OLD TIME

MORE KLEZMER KLAWHAMMER

THIS MONTH I BRING YOU ANOTHER KLEZMER TUNE ARRANGED FOR CLAWHAMMER BANJO. Af Shabes in Vilna (On the Sabbath in Vilna) can be heard on the Klezmonkey "Streets of Gold" album (Arhoolie 3071). The name of this tune is apparently arbitrary and probably has nothing to do with the Lithuanian town of Vilna.

The major difficult passage is the first and fifth measures of the B part. I have put the last note of these measures on the 5th string to allow some extra time to move the left hand down the neck to be ready for the next measure. An alternative (asterisk) is provided if the right hand movements prove too difficult. The C part is in C minor (except for the final chord) and by keeping the 3rd fret on the first string down, the minor sound can be maintained. Hold this note with your 3rd (ring) finger and play the other notes with the first, second and fourth fingers.

The note transcription is by Janice Cohen of Philadelphia. Please note that I have moved and have the following address:

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