

## Berlin Irving

### "Two Cheers Instead Of Three"

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[Written for, but not used in, the show.]

It's smart to be thrifty when times are so bad  
Let's be patriotic, but let's not go mad  
We must cheer the colors we prize  
So here's what I strongly advise

We'll just have two cheers instead of three  
For the land of the brave and the free

Instead of three cheers, we'll just have two  
For the red and the white and the blue

So when we cheer the stars and stripes here's what  
we'll do  
We'll cheer the red and cheer the white but not the blue

And just have two cheers instead of three  
For the land of the brave and the free

[patter:]  
Why give them three cheers when two will more than  
do?  
If there must be cheers than let there just be two  
And the speeches that you make to Uncle Sam  
Cut 'em down to "Unaccustomed as I am..."

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