Can't We Be Friends

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Medium Ballad [Ella Fitzgerald 1958] ($\quarternote$ = 90)

A1 $B\flat^9$ $E\flat^7$ $B\flat{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $A^{9(\flat5)}$ $A\flat^6$ E^7

I thought I'd found the man of my dreams.   Now it seems,
I thought I knew the wheat from the chaff,   What a laugh!

$A\flat^6$ $C{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $B{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $B\flat{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $E\flat^7$ $B\flat^9$ $E\flat^7$

this is how the stor-y   ends.   He's goin' to turn me down and say,
This is how the stor-y   ends.   I let him turn me down and say,

$A\flat^6$ $D\flat^9$ $A\flat^6$ $C{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $B{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ A2 $B\flat^9$

"Can't we be friends?"   I thought for once it
"Can't we be friends?"   I act-ed like a

$E\flat^7$ $B\flat{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $A^{9(\flat5)}$ $A\flat^6$ E^7 $A\flat^6$ $C{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $B{\scriptstyle MI}^7$

couldn't go wrong,   Not for long!   I can see the way this
kid out of school,   What a fool!   now I see the way this

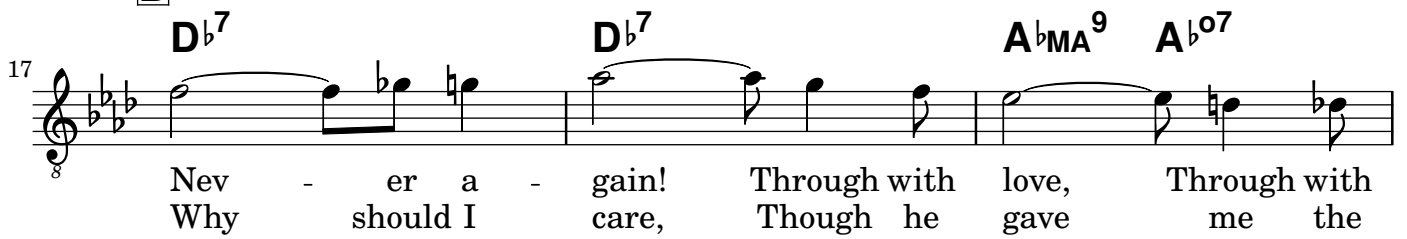$B\flat{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $E\flat^7$ $B\flat^9$ $E\flat^7$ $A\flat^6$ $D\flat^9$ $A\flat^6$ $E\flat{\scriptstyle MI}^7$ $A\flat^7$

ends.   He's goin' to turn me down and say "Can't we be friends?"
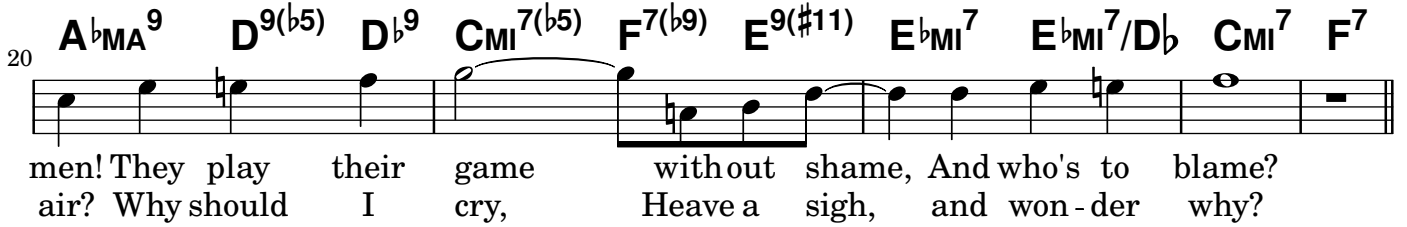ends.   I let him turn me down and say, "Can't we be friends?"

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$D\flat^7$ $D\flat^7$ $A\flat MA^9$ $A\flat^{o7}$

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Nev - er a - gain! Through with love, Through with
Why should I care, Though he gave me the

$A\flat MA^9$ $D^{9(\flat5)}$ $D\flat^9$ $C MI^{7(\flat5)}$ $F^{7(\flat9)}$ $E^{9(\sharp11)}$ $E\flat MI^7$ $E\flat MI^7/D\flat$ $C MI^7$ F^7

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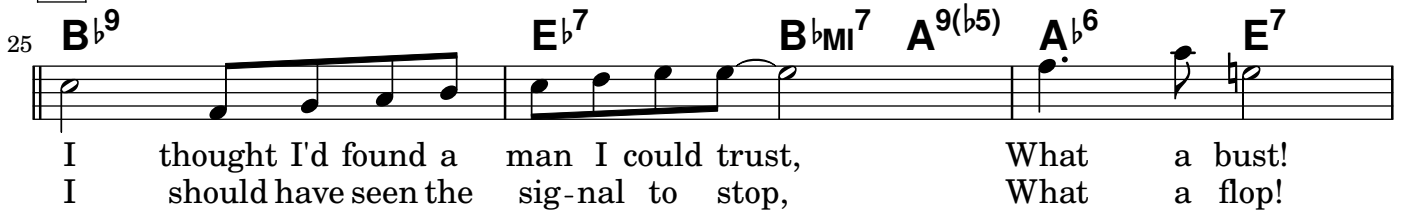
men! They play their game without shame, And who's to blame?
air? Why should I cry, Heave a sigh, and won-der why?

A3

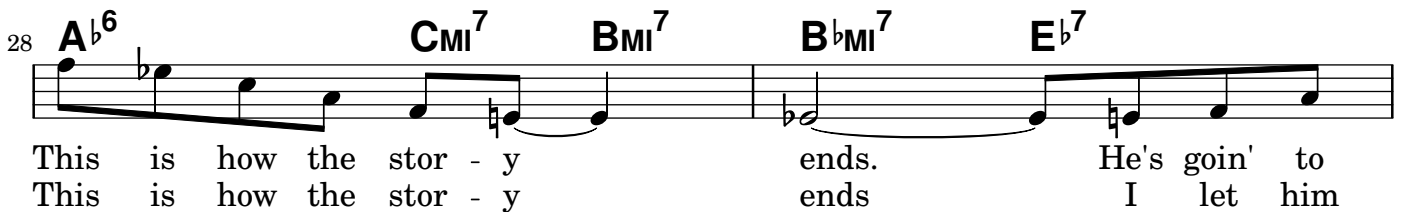$B\flat^9$ $E\flat^7$ $B\flat MI^7$ $A^{9(\flat5)}$ $A\flat^6$ E^7

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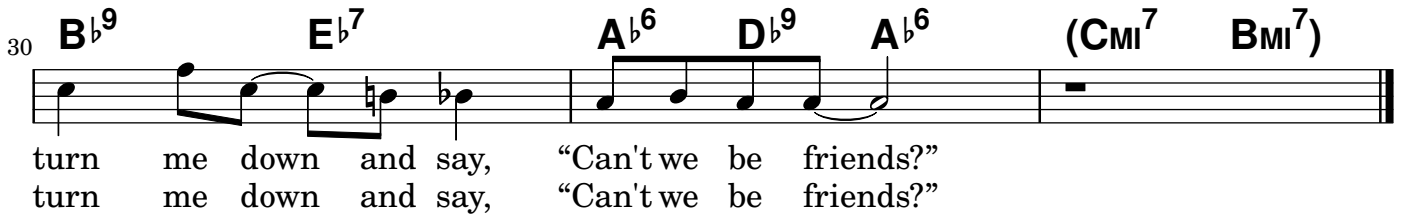
I thought I'd found a man I could trust, What a bust!
I should have seen the sig-nal to stop, What a flop!

$A\flat^6$ $C MI^7$ $B MI^7$ $B\flat MI^7$ $E\flat^7$

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This is how the stor - y ends. He's goin' to
This is how the stor - y ends I let him

$B\flat^9$ $E\flat^7$ $A\flat^6$ $D\flat^9$ $A\flat^6$ $(C MI^7$ $B MI^7)$

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turn me down and say, "Can't we be friends?"
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