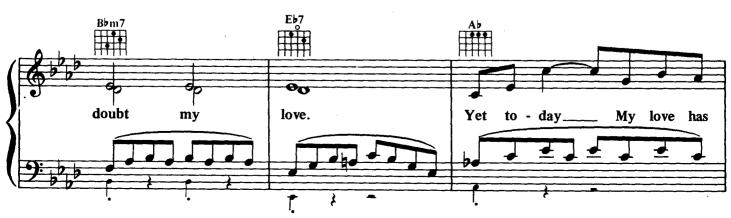
SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES

It was 1933, the depths of the Depression, and shows were closing up and down along Broadway. But *Roberta* played on, thanks to this plaintive song, first intended by Jerome Kern as an instrumental interlude to fill in during scene changes. He dusted off a march he had composed some time earlier as a theme for an unproduced radio series, slowed down the tempo and then decided it could use lyrics after all. On opening night, the song brought down the house. Irene Dunne sang it in the 1935 film version to a wistful accompaniment of mandolins.

















WHEN YOUR HEART'S ON FIRE SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES





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