

## Irving Berlin

### "Society Bear 1 Apr 1912"

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1st verse:]

Millionaires, so the papers tell  
Learned a dance that we all know well  
Papers say that an extra swell affair  
Was given by a millionaire  
The rich four hundred, one and all, had gathered there  
Strange to say some reporter-men  
Happened there with a pad and pen  
They wrote down what they saw and when the news  
Was printed in the papers people were reading  
everywhere

[chorus:]

Doing that Society Bear  
Hetty Green and Rockefeller  
Threw their shoulders up in the air  
Rocking like a big propeller  
Someone cried, "Cuddle up to your Vanderbilt  
Wrap me up in a beautiful di'mond quilt"  
Mister Schwab was on the job  
In a high-toned manner, playing the piano  
Morgan cried, "I don't give a care  
Let me spend another dollar"  
Throwing up his hands in the air  
Mister Gould began to holler  
"Stocks are going up, going up, going up  
Stocks are going up, going up, going up"  
So, come on, let's kill that Society Bear  
It's a bear, it's a bear

[2nd verse:]

Papers say, ev'rybody there  
Laughed out loud when an heiress fair  
Kissed John D. where he has no hair at all  
Then cunningly began to call  
His head her lovin' billiard ball, around the hall  
Carnegie did the Turkey Trot  
For an hour with a chicken that  
Egged him on 'til he 'most forgot to care  
A snap about his lib'ry, doing that rich Society Bear

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