

Fred Astaire, Slap That Bass

(from "Shall We Dance," as heard on "Fred Astaire & Ginger Rogers at RKO")

(Vocalizations to sound like ships engine)

Zoom, zoom, zoom, zoom,
World is in a mess.
Politics and taxes and people grinding axes,
Theres no happiness.

Zoom, zoom, zoom, zoom,
Rhythm be your ale.
Future doesnt upset me,
If I can only get me
Someone to slap that bass.

Happiness and not a little,
When Im listening to that big bass fiddle.

Slap that bass, slap it til its dizzy.
Slap that bass, keep the rhythm busy.
Zoom, zoom, zoom, misery, Youve got to go!
(Echo: Misery, youve got to go!)

Slap that bass, use it like a tonic.
Slap that bass, keep your philharmonic.
Zoom, zoom, zoom, happiness -----

These ? would be better off
If they zoomed-zoomed now and then
Today, you can see that
The happiest men all got rhythm.

In that case, if you want to -----
Slap that bass, slap away your troubles.
Zoom, zoom, zoom, slap that bass!
(Ive got to, got to, got to,
Ive got to, got to, got to.)

(More engine sounds)