

# Bessie Smith, Alexander's Ragtime Band

Oh my honey  
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You better hurry and let's go down there  
Ain't you goin'?  
Ain't you goin'?  
To that leaderman, ragged meter man

Oh honey  
Oh honey  
Let me take you to Alexander's  
Grand stand brass band  
Ain't you coming along?

Come on and hear  
Come on and hear  
Alexander's ragtime band  
Come on and hear  
Come on and hear  
It's the best band in the land

They can play the bugle call like you've never heard before  
Sounds so natural that you'll wanna go to war  
That's just the best band in the land  
Oh honey lamb

Come on along  
Come on along  
Let me take you by the hand  
Up to the man  
Up to the man  
Who is the leader of the band  
And if you care to hear the Swanee River played in ragtime  
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Listen to the bugle call

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