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"Puttin' On The Ritz 1929 Version"

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Have you seen the well-to-do
Up on Lennox Avenue
On that famous thoroughfare
With their noses in the air
High hats and collared collars
White spats and fifteen dollars
Spending every dime
For a wonderful time

If you're blue
And you don't know
Where to go to
Why don't you go
Where Harlem sits
Puttin' on the ritz

Spangled gowns
Upon a bevy
Of high browns
From down the levy
All misfits
Puttin' on the ritz

That's where each and every lulubelle goes
Every Thursday evening with her swell beaus
Rubbing elbows

Come with me
And we'll attend
Their jubilee
And see them spend
Their last two bits
Puttin' on the ritz

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