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Sheik of Araby (1)

2-beat 4/4 ♩ = 212

Many jazz records 30s-40s;
Waller and Jack Teagarden
did fun vocals. c. 1921

Chorus

(I'm the) Sheik// of A-/ra- by,/// /// your
Love// be- longs// to me./// /// Each
Night// when you're// a- sleep,/// /// in-
To// your tent// I'll creep./// /// The

Stars// that shine// a- bove/// /// will
Light// our way// to love./// /// You'll
Rule// this land// with me./// // I'm the
Sheik// of A-/ra- by./// ///

(Band shouts response: |||| |||| || "With no pants/ on |" each line except 8)

Verse Do "Oriental" shtick *Clar. can do obligato,
tom-tom dum di-di dum di*

Verse:

1. O-/ver the desert wild and free///
 Rides/ the bold Sheik of Ara- by.///
 His/ Arab band/// at/ his com- mand.///
 Fol-/low his love's cara- van.///
 Un-/der the shadow of the palms///
 He/ sings to call her to his arms./// I'm the

2. While/ stars are fading in the dawn,///
 O-/ver the desert they'll be gone.///
 His/ captured bride/// close/ by his side,///
 Swift/ as the wind/ they will ride.///
 Proud-/ly he scorns her smile or tear,///
 Soon/ he will conquer love by fear./// I'm the