

# Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out

E♭ for Standard Key

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Medium Slow Blues [Bessie Smith 1929] (♩ = 88)

## Verse

**D** **F#<sup>7</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>**

I once lived the life of a mil-lionaire,— Spending my money, I did -n't care.

**G** **G#<sup>o7</sup>** **D/A** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>7</sup>(b5)** **A<sup>7</sup>**

5 Always taking my friends out for a good time,— Buying champagne,— gin and wine.— But

**D** **F#<sup>7</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>**

9 just as soon— as my dough got low,— I couldn't find a friend, no place I'd go.— If I

**G** **G#<sup>o7</sup>** **D/A** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>7</sup>(b5)** **A<sup>7</sup>**

13 ev-er get my hands on a dollar a-gain,— I'm gonna squeeze it and squeeze it—till the eagle grins.—

**Chorus**

**D** **F#<sup>7</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>** **G** **G#<sup>o7</sup>** **D/A** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>7</sup>**

17 No-body knows you when you're down and out. In your pocket not one penny, and your friends,

**A<sup>7</sup>** **D** **F#<sup>7</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>m</sup>**

24 you haven't an-y. And soon as you get on your feet a-gain,— Ev-'rybody is your long lost friend.—

**G** **G#<sup>o7</sup>** **D/A** **B<sup>7</sup>** **E<sup>7</sup>** **A<sup>7</sup>** **D**

29 It's mighty strange, without a doubt,— but no-body knows you when you're down and out.—