

## Ethel Waters

### "No Man's Mamma"

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You may wonder what's the reason  
For this great big smile;  
Say, I haven't been so happy  
In the longest while!

Got a big load off my mind,  
Here's the papers, sealed and signed;  
And the judge was nice and kind,  
All through the trial.

This ends the five-year war,  
I'm sweet Miss Waters once more!  
I can come when I please, I can go when I please,  
I can flit, fly and flutter like the birds in the trees,

Because I'm no man's mamma now!  
Hey, hey!  
I can say what I like, I can do what I like,  
I'm a gal who is on a matrimonial strike;

Which means, I'm no man's mamma now!  
I'm screamin', "There, I know how  
A fella feels gettin' out of jail,"  
I've got twin beds,

But I take pleasure in announcin' one's for sale!  
Am I makin' it plain? I will never again  
Drag around another ball and chain!  
I'm through,

Because, I'm no man's mamma now!  
I can smile, I can wink, I can go take a drink,  
And I don't have to worry what my hubby will think!  
Because, I'm no man's mamma now!

Get it fixed!  
I can spend if I choose, I can play and sing the blues,  
There's nobody messing with my ones and my twos,  
Because, I'm no man's mamma now!

You know that there was a time

I used to think that men were grand,  
But no more for mine,  
I've gone and labeled my apartment

"No Man's Land!"  
I got rid of my cat, 'cause my cat's name was Pat,  
Won't even have a mailbox in my flat!  
Because, I'm no man's mamma now

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