

Keep Your Halloween Out of September

Lyrics: Gary McGath, Copyright 2016

Music: Mary Crowell, "Keep Your Christmas Out of October"

I am confused, what are you scheming?
All week long now I have heard screaming
Night to noon.
It's not because of the next election.
It's just a zombie resurrection,
And this has started much too soon.

Chorus:

Keep your Halloween
Out of September.
Try to remember
That it's summer still.
When they're up eight weeks
Scenes don't stay scary.
Things need to vary
If you want a thrill.

It's Labor Day, the beach is open.
The weather's warm, that's all that I'm saying.
So won't you tell me why you're hopin'
To start so soon on horror-movie slaying?

Chorus

I see a spider with teeth like Bugs Bunny
And witches dancing on the lawn.
And I'll admit, at first it's funny
But now I can only shake my head and yawn.

Bridge:

I don't know what it means
When you launch Halloween
With its undead
Two whole months ahead.
Wispy spider webs of paper,
Ghosts all ready for a caper,
Tombstones with inscriptions dark and grim.
Don't start the fright
Till the harvest moon's in sight
At night ... right?

Chorus

They tell you, "Hurry! Let's start the haunting.
Now August's gone, the spooks can't be late.
Let's fill the yard with spirits daunting."
To all this nonsense, I say "Wait!"

Chorus