

Nobody Knows You When You're Down & Out

The Firehouse Jazz Band

Jimmie Cox - 1923
Cox introduced song in Vaudeville.
Rec: Bessie Smith 1929, Clarence "Pine
Top" Smith 1929, Eddie Condon's Jazz
Band, Clancy Hayes, etc.

Verse:

F A7 D7 Gm D7 Gm

I once lived the life of a mil-lion-aire, Spend-ing my mon-ey, I did-n't care,

B^b Bdim F Cm D7 G⁹ G7(b5) C7

Al-ways tak-ing my friends out for a good time, Buy-ing cham-pagne, gin and wine. But

F A7 D7 Gm D7 Gm

just as soon as my dough got low, I could-n't find a friend, no place I'd go, If I

B^b Bdim F Cm D7 G⁹ G7(b5) C7

ev-er get my hands on a dol-lar a-gain, I'm gon-na squeeze it and squeeze it till the ea-gle grins.

Chorus:

F A7 D7 Gm D7 Gm

No - bod - y knows you when you're down and out.

B^b Bdim F Cm D7 G⁹ C7

In your pock-et not one pen-ny And your friends, you have-n't an-y. And

F A7 D7 Gm D7 Gm

soon as you get on your feet a - gain, Ev - 'ry - bod - y is your long lost friend.

B^b Bdim F Cm D7 G⁹ D^b7 C7 F D7

It's might-y strange, with - out a doubt, But no-bod-y knows you when you're down and out, No,

G⁹ D^b7 C⁹ F⁶

No - bod - y knows you when you're down and out.