

Shine On, Harvest Moon

Jack Norworth & Nora Bayes 1908 practice sheet at ukesterbrown.com (1st note sung is an "E")

Verse 1:

Em
The night was mighty dark so you could hardly see,
B7
For the moon refused to shine,
Em A7 D7
Couple sitting underneath a willow tree, For love they pine,
D7 G
Little maid was kind afraid of darkness So she said, "I guess I'll go,"
A7 A9 A7 A9
Boy began to sigh, Looked up at the sky,
A7 D7
Told the moon his little tale of woe.

CHORUS:

E7 A7
Oh, Shine on, shine on harvest moon up in the sky.
D7 G C G
I ain't had no lovin' Since April, January, June or July,
E7 A7
Snow time ain't no time to stay out doors and spoon,
D7 G D7 G
So, shine on, shine on, harvest moon, For me and my gal.

Verse 2:

Em
I can't see why a boy should sigh, when by his side
B7
Is the girl he loves so true,
Em A7 D7
All he has to say is "Won't you be my bride For I love you"
D7
Why should I be telling you this secret
G
When I know that you can guess,
A7 A9 A7 A9
Harvest moon will smile, Shine on all the while,
A7 D7
If the little girl should answer "Yes."