

Beale Street Holiday

Charlie Burse and His Memphis Mudcats (1939)

G, G, G, D7 G, G7, C, C#° G, D7, G, G

Sax solo x2

Beale Street holiday, long time to sway and play
Yonder goes a girl all dressed in red, that's my little something, somebody said
It's Beale Street holiday

Beale Street holiday, tell me tell me boys, what I say
My gal has got her pay — look her, boys, we gotta play
It's Beale Street holiday, yeah!

Kitchenware solo

Beale Street — having a wonderful holiday, everybody's having a time today
Everything is sunny, gonna be bright, look-a here, baby, everything's all right
Beale Street holiday

Beale Street holiday, Beale Street, here come the law — go that way!
Tell you a thing you've never heard of, next thing you know you'll meet the judge
It's Beale Street holiday

Yeah! Talk to me now! I hear you! Aha! Yeah! Aha! Yeah!

From the Jake Leg Stompers (2007):

Beale Street holiday, oh, Charlie Burse and the Mudcats sure can play!
I'm gonna hear some music down at Handy Park, I'm gonna get good and greasy
and stay 'till dark
On Beale Street holiday

Beale Street holiday, oh, if you're looking for some hoodoo, oho, that's the place
If you wanna get your woman to stay at home, just go down to Collins',
get a black cat moan
Beale Street holiday

Beale Street holiday, oh, you can find the *guy that gin demands* most every day
And if you don't think I'm a drinking man, just come around here with your big *tan*
On Beale Street holiday

Beale Street holiday, oh, the Memphis Jug Band's tearin' it down today
Oh, Junior Kimbro's doing that wrong, Minnie Wallace singing that field mouse song
On Beale Street holiday