

# Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out

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

## Verse

8 **B<sup>b</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>**

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

5 **E<sup>b</sup>** **E<sup>o7</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>/F** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>7</sup>(b5)** **F<sup>7</sup>**

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

9 **B<sup>b</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>**

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

13 **E<sup>b</sup>** **E<sup>o7</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>/F** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>7</sup>(b5)** **F<sup>7</sup>**

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

**Chorus**

17 **B<sup>b</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>** **E<sup>b</sup>** **E<sup>o7</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>/F** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>7</sup>**

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

24 **F<sup>7</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>M</sup>**

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

29 **E<sup>b</sup>** **E<sup>o7</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>/F** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>7</sup>** **F<sup>7</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>**

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