

Lloyd Price - Stagger Lee

Misc Unsigned Bands

Stagger Lee:Lloyd Price.

#7 in UK and #1 USA in 1959.

(Song is alleged to be based on a true story.)

INTRO:(Slow) (Capo 1st fret.)

**C** **F** **C**  
The night was clear, and the moon was yellow..  
**G7** **C**  
And the leaves came tumblin down...

#1.(fast, rock.)

**C** **C7**  
I was standin on the corner,  
**F**  
When I heard my bull dog bark.  
**C**  
He was barkin at the two men  
**G7** **C** **G7**  
Who were gamblin in the dark.  
**C** **C7**  
It was Stagger Lee and Billy,  
**F7**  
Two men who gambled late.  
**C**  
Stagger lee threw a seven,  
**G7** **C** **G7**  
Billy swore that he threw eight.

#2.

**C**  
Stagger Lee, said Billy,  
**F**  
I can t let you go with that.  
**C**  
You have won all my money,  
**G7** **C** **G7**  
And my brand-new Stetson hat.  
**C**  
Stagger Lee went home,  
**F**  
And he got his forty-four.  
**C**  
He said, I m goin to the barroom  
**G7** **C**  
Just to pay that debt I owe.  
**G7**  
(Go, Stagger Lee.)

#3.

**C**

Stagger Lee went to the barroom,

**F**

And he stood across the barroom door.

**C**

**G7**

**C G7**

He said, Nobody move, and he pulled his .44.

**C**

Stagger Lee, cried Billy,

**F**

Oh, please don t take my life!

**C**

I ve got three little children,

**G7**

**C**

**G7**

And a very sickly wife.

#4.

**C**

Stagger Lee shot Billy.

**F**

Oh, he shot that poor boy so bad..

**C**

That the bullet went through Billy

**G7**

**C**

And broke the bartender s glass.

**G7**

(Look out now.)

ADD:

**C**

**C7**

**F7**

Go, Stagger Lee..go, Stagger Lee..go, Stagger Lee..

**C**

**G7 C**

Go, Stagger Lee..go, go...Fade.

A fifties smash from Kraziekhat.