

**Glenn Miller Collections** 

### **GLENN MILLER AND HIS ORCHESTRA**

### "TOP 10 HITS" 1939-1943



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The Billboard, 1939-1943

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### INTRODUCTION

Glenn Miller and his Orchestra began to achieve notoriety with nationwide radio broadcasts over the NBC Red and Blue networks during June 1938 and December 1938 –January 1939 engagements at the Paradise Restaurant in New York. The band hit it big and jumped onto the national scene with best-selling RCA Bluebird records during 1939 with engagements and national broadcasts from Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook in the spring and autumn of 1939, the Glen Island Casino in the summer of 1939 and the Café Rouge of the Hotel Pennsylvania in the winter of 1940. By 1940 Glenn Miller had his own "Moonlight Serenade" CBS network commercial series, sponsored by Chesterfield cigarettes. His band toured the Midwest during the summer of 1940 and returned to the Café Rouge in the autumn of 1940. The stage was set for tremendous record sales. Following July 1940 (see below) this report gives a very clear and accurate picture of Miller's record sales ranking on a weekly basis. Which tunes made it to the Top 10 and how long they remained may surprise some readers, as well as which tunes made it to "number one." Miller's most frequent Billboard top 10 tune was "Chattanooga Choo Choo", with 21 appearances. The most frequent number one tune was "Moonlight Cocktail," with 10 weeks at #1. Miller's last #1 tune was "That Old Black Magic" during May 1943, when Miller was serving in the Army. He had disbanded in September 1942 to enlist in the armed forces and made his last recordings for RCA Victor in July 1942.

### **METHODOLOGY**

*The Billboard* started its national "top 10" best-selling records lists based on national and regional record sales figures in their July 27, 1940 issue with sales for the week ending July 20, 1940. The Source for the information contained in this report from July 20, 1940 onward is *The Billboard* weekly record sales figures. *The Billboard* only reported "radio plays" and "sheet music sales" in its music industry section prior to the July 27, 1940 issue. Information for records was published in the automated machines (juke boxes) section of the magazine but did not provide figures or rankings for individual artists, only record tendencies, such as "up and coming" or "among most played."

Another source exists to interpolate the pre-*The Billboard* time period, which is the *Your Hit Parade* top weekly records list. This is included following the concrete information tallied from *The Billboard*. The Hit Parade list, however, must be taken with a grain of salt with regard to record sales because instrumentals like "In the Mood" would certainly have sold enough records to make *The Billboard* Top 10 if such a yardstick were available before the week ending July 20, 1940. The *Your Hit Parade* list favors ballads and vocals. Note also that this report is not a compilation of Glenn Miller's actual record sales across all of the discs that he recorded for RCA Bluebird and Victor records. For reference, a supplement containing the 1939-1940 Sheet Music Index and Radio Plays from *The Billboard* are included but they are not artist-specific. This is another clear indication of the popularity of Miller's records, particularly the impressive radio plays tally. Only tunes that Miller recorded are included, although the complete sheet music and radio plays lists include many popular tunes that Miller broadcast but did not record for RCA.

### 1. <u>SUMMARY</u>

### The Billboard Top 10 Records

1.	Chattanooga Choo Choo	1	21 weeks	9-5-41/2-6-42
2.	A String of Pearls	1	18 weeks	1-2-42/5-22-42
3.	Kalamazoo	1	17 weeks	7-24-42/11-19-42
4.	Elmer's Tune	1	15 weeks	10-31-41 /2-6-42
5.	Moonlight Cocktail	1	15 weeks	2-13-42/5-22-42
6.	Serenade in Blue	2	15 weeks	9-11-42/12-17-42
7.	Blueberry Hill	2	14 weeks	8-2-40/11-21-40
8.	That Old Black Magic	1	14 weeks	3-4-43/6-3-43
9.	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree	2	13 weeks	4-24-42/7-17-42
10.	Skylark	7	11 weeks	4-24-42/7-3-42
11.	Anvil Chorus	3	10 weeks	1-3-41/3-14-41
12.	The Nearness of You	5	8 weeks	7-27-40/9-27-40
13.	Song of the Volga Boatmen	1	8 weeks	2-14-41/4-3-41
14.	Juke Box Saturday Night	7	8 weeks	12-3-42/1-28-43
15.	Moonlight Becomes You	5	8 weeks	12-10-42/2-25-43
16.	You and I	4	7 weeks	8-29-41/10-10-41
17.	The White Cliffs of Dover	6	7 weeks	12-26-41/2-20-42
18.	Fools Rush In	3	6 weeks	7-20-40/9-6-40
19.	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand 💛		6 weeks	7-20-40/8-23-40
20.	A Nightingale Sang in Berkely Square	2	6 weeks	12-12-40/1-17-41
21	Booglie Woogie Piggy	7	5 weeks	7-25-41/9-19-41
22.	I Dreamt I Dwelt in Harlem	3	4 weeks	3-14-41/4-3-41
23.	Ev'rything I Love	7	4 weeks	1-16-42/2-6-42
24.	Dearly Beloved	5	4 weeks	12-10-42/1-7-43
25.	Imagination	5	3 weeks	7-20-40/8-2-40
26.	Our Love Affair	8	3 weeks	10-31-40/11-21-40
27.	Five O'Clock Whistle	6	3 weeks	1-3-41/1-17-41
28.	Along the Santa Fe Trail	7	3 weeks	1-10-41/1-31-41
29.	Sweet Eloise	8	3 weeks	7-24-42/8-7-42
30.	Jingle Bells	5	2 weeks	12-19-41/12-26-41
31.	When the Swallows			
	Come Back to Capistrano	10	1 week	8-23-40
32.	Crosstown	9	1 week	9-27-40
33.	Call of the Canyon	10	1 week	10-31-40
34.	A Handful of Stars	10	1 week	12-27-40
35.	Always in My Heart	10	1 week	5-15-42

### The Billboard # 1 Records

- 1. Moonlight Cocktail
- 2. Chattanooga Choo Choo
- 3. Kalamazoo
- 4. A String of Pearls
- 5. Song of the Volga Boatmen
- 6. Elmer's Tune
- 7. That Old Black Magic

### Your Hit Parade Top 10 Records

1	The Meedneeker Cong	1	1C weeks	4 6 40/7 20 40
1.	The Woodpecker Song	1	16 weeks	4-6-40/7-20-40
2.	Wishing (Will Make It So)	1	14 weeks	5-20-39/8-19-39
3.	Careless	1	13 weeks	1-6-40/3-30-40
4.	Over the Rainbow	1	13 weeks	8-26-39/11-18-39
5.	Moon Love	1	12 weeks	7-15-39/10-7-39
6.	When You Wish Upon a Star	1	12 weeks	3-9-40/6-1-40
7.	The Man with the Mandolin	2	10 weeks	8-26-39/11-11-39
8.	My Prayer	2	10 weeks	10-28-39/12-30-39
9.	Blue Orchids	1	9 weeks	10-28-39/12-30-39
10.	Faithful Forever	4	9 weeks	1-6-40/3-2-40
11.	Stairway to the Stars	1	9 weeks	7-1-39/9-9-39
12.	Imagination	1	8 weeks	5-25-40/7-20-40
13.	Say It	2	7 weeks	5-11-40/6-22-40
14.	The Lady's in Love with You	2	6 weeks	6-3-39/7-8-39
15.	Starlit Hour	2	6 weeks	3-9-40/4-13-40
16.	(Why Couldn't It Last) Last Night	7	6 weeks	10-28-39/12-23-39
17.	Devil May Care	6	4 weeks	6-15-40/7-13-40
18.	Fools Rush In	1	2 weeks	6-29-40/7-20-40
19.	Moonlight Serenade	6	2 weeks	9-30-39/10-14-39
20.	Speaking of Heaven	8	2 weeks	12-9-39/12-30-39
21.	This Changing World	10	2 weeks	1-27-40/2-3-40
22.	Shake Down the Stars	4	2 weeks	6-8-40/6-15-40
23.	I'm Stepping Out with a Memory Tonight	10	1 week	7-20-40
24.	In the Mood	9	1 week	2-3-40
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### Your Hit Parade # 1 Records

- 1. Over the Rainbow
- 2. The Woodpecker Song
- 3. Careless
- 4. When You Wish Upon a Star
- 5. Moon Love
- 6. Stairway to the Stars
- 7. Wishing (Will Make It So)
- 8. Imagination
- 9. Blue Orchids
- 10. Fools Rush In

### <u>TOTALS</u>

Glenn Miller had 35 Billboard and 24 Hit Parade Top 10 Records, for a total of 59.

Glenn Miller had 7 Billboard and 10 Hit Parade #1 Records, for a total of 17.



### 2. <u>The Billboard Top 10 Records, 1940-1943</u>

The Billboard started its Top 10 National and **Regional** Best-Selling List by Artist for the week ending July 20, 1940. This is the source for information from July 20, 1940 onward.

(#)	(In Order of Appearance)		(# of weeks)	(First/Last week)
<u>1940</u>	(11)			
1.	Imagination	5	3 weeks	7-20-40/8-2-40
2.	Fools Rush In	3	6 weeks	7-20-40/9-6-40
3.	The Nearness of You	5	8 weeks	7-27-40/9-27-40
4.	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand	5	6 weeks	7-20-40/8-23-40
5.	Blueberry Hill	2	14 weeks	8-2-40/11-21-40
6.	When the Swallows			
	Come Back to Capistrano	10	1 week	8-23-40
7.	Crosstown	9	1 week	9-27-40
8.	Our Love Affair	8	3 weeks	10-31-40/11-21-40
9.	Call of the Canyon	10	1 week	10-31-40
10.	A Nightingale Sang in Berkely Square		6 weeks	12-12-40/1-17-41
11.	A Handful of Stars		1 week	12-27-40
<u>1941</u>	(11) <b>G N</b>			
1.	Five O'Clock Whistle	6	3 weeks	1-3-41/1-17-41
2.	Anvil Chorus	3	10 weeks	1-3-41/3-14-41
3.	Along the Santa Fe Trail	7	3 weeks	1-10-41/1-31-41
4.	Song of the Volga Boatmen		8 weeks	2-14-41/4-3-41
5.	I Dreamt I Dwelt in Harlem		4 weeks	3-14-41/4-3-41
6	Booglie Woogie Piggy		5 weeks	7-25-41/9-19-41
7.	You and I		7 weeks	8-29-41/10-10-41
8.	Chattanooga Choo Choo		21 weeks	9-5-41/2-6-42
9.	Elmer's Tune	1 1	15 weeks	10-31-41 /2-6-42
10.	Jingle Bells	5	2 weeks	12-19-41/12-26-41
11.	The White Cliffs of Dover	6	7 weeks	12-26-41/2-20-42
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### <u>1942</u> (12)

1.	A String of Pearls	1	18 weeks	1-2-42/5-22-42
2.	Ev'rything I Love	7	4 weeks	1-16-42/2-6-42
3.	Moonlight Cocktail	1	15 weeks	2-13-42/5-22-42
4.	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree	2	13 weeks	4-24-42/7-17-42
5.	Skylark	7	11 weeks	4-24-42/7-3-42
6.	Always in My Heart	10	1 week	5-15-42
7.	Kalamazoo	1	17 weeks	7-24-42/11-19-42
8.	Sweet Eloise	8	3 weeks	7-24-42/8-7-42
9.	Serenade in Blue	2	15 weeks	9-11-42/12-17-42
10.	Juke Box Saturday Night	7	8 weeks	12-3-42/1-28-43
11.	Dearly Beloved	5	4 weeks	12-10-42/1-7-43
12.	Moonlight Becomes You	5	8 weeks	12-10-42/2-25-43
<u>1943</u>	(1)			

 1.
 That Old Black Magic
 1
 14 weeks
 3-4-43/6-3-43

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## 3. <u>The Billboard #1 Records, 1940-1943</u>

### <u>1941</u> (3)

1. 2. 3.	Song of the Volga Boatmen Chattanooga Choo Choo Elmer's Tune	1 week 9 weeks 1 week	3-7-41 11-21-41/1-23-42 12-12-41
<u>1942</u>	(3)		
1. 2. 3.	A String of Pearls Moonlight Cocktail Kalamazoo	2 weeks 10 weeks 7 weeks	1-30-42/2-13-42 2-20-42/4-24-42 9-4-42/10-16-42
<u>1943</u>	(1)		
1.	That Old Black Magic	1 week	5-20-43

### 4. The Billboard Chronology, 1940-1943

The Billboard started its Top 10 National and Regional Best-Selling List by Artist for the week ending July 20, 1940. This is the source for information from July 20, 1940 onward.

### <u>1940</u>

3	Fools Rush In
5	Imagination
7	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand
3	Fools Rush In
4	Imagination
6	The Nearness of You
9	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand
3	Fools Rush In
5	The Nearness of You
6	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand
8	Imagination
10	Blueberry Hill
3	Fools Rush In
7	The Nearness of You
10	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand
3	Fools Rush In
6	Blueberry Hill
9	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand
5	Pennsylvania Six-Five Thousand
8	The Nearness of You
10	When the Swallows Come Back to Capistrano
2	Blueberry Hill
5	The Nearness of You
9	Fools Rush In
2	Blueberry Hill
7	The Nearness of You
8	Fools Rush In
2	Blueberry Hill
5	The Nearness of You
2	Blueberry Hill
7	The Nearness of You
3	Blueberry Hill
9	Crosstown
4	Blueberry Hill
3	Blueberry Hill
5	Blueberry Hill
8	Blueberry Hill
	5 7 3 4 6 9 3 5 6 8 10 3 7 10 3 6 9 5 8 10 2 5 9 2 7 8 2 5 2 7 8 2 5 2 7 3 9 4 3 5

10-31-40	7	Blueberry Hill
	9	Our Love Affair
	10	Call of the Canyon
11-7-40	-	(none)
11-14-40	3	Blueberry Hill
	8	Our Love Affair
11-21-40	7	Blueberry Hill
	9	Our Love Affair
11-29-40	-	(none)
12-5-40	-	(none)
12-12-40	5	A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square
12-19-40	2	A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square
12-26-40	3	A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square
	10	A Handful of Stars

<u>1941</u>

1-3-41	3	A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square
	6	Five O'Clock Whistle
	8	Anvil Chorus
1-10-41	3	A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square
	7	Along the Santa Fe Trail 💙 🛛 🦢
	8	Five O'Clock Whistle
1-17-41	5	Anvil Chorus
	6	A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square
	9	Five O'Clock Whistle
1-24-41	5	Anvil Chorus
	9	Along the Santa Fe Trail
1-31-41	3	Anvil Chorus
	8	Along the Santa Fe Trail
2-7-41	4	Anvil Chorus
2-14-41	4	Anvil Chorus
	9	Song of the Volga Boatmen
2-21-41	8	Song of the Volga Boatmen
	9	Anvil Chorus
2-28-41	4	Song of the Volga Boatmen
	9	Anvil Chorus
3-7-41	1	Song of the Volga Boatmen
	4	Anvil Chorus
3-14-41	4	Song of the Volga Boatmen
	8	Anvil Chorus
	10	I Dreamt I Dwelt in Harlem
3-21-41	2	Song of the Volga Boatmen

	6	I Dreamt I Dwelt in Harlem
3-28-41	3	I Dreamt I Dwelt in Harlem
	5	Song of the Volga Boatmen
4-4-41	4	Song of the Volga Boatmen
	8	I Dreamt I Dwelt in Harlem
4-11-41	-	(none)
4-18-41	-	(none)
4-25-41	-	(none)
5-2-41	-	(none)
5-9-41	-	(none)
5-16-41	-	(none)
5-23-41	-	(none)
5-30-41	-	(none)
6-6-41	-	(none)
6-13-41	-	(none)
6-20-41	-	(none)
6-27-41	-	(none)
7-4-41	-	(none)
7-11-41	-	(none)
7-18-41	-	(none)
7-25-41	8	Booglie Wooglie Piggy
8-1-41	-	(none)
8-8-41	7	Booglie Wooglie Piggy
8-15-41	-	(none)
8-22-41	9	Booglie Wooglie Piggy
8-29-41	4	You and I
	9	Booglie Wooglie Piggy
9-5-41	6	You and I
	9	Chattanooga Choo Choo
9-12-41	6	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	8	You and I
9-19-41	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	8	You and I
	9	Booglie Wooglie Piggy
9-26-41	3	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	9	You and I
10-3-41	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	6	You and I
10-10-41	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	9	You and I
10-17-41	3	Chattanooga Choo Choo
10-24-41	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
10-31-41	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	4	Elmer's Tune

11-7-41	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	3	Elmer's Tune
11-14-41	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	4	Elmer's Tune
11-21-41	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	3	Elmer's Tune
11-28-41	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	3	Elmer's Tune
12-5-41	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	2	Elmer's Tune
12-12-41	1	Elmer's Tune
	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
12-19-41	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	2	Elmer's Tune
	5	Jingle Bells
12-26-41	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	2	Elmer's Tune
	5	Jingle Bells
	10	The White Cliffs of Dover

### <u>1942</u>

<u>1942</u>		GMC
1-2-42	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	2	Elmer's Tune
	9	A String of Pearls
1-9-42	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	2	Elmer's Tune
	9	The White Cliffs of Dover
1-16-42	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	2	Elmer's Tune
	6	The White Cliffs of Dover
	9	Ev'rything I Love
	10	A String of Pearls
1-23-42	1	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	3	A String of Pearls
	4	Elmer's Tune
	8	Ev'rything I Love
	9	The White Cliffs of Dover
1-30-42	1	A String of Pearls
	2	Chattanooga Choo Choo
	8	Elmer's Tune
	10	Ev'rything I Love

2-6-42	2 6	A String of Pearls Chattanooga Choo Choo
	7	Ev'rything I Love
	8	The White Cliffs of Dover
	9	Elmer's Tune
2-13-42	1	A String of Pearls
	5	Moonlight Cocktail
	10	The White Cliffs of Dover
2-20-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	2	A String of Pearls
	9	The White Cliffs of Dover
2-27-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	2	A String of Pearls
3-6-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	5	A String of Pearls
3-13-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	2	A String of Pearls
3-20-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	3	A String of Pearls
3-27-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	3	A String of Pearls
4-3-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	3	A String of Pearls
4-10-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	4	A String of Pearls
4-17-42	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	6	A String of Pearls
4-24-41	1	Moonlight Cocktail
	6	A String of Pearls
	8	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	10	Skylark
5-1-42	4	Moonlight Cocktial
	5	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	7	Skylark
5-8-42	3	Moonlight Cocktail
	5	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	8	Skylark
	9	A String of Pearls
5-15-42	3	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	7	Moonlight Cocktail
	8	Skylark
	10	Always in My Heart

5-22-42	3	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	7	Skylark
	8	Moonlight Cocktail
	9	A String of Pearls
5-29-42	2	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	8	Skylark
6-5-42	2	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	10	Skylark
6-12-42	4	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	7	Skylark
6-19-42	4	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	8	Skylark
6-26-42	6	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	8	Skylark
7-3-42	6	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
	10	Skylark
7-10-42	7	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
7-17-42	7	Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
7-24-42	7	Kalamazoo
	10	Sweet Eloise
7-31-42	4	Kalamazoo
	9	Sweet Eloise
8-7-42	3	Kalamazoo
	8	Sweet Eloise
8-14-42	4	Kalamazoo
8-21-42	2	Kalamazoo
8-28-42	3	Kalamazoo
9-4-42	1	Kalamazoo
9-11-42	1	Kalamazoo
	8	Serenade in Blue
9-18-42	1	Kalamazoo
	7	Serenade in Blue
9-25-42	1	Kalamazoo
	7	Serenade in Blue
10-2-42	1	Kalamazoo
	2	Serenade in Blue
10-9-42	1	Kalamazoo
	5	Serenade in Blue
10-16-42	1	Kalamazoo
	4	Serenade in Blue
10-23-42	3	Kalamazoo
	4	Serenade in Blue
10-29-42	3	Serenade in Blue
	4	Kalamazoo

11-5-42	4	Kalamazoo
	5	Serenade in Blue
11-12-42	3	Serenade in Blue
	6	Kalamazoo
11-19-42	3	Serenade in Blue
	7	Kalamazoo
11-26-42	3	Serenade in Blue
12-3-42	4	Serenade in Blue
	9	Juke Box Saturday Night
12-10-42	6	Dearly Beloved
	7	Serenade in Blue
	8	Juke Box Saturday Night
	10	Moonlight Becomes You
12-17-42	7	Juke Box Saturday Night
	8	Serenade in Blue
12-24-42	5	Dearly Beloved
	7	Juke Box Saturday Night
	9	Moonlight Becomes You
12-31-42	6	Dearly Beloved
	8	Juke Box Saturday Night

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1-7-43	8	Dearly Beloved
	10	Juke Box Saturday Night
1-14-43	7	Moonlight Becomes You
	9	Juke Box Saturday Night
1-21-43	5	Moonlight Becomes You
1-28-43	7	Moonlight Becomes You
	10	Juke Box Saturday Night
2-4-43	-	(none)
2-11-43	9	Moonlight Becomes You
2-18-43	9	Moonlight Becomes You
2-25-43	10	Moonlight Becomes You
3-4-43	7	That Old Black Magic
3-11-43	5	That Old Black Magic
3-18-43	3	That Old Black Magic
3-25-43	4	That Old Black Magic
4-1-43	5	That Old Black Magic
4-8-43	3	That Old Black Magic
4-15-43	4	That Old Black Magic
4-22-43	3	That Old Black Magic
4-29-43	2	That Old Black Magic
5-6-43	2	That Old Black Magic

5-13-43	3	That Old Black Magic
5-20-43	1	That Old Black Magic
5-27-43	5	That Old Black Magic
6-3-43	7	That Old Black Magic
6-10-43	-	(none)
6-17-43	-	(none)

This ends the weeks covering Glenn Miller 78rpm record releases contemporaneous or consistent with Miller's career. There would be subsequent best-selling Miller releases on 78rpm, 45rpm and 33rpm singles and albums after his career, military service and untimely death.

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GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA CHESTERTIELD CIGARDITES VICTOR BLUEDIRO RECORDINGS May 11th 1 9 4 0 To America's College Students Places scrept the sincare thanks of my outire organization and of course my com heartfalt appreciation for voting us your favorite orchestra. We consider it a signal honor. Maire soing to try in the future as we always have in the pass to play the kind of music you like. Till we get into your teighborhood and have the opportunity to nest many of you in person, we hope you'll continue to tune in on our Chesterfield broadcasts. And if you get a chance, we'd like you to hear our latest Victor Bluebird releases. In the meantime, thanks serie. Sincerely GIRNOV MILLER COTSWOLD BYRNE LANE TENAFLY. N. J. PLY. OFFICE 2305 RKO BLDG. NEW YORK CITY

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### 5. Your Hit Parade Top 10 Records, 1939-1940

The first Glenn Miller records appeared on the Hit Parade singles charts for May 20, 1939

(#)	(In Order of Appearance)	(High)	(# of weeks)	(First/Last week)
<u>1939</u>	(11)			
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	Wishing (Will Make It So) The Lady's in Love with You Stairway to the Stars Moon Love Over the Rainbow The Man with the Mandolin Moonlight Serenade	1 2 1 1 2 6	14 weeks 6 weeks 9 weeks 12 weeks 13 weeks 10 weeks 2 weeks	5-20-39/8-19-39 6-3-39/7-8-39 7-1-39/9-9-39 7-15-39/10-7-39 8-26-39/11-18-39 8-26-39/11-11-39 9-30-39/10-14-39
8. 9. 10. 11.	My Prayer Blue Orchids (Why Couldn't It Last) Last Night Speaking of Heaven	2 1 7 8	14 weeks 9 weeks 6 weeks 2 weeks	10-28-39/1-27-40 10-28-39/12-30-39 10-28-39/12-23-39 12-9=39/12-30-39
<u>1940</u>	(13)			
<ol> <li>1.</li> <li>2.</li> <li>3.</li> <li>4.</li> <li>5.</li> <li>6.</li> <li>7.</li> <li>8.</li> <li>9.</li> <li>10.</li> <li>11.</li> <li>12.</li> <li>13.</li> </ol>	Faithful Forever Careless This Changing World In the Mood Starlit Hour When You Wish Upon a Star The Woodpecker Song Say It Imagination Shake Down the Stars Devil May Care Fools Rush In I'm Stepping Out with a Memory Tonight	4 1 10 9 2 1 1 2 1 4 6 1 10	9 weeks 13 weeks 2 weeks 1 week 6 weeks 12 weeks 16 weeks 7 weeks 8 weeks 2 weeks 4 weeks 2 weeks 1 week	1-6-40/3-2-40 1-6-40/3-30-40 1-27-40/2-3-40 2-3-40 3-9-40/4-13-40 3-9-40/6-1-40 4-6-40/7-20-40 5-11-40/6-22-40 5-25-40/7-20-40 6-8-40/6-15-40 6-15-40/7-13-40 6-29-40/7-20-40

### 6. Your Hit Parade #1 Records, 1939-1940

### <u>1939</u> (5)

1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Wishing (Will Make It So) Over the Rainbow Moon Love Stairway to the Stars Blue Orchids	4 weeks 7 weeks 4 weeks 4 weeks 2 weeks	6-17-39/7-8-39 9-9-39/10-28-39 8-12-39/9-2-39 7-15-39/8-5-39 11-4-39/11-25-39
<u>1940</u>	(5)		
1. 2. 3. 4.	The Woodpecker Song Careless When You Wish Upon a Star Imagination Fools Buch In	7 weeks 5 weeks 5 weeks 3 weeks 1 wook	5-4-40/6-15-40 2-3-40/3-23-40 3-30-40/4-27-40 6-22-40/7-13-40 7-20-40
5.	Fools Rush In	1 week	7-20-40

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### 7. Your Hit Parade Chronology, 1939-1940

### <u>1939</u>

5-20-39	7	Wishing (Will Make It So)
5-20-39	3	Wishing (Will Make It So)
6-3-39	4	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	7	The Lady's in Love with You
6-10-39	2	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	4	The Lady's in Love with You
6-17-39	1	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	3	The Lady's in Love with You
6-24-39	1	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	6	The Lady's in Love with You
	10	Stairway to The Stars
7-1-39	1	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	2	The Lady's in Love with You
	5	Stairway to The Stars
7-8-39	1	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	3	Stairway to The Stars
	3	The Lady's in Love with You
7-15-39	1	Stairway to The Stars
	3	Wishing (Will Make It So) 💙 📃 🍆
	5	Moon Love
7-22-39	1	Stairway to The Stars
	4	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	5	Moon Love
	8	The Lady's in Love with You
7-29-39	1	Stairway to The Stars
	3	Moon Love
	5	Wishing (Will Make It So)
	10	The Lady's in Love with You
8-5-39	1	Stairway to The Stars
	4	Moon Love
	7	Wishing (Will Make It So)
8-12-39	1	Moon Love
	2	Stairway to The Stars
	7	Wishing (Will Make It So)
8-19-39	1	Moon Love
	2	Stairway to The Stars
	9	Wishing (Will Make It So)

8-26-39	1 2	Moon Love Stairway to The Stars
	7	Over The Rainbow
	10	The Man with The Mandolin
9-2-39	1	Moon Love
	2	Over The Rainbow
	6	Stairway to The Stars
9-9-39	1	Over The Rainbow
	2	Moon Love
	6	Stairway to The Stars
9-16-39	1	Over The Rainbow
	2	Moon Love
	4	The Man with The Mandolin
9-23-39	1	Over The Rainbow
	3	Moon Love
	9	The Man with The Mandolin
9-30-39	1	Over The Rainbow
	3	The Man with The Mandolin
	8	Moonlight Serenade
10-7-39	1	Over The Rainbow
	3	The Man with The Mandolin
	10	Moon Love
10-14-39	1	Over The Rainbow
	4	The Man with The Mandolin
	6	Moonlight Serenade
10-21-39	2	The Man with The Mandolin
	3	Over The Rainbow
10-28-39	1	Over The Rainbow
	4	The Man with The Mandolin
	5	Blue Orchids
	6	My Prayer
	8	Last Night
11-4-39	1	Blue Orchids
	3	Over The Rainbow
	5	The Man with The Mandolin
	7	My Prayer
11-11-39	3	Blue Orchids
	4	My Prayer
	7	The Man with The Mandolin
	10	Over The Rainbow
11-18-39	3	My Prayer
	5	Blue Orchids
	7	Last Night
	9	Over The Rainbow

1	Blue Orchids
2	My Prayer
6	Last Night
9	Over the Rainbow
3	My Prayer
5	Last Night
7	Blue Orchids
3	My Prayer
5	Blue Orchids
8	Speaking of Heaven
3	My Prayer
5	Last Night
10	Blue Orchids
6	My Prayer
7	Last Night
2	My Prayer
8	Blue Orchids
9	Speaking of Heaven
	2 6 9 3 5 7 3 5 8 3 5 10 6 7 2 8

### <u>1940</u>

1-6-40	3	My Prayer
	4	Faithful Forever 💛 🚺 🗸
	10	Careless
1-13-40	5	Faithful Forever
	6	Careless
	8	My Prayer
1-20-40	3	Careless
	5	Faithful Forever
	9	My Prayer
1-27-40	2	Careless
	4	Faithful Forever
	9	My Prayer
	10	This Changing World
2-3-40	1	Careless
	4	Faithful Forever
	8	This Changing World
	9	In the Mood
2-10-40	2	Careless
	4	Faithful Forever
2-17-40	1	Careless
	4	Faithful Forever
2-24-40	2	Careless
	8	Faithful Forever

3-2-40	1	Careless
	9	Faithful Forever
3-9-40	1	Careless
	4	Starlit Hout
	9	When You Wish Upon a Star
3-16-40	6	Starlit Hour
	7	Careless
3-23-40	1	Careless
	3	Starlit Hour
	7	When You Wish Upon a Star
3-30-40	1	When You Wish Upon a Star
	3	Starlit Hour
	8	Careless
4-6-40	1	When You Wish Upon a Star
	2	Starlit Hour
	3	The Woodpecker Song
4-13-40	1	When You Wish Upon a Star
	2	The Woodpecker Song
	5	Starlit Hour
4-20-40	1	When You Wish Upon a Star
	4	The Woodpecker Song
4-27-40	1	When You Wish Upon a Star
	2	The Woodpecker Song
5-4-40	1	The Woodpecker Song
	2	When You Wish Upon a Star
5-11-40	1	The Woodpecker Song
	3	When You Wish Upon a Star
	6	Say It
5-18-40	1	The Woodpecker Song
	5	When You Wish Upon a Star
	9	Say It
5-25-40	1	The Woodpecker Song
	2	Imagination
	3	When You Wish Upon a Star
	5	Say It
6-1-40	1	The Woodpecker Song
	2	Say It
	4	Imagination
	8	When You Wish Upon a Star
6-8-40	1	The Woodpecker Song
	2	Say It
	4	Shake Down the Stars
	5	Imagination

6-15-40	1 2 3 5 6	The Woodpecker Song Imagination Say It Shake Down the Stars Devil May Care
6-22-40	1	Imagination
	4	Say It
	5	The Woodpecker Song
6-29-40	3	Imagination
	4	The Woodpecker Song
	5	Fools Rush In
	9	Devil May Care
7-6-40	1	Imagination
	2	The Woodpecker Song
	10	Devil May Care
7-13-40	1	Imagination
	3	The Woodpecker Song
	10	Devil May Care
7-20-40	1	Fools Rush In
	6	The Woodpecker Song
	8	Imagination
	10	I'm Stepping Out with a Memory Tonight

### 8. The Billboard 1939-1943 Supplement

The following is a summary of 1939 and 1940 Radio Plays (or Plugs) and Sheet Music top 10. The weekly lists are not artist specific but all of the tunes were recorded by Glenn Miller and it can be inferred with some reliability that most or all of the following were Miller's. Tunes ranked as number one in any given week are noted as (1). This supplemental information demonstrates Miller's strong reach with many more popular records than evident in *The Billboard* and *Your Hit Parade* top 10 lists.

### **The Billboard Sheet Music Rankings**

<u>1939</u> (17)

Over the Rainbow (1) Oh! Johnny Oh! (1) Sunrise Serenade (1)

And the Angles Sing Blue Orchids Cinderella (Stay in My Arms) The Lamp Is Low (Why Couldn't It Last) Last Night The Man with the Mandolin Moon Love Moonlight Serenade My Prayer Oh! You Crazy Moon Stairway to the Stars Wishing (Will Make It So) Three Little Fishes To You

<u>1940</u> (30)

Blueberry Hill (1) Careless (1) Fools Rush In (1) I'll Never Smile Again (1) Indian Summer (1) In an Old Dutch Garden (1) When You Wish Upon a Star (1) The Woodpecker Song (1)

Alice Blue Gown Along the Santa Fe Trail Bluebirds in the Moonlight Call of the Canyon Crosstown Devil May Care **Faithful Forever** Frenesi The Gaucho Serenade Imagination I'm Stepping Out with a Memory Tonight It's a Blue World A Million Dreams Ago The Nearness of You A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square Say Si Si Shake Down the Stars Sierra Sue Starlit Hour Too Romantic Tuedo Junction When the Swallows Come Back to Capistrano You've Got Me This Way

### <u>1941</u> (11)

Elmer's Tune (1) Chattanooga Choo Choo (1) The White Cliffs of Dover (1)

Booglie Wooglie Piggy Ev'rything I Love I Do, Do You (Believe in Love) I Guess I'll Have to Dream the Rest I Know Why (and So Do You) This is No Laughing Matter Yes, My Darling Daughter You and I

<u>1942</u> (15)

Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree (1) Moonlight Becomes You (1) Moonlight Cocktail (1)

Always in My Heart At Last The Couple in the Castle Day Dreaming Dear Mom Dearly Beloved I'm Old Fashioned Kalamazoo Serenade in Blue She'll Always Remember Skylark A String of Pearls

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<u>1943</u> (2)

Moonlight Mood That Old Black Magic

### The Billboard Radio Plays (Plugs) Rankings

### <u>1939</u> (32)

Blue Orchids (1) The Lady's in Love with You (1) (Why Couldn't It Last) Last Night (1) Moonlight Serenade (1) Oh! You Crazy Moon (1) Over the Rainbow (1) Stairway to the Stars (1) To You (1) Wishing (Will Make It So) (1) And the Angles Sing Ain't Cha Comin' Out? Baby Me **Blue Evening** Bluebirds in the Moonlight Cinderella (Stay in My Arms) Ciribiribin Ding, Dong The Witch Is Dead In an Old Dutch Garden In the Mood The Lamp is Low Little Brown Jug The Little Man Who Wasn't There The Man with the Mandolin Melancholy Lullaby Moon Love My Last Goodbye My Prayer Oh! Johnny Oh! Rendezvous Time in Paree Speaking of Heaven Sunrise Serenade Three Little Fishes

<u>1940</u> (54)

Careless (1) Faithful Forever (1) Fools Rush In (1) Frenesi (1) Imagination (1) I'm Stepping Out with a Memory Tonight (1) It's a Blue World (1) Say It (1) Sierra Sue (1) This Changing World (1) Too Romantic (1) When You Wish Upon a Star (1) The Woodpecker Song (1) Alice Blue Gown Along the Santa Fe Trail April Played the Fiddle **Blueberry Hill** Call of the Canyon Crosstown Danny Boy (Londonderry Air) **Devil May Care** Do You Know Why? Faithful to You Five O'Clock Whistle Gaucho Serenade Give a Little Whistle Hear My Song, Violetta I Haven't Time to be a Millionaire I'd Know You Anywhere I'll Never Smile Again A Million Dreams Ago Indian Summer Mister Meadowlark Moments in the Moonlight My, My The Nearness of You A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square Ooh! What You Said On a Litle Street in Singapore Our Love Affair Pennsylvanis Six-Five Thousand

Polka Dots and Moonbeams Say Si Si Shadows on the Sand The Sky Fell Down Shake Down the Stars Starlit Hour Sweet Potato Piper Tuxedo Junction What's the Matter with Me? When the Swallows Come Back to Capistrano Yesterthoughts Yours is My Heart Alone You've Got Me This Way

As of January 25, 1941, *The Billboard* discontinued the radio plays list because of the ASCAP and ASCAP-licensed music dispute with the radio industry. The list was resumed on Feburary 22, 1941.

<u>1941</u> (30)

Elmer's Tune (1) Jingle Bells (1) This is No Laughing Matter (1) The White Cliffs of Dover (1)

The Angels Came Through **Baby Mine** Below the Equator **Booglie Wooglie Piggy** Chapel in the Valley Chattanooga Choo Choo Cowboy Serenade Day Dreaming Delilah Don't Cry, Cherie Ev'rything I Love Falling Leaves From One Love to Another Humpty Dumpty Heart Ida, Sweet as Apple Cider I Do, Do You (Believe in Love) I Guess I'll Have to Dream the Rest I Know Why (and So Do You) Ma Ma Maria

Orange Blossom Lane Perfidia Slumber Song Star Dust The One I Love This Time the Dream's On Me You and I You Stepped Out of a Dream

### <u>1942</u> (26)

Always in My Heart (1) At Last (1) Dearly Beloved (1) Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree (1) Happy in Love (1) Kalamazoo (1) Skylark (1)

Angels of Mercy Conquita, Marqueta, Lolita, Pepita, Rosita, Juanita Lopez The Couple in the Castle G M C Day Dreaming Dear Mom Fooled The Humming Bird I'm Old Fashioned The Lamplighter's Serenade Moonlight Becomes You Moonlight Cocktail Serenade in Blue She'll Always Remember Shh! It's A Military Secret The Story of a Starry Night A String of Pearls Sweet Eloise When the Roses Bloom Again

Yesterday's Gardenias

<u>1943</u> (2)

Moonlight Mood (1) That Old Black Magic (1)



