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SHORT SHEET

# Yankee Doodle

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**LEAD:** If you were asked to name the first American fight song, you'd probably pick a melody that is 500 years old... a song born in Holland where it was sung by farmers. And they loved the tune in Italy and the English used it to make fun of political figures.

During the Revolutionary War the Red Coats brought it over here as a musical joke, describing the rag-tag, untrained American troops. But we liked it, too, and used it in every camp and battle... and we turned it into a song that the British regretted. In fact one British General, in the middle of the war, said, "I hope I never hear that song again!"

\* (music begins)

But he did... at Yorktown... when the British Army surrendered to George Washington.

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Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo Doo

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YAN-KEE DOO-DLE, KEEP IT UP, YAN-KEE DOO-DLE DAN-DY ;

MIND THE MUS-IC AND THE STEP AND WITH THE GIRLS BE HAN-DY.

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