

Frank Sinatra

"A Little Learnin Is A Dangerous Thing"

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with (Pearl Bailey)

Yeah, like I said that knowledge can mess up your life at times.

(Oh it makes you so nervous, I got a blank, now what's with you Frank?)

Well, dig me, I started to school just like all kids do.

(You mean, you were young once?)

I was a Mickey Rooney of my day, learned my lessons and got along fine.

(So should you clamor.)

And then as time went on, I learned a lot of other things,

(You clever boy!)

Uh huh, and I really had myself some jolly time.

(I can imagine as much.)

I never played any favorites, 'cause I was much too smart.

(You think you're too smart. Wait till you get further down.)

I had my boots on and I had them laced up tight.

(You talk like that in your era?)

Wrote a book, Pearl, but then I made a mistake.

(Most men do.)

Uh huh, I should have known from the start.

(Most men don't.)

Aha, let me tell you what happened last night.

(This is not this day's material?)

It's bad, 'cause it started with a gal.

(Always does.)

And her name, it was Sal.

(Sal, corny.)

Oh she was cute. She was as fine as a bird on the wing.

(Yeah, you always could think up,)

(But you are much too bright to fall in love the first night.)

But uh, a little learnin' is a dangerous thing.

(I told you that on the other side of the record.)

And then we danced for a time or two, till she said she was blue.

(Uh, huh, there it is.)

And right away, I was doing the thing...
(Just rushing through life.)
'Cause I was hip to the fact that I could always jump
back
(Do a thing.)
But a little learnin' is a dangerous thing.
(Yes it is.)
She made with sweet talk.
(Uh hmmm.)
That so hard-to-beat talk.
(Know what, Frank?)
What's that?
(I know she even called you darling, lover man!)
You've been eavesdropping.
(Yes, I have.)
That really sent me, coincidentally,
I should have known enough then to scam.
(No man is ever that clever -- that rhymes!)
Now I guess you know it all, least that's all I recall.
(That's all you'll ever recall.)
Except the part about the man with a ring.
(Oh you're going again.)
In case it's news to you, the smartest I said I'd do.
(Oh you down.)
:A little learning is a dangerous, is a dangerous thing.
(Oh, pure treachery, treachery!) Stop, stop!

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