

Unauthentic Blues

Music by Christian Willisohn
Lyrics by Claas Vogt

I set down on a stool and I started to play
An old Pete Johnson tune, I do most every day
It went along so nicely when I got in to the groove
Having myself a good time when I heard somebody move

I turned around and saw this guy and he came up to me
He said, that was nearly perfect only one thing bothers me
You see I got this recording back from 1929
And you played a wrong note in the 36 line.

Oh it's unauthentic....

He said: why don't you play it like Pete Johnson did
It's not authentic Blues, when you change the licks
I said please don't bother me and never talk to me no more
Cause the blues is what I play tonight and not what you record

He still kept on talking till I had to through him out
Some people just don't understand
What the Blues, what the Blues is all about.