

G I Jive song lyrics

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G. I. Jive

Artist: Johnny Mercer as sung on "Remember the Forties-Boogie Woogie

Bugle Boy: Music Of the War Years-1943-44"

Capitol CDL 57268

charted by Mercer at # 11 in 1944

competing version by Louis Jordan hit # 1

Words and Music by Johnny Mercer

This is the G. I. Jive

Man alive

It starts with the bugler blowin' reveille over your bed when you arrive

Jack, that's the G. I. Jive

Roodley-toot

Jump in your suit

Make a salute

Boot!!

After you wash and dress

More or less

You go get your breakfast in a beautiful little café they call "The Mess"

Jack, when you convalesce

Outta your seat

Into the street

Make with the feet

Reet!!

If you're a P-V-T, your duty

Is to salute to L-I-E-U-T

But if you brush the L-I-E-U-T

The M-P makes you K-P on the Q-T

This is the G. I. Jive

Man alive

They give you a private tank that features a little device called "fluid drive"

Jack, after you revive

Chuck all your junk

Back in the trunk

Fall on your bunk

Clunk!!

(instrumental interlude)

This is the G. I. Jive

Man alive

They give you a private tank that features a little device called "fluid drive"

Jack, if you still survive

Chuck all your junk

Back in the trunk

Fall on your bunk

Clunk!!

Soon you're countin' jeeps
But before you count to five
Seems you're right back diggin' that G. I. Jive