

Thank you.

Now we're gonna really move backward in time. Our next Mardi Gras song was the first major hit by a composer by the name of Irving Berlin. This selection was recorded by dozens of musical artists, including Al Jolson, the Andrews Sisters, Louie Armstrong, Bing Crosby, Ella Fitzgerald, Liberace, and Julie Andrews.

Here we go with the story of a famous band down south called "Alexander's Ragtime Band."