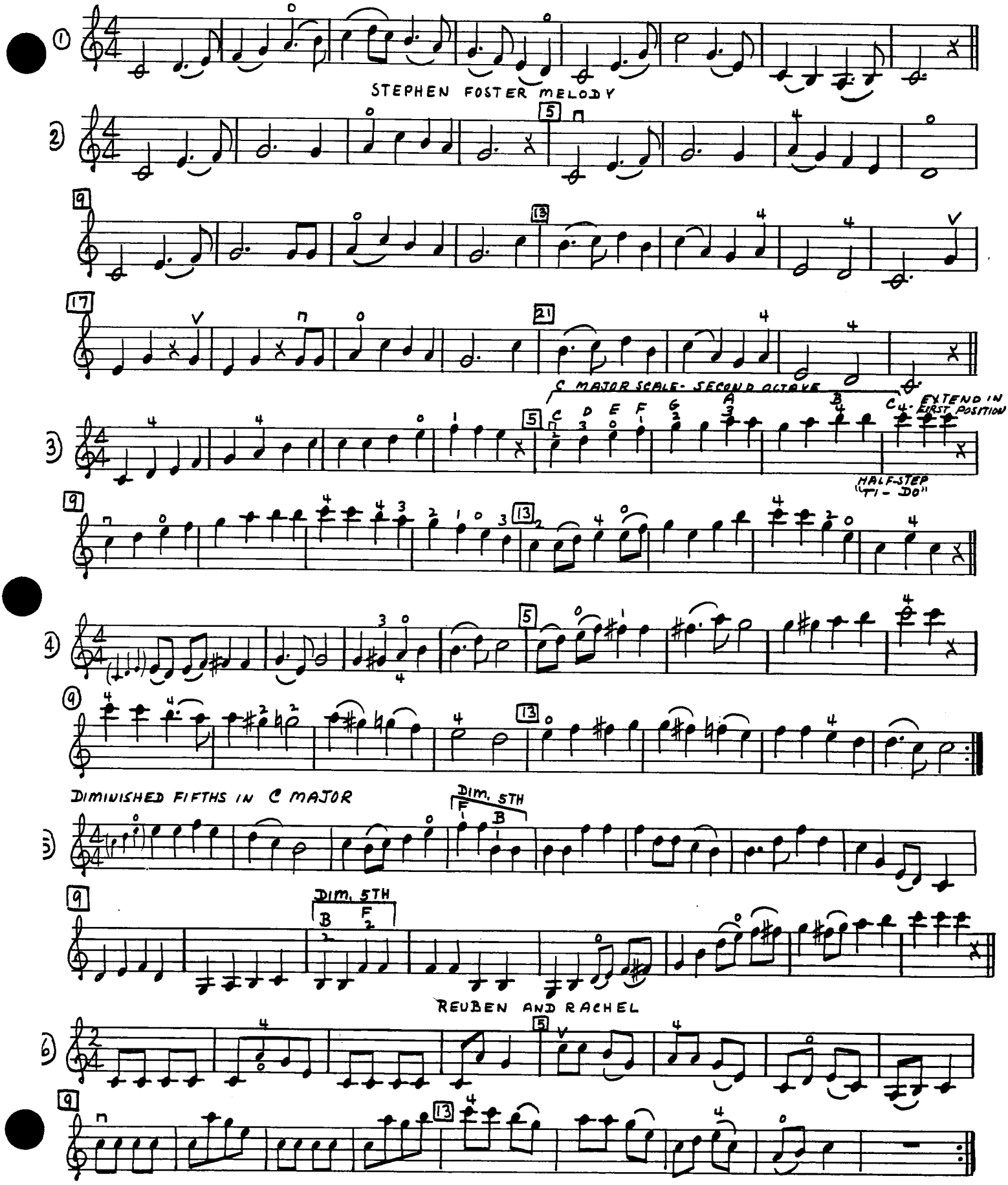

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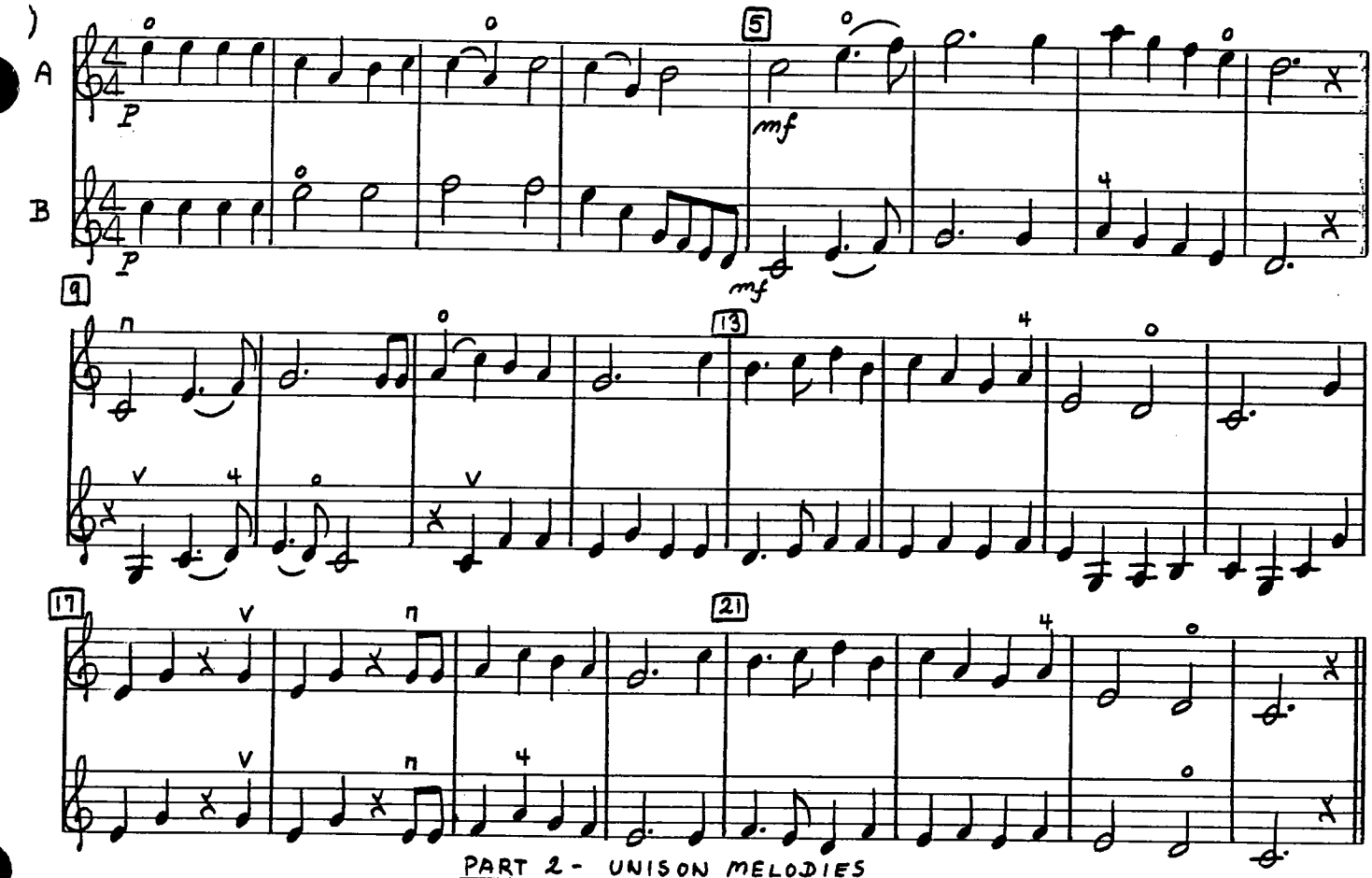
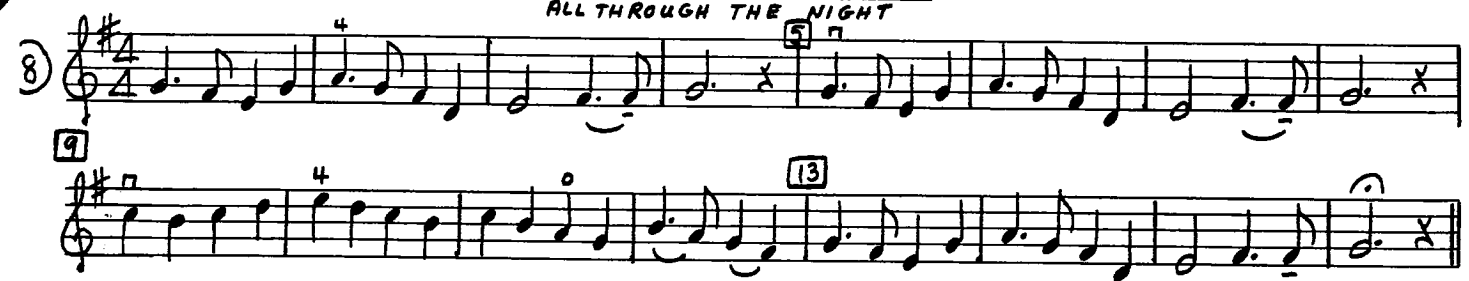
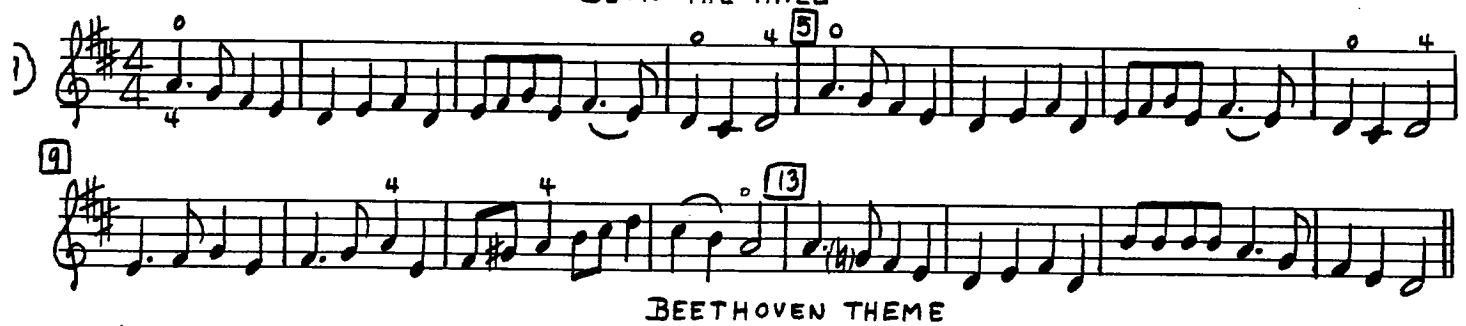


PART 2 - UNISON MELODIES

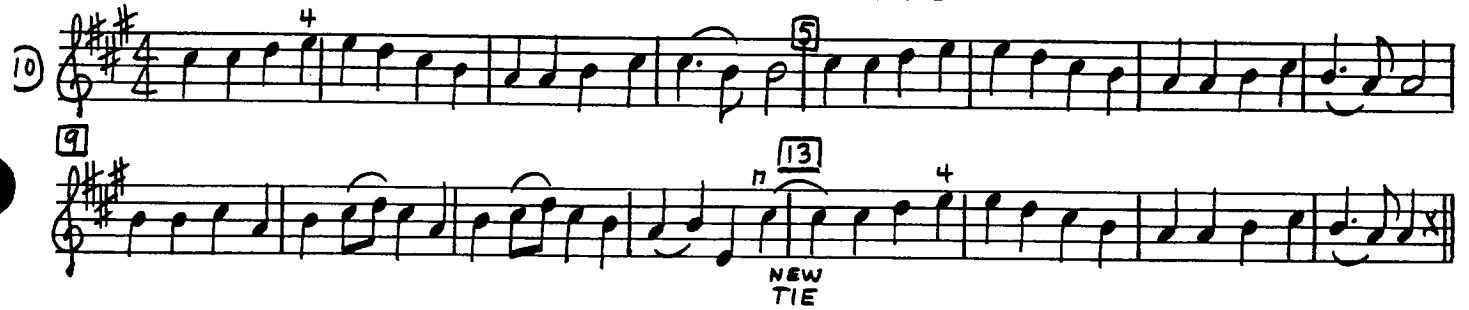
ALL THROUGH THE NIGHT



DECK THE HALL



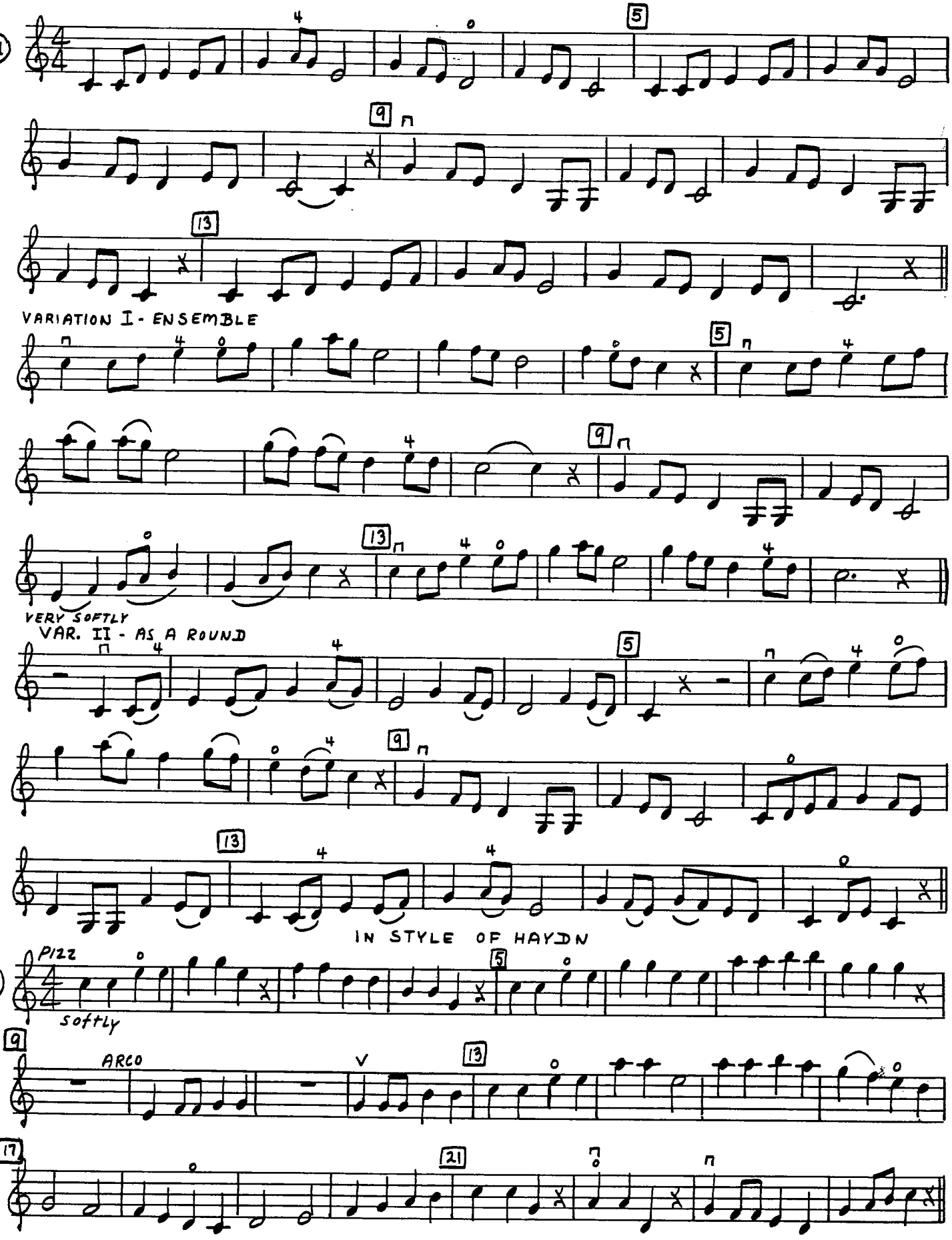
BEETHOVEN THEME



PART 2

LONG, LONG AGO

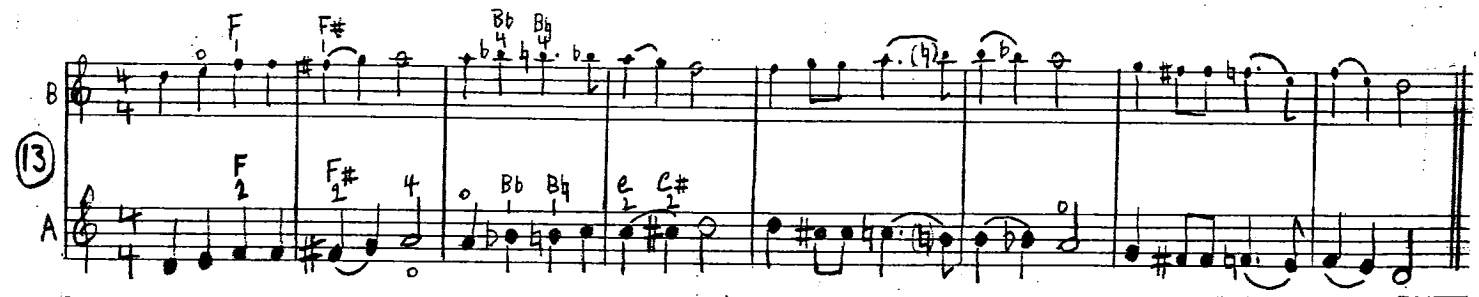
THE THEME IN UNISON



PART 4

CHROMATIC DESIGNS IN D-MINOR AND MAJOR ⊗

UNISON AND ENSEMBLE



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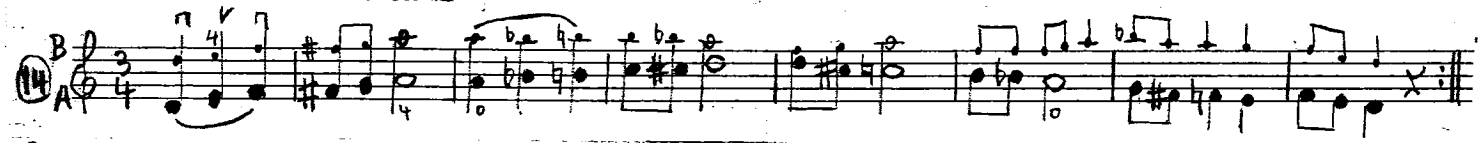

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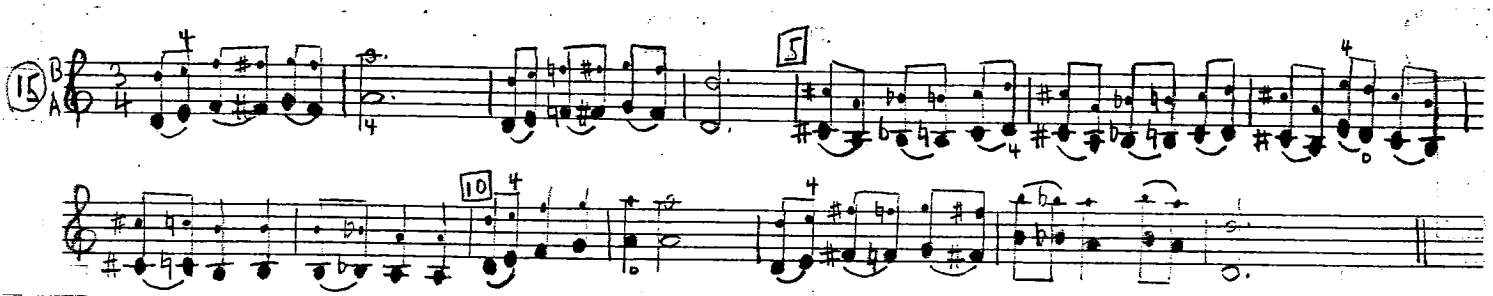
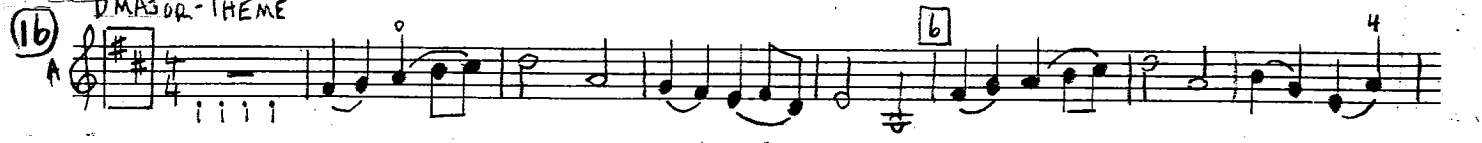


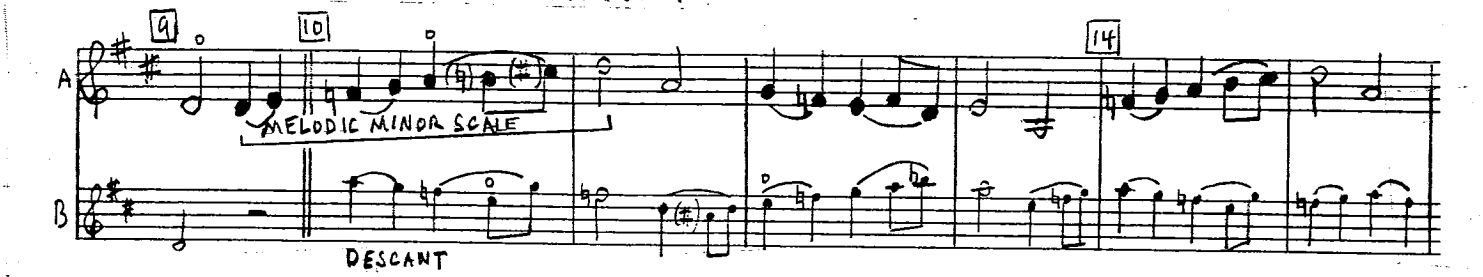
BEETHOVEN VERSUS WOHLFAHRT

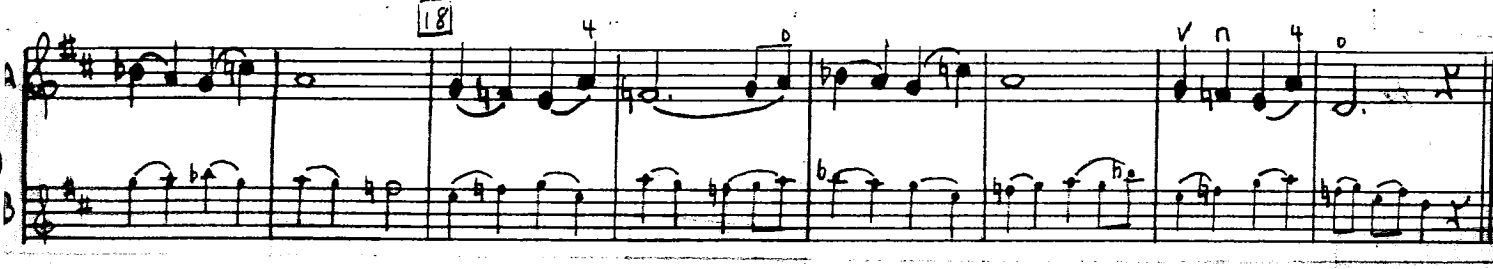
UNISON AND ENSEMBLE

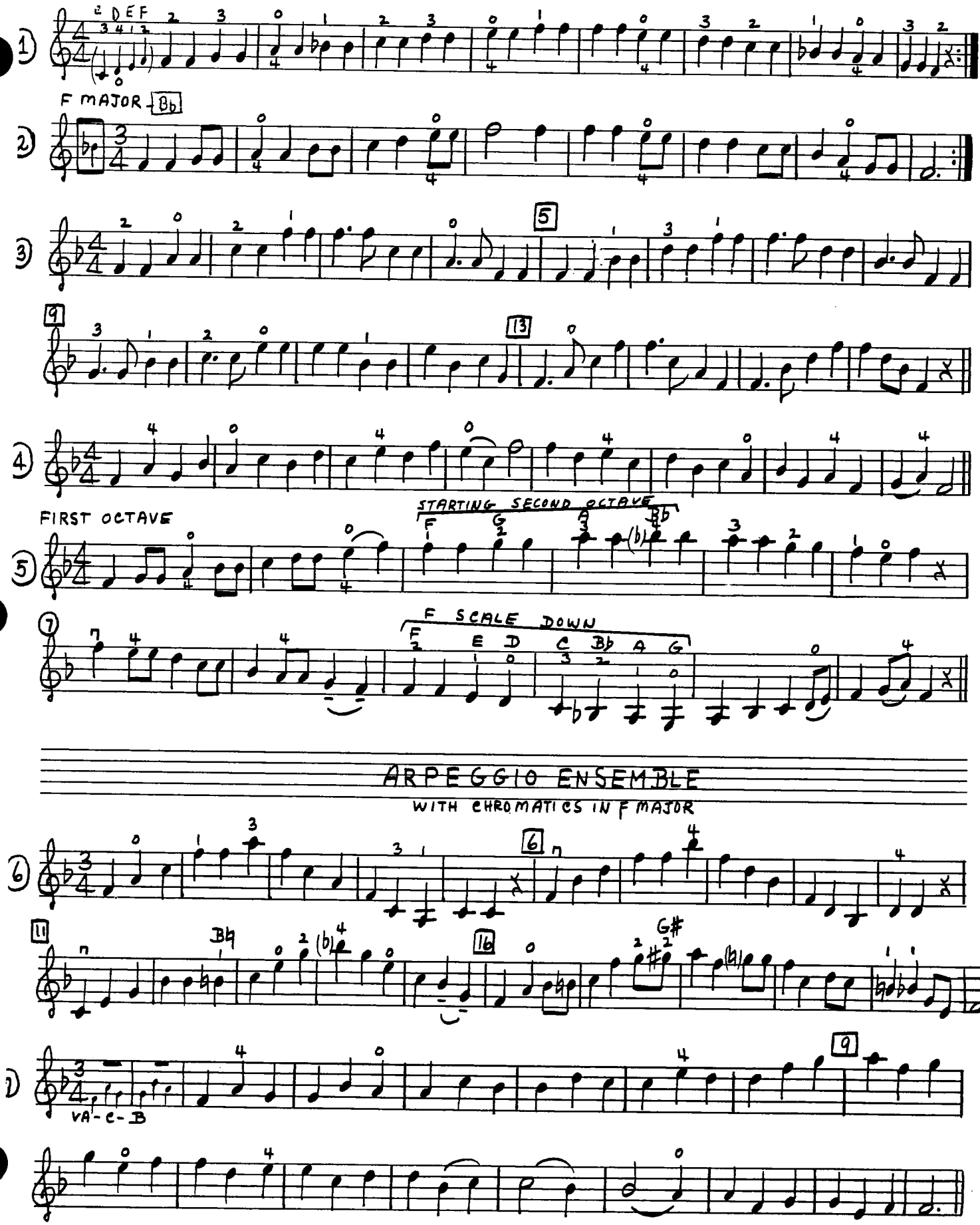
D MAJOR-THEME



D MINOR MELODIC FORM

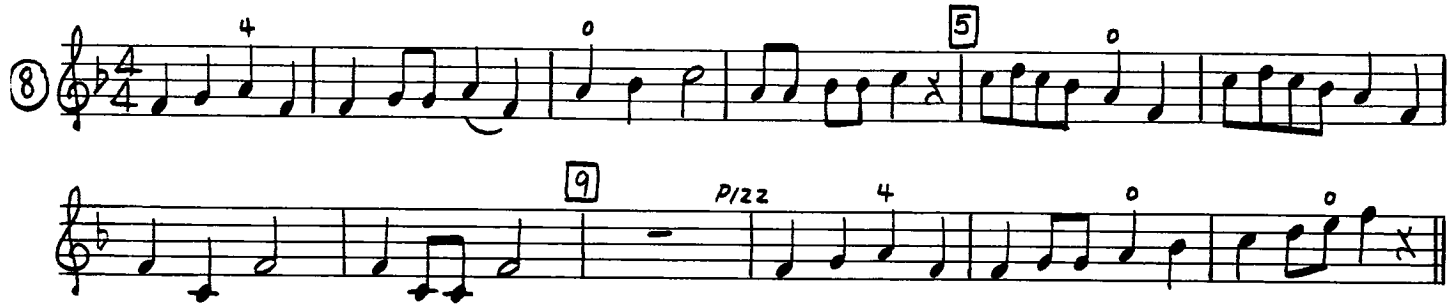





1)
C D E F
2)
F MAJOR Bb
3)
5
9
13
4)
5)
FIRST OCTAVE
STARTING SECOND OCTAVE
7)
F SCALE DOWN
F E D C Bb A G
ARPEGGIO ENSEMBLE
WITH CHROMATICS IN F MAJOR
6)
6
11)
Bb
16
G#
7)
9
VA-C-B

FRÉRE JACQUES GOES ROUND AND ROUND

TWO-PART ROUND



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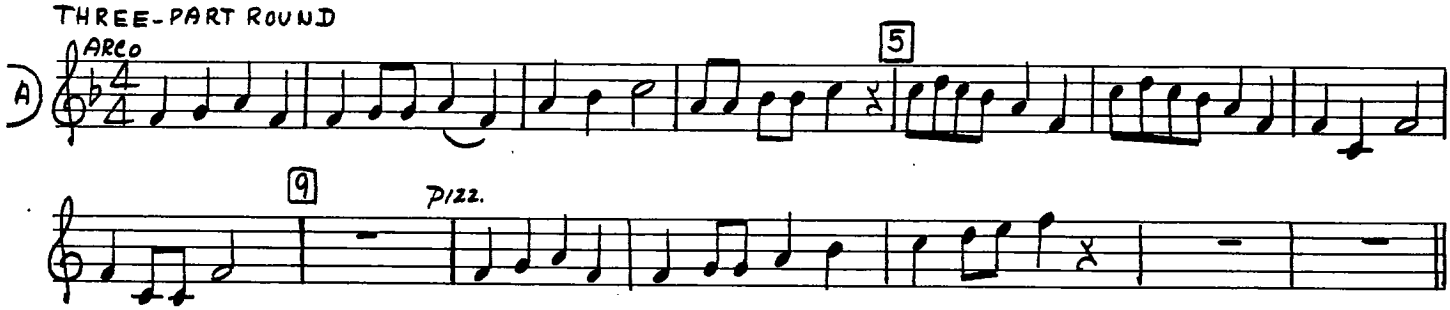
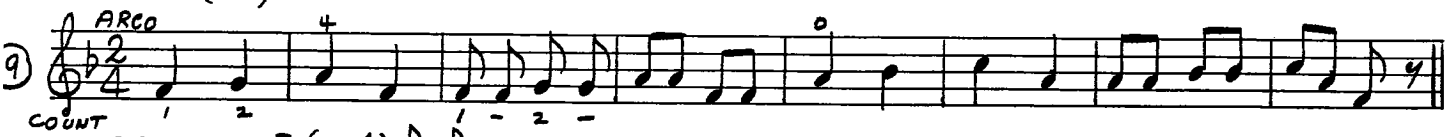


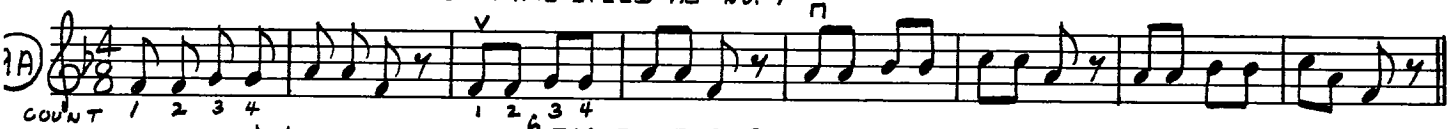
SAME THEME AND VARIATIONS FOR NEW RHYTHMS

2/4 TO 4/8 TO 6/8

SLOWLY (IN 2)

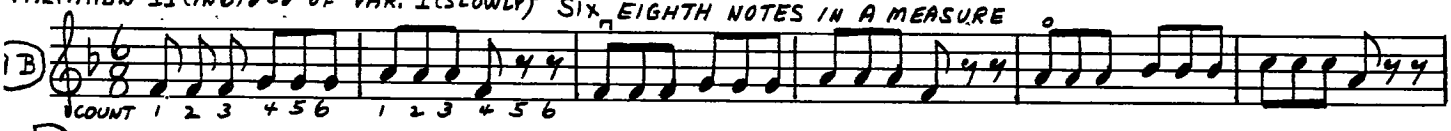


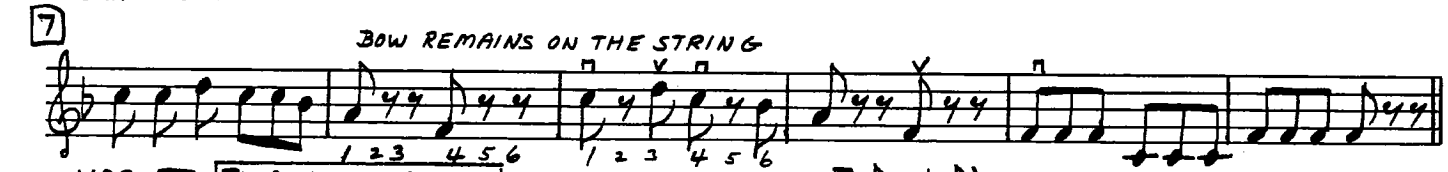
VARIATION I (IN 4) ♪ = ♪ SAME SPEED AS NO. 9



VARIATION II (IN 6) ♪ = ♪ OF VAR. I (SLOWLY) 6/8 TIME - EIGHTH NOTES AND RESTS

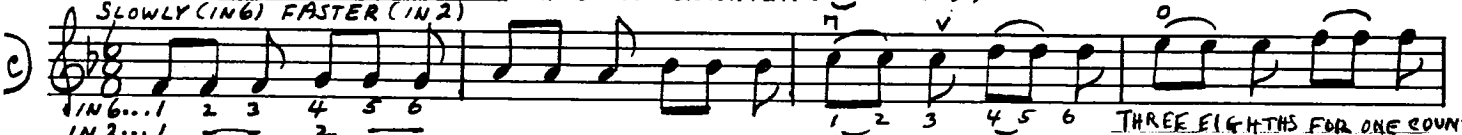
SIX EIGHTH NOTES IN A MEASURE



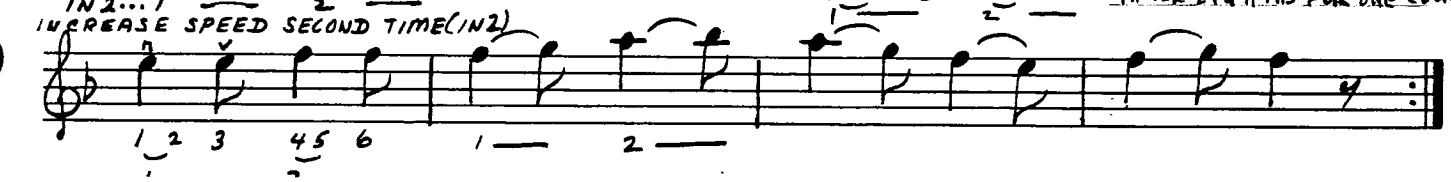


VAR. III TWO EIGHTHS TIED INTO A QUARTER (♫ ♪ = ♩ ♪)

SLOWLY (IN 6) FASTER (IN 2)



INCREASE SPEED SECOND TIME (IN 2)



VAR. IV - THREE EIGHTHS TIED EQUALS A DOTTED-QUARTER IN 6/8 TIME (♪♪ = ♩.)

FROM TIE TO DOT

DOT FOR THIRD EIGHTH

9 SLOWLY 1 2 3 4 5 6 — COUNT FASTER 1 — 2 —

DOTTED HALF IN 6/8

TWO EIGHTH RESTS TIED FOR A QUARTER IN 6/8

ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR BOAT

10 IN 2 - SNAPPY STYLE

WHOLE REST IN 6/8

PREPARATORY CHROMATICS FOR "SWEET AND LOW"

11 SLOWLY - IN 6

SWEET AND LOW

UNISON AND ENSEMBLE

SLOWLY IN 6

12 + 2ND TIME

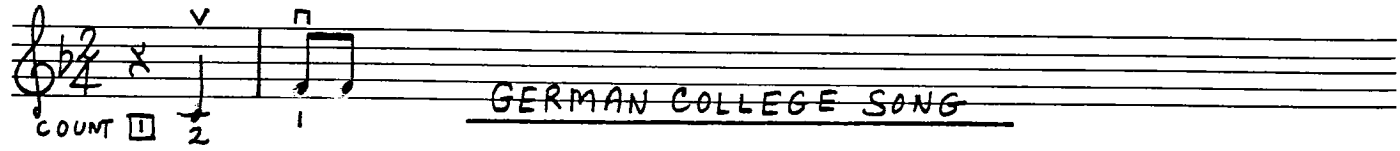
PLAY TWICE

A!

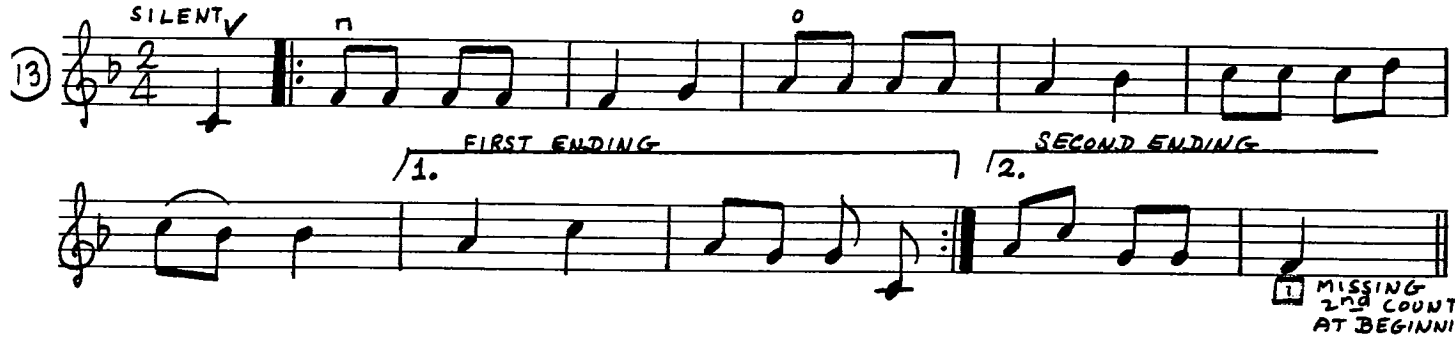
B! DIV. SECOND TIME

THE UP-BEAT (PICK-UP)

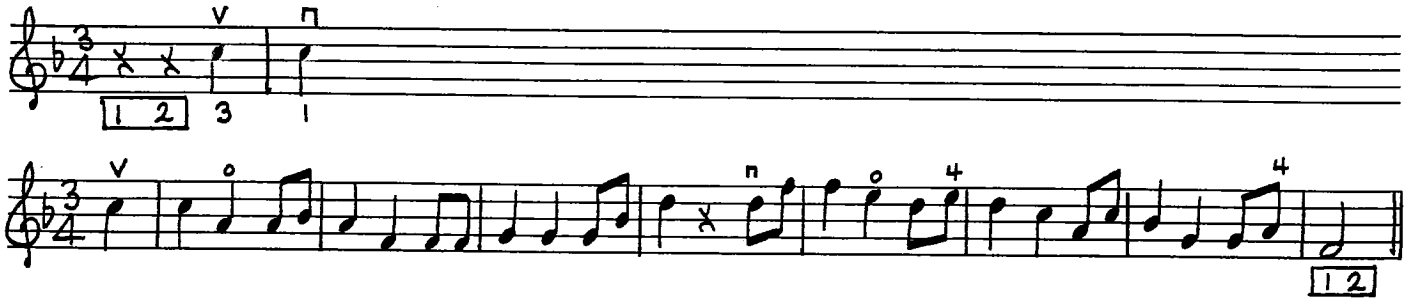
PICK-UP DRILLS



GERMAN COLLEGE SONG

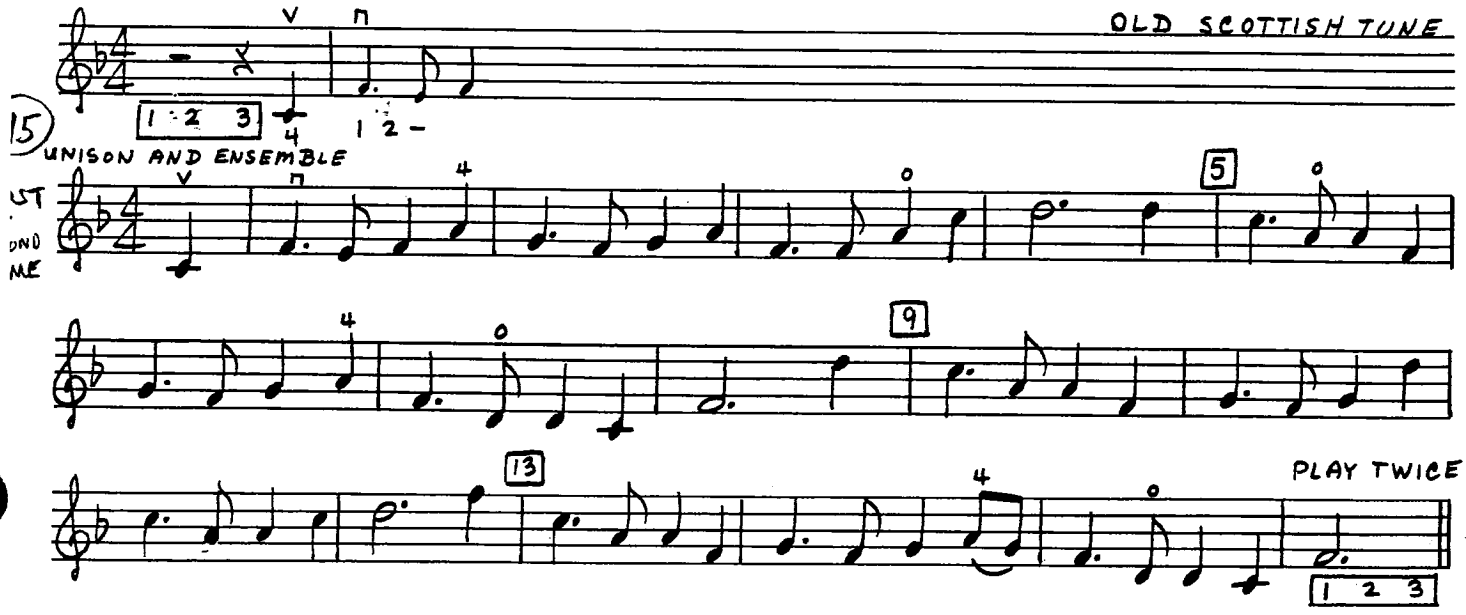


NORWEGIAN FOLK SONG



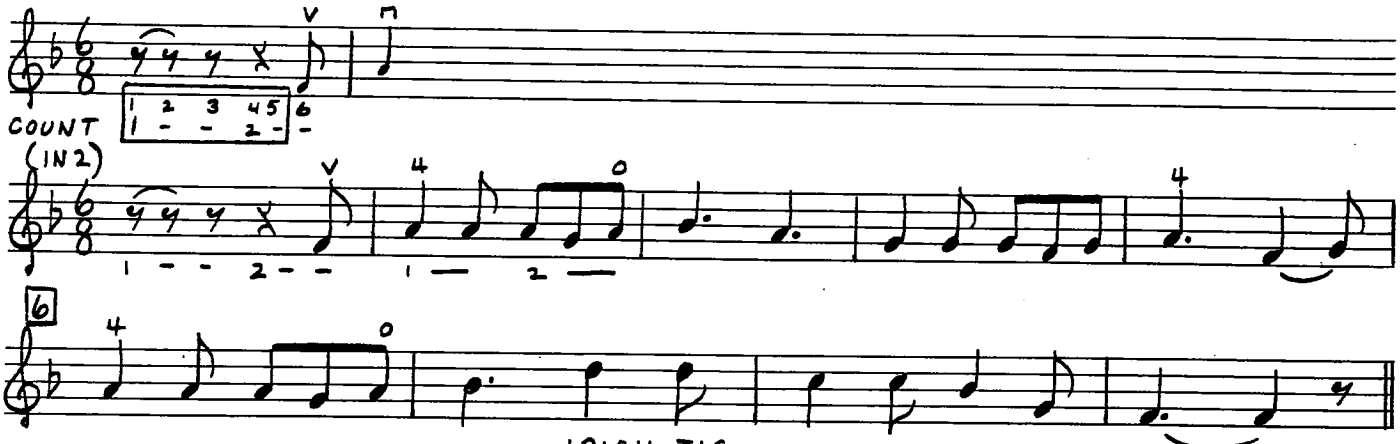
AULD LANG SYNE

CONCERT VERSION IN F MAJOR



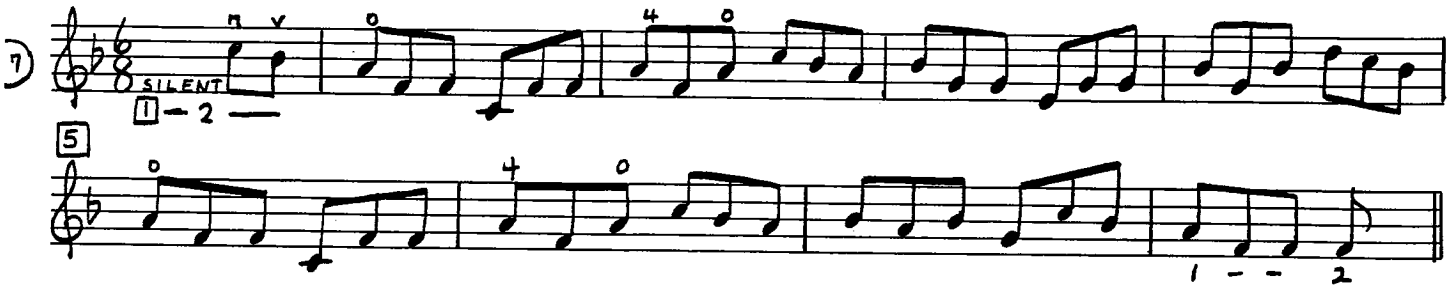
FOR HE'S A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW

FIRST IN 6, THEN IN 2



THINK THE PREPARATORY EIGHTHS

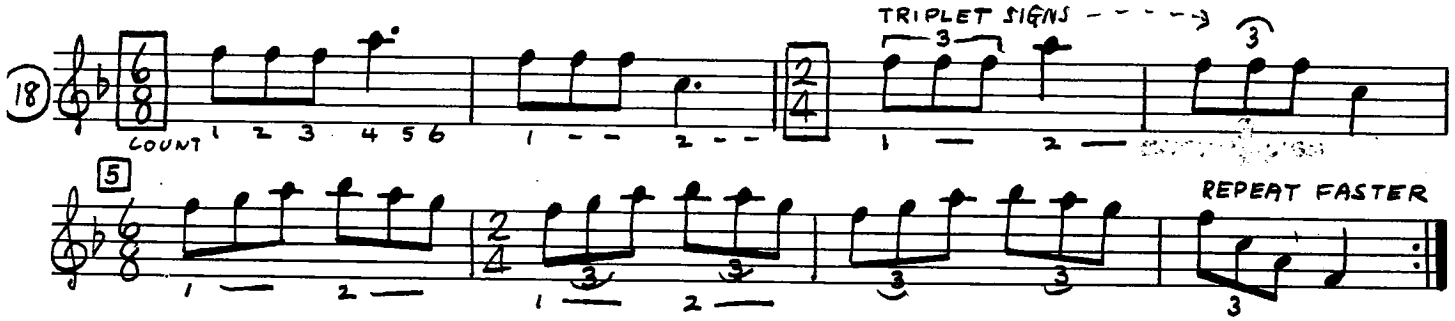
IRISH JIG



CHANGING 6/8 INTO TRIPLETS

EIGHTH NOTE SPEED THE SAME

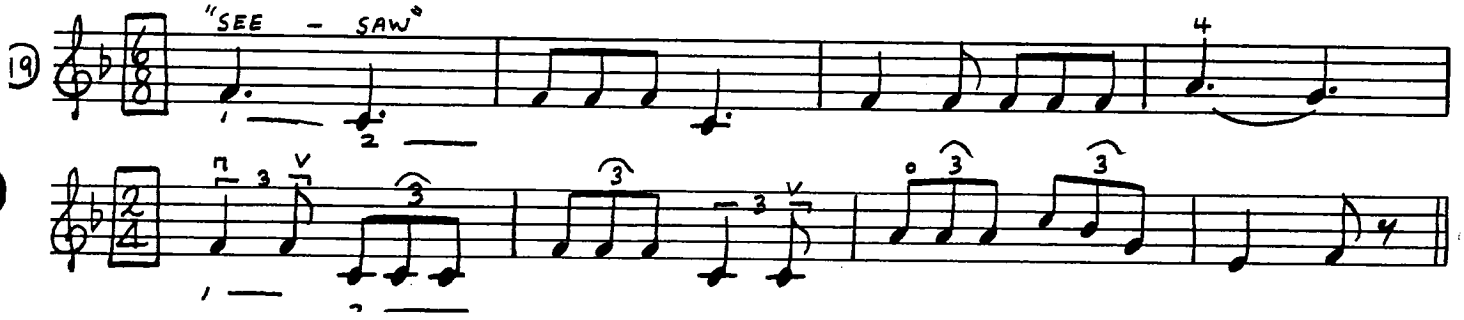
COMBINING 6/8 AND 2/4 TIME



"SEE - SAW" WITH ROW-ROW

ENSEMBLE WITH TRIPLETS

(IN 2)



"BOOGIE - CHA" WITH AULD LANG SYNE

THE "BATTLE OF METERS" - $\frac{6}{8}$ VERSUS $\frac{4}{4}$

COUNTERPOINT ENSEMBLE IN F MAJOR

SNAPPY STYLE (IN 2) SLOWLY AT FIRST

10 COUNT 1 2 3 4 5 6 / 1 — 2 —

7 11 15

A-DIVISI

B-DOWN STEMS

SAME BEAT, IN 4 ($\frac{6}{8}$ INTO TRIPLET EQUALS ONE QUARTER)

THEME DIVISI

19

A COUNT 1 2 3 4

B COUNT 1 — 2 — 3 4 —

COUNTER MOTIVE

23

A

B 1 2 3 4 —