

Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra

Chicago, April 20, 1931

When It's Sleepy Time Down South



Score

Transcriptions by Klaus Pehl 1998/2001 © 2024

When It's Sleepy Time Down South

Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra, 16. Nov. 1941

Rene-Muse 1931
transcr. Klaus Pehl 2001

♩ = 92

Alto 1

Alto 2 *f*

Tenor *f*

Tpt. 1 (L.A.)

Tpt. 2 (lead)

Tpt. 3 *f*

Tbn. *f*

Guitar *f*
E^b

Bass

Piano

Drums

Vocal

C⁷ Fm⁷ Fm⁷ B^{b9} B^{b7} E^b

The musical score is arranged in a standard orchestral format. It includes staves for Alto 1, Alto 2 (marked *f*), Tenor (marked *f*), Trumpet 1 (L.A.), Trumpet 2 (lead), Trumpet 3 (marked *f*), Trombone (marked *f*), Guitar (marked *f*, E^b), Bass, Piano, Drums, and Vocal. The score is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 92 beats per minute. The key signature has two flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor). The piece is marked with a first ending bracket in the third measure. The guitar part includes a chord chart above the staff: C⁷, Fm⁷, Fm⁷, B^{b9}, B^{b7}, and E^b. The piano part features block chords, and the drums part shows a simple rhythmic pattern with asterisks indicating accents. The vocal line is currently blank.

as 1 **A** 2

as 2 *p*

p

tp 1 **A** *R.* 1. Tpt. Solo 2. Vocal

tp 2

tp 3

tb

A ⁷A^b maj L. Armstrong ⁶A^b m ⁷E^b maj ⁷Cm ⁷F

g

b

dr

||

voc **A**

Pale moon shi - ing on the fields be - low Folks are croon - ing songs soft and low

as 1

as 2

tp 1

tp 2

tp 3

tb

B^b9 Edim Fm G⁷ A^b6 A^bm E^b B^bm E^b7

voc

need - n't tell me so be - cause I know It's SLEEP - Y TIME DOWN SOUTH.

as 1

as 2

tp 1

tp 2

tp 3

tb

g¹³

b

dr

||

A^b maj⁷ A^b m⁶ E^b maj⁷ Cm⁷ F⁷

voc

Soft winds blow - ing thru the pine wood trees, Folks down there live a life on ease

as 1

as 2

tp 1

tp 2

tp 3

tb

g

b

B

dr

B⁹ Edim Fm G A^{b6} A^{b6}m E^b D⁷

voc

When ol' Mam - my fells up - on her knees It's SLEEP - Y TIME DOWN SOU - TH

as 1 **B**

as 2

tp 1 **B**

tp 2

tp 3

tb

B G Bridge - Reeds

G G^{#dim} Am⁷ D⁷ G D⁷

dr

voc **B**

Steam - boats on the riv - er a - com - in' a - go - in' splash - ing the night a - way,

as 1

as 2

tp 1

tp 2

tp 3

tb

g

b

dr

||

G G G^{#dim} Am⁷ D⁷ G⁷ B^{b7}

voc

Hear those ban - jos rng - in' the folks are a - sing - in', They dance till break of day ---

as 1 **C** 8

as 2 *p*

tp 1 **C**

tp 2

tp 3

tb

C ⁷ L. Armstrong ⁶ ⁷ ⁷ ⁷

A^b maj **A^b m** **E^b maj** **Cm** **F**

voc **C**

Dear old South - land with it's dream - y songs, Take me back there where I be - long,

as 1

as 2

tp 1

tp 2

tp 3

tb

B^b 9

Edim

Fm 7

G 7

A^b 6

A^b m 6

E^b

voc

How I'd love to be in Mam - my's arms When It's SLEEP - Y TIME DOWN SOUTH.

37 1 **D** 10

as 1 **D**

as 2 *f*

tp 1 **D**

tp 2 *f*

tp 3 *f*

tb

37 **D** *f* Ensemble *f*

A^b maj 7 A^b m 6 E^b maj 7 Cm 7 F 7 B^b 9 Edim 7 Fm 7 G 7

b

dr

37 **D**

voc

as 1
 as 2
 tp 1
 tp 2
 tp 3
 fb

g
 b
 dr

Bridge - L. Armstrong
 A^b A^bm E^b D
 G G^{#dim} Am D G D

voc

as 1

as 2

tp 1

tp 2

tp 3

tb

g

b

dr

||

G G G#dim Am D G B'

voc

as 1 **F**

as 2

tp 1 **F**

tp 2

tp 3

tb

F 7 **A^b maj** Ensemble **A^b m** 6 **E^b maj** 7 **Cm** 7 **F** 7

g

b

dr

||

voc **F**

as 1

as 2

14

tp 1

tp 2

tp 3

tb

g

b

dr

9

B^b 9

Edim

Fm

G

A^b 6

A^b m 6

E^b 7

B^b 7

E^b 9

rit.

rit.

rit.

rit.

vbc

Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra

Transcriptions by Klaus Pehl 1998/2001 © 2024



Score

<i>Body And Soul</i>	<i>Love You Funny Thing</i>
<i>Dinah</i>	<i>Mahogany Hall Stomp</i>
<i>Home</i>	<i>On Treasure Island</i>
<i>I Double Dare You</i>	<i>Them Their Eyes</i>
<i>I Surrender Dear</i>	<i>When It's Sleepy Time Down South</i>