



Stagger Lee

19-40, Christmas eve, with a
full moon over town
Stagger Lee met Billy De Lyon
And he blew that poor boy down.
Do you know what he shot him for?
What do you make of that?
Cause Billy De Lyon threw lucky dice, won
Stagger Lee's Stetson hat.

Bay-o, Bay-o,
tell me how can this be?
You arrest the girls for turning tricks, but you're
scared of Stagger Lee.
Stagger Lee is a bad man and he shot my Billy D.
Bayo go get him or give the job to me.

Delia De Lyon, dear sweet Delia-D
How the hell can I arrest him? He's
twice as big as me.
Don't ask me to go downtown, I
won't come back alive
Not only is that mother big - he packs a .45.

"Bayo," Delia said, "Just give me your gun,
He shot my Billy dead and I'm gonna see him hung,"
She went down to DeLion's club through
Billy DeLion's blood
Stepped up to Stagger Lee at the bar, said,
"Buy me a gin fizz, love."

As Stagger Lee lit a cigarette she
shot him in the balls
Blew the smoke off her revolver, had him dragged to
City Hall
Bayo, Bayo, see you hang him high
He shot my Billy D and now he's got to die.

As Delia went a walking
down on Sycamore Street,
a three-piece band on the corner played
"Near My God to Thee" [*Hit on C*]
But Delia whistled a different tune, what tune could
that be?
The song that woman sung was "Look Out Stagger
Lee"
The song that Delia sung was "Look Out Stagger Lee"



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<p>G</p> <p>Cause Billy De Lyon threw lucky dice, won A7 Stagger Lee's Stetson hat.</p> <pre> -hat----- ----- ----- ----- ---2p0---2- -----2-----0----- -----2--- -1h2---1p0-----0-1h2----- ----- -----3-0-----3b4-0- -A7----- ----- </pre>		<p>Verse 2 - B Section</p> <p>C D C D</p> <p>Bay-o, Bay-o,</p> <p>G C G</p> <p>tell me how can this be?</p> <p>G C G</p> <p>You arrest the girls for turning tricks, but you're</p> <p>G C D C</p> <p>scared of Stagger Lee.</p> <p>G C G G C D</p> <p>Stagger Lee is a bad man and he shot my Billy D.</p> <p>C G C D</p> <p>Bayo go get him or give the job to me.</p> <p>C G C D</p>		
<p>Verse 3 - B Section</p> <p>Delia De Lyon, dear sweet Delia-D How the hell can I arrest him? He's twice as big as me. Don't ask me to go downtown, I won't come back alive Not only is that mother big - he packs a .45.</p> <p>C G C D</p>		<pre> ----- -1- ----- -1- ----- -2- ---0-2- -3- -3----- --- ----- -F- </pre>	<p>Verse 4 - A Section</p> <p>"Bayo," Delia said, "Just give me your gun, He shot my Billy dead and I'm gonna see him hung," She went down to DeLion's club through Billy DeLion's blood Stepped up to Stagger Lee at the bar, said, "Buy me a gin fizz, love."</p> <p>[A7 lick from above]</p>	



Solo over Verse B Section x2

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<p>Verse 5 - B</p> <p>As Stagger Lee lit a cigarette she shot him in the balls Blew the smoke off her revolver, had him dragged to City Hall Bayo, Bayo, see you hang him high He shot my Billy D and now he's got to die.</p>	<p>Verse 6 - B</p> <p>As Delia went a walking down on Sycamore Street, a three-piece band on the corner played "Near My God to Thee" [Hit on C] But Delia whistled a different tune, what tune could that be? C G C D The song that woman sung was "Look Out Stagger Lee" C G C D</p> <p>Jam over C-G-C-D</p> <p>C G C D The song that Delia sung was "Look Out Stagger Lee" C G C D</p>
<p>* B to F licks</p> <pre> ----- ----- ----- ----- _1p0---0--- -----3--- -----3---3- -----3h5--- ----- -----3/5----- ----- ----- </pre>	<p>The tune was played “slow” through 1979. In 1982 it was recreated “fast.” http://www.archive.org/details/gd1982-08-04.sbd.morst.93839.flac16</p> <p><i>JDarks Pick: Dick’s Picks 21 - Richmond 1985</i></p>