Colonel Bogey Theme

Lt. Ricketts 1914
pseudonym Kenneth Alford
Traditional

"Colonel Bogey's March" was written in 1914 by one Lieutenant Ricketts, under the pseudonym "Kenneth Alford". It is said to have been inspired by a golf-loving retired colonel who, instead of shouting "Fore" before hitting a drive, whistled a few notes.

The theme was whistled in the 1957 movie "Bridge on the River Kwai".

Satirical lyrics have also been set to the tune, going straight to the second ending, for example:
"Comet, It makes your teeth turn green - Comet, It tastes like gasoline. Comet, It makes you vomit. So have some Comet, and vomit, today." It has also been used for singing commercials: "Winners, warm up with Malt O Meal".

See the Wikipedia article for more information.

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