

Big Bill Broonzy

"I Wonder When I'll Get To Be Called A Man"

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When I was born into this world, this is what happened
to me
I was never called a man, and now I'm fifty-three
I wonder when
I wonder when
I wonder when will I get to be called a man
Do I have to wait till I get ninety-three?

When Uncle Sam called me, I knowed I'd be called a
real McCoy
But I got none of this, they just called me soldier boy
I wonder when
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I wonder when will I get to be called a man
Do I have to wait till I get ninety-three?

When I got back from overseas, that night we had a
ball
Next day I met the old boss, he said "Boy get you some
overalls"
I wonder when
I wonder when
I wonder when will I get to be called a man
Do I have to wait till I get ninety-three?

I've worked on the levee camps, and axer gangs too
Black man's a boy, don't care what he can do
I wonder when
I wonder when
I wonder when will I get to be called a man
Do I have to wait till I get ninety-three?

They aid I was uneducated, my clothes were dirty and
torn
Now I've got a little education, but I'm still a boy right
on
I wonder when
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