



The first ever jazz record

New York, Mon. 26th Feb. 1917, and the band was all-white.

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The precursor groups to the Original Dixieland Jazz Band (the name by which it became widely known after several alternative iterations) formed in New Orleans. The ensemble came together for a date at Schiller's Cafe in Chicago on Fri. 3rd Mar. 1916 under the name Stein's Dixie Jass Band. The band's popularity and acclaim grew and it came to wider prominence during a date at Reisenweber's Café in Manhattan starting on Sat. 27th Jan. 1917, just before the USA entered the Great War on Fri. 6th Apr. 1917. *For more details, click to visit the band's [Wikipedia](#) entry.*