

# Tain't Nobody's Biz-ness If I Do

The Firehouse Jazz Band

Porter Grainger & Everett Robbins - 1922

Rec: Bessie Smith 1923, Clarence Williams' Blue Five (Bechet, etc.) 1924, Original Zenith Brass Band (George Lewis, Kid Howard, Peter Bocage, Jim Robinson, Baby Dodds, etc.) 1946, Billie Holiday, etc.

Verse:

**A** **B<sup>b</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **Gm** **D<sup>7</sup>**

1. There ain't noth - in' I can do, nor is noth - in' I can say,  
 2. Aft - er all, the way to do is do just as you please,

**G<sup>7</sup>** **Dm<sup>7</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **Cm** **G<sup>7</sup>**

That folks don't crit - i - cize me.  
 Re - gard - less of their talk in'.

**Cm** **G<sup>7</sup>(<sup>b</sup>9)** **G<sup>7</sup>** **Cm** **C**

But I'm gon - na' do just as I want to an - y - way,  
 Of - ten times the ones that talk will get down on their knees,

**C<sup>7</sup>** **G<sup>b</sup>7** **F<sup>7</sup>**

And don't care if they all de - spise me.  
 And beg your par - don for their squawk in'.

Chorus:

**B** **B<sup>b</sup>dim B<sup>b</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **Gm** **B<sup>b</sup>7** **E<sup>b</sup>** **Edim**

If I should take a no - tion To jump in to the o - cean,  
 If I dis - like my lov - er And leave him for an - oth - er,

**B<sup>b</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>dim F<sup>7</sup>** **F+<sup>7</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>7</sup>** **F+<sup>7</sup>**

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**B<sup>b</sup>dim B<sup>b</sup>** **D<sup>7</sup>** **Gm** **B<sup>b</sup>7** **E<sup>b</sup>** **E<sup>b</sup>dim**

Rath - er than per - se - cute me, I choose that you would shoot me,  
 If I go to church on Sun - day, Then cab - a - ret on Mon - day,

**B<sup>b</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>dim F<sup>7</sup>** **F+<sup>7</sup>** **B<sup>b</sup>** **Cm<sup>7</sup>** **C<sup>#</sup>dim B<sup>b</sup>/D**

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