

Benny Goodman, Its Been So Long

Jersey Bounce

Ella Fitzgerald

Words by Robert B. Wright

Music by Bobby Plater, Tiny Bradshaw, and Edward Johnson

- As sung by Ella Fitzgerald, who did NOT chart it

- Most popular version, by Benny Goodman, hit # 1 in 1942, was an instrumental

- Also charted that same year by Jimmy Dorsey (#9) and Shep Fields (#15)

(scat intro)

They call it that Jersey bounce

A rhythm that really counts

The temperature always mounts

Wherever they play, the funny rhythm they play

It started on Journal Square

And somebody heard it there

He put it right on the air

And now you hear it everywhere

Uptown, gave it new licks

Downtown, added some tricks

No town, makes it sound, the same

As where it came from

So if you dont feel so hot

Go out to some Jersey spot

And whether youre hep or not

The Jersey bouncell make you swing

(scat)

How I love that Jersey bounce

(scat)

Oh come on and play that Jersey bounce

(scat)

They call it that Jersey bounce

A rhythm that really counts

The temperature always mounts

Whenever they play that Jersey Bounce

It started on Journal Square

And somebody heard it there

He put it right on the air

That tune called the Jersey Bounce

Uptown, gave it new licks

Downtown, added some tricks

No town, make it sound the same

As where it came from

So if you dont feel so hot

Go out to some Jersey spot

And whether youre hep or not

The Jersey bouncell make you swing

Ounce by ounce

The Jersey Bounce

Puts you right in the swing

That Jersey Bounce

Itll make you swing

Give me that Jersey Bounce.