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Glenn Miller Army Air Force Orchestra

“I Sustain the Wings”

“The American Band of the AEF”

Medleys

1. Description

Glenn Miller and his Orchestra appeared on the “Moonlight Serenade” commercial radio series for sponsor Liggett and Myers’ Chesterfield Cigarette brand from December 27, 1939 to September 24, 1942 over the CBS network. For the first thirteen weeks of the series, the sponsor and network paired the Andrews Sisters vocal group with the Miller band. The radio production staff, Glenn Miller and his arrangers set up a system of medleys including four tunes each that would air each Wednesday evening, to fit more music into the programs and to feature his own vocalists. The medleys were labeled and performed as “something old, new, borrowed and blue” and became a well-known public signature for Glenn Miller’s broadcasts.

Glenn Miller was commissioned as an officer in the Army of the United States and reported for duty in October 1942. He would serve as Director of Bands for the Army Air Forces and by the summer of 1943 he had formed his own hand-picked orchestra from among the musicians that he and his staff were selecting to staff various AAF Orchestras. Capt. Miller’s unit would be a primary recruiting and communications tool for the AAF, broadcasting nationally by July 1944. Capt. Miller would continue the medley format with his Army Air Force Orchestra. Although the format would retain the “old, new, borrowed and blue” label, the arrangements presented were longer, more “full form” and ran in time segments over CBS and NBC ranging from seven and one half minutes to occasionally nine minutes each. The AAF Orchestra was a much larger and more ambitious organization than Glenn Miller’s civilian dance band. The AAF Orchestra contained a large string section and significantly augmented brass, woodwinds and rhythm sections. The size and scope of the AAF Orchestra allowed Glenn Miller, his arrangers and radio production staff to present popular, jazz and light classical music to audiences in the United States and eventually the United Kingdom and Europe.

The “I Sustain the Wings” radio series ran over CBS from New York July 10, 1943 to September 11, 1943, following a New England regional CBS trial series which originated from Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut. “I Sustain the Wings” moved to NBC, New York September 18, 1943 and ran until November 17, 1945. The announcers for the program were former radio actor Lt. Donald Briggs and former Hollywood actor Sgt. Broderick Crawford and the host was Capt. Glenn Miller.

The Glenn Miller AAFTC (Army Air Forces Training Command) unit was transferred to England following the June 10, 1944 5:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. (CWT) programs which were broadcast from the Merchandise Mart in Chicago, Illinois. M/Sgt. Harry Bluestone and his AAFTC unit took over for the Capt. Glenn Miller unit and broadcast into 1945 when it was succeeded by the M/Sgt. Felix Slatkin AAFTC unit. The first host for the Bluestone programs was former Hollywood actor Lt. William Holden and the announcer was Sgt. Tom Hudson.

When the Glenn Miller unit returned from Europe in August 1945, it resumed the “I Sustain the Wings” series with a mix of its own original personnel and Felix Slatkin personnel until the series ended with the November 17, 1945 broadcast from Bolling Field, Washington D. C.

Following the arrival of the Capt. Glenn Miller Army Air Force Orchestra to the United Kingdom in July 1944, it was rebranded as the American Band of the Supreme Allied Command (SHAEF), and shortly thereafter, the American Band of the Allied Expeditionary Forces (AEF). The purpose of the transfer overseas was the desire of the Supreme Commander and his headquarters for the Glenn Miller unit to staff the new SHAEF radio service, The Allied Expeditionary Forces Programme (AEFP) as one of three house orchestras. The others were the British Band of the AEF, directed by RSM George Melachrino, and the Canadian Band of the AEF, directed by Capt. Robert Farnon.

Glenn Miller was promoted to the rank of Major in August 1944. He and his radio production staff, led by Sgt. George Voutsas (formerly producer of the NBC Symphony Orchestra broadcasts) and Sgt. Paul Dudley (formerly producer of the Blue network “Coca-Cola Spotlight Bands” broadcasts), continued the medley format for broadcasts by their full orchestra in the United Kingdom. The orchestra was able to fill the AEFP schedule with numerous programs by splitting the full orchestra into radio sub-units. Maj. Miller led the full orchestra for “American Band of the AEF” broadcasts. T/Sgt. Ray McKinley (former bandleader and ace drummer) led the “American Dance Band” for “Swing Shift” broadcasts. M/Sgt. George Ockner (former Cleveland Symphony concert master) led the strings in programs of light classics, “Strings with Wings”. The Ockner unit earned the public praise and respect of Sir Adrian Boult, Director of the BBC Symphony. Sir Adrian and his orchestra were based at BBC studios in Bedford, England where the Miller ABAEF was also based. Sgt. Mel Powell (former Benny Goodman arranger and ace pianist) led a swing sextette for “The Uptown Hall” broadcasts. Sgt. Johnny Desmond was backed by elements of the full orchestra conducted by Sgt. Norman Leyden (“Winged Victory” stage show) for “Songs by Sgt. Johnny Desmond” and pianist Pvt. Jack Rusin performed “Piano Parade”. The AEFP was technically operated by the BBC as the BBC “Violet” network.

Following the disappearance of Maj. Miller while traveling as a passenger aboard an aircraft flying from England to France December 15, 1944, Sgt. Jerry Gray (chief arranger) assumed conducting duties for the “ABAEF” programs. By January 1945, the ABAEF had been relocated from England to France. The Orchestra continued to use “old, new, borrowed and blue” medleys until their return to the United States in August 1945.

The Glenn Miller Army Air Force Orchestra was an innovative and creative leap forward for Glenn Miller and was an historic “exclamation point” for the so-called “big band” era. Many observers including Ray McKinley would later describe this organization as the greatest band that ever performed. We are blessed that many of the broadcast performances of the AAF Orchestra have been preserved on very high quality original NBC discs and reference tapes. Many AEFP performances have also been preserved from the original BBC discs. The medleys as broadcast remain exquisite and evocative.

A separate inventory of Glenn Miller Army Air Force medleys follows. This report is formatted in two sections, an alphabetical index and a chronological index. The chronological index is divided in four groups, (a.) CBS, (b.) NBC, (c.) AEFP-BBC and (d.) NBC series.

2. Alphabetical Sequence of Medleys

All Through the Night
I Love You (JD)
Take It Easy (CC) (Borrowed from Guy Lombardo)
Blue Hawaii

19Feb44, 1Apr44

All Through the Night
Time Waits For No One (JD)
Take It Easy (CC) (Borrowed from Guy Lombardo)
Blue Hawaii

1Dec44

All Through the Night
You're So Sweet to Remember (JD)
Take It Easy (CC) (Borrowed from Guy Lombardo)
Blue Hawaii

2Apr45, 14May45

Annie Laurie
Any Moment Now (JD)
Alexander's Rag Time Band (Borrowed from Irving Berlin)
Blue is the Night

28May45

Annie Laurie
Moon Dreams (JD/CC)
Alexander's Rag Time Band (Borrowed from Irving Berlin)
Blue is the Night

29Jan45, 12Feb45

Annie Laurie
My Ideal (JD)
Alexander's Rag Time Band (Borrowed from Irving Berlin)
Blue is the Night

29Jan44

Annie Laurie
Star Eyes (BC)
Alexander's Rag Time Band (Borrowed from Irving Berlin)
Blue is the Night

18Mar44

Annie Laurie
You, Fascinating You (JD)
Alexander's Rag Time Band (Borrowed from Irving Berlin)
Blue is the Night

12Mar45

Brahm's Lullaby
Johnny Zero (AM/CG)
Snowfall (Borrowed from Claude Thornhill)
Serenade in Blue

28Aug43

Caprice Viennois
Candy (JD/CC)
My Isle of Golden Dreams (Borrowed from Phil Spitalny)
Birth of the Blues

16Apr45

Caprice Viennois
I'll Walk Alone (JD)
My Isle of Golden Dreams (Borrowed from Phil Spitalny)
Birth of the Blues

5Oct44, 25Nov44

Caprice Viennois
More and More (JD)
My Isle of Golden Dreams (Borrowed from Phil Spitalny)
Birth of the Blues

22May45

Caprice Viennois
Sunday, Monday or Always (TM)
My Isle of Golden Dreams (Borrowed from Phil Spitalny)
Birth of the Blues

7Aug43

Caprice Viennois
Sunday, Monday or Always (AM)
My Isle of Golden Dreams (Borrowed from Phil Spitalny)
Birth of the Blues

18Sep43, 6Nov43

Carry Me Back To Old Virginny
I'll Walk Alone
Have 'Ya Got Any Gum, Chum? (Borrowed from the Kids Around Us)
Saint Louis Blues March

(Possibly broadcast c. 23-31Dec44)

Carry Me Back To Old Virginny
Making Believe (JD)
Alouette, Pretty Alouette (AM/GC) (Borrowed from Canada)
Blue Moon

(Not Used)

Carry Me Back To Old Virginny
Mister Lucky Me (TM)
Alouette, Pretty Alouette (AM/GC) (Borrowed from Canada)
Blue Moon

31Jul43

Carry Me Back To Old Virginny
Some Other Time (JD)
Alouette, Pretty Alouette (AM/GC) (Borrowed from Canada)
Blue Moon

28May45

Carry Me Back To Old Virginny
Together (JD)
Alouette, Pretty Alouette (AM/GC) (Borrowed from Canada)
Blue Moon

26Mar45

Danny Boy
Absent Minded (JD)
Cherokee (Indian Love Song) (Borrowed from Charlie Barnet)
Beautiful Blue Danube

1Jan44, 12Feb44

Danny Boy
All My Life (JD)
Cherokee (Indian Love Song) (Borrowed from Charlie Barnet)
Beautiful Blue Danube

10Aug44

Danny Boy
I Don't Want to be Loved (By Anyone Else But You) (JD)
Stompin' at the Savoy (Borrowed from Benny Goodman)
Deep Purple

6Oct45

Danny Boy
It Had To Be You (JD)
Cherokee (Indian Love Song) (Borrowed from Charlie Barnet)
Beautiful Blue Danube

26Feb45, 28May45

Danny Boy
My Prayer (JD)
Cherokee (Indian Love Song) (Borrowed from Charlie Barnet)
Beautiful Blue Danube

25Nov44

Danny Boy
Shoo-Shoo Baby (CC)
The Way You Look Tonight (Borrowed from Jerome Kern's Swing Time)
Beautiful Blue Danube

30Oct43

Danny Boy
Spring Will Be A Little Late This Year (JD)
Cherokee (Indian Love Song) (Borrowed from Charlie Barnet)
Beautiful Blue Danube

9Nov44

Danny Boy
Taking a Chance on Love (AM)
The Waltz You Saved For Me (Borrowed from Wayne King)
Serenade in Blue

19Jun43

Danny Boy
You, Fascinating You (JD)
Cherokee (Indian Love Song) (Borrowed from Charlie Barnet)
Beautiful Blue Danube

23Apr45

Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes
At the Rainbow Corner (AM)
The Very Thought of You (Borrowed from Ray Noble)
Blue Skies

16Apr45

Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes
Dance With A Dolly (With A Hole in Her Stockin') (AM)
The Very Thought of You (Borrowed from Ray Noble)
Blue Skies

12Mar45

Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes
Don't Get Around Much Anymore (AM)
Begin the Beguine (Borrowed from Artie Shaw)
Blue Moon

5Jun43

Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes
There Goes That Song Again (JD)
The Very Thought of You (Borrowed from Ray Noble)
Blue Skies

4Jun45

Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes
You'll Never Know (TM)
Summertime (Borrowed from George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess)
Blue Skies

24Jul43, 28Jul43

Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes
You'll Never Know (AM)
Summertime (Borrowed from George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess)
Blue Skies

25Sep43

Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes
You'll Never Know (AM)
The Very Thought of You (Borrowed from Ray Noble)
Blue Skies

(Not Used)

The End of A Perfect Day
Do You Know (JD)
Moonlight Sonata (Borrowed from Beethoven)
The Blue Room

20Nov43

Flow Gently, Sweet Afton
Later Tonight (JD/CC)
Don't Be That Way (Borrowed from Benny Goodman)
Blue Champagne

11Dec43

Flow Gently, Sweet Afton
Moon Dreams (JD/CC)
Don't Be That Way (Borrowed from Benny Goodman)
Blue Champagne

22Apr44, 3Aug44, 28Sep44, 28Nov44, 1Dec44, 7May45

Flow Gently, Sweet Afton
My Heart Tells Me (JD)
Don't Be That Way (Borrowed from Benny Goodman)
Blue Champagne

5Feb44

Flow Gently, Sweet Afton
Why Dream? (JD)
Things 'Aint What They Used To Be (Borrowed from Duke Ellington)
A Blues Serenade

10Nov45

Goin' Home
In the Middle of May (JD/CC)
Little Brown Jug (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Blue is the Night

20Oct45

Goin' Home
Moon Dreams (JD/CC)
Honeysuckle Rose (Borrowed from Fats Waller)
My Blue Heaven

2Apr45

Goin' Home
More and More (JD)
Honeysuckle Rose (Borrowed from Fats Waller)
My Blue Heaven

4Jun45

Goin' Home
Paper Doll (CC)
All The Things You Are (TM) (Borrowed from Jerome Kern)
Blue Skies

(4Sep43, scheduled but not used)

Goin' Home
Paper Doll (CC)
All The Things You Are (TM) (Borrowed from Jerome Kern)
My Blue Heaven

4Sep43

Goin' Home
Paper Doll (CC)
All The Things You Are (Borrowed from Jerome Kern)
My Blue Heaven

9Oct43

Goin' Home
Paper Doll (CC)
Honeysuckle Rose (Borrowed from Fats Waller)
My Blue Heaven

4Dec43

Goin' Home
Star Eyes (JD)
Honeysuckle Rose (Borrowed from Fats Waller)
My Blue Heaven

12Oct44

Goin' Home
Sweet and Lovely (JD)
Honeysuckle Rose (Borrowed from Fats Waller)
My Blue Heaven

15Jan45

I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen
There Goes That Song Again (JD)
Rose Room (Borrowed from Phil Harris)
The Blue Room

29May45

In the Gloaming
Alone ('Till the Day) (JD)
Stompin' at the Savoy (Borrowed from Benny Goodman)
Deep Purple

9Apr45

In the Gloaming
A Fellow on a Furlough (JD)
Stompin' at the Savoy (Borrowed from Benny Goodman)
Deep Purple

20May44, 23Jul44, 5Dec44

In the Gloaming
For the First Time (JD)
Stompin' at the Savoy (Borrowed from Benny Goodman)
Deep Purple

13Nov43, 18Dec43

In the Gloaming
Homesick, That's All (JD)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Rhapsody in Blue

13Oct45

In the Gloaming
It Had To Be You (JD)
Stompin' at the Savoy (Borrowed from Benny Goodman).
Deep Purple

15Jan45

In the Gloaming
Together (JD)
Stompin' at the Savoy (Borrowed from Benny Goodman).
Deep Purple

7May45, 14May45

Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair
Amor (AM)
Begin the Beguine (Borrowed from Artie Shaw)
Blue Rain

17Nov44

Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair
As Long As There's Music (JD)
Begin the Beguine (Borrowed from Artie Shaw)
Blue Rain

24Apr45

Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair
(I'll Be Thinking of You) Easter Sunday (JD)
Begin the Beguine (Borrowed from Artie Shaw)
Blue Rain

2Apr45

Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair
I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night (JD/CC)
Begin the Beguine (Borrowed from Artie Shaw)
Blue Again

9Sep44

Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair
I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night (JD/CC)
Begin the Beguine (Borrowed from Artie Shaw)
Blue Rain

22Jan44, 26Feb44, 21Sep44

Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair
You'll Never Know (BH)
The Very Thought of You
Blue Skies

3Jul43

Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair
You'll Never Know (BH)
The Very Thought of You
Blues in the Night (My Mama Done Tol' Me)

(3 Jul 43, Scheduled but not broadcast)

Killarney
At the Rainbow Corner (JD/CC)
Moonlight Serenade (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Wabash Blues

26Feb45

Killarney
I've Got a Heart Filled with Love (BC/CC)
Moonlight Serenade (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Wabash Blues

8Apr44

Killarney
I've Got a Heart Filled with Love (JD)
Moonlight Serenade (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Wabash Blues

19Oct44

Loch Lomond (By Yon Bonnie Banks)
Any Moment Now (JD)
Smoke Rings (Borrowed from Glen Gray)
Mood Indigo

23Apr45

Loch Lomond (By Yon Bonnie Banks)
(I'll be Thinking of You) Easter Sunday (JD)
My Guy's Come Back (Borrowed from Mel Powell's Uptown Hall)
Mood Indigo

26Mar45

Loch Lomond (By Yon Bonnie Banks)
If That's The Way You Want It, Baby (CC)
Make Believe (Borrowed from Jerome Kern's "Showboat")
Mood Indigo

2Oct43

Long, Long Ago
Don't Fence Me In (CC)
The Dispy Doodle (Borrowed from Larry Clinton)
Blues in My Heart

4Jun45

Long, Long Ago
I Heard You Cried Last Night (TM)
Moonlight Serenade (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Blues in My Heart

11Sep43

Long, Long Ago
Laura (JD)
Cherokee (Indian Love Song) (Borrowed from Charlie Barnet)
Blue Rain

29Sep45

Long, Long Ago
Louise (JD)
The Dipsy Doodle (Borrowed from Larry Clinton)
Blue is the Night

29Jan45

Long, Long Ago
The Music Stopped (JD)
The Dipsy Doodle (Borrowed from Larry Clinton)
Blues in My Heart

8Jan44, 4Mar44, 24Aug44, 2Nov44, 25Nov44, 12Dec44

Love's Old Sweet Song (Just a Song at Twilight)
That's What It's All About (CC)
Rose Room (Borrowed from Phil Harris)
Blue Rain

(18Dec43, scheduled but not used)

Mighty Lak' a Rose
Amor (JD)
Chattanooga Choo-Choo (RM/CC) (Borrowed from Tennessee)
Bye Bye Blues

3Jun44, 20Jul44, 24Nov44, 27Nov44, 19Feb45, 27Mar45, 29May45

Mighty Lak' a Rose
Amor (JD)
Chattanooga Choo-Choo (RM/CC) (Borrowed from Tennessee)
Rhapsody in Blue

5Jun45

Mother Machree
I Couldn't Sleep A Wink Last Night (JD/CC)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH) (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Wang Wang Blues

13May44, 17Aug44

Mother Machree
I'm Making Believe (JD)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH) (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Wang Wang Blues

5Feb45

Mother Machree
It Could Happen to You (JD)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH) (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Wang Wang Blues

21Nov44

Mother Machree
Now I Know (BC)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH) (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Wang Wang Blues

(Not Used)

Mother Machree
Now I Know (JD)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH) (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Wang Wang Blues

(Not Used)

Mother Machree
Together (JD)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH) (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Wang Wang Blues

16Apr45

Mother Machree
You, Fascinating You (JD)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH) (Borrowed from Louis Armstrong)
Wang Wang Blues

15May45

My Buddy
Amor (BCr)
Music Makers (Borrowed from Harry James)
Farewell Blues

31Aug44

My Buddy
As Long As There's Music (JD)
Music Makers (Borrowed from Harry James)
Farewell Blues

11May45

My Buddy
Goodnight, Wherever You Are (JD/CC)
Music Makers (Borrowed from Harry James)
Farewell Blues

29Apr44

My Buddy
In the Middle of May (JD/CC)
Moonlight Serenade (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
My Blue Heaven

17Nov45

My Buddy
Now I Know (JD)
Music Makers (Borrowed from Harry James)
Farewell Blues

10Jun44, 9Jul44, 14Nov44

My Buddy
The Same Old Love (JD)
Music Makers (Borrowed from Harry James)
Farewell Blues

3Apr45

Old Black Joe (TM/GC)
As Time Goes By
I've Got Sixpence (As We Go Rolling Home) (AM) (Borrowed from the RAF)
Rhapsody in Blue

26Jun43

Old Black Joe
As Time Goes By (TM)
I've Got Sixpence (As We Go Rolling Home) (AM) (Borrowed from the RAF)
Rhapsody in Blue

10Jul43, 17Jul43

Old Black Joe
Someone to Love (JD)
I've Got Sixpence (As We Go Rolling Home) (AM) (Borrowed from England)
Rhapsody in Blue

15Jan44, 9Apr45, 23Apr45

The Old Refrain
Alone (Till The Day) (JD)
Smoke Gets in Your Eyes (Borrowed from Jerome Kern's "Roberta")
Blue Again

19Mar45

The Old Refrain
Blue Rain (JD)
Smoke Gets in Your Eyes (Borrowed from Jerome Kern's "Roberta")
Blue Again

16Oct43

The Old Refrain
Blue Rain (JD)
Smoke Gets in Your Eyes (Borrowed from Jerome Kern's "Roberta")
Beautiful Blue Danube

(16Oct43, scheduled but not used)

The Old Refrain
Homesick – That’s All (JD)
Begin the Beguine (Borrowed from Artie Shaw)
Farewell Blues

27Oct45

The Old Refrain
I’ll Get By (As Long As I Have You) (JD)
Smoke Gets in Your Eyes (Borrowed from Jerome Kern’s “Roberta”)
Blue Again

8Dec44

The Old Refrain
I’m Making Believe (JD)
Smoke Gets in Your Eyes (Borrowed from Jerome Kern’s “Roberta”)
Blue Again

19Feb45, 10Apr45, 14May45

The Old Refrain
The Same Old Love (JD)
Smoke Gets in Your Eyes (Borrowed from Jerome Kern’s “Roberta”)
Blue Again

26Oct44, 27Nov44, 1Dec44

Schubert’s Serenade
Irresistible You (BC)
Little Brown Jug (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Rhapsody in Blue

25Mar44

Schubert’s Serenade
Irresistible You (JD)
Little Brown Jug (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Rhapsody in Blue

27May44, 14Sep44, 1Dec44

Schubert's Serenade
Some Other Time (JD)
Little Brown Jug (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Under a Blanket of Blue

9Apr45

Schubert's Serenade
You're So Sweet to Remember (JD)
Little Brown Jug (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
Under a Blanket of Blue

17Apr45

Silent Night
I'll Be Home for Christmas (JD)
Jingle Bells (CC) (Borrowed from Santa Claus)
White Christmas

25Dec43

Silent Night
Sweet Lorraine (JD)
Jingle Bells (CC) (Borrowed from Santa Claus)
White Christmas

25Dec44

Silver Threads Among the Gold
Absent Minded (JD)
Smoke Rings (Borrowed from Glen Gray)
The Saint Louis Blues

(27Nov43, Scheduled but not used)

Silver Threads Among the Gold
Absent Minded (JD)
A String of Pearls (Borrowed from Glenn Miller)
The Saint Louis Blues

27Nov43

Silver Threads Among the Gold
At the Rainbow Corner (JD/CC)
My Guy's Come Back (Borrowed from Mel Powell's Uptown Hall)
The Saint Louis Blues

5Feb45

Silver Threads Among the Gold
At the Rainbow Corner (JD/CC)
Snowfall (Borrowed from Claude Thornhill)
The Saint Louis Blues

26Mar45

Silver Threads Among the Gold
The Dreamer (JD)
Smoke Rings (Borrowed from Glen Gray)
The Saint Louis Blues

(6Nov 43, scheduled but not used)

Silver Threads Among the Gold
Wait For Me Mary (LA)
Smoke Rings (Borrowed from Glen Gray)
The Saint Louis Blues

14Aug43

Silver Threads Among the Gold
Wait For Me Mary (LA)
Smoke Rings (Borrowed from Glen Gray)
The Saint Louis Blues

(14Aug43, scheduled but not used)

Songs My Mother Taught Me
Dance With A Dolly (With a Hole in Her Stockin') (CC)
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room (Borrowed from Raymond Scott)
Blue Orchids (JD)

19Feb45

Songs My Mother Taught Me
I Don't Want to be Loved (JD)
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room (Borrowed from Raymond Scott)
Blue Rain

3Nov45

Songs My Mother Taught Me
It's Love, Love, Love (CC)
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room (Borrowed from Raymond Scott)
Blue Orchids (BC)

15Apr44

Songs My Mother Taught Me
It's Love, Love, Love (CC)
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room (Borrowed from Raymond Scott)
Blue Orchids (JD)

11Mar44, 6May44, 7Sep44, 28Nov44

Swanee River
Dance with a Dolly (With a Hole in Her Stockin') (CC)
Smoke Rings (Borrowed from Glen Gray)
My Blue Heaven

19Mar45

Swanee River
Let's Get Lost (TM)
Summertime (Borrowed from Bob Crosby)
Blue Champagne

12Jun43

Sweet and Low
A Fellow on a Furlough (JD)
Things Ain't What They Used To Be (Borrowed from Duke Ellington)
A Blues Serenade

21May45

Sweet and Low
A Fellow on a Furlough (JD)
Things Ain't What They Used To Be (Borrowed from Duke Ellington)
Out Of The Blue

5Mar45

Sweet and Low
In The Blue of Evening (TM)
Things Ain't What They Used To Be (Borrowed from Duke Ellington)
A Blues Serenade

21Aug43

Sweet and Low
In The Blue of Evening (JD)
Things Ain't What They Used To Be (Borrowed from Duke Ellington)
A Blues Serenade

23Oct43

Sweet and Low
Spring Will Be a Little Late This Year (JD)
Things Ain't What They Used To Be (Borrowed from Duke Ellington)
A Blues Serenade

12Dec44

Sweet and Low
Sweet Lorraine (JD)
Things Ain't What They Used To Be (Borrowed from Duke Ellington)
A Blues Serenade

22Jan45

3. Chronological Sequence of Medleys

3.1 5Jun43-11Sep43 (CBS) "I Sustain the Wings"

5Jun43	Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, Don't Get Around Much Anymore (AM), Begin the Beguine (TM), Blue Moon
12Jun43	Swanee River, Let's Get Lost (TM), Summertime, Blue Champagne
19Jun43	Danny Boy, Taking a Chance on Love (AM), The Waltz You Saved For Me, Serenade in Blue
26Jun43	Old Black Joe (TM/GC), As Time Goes By, I've Got Sixpence (AM), Rhapsody in Blue
3Jul43	Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, You'll Never Know (BH), The Very Thought of You, Blue Skies
10Jul43	Old Black Joe, As Time Goes By (TM), I've Got Sixpence (AM), Rhapsody in Blue
17Jul43	Old Black Joe, As Time Goes By (TM), I've Got Sixpence (AM), Rhapsody in Blue
24Jul43	Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, You'll Never Know (TM), Summertime, Blue Skies
31Jul43	Carry Me Back To Old Virginny, Mister Lucky Me (TM), Alouette (AM/GC), Blue Moon
7Aug43	Caprice Viennois, Sunday, Monday or Always (TM), My Isle of Golden Dreams, Birth of the Blues
14Aug43	Silver Threads Among the Gold, Wait For Me Mary (LA), Smoke Rings, The Saint Louis Blues
21Aug43	Sweet and Low, In The Blue of Evening (TM), Things Ain't What They Used To Be, A Blues Serenade
28Aug43	Brahm's Lullaby, Johnny Zero (AM/CG), Snowfall, Serenade in Blue
4Sep43	Goin' Home, Paper Doll (CC), All The Things You Are (TM), My Blue Heaven
11Sep43	Long, Long Ago, I Heard You Cried Last Night (TM), Moonlight Serenade, Blues in My Heart
(Not Used)	Carry Me Back To Old Virginny, Making Believe (JD). Alouette (AM/GC), Blue Moon
(Not Used)	Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, You'll Never Know (AM), The Very Thought of You, Blue Skies
(Not Used)	Goin' Home, Paper Doll (CC), All The Things You Are (TM), Blue Skies
(Not Used)	Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, You'll Never Know (BH), The Very Thought of You, Blues in the Night (My Mama Done Tol' Me)
(Not Used)	Silver Threads Among the Gold, Wait For Me Mary (LA), Snowfall, The Saint Louis Blues

3.2**18Sep43-10Jun44 (NBC) "I Sustain the Wings"**

- 18Sep43 Caprice Viennois, Sunday, Monday or Always (AM), My Isle of Golden Dreams,
Birth of the Blues
- 25Sep43 Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, You'll Never Know (AM), Summertime,
Blue Skies
- 2Oct43 Loch Lomond, If That's The Way You Want It, Baby (CC), Make Believe, Mood Indigo
- 9Oct43 Goin' Home, Paper Doll (CC), All The Things You Are, My Blue Heaven
- 16Oct43 The Old Refrain, Blue Rain (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
- 23Oct43 Sweet and Low, In The Blue of Evening (JD), Things Ain't What They Used To Be,
A Blues Serenade
- 30Oct43 Danny Boy, Shoo-Shoo Baby (CC), The Way You Look Tonight, Beautiful Blue Danube
- 6Nov43 Caprice Viennois, Sunday, Monday or Always (AM), My Isle of Golden Dreams,
Birth of the Blues
- 13Nov43 In the Gloaming, For the First Time (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple
- 20Nov43 The End of A Perfect Day, Do You Know (JD), Moonlight Sonata, The Blue Room
- 27Nov43 Silver Threads Among the Gold, Absent Minded (JD), A String of Pearls,
The Saint Louis Blues
- 4Dec43 Goin' Home, Paper Doll (CC), Honeysuckle Rose, My Blue Heaven
- 11Dec43 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Later Tonight (JD/CC), Don't Be That Way,
Blue Champagne
- 18Dec43 In the Gloaming, For the First Time (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple
- 25Dec43 Silent Night, I'll Be Home for Christmas (JD), Jingle Bells (CC), White Christmas
- 1Jan44 Danny Boy, Absent Minded (JD), Cherokee (Indian Love Song), Beautiful Blue Danube
- 8Jan44 Long, Long Ago, The Music Stopped (JD), The Dipsy Doodle, Blues in My Heart
- 15Jan44 Old Black Joe, Someone to Love (JD), I've Got Sixpence (AM), Rhapsody in Blue
- 22Jan44 Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night (JD/CC),
Begin the Beguine, Blue Rain
- 29Jan44 Annie Laurie, My Ideal (JD), Alexander's Rag Time Band, Blue is the Night
- 5Feb44 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, My Heart Tells Me (JD), Don't Be That Way,
Blue Champagne
- 12Feb44 Danny Boy, Absent Minded (JD), Cherokee (Indian Love Song), Beautiful Blue Danube
- 19Feb44 All Through the Night, I Love You (JD), Take It Easy (CC), Blue Hawaii
- 26Feb44 Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night (JD/CC),
Begin the Beguine, Blue Rain
- 4Mar44 Long, Long Ago, The Music Stopped (JD), The Dipsy Doodle, Blues in My Heart
- 11Mar44 Songs My Mother Taught Me, It's Love, Love, Love (CC),
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room, Blue Orchids (JD)
- 18Mar44 Annie Laurie, Star Eyes (BC), Alexander's Rag Time Band, Blue is the Night
- 25Mar44 Schubert's Serenade, Irresistible You (BC/CC), Little Brown Jug, Rhapsody in Blue
- 1Apr44 All Through the Night, I Love You (JD), Take It Easy (CC), Blue Hawaii
- 8Apr44 Killarney, I've Got A Heart Filled with Love (BC/CC), Moonlight Serenade,
Wabash Blues

15Apr44 Songs My Mother Taught Me, It's Love, Love, Love (CC),
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room, Blue Orchids (BC)

22Apr44 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Don't Be That Way,
Blue Champagne

29Apr44 My Buddy, Goodnight, Wherever You Are (JD/CC), Music Makers, Farewell Blues

6May44 Songs My Mother Taught Me, It's Love, Love, Love (CC),
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room, Blue Orchids (JD)

13May44 Mother Machree, I Couldn't Sleep A Wink Last Night (JD/CC)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH), Wang Wang Blues

20May44 In the Gloaming, A Fellow on a Furlough (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple

27May44 Schubert's Serenade, Irresistible You (JD/CC), Little Brown Jug, Rhapsody in Blue

3Jun44 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Bye Bye Blues

10Jun44 My Buddy, Now I Know (JD), Music Makers, Farewell Blues

(Not Used) Love's Old Sweet Song, That's What It's All About (CC), Rose Room, Blue Rain

(Not Used) Mother Machree, Now I Know (BC), I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH),
Wang Wang Blues

(Not Used) Mother Machree, Now I Know (JD), I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH),
Wang Wang Blues

(Not Used) The Old Refrain, Blue Rain (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Beautiful Blue Danube

(Not Used) Silver Threads Among the Gold, Absent Minded (JD), Smoke Rings,
The Saint Louis Blues

(Not Used) Silver Threads Among the Gold, The Dreamer (JD), Smoke Rings,
The Saint Louis Blues

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9Jul44-5Jun45 (AEFP/AFN/BBC) “The American Band of the AEF”, “Moonlight Serenade” and “The American Band of the Supreme Allied Command”

- 9Jul44 My Buddy, Now I Know (JD), Music Makers, Farewell Blues
- 20Jul44 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Bye Bye Blues
- 23Jul44 In the Gloaming, A Fellow on a Furlough (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple
- 3Aug44 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Don't Be That Way,
Blue Champagne
- 10Aug44 Danny Boy, All My Life (JD), Cherokee, Beautiful Blue Danube
- 17Aug44 Mother Machree, I Couldn't Sleep A Wink Last Night (JD/CC)
I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH), Wang Wang Blues
- 24Aug44 Long, Long Ago, The Music Stopped (JD), The Dipsy Doodle, Blues in My Heart
- 31Aug44 My Buddy, Amor (BCr), Music Makers, Farewell Blues
- 7Sep44 Songs My Mother Taught Me, It's Love, Love, Love (CC),
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room, Blue Orchids (JD)
- 9Sep44 Jeanie With The Light Brown Hair, I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night (JD/CC),
Begin the Beguine, Blue Again
- 14Sep44 Schubert's Serenade, Irresistible You (JD/CC), Little Brown Jug, Rhapsody in Blue
- 21Sep44 Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night (JD/CC),
Begin the Beguine, Blue Rain
- 28Sep44 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Don't Be That Way,
Blue Champagne
- 5Oct44 Caprice Viennois, I'll Walk Alone (JD), My Isle of Golden Dreams, Birth of the Blues
- 12Oct44 Goin' Home, Star Eyes (JD), Honeysuckle Rose, My Blue Heaven
- 19Oct44 Killarney, I've Got a Heart Filled with Love (JD), Moonlight Serenade, Wabash Blues
- 26Oct44 The Old Refrain, The Same Old Love (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
- 2Nov44 Long, Long Ago, The Music Stopped (JD), The Dipsy Doodle, Blues in My Heart
- 9Nov44 Danny Boy, Spring Will Be A Little Late This Year (JD), Cherokee (Indian Love Song),
Beautiful Blue Danube
- 14Nov44 My Buddy, Now I Know (JD), Music Makers, Farewell Blues
- 17Nov44 Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, Amor (AM), Begin the Beguine, Blue Rain
- 21Nov44 Mother Machree, It Could Happen to You (JD), I Can't Give You Anything But Love
(PH), Wang Wang Blues
- 24Nov44 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Bye Bye Blues
- 25Nov44 Caprice Viennois, I'll Walk Alone (JD), My Isle of Golden Dreams, Birth of the Blues
- 25Nov44 Danny Boy, My Prayer (JD), Cherokee, Beautiful Blue Danube
- 25Nov44 Long, Long Ago, The Music Stopped (JD), The Dipsy Doodle, Blues in My Heart
- 27Nov44 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Bye Bye Blues
- 27Nov44 The Old Refrain, The Same Old Love (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
- 28Nov44 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Don't Be That Way,
Blue Champagne
- 28Nov44 Songs My Mother Taught Me, It's Love, Love, Love (CC),
In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room, Blue Orchids (JD)

1Dec44 All Through the Night, Time Waits For No One (JD), Take It Easy (CC), Blue Hawaii
 1Dec44 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Don't Be That Way,
 Blue Champagne
 1Dec44 The Old Refrain, The Same Old Love (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
 1Dec44 Schubert's Serenade, Irresistible You (JD/CC), Little Brown Jug, Rhapsody in Blue
 5Dec44 In the Gloaming, A Fellow on a Furlough (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple
 8Dec44 The Old Refrain, I'll Get By (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
 12Dec44 Long, Long Ago, The Music Stopped (JD), The Dipsy Doodle, Blues in My Heart
 12Dec44 Sweet and Low, Spring Will Be a Little Late This Year (JD),
 Things Ain't What They Used To Be, A Blues Serenade
 23-31Dec44 Carry Me Back To Old Virginny, I'll Walk Alone (JD), Have 'Ya Got Any Gum, Chum,
 Saint Louis Blues March
 25Dec44 Silent Night, Sweet Lorraine (JD), Jingle Bells (CC), White Christmas
 15Jan45 Goin' Home, Sweet and Lovely (JD), Honeysuckle Rose, My Blue Heaven
 22Jan45 Sweet and Low, Sweet Lorraine (JD), Things Ain't What They Used To Be,
 A Blues Serenade
 29Jan45 Annie Laurie, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Alexander's Rag Time Band, Blue is the Night
 29Jan45 Long, Long Ago, Louise (JD), The Dipsy Doodle, Blue is the Night
 5Feb45 Mother Machree, I'm Making Believe (JD), I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH),
 Wang Wang Blues
 5Feb45 Silver Threads Among the Gold, At the Rainbow Corner (JD/CC),
 My Guy's Come Back, The Saint Louis Blues
 12Feb45 Annie Laurie, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Alexander's Rag Time Band, Blue is the Night
 19Feb45 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Bye Bye Blues
 19Feb45 The Old Refrain, I'm Making Believe (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
 19Feb45 Songs My Mother Taught Me, Dance with a Dolly (CC),
 In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room, Blue Orchids (JD)
 26Feb45 Danny Boy, It Had To Be You (JD), Cherokee, Beautiful Blue Danube
 26Feb45 Killarney, At the Rainbow Corner (JD/CC), Moonlight Serenade, Wabash Blues
 5Mar45 Sweet and Low, A Fellow on a Furlough (JD), Things Ain't What They Used To Be,
 Out Of The Blue
 12Mar45 Annie Laurie, You, Fascinating You (JD), Alexander's Rag Time Band, Blue is the Night
 12Mar45 Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, Dance with a Dolly (AM),
 The Very Thought of You, Blue Skies
 19Mar45 The Old Refrain, Alone (Till The Day) (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
 19Mar45 Swanee River, Dance with a Dolly (CC), Smoke Ring, My Blue Heaven
 26Mar45 Carry Me Back To Old Virginny, Together (JD), Alouette (AM/GC), Blue Moon
 26Mar45 Loch Lomond, Easter Sunday (JD), My Guy's Come Back, Mood Indigo
 26Mar45 Silver Threads Among the Gold, At the Rainbow Corner (JD/CC), Snowfall,
 The Saint Louis Blues
 27Mar45 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Bye Bye Blues
 2Apr45 All Through the Night, You're So Sweet to Remember (JD), Take It Easy (CC),
 Blue Hawaii
 2Apr45 Goin' Home, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Honeysuckle Rose, My Blue Heaven

2Apr45 Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, Easter Sunday (JD), Begin the Beguine, Blue Rain
 3Apr45 My Buddy, The Same Old Love (JD), Music Makers, Farewell Blues
 9Apr45 In the Gloaming, Alone (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple
 9Apr45 Old Black Joe, Someone to Love (JD), I've Got Sixpence (AM), Rhapsody in Blue
 9Apr45 Schubert's Serenade, Some Other Time (JD), Little Brown Jug, Under a Blanket of Blue
 10Apr45 The Old Refrain, I'm Making Believe (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
 16Apr45 Caprice Viennois, Candy (JD/CC), My Isle of Golden Dreams, Birth of the Blues
 16Apr45 Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, At the Rainbow Corner (AM),
 The Very Thought of You, Blue Skies
 16Apr45 Mother Machree, Together (JD), I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH),
 Wang Wang Blues

 17Apr45 Schubert's Serenade, You're So Sweet to Remember (JD), Little Brown Jug,
 Under a Blanket of Blue
 23Apr45 Danny Boy, You, Fascinating You (JD), Cherokee, Beautiful Blue Danube
 23Apr45 Loch Lomond, Any Moment Now (JD), Smoke Rings, Mood Indigo
 23Apr45 Old Black Joe, Someone to Love (JD), I've Got Sixpence (AM), Rhapsody in Blue
 24Apr45 Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair, As Long As There's Music (JD),
 Begin the Beguine, Blue Rain
 7May45 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Moon Dreams (JD/CC), Don't Be That Way,
 Blue Champagne
 7May45 In the Gloaming, Together (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple
 11May45 My Buddy, As Long As There's Music (JD), Music Makers, Farewell Blues
 14May45 In the Gloaming, Together (JD), Stompin' at the Savoy, Deep Purple
 14May45 All Through the Night, You're So Sweet to Remember (JD), Take It Easy (CC),
 Blue Hawaii
 14May45 The Old Refrain, I'm Making Believe (JD), Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Blue Again
 15May45 Mother Machree, You, Fascinating You (JD), I Can't Give You Anything But Love (PH),
 Wang Wang Blues
 21May45 Sweet and Low, A Fellow on a Furlough (JD), Things Ain't What They Used To Be,
 A Blues Serenade
 22May45 Caprice Viennois, More and More (JD), My Isle of Golden Dreams, Birth of the Blues
 28May45 Annie Laurie, Any Moment Now (JD), Alexander's Rag Time Band, Blue is the Night
 28May45 Carry Me Back To Old Virginny, Some Other Time (JD), Alouette (AM/GC), Blue Moon
 28May45 Danny Boy, It Had To Be You (JD), Cherokee (Indian Love Song),
 Beautiful Blue Danube
 29May45 I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen, There Goes That Song Again (JD),
 Rose Room, The Blue Room
 29May45 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Bye Bye Blues
 4Jun45 Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, There Goes That Song Again (JD),
 The Very Thought of You, Blue Skies
 4Jun45 Goin' Home, More and More (JD), Honeysuckle Rose, My Blue Heaven
 4Jun45 Long, Long Ago, Don't Fence Me In (CC), The Dispy Doodle, Blues in My Heart
 5Jun45 Mighty Lak' a Rose, Amor (JD), Chattanooga Choo-Choo, Rhapsody in Blue

3.4 **29Sep45-17Nov45 (NBC) “I Sustain the Wings”**

29Sep45 Long, Long Ago, Laura (JD), Cherokee, Blue Rain
6Oct45 Danny Boy, I Don’t Want to be Loved (By Anyone Else But You) (JD),
 Stompin’ at the Savoy, Deep Purple
13Oct45 In the Gloaming, Homesick, That’s All (JD), I Can’t Give You Anything But Love,
 Rhapsody in Blue
20Oct45 Goin’ Home, In the Middle of May (JD/CC), Little Brown Jug, Blue is the Night
27Oct45 The Old Refrain, Homesick – That’s All (JD), Begin the Beguine, Farewell Blues
3Nov45 Songs My Mother Taught Me, I Don’t Want to be Loved (JD),
 In An Eighteenth Century Drawing Room, Blue Rain
10Nov45 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Why Dream? (JD), Things ‘Aint What They Used To Be,
 A Blues Serenade
17Nov45 My Buddy, In the Middle of May (JD/CC), Moonlight Serenade, My Blue Heaven

References:

AM-Artie Malvin, vocal
BC-Bob Carroll, vocal
BCr-Bing Crosby, vocal
BH-Bob Houston, vocal
CC-The Crew Chiefs, vocal
GC-Glee Club, vocal
JD-Johnny Desmond, vocal
LA-Lynn Allison, vocal
PH-Michael “Peanuts” Hucko, vocal
RM-Ray McKinley, vocal
TM-Tony Martin, vocal

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