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SUBAQUEOUS ORCHESTRA

The merry members of an orchestra in Santa Margarita Ligure, a sea-side resort off Genoa, decided to have a boat tour while... rehearsing with their brass instruments.

Their musical... raid was caught by the camera of comic actor Macario. Here they are stepping down to the jetty, led by their maestro, who -though wearing slips - does not miss the customary dress-coat. Also on the boat the instruments may be blown just like on the podium... but now the bombardone falls into water! never mind! He goes on blowing!

The boat is obviously overloaded and capsizes of course; yet the undaunted party does not stop their rehearsal: the piece has to be played up to the end..... the "allegretto" results in key "wet" rather than "flat" the "semibreve" turn into water bubbles... the "sharp" into air bubbles..

..... original sound

Anyway, attempts to come ashore on the wreckage are not neglected... but all eyes must still be on the maestro: an octave higher would not be allowed....

Now, who played out of tune? The trombonist, who obviously drank too much... Now The conductor has to call him back to tune!