07/28/23		Little Whitewashed Chimney (G)	11/14	Wichita (D)	09/11
		Lonesome Pine (A)	02/12	Wildwood Flower (C)	06/11
Vocals:		Love of the Mountains (A)	08/11	Wildwood Flower (male version) (C)	01/14
A Simple Life (D)	08/13	Man of Constant Sorrow	05/10	Wreck of the Old 97 (G)	01/11
Across the Great Divide	11/14	Martha White (G)	01/17	You'll Never Leave Harlan Alive (A)	07/12
Arkansas Traveler	09/13	Mary Ann (B)	01/17	Tou if Never Leave Harian Affice (A)	07/12
Auctioneer Song (G)	05/13	Molly and Tenbrooks (G)	01/10	Instrumentals:	
Aunt Dinah's Quilting Party	06/12			Big Mon (A)	02/16
Back In Hancock County	07/18	Montana Cowboy (G)	01/14	Big Scioto (G)	01/13
Battle of New Orleans (G)	07/10	My Angeline	01/14	Bill Cheatham (A)	01/13
Beautiful Star of Bethlehem (G)	12/10	Nellie Kane (D)	05/14	Billy in the Low Ground (C)	
Billy Gray (G)	09/15	Old Home Place (G)	05/14	Blackberry Blossom (G)	
	09/13	Old Man at the Mill (A)	11/12	Bluegrass Stomp (D)	
Blue Ridge Cabin Home (G) Blue Virginia Blues (G)	00/14	Ol' Slewfoot (A)			10/12
	09/14	One More Dollar		Bonaparte Crossing the Rhine (D)	10/12
Bringing in the Georgia Mail	03/19	Paradise (G)		Bonaparte's Retreat	02/14
Bringing Mary Home	11/14	Peach Picking Time in Georgia (C)	06/12	Cherokee Shuffle (A)	
By the Mark		Pig In A Pen	02/19	Clinch Mountain Backstep (A)	
Cabin on a Mountain (G)	11/14	Railroading On The Great Divide (G)	08/15	Colored Aristocracy	
Caleb Meyer (Dm)	08/15	Randall Collins (E)	02/18	Cripple Creek (A)	
Carolina Star (G)		Rattlesnake Rattler (F)	11/18	Cuckoo's Nest	02/16
Catfish John	07/11	Red Clay Halo (G)		Dixie Hoedown (G)	
Church Street Blues (C)	02/18	Reuben's Train	06/13	Down Yonder (G)	05/12
Colleen Malone (C)	03/11	Rocky Top (G)		Fisher's Hornpipe (D)	10/13
Corn Bread, 'Lasses and Sassafras Tea (D)		Rosa Lee McFall (D)	01/14	Gold Rush (A)	02/13
Cryin' Holy to the Lord		Roseville Fair	06/11	Jerusalem Ridge (A ^m)	10/13
Dark as a Dungeon		Sawing on the String (D)	11/13	June Apple (A)	02/13
D-18 Song (D)	05/17	Sea of Heartbreak (G)	08/19	Kitchen Girl	
Dooley (A)	04/12	Second Wind (E)	09/13	Liberty (D)	
Dust on the Bible (G)	01/13		10/14	Mississippi Sawyer (D)	07/13
Engineers don't Wave from the Trains any more	03/12	Shady Grove	04/14	Northwest Passage	07.15
Feast Here Tonight	10	Shenandoah Wind (D)		Old Joe Clark (A)	
Fireball Mail (G)	06/12	Sherwood Trestle (G)	08/15	Over the Waterfall (D)	
Forty Acres and a Fool (D)	07/18	Small Country Towns (G)	12/11	Panhandle Rag (D)	07/12
Fox on the Run (G)	07/10	Sophronie (B)	07/14	Ragtime Annie (D)	07/12
* *	07/17	Steel Rails		Rebecca (B)	08/13
Ginseng Sullivan	06/14	Still Sounds Good To Me (G)	01/18	· /	06/13
Goin' Home (A)	00/14	Streamline Cannonball	01/14	Red-haired Boy (A)	07/13
Gold Watch and Chain (G)	02/10	Sunny Side of the Mountain (G)	05/14	Rights of Man (G)	0//13
Green Light On The Southern (D)	03/18	Sweet Sunny South (G)		Salt Creek (A)	
Green Pastures (B b)	08/13	Tall Pines (B b)	03/15	St. Anne's Reel (D)	06/16
Greenville Trestle (G)	11/12	Tear My Stillhouse Down (G)		Shenandoah Valley Breakdown (A)	06/16
Hard Times	11/13	Tennessee (B)	12/17	Soldier's Joy (D)	05/12
He Went to Sleep and the Hogs Eat 'Im (G)	03/13	Tennessee Stud (D)	06/13	Squirrel Hunters	09/18
High Atmosphere	02/16	Thank God I'm a Country Boy	07/23	Temperance Reel (G)	
High on a Mountain		The Train That Carried My Girl From Town	01/19	Togary Mountain	11/14
Hold Fast to the Right (G)	07/13	The Whole World Round (D ^m)	08/09	Turkey in the Straw (G)	
Hot Corn, Cold Corn		There's Better Times a-Comin' (G)	09/11	Wheel Hoss (G)	02/16
How Mountain Girls Can Love		Thirty Years of Farmin' (G)	11/11	Whiskey Before Breakfast (D)	
In The Jailhouse Now	02/16	Three Men on a Mountain (G)	08/11	_	
Is The Grass Any Bluer?	02/19	Till the End of the World Rolls Round	09	Country:	
I've Come To Take You Home	05/18	Two Little Boys (B)	08/15	Cattle Call (D)	01/19
I've Endured (D)	05/15	Uncle Eph's Got the Coon	06/23	Cool Water	08/19
Jambalaya (D)	05/12	Uncle Pen (A)	10	Don't Fence Me In	08/19
Kentucky Borderline (F)	06/16	Unclouded Day	10/15	El Paso	08/19
Lamplighting Time In The Valley	11/15	Wabash Cannonball (G)	10/13	Folsom Prison Blues	10/18
Legend of the Rebel Soldier (G)	07/12		06/12	Hillbilly Fever	02/15
Less and Less (D)	02/16	Walking in Jerusalem (A or G)	06/13	Luckenback Texas	06/15
Little Annie	10/13	Walls of Time	10/15	Mama Tried	08/13
Little Georgia Rose (G)	11/14	When I Get Home	10/15	May the Bird of Paradise Fly up your Nose	02/15
Little Georgia Rose (G) Little Sadie (D ^m)	11/17	Whiskey in the Jar (C)	10/10	Riding Down The Canyon	08/18
Dittie Saule (D)		Who Will Watch The Home Place	12/12	. V.	

Sing Me Back Home	10/13	Bringing In The Georgia Mail	
Sleepin' at the Foot of the Bed	02/15	See the engine puffing, boy she's making time That old train is wearing out the rail, rail, rail Heading for the mountain that she's got to climb Bringing in the Georgia mail	
Take an Old Cold Tater	02/16		
Tennessee Flattop Box	02/15		
Tumblin' Tumbleweed	08/18		
Haven't led:		Ningty miles on how and she's gaining smeet	
Another Town (B)	08/15	Ninety miles an hour and she's gaining speed Listen to the whistle moan and wail, wail, wail Has she got the power I'll say yes indeed Bringing in the Georgia mail	
Carolina Lightning (D)	06/14		
Carolina Wind	06/16		
John Hardy (C)	02/19		
Mountain's Gonna Sing (D)	06/10	See the driver's travel watch her spin the track	
Open Country (B/A)	11/14	Ought to put that engineer in jail, jail, jail Has he got her rolling watch her ball the jack	
Remington Ride	02/16		
Western Skies (D)	05/23	Bringing in the Georgia mail	
Learning:		Rocking and a reeling spouting off the steam Bet the farm and hope the brakes don't fail, fail, fail Swerving to the depot listen to her scream Bringing in the Georgia mail	

High Lonesome Sound

Whenever my soul is lonely Whenever I'm feeling blue I start thinkin' 'bout my blue-eyed darlin' My heart starts pinin' for you

> I wanna hear that high lonesome sound 'Cause my sweet baby ain't around When my life's got me down I wanna hear that high lonesome sound

When I'm lost in this ocean of darkness Not knowing which way I should turn And my eyes are filled with the sadness Of knowing you'll never return

Is The Grass Any Bluer

You rolled out of Rosine a dedicated man

You drove those country back roads to a thousand onenight stands

The music from your mandolin, spread like wildfire in the wind

And echoed through the hollows and the hills, so tell me, Bill

Is the grass any bluer on the other side

Did it look like old Kentucky when the gates swung open wide

Bet the good Lord's got you playin' somewhere up there every night

Is the grass any bluer on the other side

I heard you on the Opry when I was just a kid

I tried my best to learn to sing and play the way you did Just like me the day you died, the guitars and the fiddles cried

The music ain't the same without you Bill, we miss you still

Just like me the day you died, the guitars and the fiddles

The music ain't the same without you Bill, we miss you still-ill-ill

Pig In A Pen

I got a pig at home in a pen corn to feed 'im on All I need is a pretty little girl to feed 'im when I'm gone.

Goin' on the mountain to sow a little cane Raise a barrel of Sorghum sweet lil' Liza Jane.

Black cloud's a-risin' surest sign of rain Get the old grey bonnet on Little Liza Jane.

Yonder comes that gal of mine how you think I know Can tell by that gingham gown hangin' down so low.

Bake them biscuits baby bake 'em good n' brown When you get them biscuits baked we're Alabamy bound.

When she sees me comin' she wrings her hands and cries Yonder comes the sweetest boy that ever lived or died.

Now when she sees me leavin'she wrings her hands and cries

Yonder goes the meanest boy that ever lived or died.

He Took Your Place

Recorded by Porter Wagoner Written by Lester Flatt & Earl Scruggs

[C]Upon the cruel tree of [F]Calvary

[C] Was there my precious Savior [G]cried

[C]Forgive them for they know not [F]what they do

[C]Oh sinner [G7]friend for you He [C]died

[F]His hands are gently knocking [C]on your door Outside He's pleading to come [G7]in [C]His heart is breaking as He [F]waits for you [C]To wash you [G7]free from every [C]sin

Those cold thorns they pierced my Savior's head The blood was flowing down His face In shame forsaken there He hung and died Oh sinner friend He took your place

Someday He's coming back to claim His own We'll fly to Heaven's open door The crown of life He gives on that great day With Him we'll live forever more

Kentucky Borderline

She pulled out of Mobile in the pouring rain,
Moving through the darkness like a hurricane
From southern gulfport waters to the Cumberland so green,
Louisville by Nashville and all points in between.
Pounding out a rhythm, making up lost time,
She's headed for that bluegrass state of mine.

White smoke a-rollin', whistle blowin', listen to her engine keepin' time Kentucky borderline.

Montgomery by morning, Birmingham by noon,
Off into the distance, upward to the moon.
Her lonesome whistle cries a low, sad refrain
Like the boys down on Beal Street singung of the pain.
Nobody's gonna stop her from her appointed rounds,
This train is moving on, she's glory bound.

Her lungs are full of fire, she's breathing burning coal. Raging locomotion like thunder when it rolls. She sings to the mighty who cast her molten steel, That drove the spikes and laid the rails that lie beneath her wheels.

The pride of our nation, a monument to them, A southern belle, that mighty L&N.

Carolina Wind

[D]Just a stretch of highway in your [G]song I been [D]longin' to get back to you so [G]long [Em]Maybe it's the beauty and the [G]sound of your sweet [D]name

That [Em]always pulls me back and takes me [A]home again

[Em]Out on the horizon I can [G]see the mountains risin'

And I [D] feel the comfort of a long lost [G] friend In my [Em] soul and in my spirit [G] I can almost hear it

And I [D]know the answer's waitin' round the [G]bend [Em]Blowin' in the Carolina [D]wind [Em]Carolina [D]wind

Well I can't see the forest for the trees It always seems to go that way with me When I cross the Pigeon River I know I'm almost there It hangs upon the breeze and lingers in the air

Ookpik Waltz

Ookpik



High Atmosphere

In a dark holler where the trees shut out the light, Nothing could shake the loneliness of a moonless night, Like familiar refrains passed down through the years, From the voices of the old in the high atmosphere.

Melodies formed and fit by time, Harmonies that sent shivers up my spine, They warmed my soul whenever I did hear The voices of the old in the high atmosphere.

> They could moan; they could whine Like the wind through the pines. They could break your heart while they brought you cheer.

The voices of the old in the high atmosphere.

Down off North Mountain onto Jackson Street, Strangers are the only people that I meet. I'm lost in my solitude and desperate to be near The voices of the old in the high atmosphere.

CHORUS

Like those hills of home, I'm tired and all used up, 'Cause Jackson Street is cold and Jackson Street is rough, And I have nothing to comfort me down here Like the voices of the old in the high atmosphere.

Still Sounds Good To Me

Jeff Gordon

Never lived in a cabin up on a hill. Never picked cotton, I probably never will. Never had to go barefoot, always had new shoes. Never had a good reason to ever sing the blues.

CHORUS

But I like my music the way it used to be. That mountain music came from Tennessee. Not one coal miner in my family tree; That music still sounds good to me.

Never had to sleep in a hollow log, Plow a cornfield or slop a hog. Never heard the Carters sing from the opry stage, Never killed my lover in a jealous rage.

BRIDGE

Now that down home is uptown, they're gettin' fancy It's bright lights, silk suits and fame. It's that high lonesome sound, that three finger roll, Draws me like a moth to a flame.

Bill Monroe started it all, Went from Rosine to Nashville to Carnegie Hall.

Never once let my deal go down, Hopped me a freight train to another town. Never drank no moonshine late into the night. Never owned a coon dog, never saw the light.

In The Jailhouse Now

Jimmie Rodgers

I had a friend named Ramblin' Bob Who used to steal, gamble and rob He thought he was the smartest guy in town But I found out last Monday That Bob got locked up Sunday They've got him in the jailhouse way down town

CHORUS

He's in the jailhouse now, he's in the jailhouse now I told him once or twice
To quit playin' cards and shootin' dice
He's in the jailhouse now

He played a game called poker Pinochle, whist and euchre But shootin' dice was his greatest game Now he's downtown in jail Nobody to go his bail The judge done said that he refused the fine

CHORUS

I went out last Tuesday
Met a girl named Susie
I told her I was the swellest man around
We started to spend my money
Then she started to call me honey
We took in every cabaret in town

We're in the jailhouse now, we're in the jailhouse now I told the judge right to his face We didn't like to see this place We're in the jailhouse now

Caleb Meyer

Caleb Meyer, he lived alone in them hollerin' pines, And he made a little whiskey for himself, said it helped to pass the time

On one evening in back of my house Caleb come around, And he called my name till I came out with no one else around.

CHORUS

Caleb Meyer, your ghost is gonna wear that rattlin' chain,

But when I go to sleep at night, don't you call my name.

Where's your husband, Nellie Kane, where's your darling gone?

Did he go on down the mountain side and leave you all alone?

Yes, my husband's gone to Bowlin' Green to do some business there.

Then Caleb threw that bottle down and grabbed me by my hair.

CHORUS

He threw me on the needle bed, and on my dress he lay He pinned my hands above my head and I commenced to pray.

I cried My God, I am your child; send your angels down Then feelin' with my fingertips, the bottle neck I found I pulled that glass across his neck as fine as any blade, and I felt that blood pour fast and hot around me where I laid.

CHORUS

Tall Pines (B)

Once in my youth I stood on this mountain And planted some pines in the sand. Every day I'd look their way, But just couldn't understand.

Why they never grew like I thought they should do, I just couldn't understand why.

Now I've rambled around this wide world through And today I just happened by,

CHORUS

Tall pines, tall pines, reaching up for the clouds, Tall pines, tall pines, I'll bet you wouldn't know me now.

I'll never forget the morning I left, The hum of the bees in the hay. The farther I walked, the harder they talked. How silent it all seems today.

There's that old rail fence we built inch by inch Surrounding the old family graves. And there's one gravestone standing all alone They're waiting to join me in the shade.

CHORUS

Tall pines, tall pines, reaching up for the clouds, Tall pines, tall pines, I've come home to sleep beneath your boughs.

Sophronie (B)

CHORUS

Love em and leave em, kiss em and grieve em That used to be my motto so high Till my Sophronie left me so lonely Now there's teardrops in my eyes

My Sophronie's from Kentucky, she's found another man Can't even kiss her, can't even hold her hand The moon we used to love beneath is still up in the sky But now I'm just a hotshot with a teardrop in my eye

CHORUS

Till Gabriel blows his bugle, I'll be loving that sweet girl She means more to me than the whole wide world I used to be a killer with the women me oh my But now I'm just a hot shot with a teardrop in my eye

CHORUS

I used to slay the pretty girls from Maine to Alabam, I loved 'em very much at first then I let them down. I've seen so many pretty eyes and filled with bitter tears, Find 'em and forget them but now I have my fears.

Carolina Lightning (D)

by Jim Muller, performed by Southern Rail

[D]North Caro[G]lina [D]lightning, silver [G]threads across the [D]sky.

North Caro[G]lina [D]lightning, thunder [F#m]rolling from on [A]high.

[G]Lights my way down the [D]highway though the [Bm]rain is pouring [G]down,

[D]Come the [G]morning I'll be [D]home in the [Bm]mountains that I[A] love.

Six thirty-five in the evening, and the sky is black and gray, Caressin' the tops of the mountains, all these clouds are here to stay.

How the wind through the valley shakes the trees against the sky.

It can't shake the power that told me to keep rolling down the road.

BREAK (tag with) ... [A]And the rain is pouring [Bm]down.

BRIDGE

[G]I see my foolish life pass be[D]fore me, All the [A]roads that I've traveled,

All the [Bm]hills that I've climbed and I [G]wonder why I ever went away.

In an [D]hour I'll be coming home to [A]stay, [G]coming home to [A]stay.

North Carolina lightning, silver threads across the sky. Show me the way to tomorrow, as my home is drawing nigh.

Don't let me ever think of leaving, steer me home if I try. Come the morning I'll be home in the mountains that I love.

BREAK

[G]Don't let me ever think of [D]leaving, steer me [Bm]home if I [G]try.

[D]Come the [G]morning I'll be [D]home in the [Bm]mountains that I[A] love.

My Carolina [Bm]home, [G]in my Carolina [D]home.

Goin' Home (A)

by Russell Johnson

[A(G)]Goin' home! How [D(C)]many years I've [E(D)]longed to see the [A(G)]mountains so [F#m(Em)]high,

[D(C)]Watch the wild birds [E(D)]fly across the [A(G)]blue summer [F#m(Em)]sky,

[D(C)]Feel the love light [E(D)]shining from my

[A(G)]dear old mother's [F#m(Em)]eyes.

Now I [D(C)]know, I'm [E(D)]really going [A(G)]home.

CHORUS

[A(G)]gone.

[D(C)]Carry me [E(D)]back to [A(G)]East Tenness[F#m(Em)]ee,

Though my [D(C)]body be [E(D)]cold as the [A(G)]snow.

[D(C)]Lay me down [E(D)]easy [A(G)]under a [F#m(Em)]tree

Where [D(C)] only God and [E(D)]I may [A(G)]go.

[A(G)]I'll be gone--a [D(C)]thousand times more [E(D)]gladly than I [A(G)]ever was [F#m(Em)]here. [D(C)]Taking leave of [E(D)]senses, leave all [A(G)]doubts

and all [F#m(Em)] fears. [D(C)] Perhaps you'll find it [E(D)] in your heart to [A(G)] shed an old [F#m(Em)] tear When you [D(C)] call my [E(D)] name and I'll be

Less and Less (D)

by Tim O'Brien

[D]I try to [A]travel around with [G]less and less

[D]I tried them all and the [A]simple way is the [G]way that's best

[D]I save a [A]lot of time not [G]havin' to choose

[D]What color [A]shirt I wear or which [D]pair of shoes

[A]Don't need a guitar to [D]sing my song

[E]Wherever I land I'll always [A]get along

CHORUS

[A]I've been [D]up and down the [A]road a time or

[G]two I guess

[D]Now I try to [A]travel around with [D]less and less

I had a woman once, she was not my wife I took a long detour on the road of life I carried that weight and almost broke my back Nearly lost the ones I love getting' back on track Wasted lots of time and I still feel the pain Made a vow that I won't go through that again

CHORUS

Coffee in the mornin' a little wine at night A meal somewhere in the middle I think I'll be alright I've got my pride, I got a smile to greet the day I got a friend or two to help me through when I lose my way

Don't need a guitar to sing my song Wherever I land I'll always get along

> I've been up and down the road a time or two I guess Now it's time to travel around with less and less

Reuben's Train

Ol' Reuben made a train & he put it on a track He ran it to the Lord knows where Oh me, oh my, ran it to the Lord knows where

Should been in town when Reuben's train went down You could hear that whistle blow 100 miles Oh me, oh my, you could hear the whistle blow 100 miles

Last night I lay in jail had no money to go my bail Lord how it sleeted and it snowed Oh me, oh my, Lord how it sleeted and it snowed

I've been to the East, I've been to the West I'm going where the chilly winds don't blow Oh me, oh my, I'm going where the chilly winds don't blow

Oh the train that I ride is 100 coaches long You can hear the whistle blow 100 miles Oh me, oh my, you can hear the whistle blow 100 miles

I got myself a blade, laid Reuben in the shade, I'm startin' me a graveyard of my own. Oh, me, oh lordy my, startin' me a graveyard of my own.

Shenandoah Wind (D)

by Eric Uglum, performed by Chris Stuart and Backcountry

In a time of trouble as the war drew near,
I became a soldier, a Virginia volunteer.
I left my farm and family, and as I fell in step
I heard my Peggy crying on the Shenandoah wind.

Take this pack from my shoulder, Let me rest here, friend. Tell my Peggy I love her And I'll be home on the Shenandoah wind.

Days were hot and dusty, nights bitter cold. We followed General Jackson down the valley road. We met the Yankee army and through the smoke and lead I could hear the crying of the Shenandoah wind.

Now I walk the valley, I wander in the hills, I whisper on the waters and blow across the fields Through the Blue Ridge Mountains to the place so dear Where I kiss my Peggy and I dry her tears.

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[D]I heard my Peggy crying on the [A]Shenandoah

[D]wind.

Chorus:

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[D]Tell my Peggy I [G]love her,

And I'll be [D]home on the [A]Shenandoah [D]wind.

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Streamline Cannonball

[D]It's a long steel rail and a short cross tie I'm [G]on my way back [D]home I'm on that [G]train the [D]king of them [Bm]all That [D]Streamline [A]Cannon[D]ball

CHORUS

She [D]moves along like a cannonball Like a [G]star in it's heavenly [D]flight The lonesome [G]sound of the [D]whistle you [Bm]love
As she [D]travels [A]through the [D]night

I can see a smile on the engineer's face And although he's old and gray A contented heart the waits for his call On the Streamline Cannonball

The headlight beams out in the night And the firebox flash you can see I ride the blinds it's the life that I love Lord it's home sweet home to me

Author: Roy Acuff

My Angeline

Angelina Baker lived just down the street And my heart would set to achin' every time we chanced to meet

Although she's now another's, I still recall the time When my little Angie swore that she'd always be mine

Temper of a fury, Irish born and bred Skin of cream and roses and her hair was curly red She could sing just like a songbird in a sweet, magnolia Iune

And she could play upon a young man's heart like sawin' on a fiddle tune

Well, the ocean is a mistress once she gets in the veins And to live a life without her, Lord, will drive a man insane My Angeline grew jealous, said, "It's either 'her' or me" And she cursed my name in a last farewell as I set out to sea

For ten long years I tarried in every port of call Tryin' to forget that gal of mine wouldn't do no good at all So I went to beg her pardon and make another start Just to find my Angeline had died of a broken heart

I'm not much good for nothin', my youth long passed away But if you hand me down my banjo, son, I do believe I'll play

CHORUS

Angelina Baker, Angeline, I know I should have married Angeline forty some odd years ago

Wildwood flower (male version)

Oh, she'd twine and she'd mingle her raven black hair With roses so red and white lilies so fair. And the myrtle so bright with an emerald hue Made her eyes seem to sparkle like diamonds of blue.

Oh she'd dance and she'd sing and her laugh was so gay She would charm every heart and then steal it away. I fell under her spell and I gave her my love. She promised to cherish me over all others above

Oh, she taught me to love her, I called her my flow'r That was blooming to cheer me through life's dreary hour. I awoke from my dreams, found my love gone away: I'd given my heart but she threw it away.

Now my days are so long and my life is so bare And I dream of a beautiful flower so rare. Oh, I long to see her regret the dark hour She's broken my heart, this pale wildwood flow'r.

Sawing on the Strings

Way back in the mountains
Way back in the hills
There used to live a mountaineer
And they called him fiddlin' Will.
He could play most anything
And some say he could sing,
But the one thing that he liked to do best
Was sawing on the strings.

So get out the fiddle And rosin up the bow, Look at ol' Will a-tappin' his toe. We'll make music til the rafters ring, All that pickin' and a-sawin' on the strings.

When the neighbors had a shindig
And they all had victuals to eat,
We'd always have to wait on Will
For the frolic to be complete.
When he come down from the mountain
All the gals began to sway.
Sometimes he'd pick that ol' five string
Until the break of day.

So tune up the five string, Tighten up the hide, Tell all the young folks to get inside. We'll make music til the rafters ring, All that pickin' and a-sawing on the strings.

Arkansas Traveler

Oh, once upon a time in Arkansas,
An old man sat in his little cabin door
And fiddled at a tune that he liked to hear,
A jolly old tune that he played by ear.
It was raining hard, but the fiddler didn't care,
He sawed away at the popular air,
Tho' his rooftree leaked like a waterfall,
That didn't seem to bother the man at all.

A traveler was riding by that day,
And stopped to hear him a-practicing away;
The cabin was a-float and his feet were wet,
But still the old man didn't seem to fret.
So the stranger said "Now the way it seems to me,
You'd better mend your roof," said he.
But the old man said as he played away,
"I couldn't mend it now, it's a rainy day."

The traveler replied, "That's all quite true, But this, I think, is the thing to do: Get busy on a day that is fair and bright, Then patch the old roof till it's good and tight." But the old man kept on a-playing at his reel, And tapped the ground with his leathery heel. "Get along," said he, "for you give me a pain; My cabin never leaks when it doesn't rain."

Little Annie

Once more I must leave you, little Annie We must part at the end of the lane For you promised me, little Annie You'd be waiting when the springtime comes again.

Chorus:

When the springtime comes o'er the mountain And the wildflowers are scattered o'er the plain I will watch for the leaves to return to the trees And I'll be waitin' when the springtime comes again

When the sun shines down on the mountain And the wild sheep are wandering all alone And the birds and bees are singing It makes me think that springtime won't be long.

Chorus

Now the springtime is come to the mountain And I'm on my way back to the lane For you promised me, little Annie You'd be waiting when the springtime comes again.

Second Wind

[G]Somethin' familiar blew [D]in with the wind A [Em]dream I let fall by the [C]way[D]side I [C]find myself yearnin' to [D]live it a[G]gain [C]Now, there's no stoppin' me this [D]time, 'cause

CHORUS

[G]I've been sur[C]veyin' the [D]shape that I'm [G]in [C]Wasted and weary and [D]wearin' it [G]thin I know where I've [C]been but who [D]knows where I'm [Em]goin'

[C]I feel a second wind [D]blowin', blowin' [G]my way [C] [D]
[G] [C] [D]

The first time around you don't know what you have Until the day comes when you lose it Now, I'm gettin' ready for my second chance This time I won't refuse it, 'cause

CHORUS

BRIDGE:

I [D]won't be denyin' my [G]heart any longer The [C]longer I wait, this [D]feeling grows stronger

CHORUS

Reuben's Train

Ol' Reuben made a train & he put it on a track He ran it to the Lord knows where Oh me, oh my, ran it to the Lord knows where

Should been in town when Reuben's train went down You could hear that whistle blow 100 miles Oh me, oh my, you could hear the whistle blow 100 miles

Last night I lay in jail had no money to go my bail Lord how it sleeted and it snowed Oh me, oh my, Lord how it sleeted and it snowed

I've been to the East, I've been to the West I'm going where the chilly winds don't blow Oh me, oh my, I'm going where the chilly winds don't blow

Oh the train that I ride is 100 coaches long You can hear the whistle blow 100 miles Oh me, oh my, you can hear the whistle blow 100 miles

I got myself a blade, laid Reuben in the shade, I'm startin' me a graveyard of my own. Oh, me, oh lordy my, startin' me a graveyard of my own.

A Simple Life

I live a simple life, I work all day, I sleep all night A couple kids that need a nap, Big dog and a little cat Wife that barks but rarely bites, So I live the simple life.

I live a simple life, A good coat when the cold winds bite Leather boots for my bare feet, Now and then a steak to eat I pick with the boys on Friday night So I live a simple life.

My favorite book was wrote about a man that died to save my soul

And my favorite thing to hear is "Daddy, I'm so glad you're home"

And my favorite woman is five three with long black hair and green eyes

Still I live a simple life.

I live a simple life, Couple of friends I really like A little house outside of town, An old car that gets me around

Complications may arise, But I live a simple life.

And I live a simple life, Cell phone when my old car dies The Internet to show me where, GPS to get me there Everywhere there's satellites, Oh, I live a simple life.

Chorus

Green Pastures

Troubles and trials often betray those Calling the weary body to stray. But we shall walk beside the still water With the good shepherd leading the way.

> Going up home to live in green pastures Where we shall live and die never more. Even the Lord will be in that number When we have reached that heavenly shore.

Those who have strayed were sought by the master, He who once gave his life for the sheep. Out on the mountain still He is searching, Bringing them in forever to keep

We will not heed the voice of the stranger For he would lead us on to despair. Following home with Jesus our savior We shall all reach that country so fair.

Walking In Jerusalem

Bill Monroe

CHORUS

I wanna be ready

I wanna be ready

I wanna be ready

A-walkin' in Jerusalem a-just like John.

John, oh John, now what did you say? Walkin' ...

I'll meet you there at the break of day. Walkin' ...

CHORUS

Some come a-walkin' and some come lame, Walkin' ...
Some come a-walkin' in Jesus'name,
Walkin' ...

CHORUS

Jesus lifted a cross upon his shoulder Walkin' ...
I'll meet you there at the first cross over Walkin' ...

Tennessee Stud

Along about eighteen twenty-five,
I left Tennessee very much alive.
I never would have got through the Arkansas mud
If I hadn't been a-ridin' on the Tennessee Stud.
I had some trouble with my sweetheart's pa,
And one of her brothers was a bad outlaw.
I sent her a letter by my Uncle Bud,
And I rode away on the Tennessee Stud.

The Tennessee Stud was long and lean, The color of the sun, and his eyes were green. He had the nerve and he had the blood, And there never was a horse like the Tennessee Stud.

We drifted on down into no man's land,
We crossed that river called the Rio Grande.
I raced my horse with the Spaniard's foal
'Til I got me a skin full of silver and gold.
Me and a gambler, we couldn't agree,
We got in a fight over Tennessee.
We jerked our guns, and he fell with a thud,
And I got away on the Tennessee Stud.

I got just as lonesome as a man can be, Dreamin' of my girl in Tennessee. The Tennessee Stud's green eyes turned blue 'Cause he was a-dreamin' of a sweetheart, too, We loped right back across Arkansas; I whupped her brother and I whupped her pa. I found that girl with the golden hair, And she was a-riding on the Tennessee Mare.

Stirrup to stirrup and side by side,
We crossed the mountains and the valleys wide.
We came to Big Muddy, then we forded the flood
On the Tennessee Mare and the Tennessee Stud.
A pretty little baby on the cabin floor,
A little horse colt playing 'round the door,
I love that girl with the golden hair,
And the Tennessee Stud loves the Tennessee Mare.

THE AUCTIONEER

Recorded by LeRoy Van Dyke Words and music by LeRoy Van Dyke and Buddy Black

[C] There was a boy in Arkansas
Who [F] wouldn't listen to his ma
When [G] she told him he should go to [C] school [G]
He'd [C] sneak away in the afternoon
Take a [F] little walk and pretty soon
You'd [G] find him at the local auction [C] barn.

He'd [F] stand and listen carefully
Then [C] pretty soon he began to see
How the [D] auctioneer could talk so rapid-[G] ly
He [C] said, "Oh, my, it's do or die
I've [F] got to learn that auction cry
Gotta [G] make my mark and be an auction-[C] eer."

[C] Twenty-five dollar bid it now, thirty dollar, thirty Will you [F] gimmie thirty, make it thirty Bid it on a thirty dollar, will you gimmie thirty[G] Who'll-ll bid it at a thirty dollar [C] bid? [G] [C] Thirty dollar bid it now, thirty-five Will you [F] gimmie thirty-five, To make it thirty-five, to bid it a thirty-five [G] Who woulda bid it at a thirty-five dollar [C] bid?

As time went on, he did his best
And all could see he didn't jest
He practiced calling bids both night and day
His pap would find him behind the barn
Just working up an awful storm
As he tried to imitate the auctioneer.

Then his pap said, "Son, we just can't stand To have a mediocre man Sellin' things at auction using our good name I'll send you off to auction school Then you'll be nobody's fool You can take your place among the best."

Thirty-five dollar bid it now, forty dollar, forty Will you gimmie forty, make it forty Bid it on a forty dollar, will you gimmie forty Who'll-ll bid it at a forty dollar bid? Forty dollar bid it now, forty-five Will you gimmie forty-five, To make it forty-five, to bid it a forty-five Who woulda bid it at a forty-five dollar bid?

So from that boy who went to school
There grew a man who played it cool
And came back home a full-fledged auctioneer
And the people came from miles around
Just to hear him make that rhythmic sound
That filled their hearts with such a happy cheer.

His fame spread out from shore to shore He had all he could do and more Had to buy a plane to get around Now he's the tops in all the land Let's pause and give that man a hand He's the best of all the auctioneers.

Forty-five dollar bid it now, fifty dollar, fifty Will you gimmie fifty, make it fifty Bid it on a fifty dollar, will you gimmie fifty Who'll-ll bid it at a fifty dollar bid? Fifty dollar bid it now, fifty-five Will you gimmie fifty-five, To make it fifty-five, to bid it a fifty-five Sold that horse for a fifty-five dollar bill?

Hey, well alright sir, open the gate and let 'em out and walk 'em boys
Here we come with lot number 29 in, what'd ya gonna give?

Across The Great Divide

Kate Wolf

I've been walkin' in my sleep Countin' troubles 'stead of countin' sheep. Where the years went, I can't say. I just turned around and they've gone away

I've been siftin' through the layers Of dusty books and faded papers They tell a story I used to know And it was one that happened so long ago.

CHORUS

It's gone away yesterday. Now I find myself on the moutainside Where the rivers change direction Across the great divide.

Now, I heard the owl callin' Softly as the night was fallin' With a question and I replied, But he's gone across the borderline.

CHORUS

The finest hour that I have seen Is the one that comes between The edge of night and the break of day It's when the darkness rolls away.

CHORUS

Dust On the Bible

CHORUS

Dust on the Bible, dust on the holy word The words of all the prophets and the sayings of our Lord

Of all the other books, you'll find, there's none salvation holds

Get that dust off the Bible and redeem your poor soul

I went into a home one day to see some friends of mine Of all the books and magazines, not a Bible could I find I asked them for the Bible, when they brought it, what a shame

For the dust was covered o'er it, not a fingerprint was plain

You can read your magazines, read of love and tragic things And not one word of Scripture, not one verse do you know When it is the very truth and its contents good for you Dust on the Bible will doom your poor soul

Oh, if you have a friend you'd like to help along life's way Just tell him that the Good Book shows a mortal how to pray

The best advice to give him that will make his burdens light Is to dust the family bible, trade the wrong way for the right.

Last Thing On My Mind

Tom Paxton

It's a lesson too late for the learnin'
Made of sand, made of sand
In the wink of an eye my soul is turnin'
In your hand, in your hand.

Are you going away with no word of farewell Will there be not a trace left behind Well, I could have loved you better Didn't mean to be unkind You know that was the last thing on my mind.

As we walk on, my thoughts keep tumblin' Round and round, round and round Underneath our feet the subways rumblin' Underground, underground

CHORUS

As I lie in my bed in the mornin' Without you, without you. Every song in my breast lies a bornin' Without you, without you.

CHORUS

You've got reasons a-plenty for goin' This I know, this I know. For the weeds have been steadily growin' Please don't go, please don't go.

Who Will Watch The Home Place

Laurie Lewis

Leaves are falling and turning to showers of gold As the postman climbs up our long hill And there's sympathy written all over his face As he hands me a couple more bills

CHORUS

Who will watch the home place Who will tend my hearts dear space Who will fill my empty place When I am gone from here

There's a lovely green nook by a clear-running stream It was my place when I was quite small And its creatures and sounds could soothe my worst pains But today they don't ease me at all

CHORUS

In my grandfather's shed there are hundreds of tools I know them by feel and by name
And like parts of my body they've patched this old place
When I move them they won't be the same

Now I wander around touching each blessed thing The chimney the tables the trees And my memories swirl 'round me like birds on the wing When I leave here oh who will I be

Greenville Trestle

I remember as a boy how in wonderment and joy I'd watch the trains as they'd go by And the whistle's lonesome sound you could hear from miles around

As they rolled across that Greenville Trestle high

But the whistles don't sound like they used to Lately not many trains go by Hard times across the land mean no work for a railroad man

And the Greenville Trestle now don't seem so high

On the riverbank I'd stand with a cane pole in my hand And watch the freight trains up against the sky With the black smoke trailing back as they moved along the track

That runs across that Greenville Trestle high

When the lonesome whistles whined I'd get rambling on my mind

Lord I wish they still sounded that way
As I turned to head for home Lord she'd rumble low and long

Toward the sunset at the close of day

Peach Picking Time in Georgia

When it's C peach picking time in Georgia C7 F Apple picking time in Tennessee C G7 Cotton picking time in Mississ C ippi D7 Everybody picks on me G7 G When it's C roundup time in Texas C7 The F cowboys make whoopee Dm6 E7 Then F down in old Ala C bama A7 It's Dm gal picking G7 time to C me

There's the bluegrass down in Kentucky Virginia's where they do the swing Carolina now I'm a coming To you to spend the spring Arkansas I hear you calling I know I'll see you soon There's where I'll do a little picking Underneath the Ozark moon

Now when hard times overtake you I hope they don't get me
For I've got a sweetie waiting
For me down in Tennessee
I know I'm goin' to see her
I hope it won't be long
There's where we'll pick a little cabin
And call it our mountain home.

Now after I've picked all my cotton
I'll pick a wedding ring
We'll go to town and pick a little gown
For the wedding in the spring
I hope the preacher knows his business
I know he can't fool me
When it's peach picking time in Georgia
It's gal picking time to me

Aunt Dinah's Quilting Party

In the sky the bright stars glittered On the bank the pale moon shone And 'twas from Aunt Dinah's quilting party I was seeing Nellie home

> I was seeing Nellie home I was seeing Nellie home And 'twas from Aunt Dinah's quilting party I was seeing Nellie home

On my arm a soft hand rested Rested like as ocean foam And 'twas from Aunt Dinah's quilting party I was seeing Nellie home

On my lips a whisper trembled Trembled till it dared to come And 'twas from Aunt Dinah's quilting party I was seeing Nellie home

On my life new hopes were dawning And those hopes have lived and grown And 'twas from Aunt Dinah's quilting party I was seeing Nellie home

Mountain's Gonna Sing

D G D G
Deep in the shade the air stays cool
Bm A D
Truest one, when I return to you.
G D G
Strike a fire, hold back the night
Bm A Em G
See what remains of all I've left behind
D G
And I just come for what peace I can find

Of all the stories that she did tell
There in the stillness I learned her lesson well.
The words forgotten, forever pure,
Names unspoken and gone forevermore
I have nothing left to lay upon her door.

Beneath the laurels pearls of rain Fall and shatter and sink into the clay Wash away these hills, wash away the dawn Somehow there's still the strength to carry on The spirit ever lingers in a song

Sweet Sunny South

Take me back to the place where I first saw the light To that sweet sunny south take me home Where the mockingbirds sing me to sleep every night Oh why was I tempted to roam

I think with regret of the dear home I left Of the warm hearts that sheltered me there Of my wife and my children of whom I'm bereft Of the old place again I do sigh

Take me back to the place where the orange trees grow To my plot in the evergreen shade Where the flowers from the river's green margins did grow And spread their sweet scent through the glade

Take me back let me see what is left that I know Could it be that the old house is gone Dear friends from my childhood indeed must be few And I must face death all alone

The path to our cottage they say has grown green And the place is quite lonely around I know that the smiles and the forms I once knew Now lie 'neath the cold mossy ground

But yet I return to the place of my birth Where the children have played 'round the door Where they gathered wild blossoms that grew 'round the path Twill echo their footsteps no more

Take me back to the place where my little ones sleep Where poor mama lies buried close by O'er the graves of my loved ones I long for to weep And among them to rest when I die

Molly and Tenbrooks

Run oh Molly run, run oh Molly run Tenbrooks gonna beat you to the bright shinin' sun. To the bright shinin' sun oh Lord to the bright shinin' sun

Tenbrooks was a big bay horse he wore that shaggy mane He run all around Memphis he beat the Memphis train Beat the Memphis train oh Lord beat the Memphis train

See that train a-comin' it's comin' round the curve See old Tenbrooks runnin' he's strainin' every nerve Strainin' every nerve oh Lord strainin' every nerve

Tenbrooks said to Molly what makes your head so red? Runnin' in the hot sun puts fever in my head Fever in my head oh Lord fever in my head

Molly said to Tenbrooks you're lookin' mighty squirrel Tenbrooks said to Molly I'm a-leavin' this old world Leavin: this old world oh Lord leavin' this old world.

Out in California where Molly done as she pleased Come back to old Kentucky got beat with all ease Beat with all ease oh Lord beat with all ease

The women all a-laughin' the child'n all a cryin' The men all a-hollerin' old Tenbrooks a-flyin' Old Tenbrooks a-flyin' oh Lord old Tenbrooks a-flyin'

Kyper Kyper you're not a-ridin' right Molly's beatin' old Tenbrooks clear out sight Clear out of sight oh Lord clear out of sight

Kyper Kyper my son Give old Tenbrooks the bridle let old Tenbrooks run Let old Tenbrooks run oh Lord let old Tenbrooks run

Go and catch old Tenbrooks and hitch him in the shade We're gonna bury old Molly in a coffin ready made Coffin ready made oh Lord coffin ready made

Jimmy Brown the Newsboy

I sell the morning paper, Sir, my name is Jimmy Brown Everybody knows that I'm the newsboy of the town

You can hear me yelling "Moming Star", as I run along the street I've got no hat upon my head, no shoes upon my feet I sell the morning paper, Sir, my name is Jimmy Brown Everybody knows that I'm the newsboy of the town

Never mind, Sir, how I look, don't look at me and frown I sell the morning paper, Sir, my name is Jimmy Brown I'm awful cold and hungry, Sir, my clothes are mighty thin I wander 'bout from place to place, my daily bread to win

I sell the morning paper, Sir, my name is Jimmy Brown Everybody knows that I'm the newsboy of the town

My father was a drunkard, Sir, I've heard my mother say And I am helping my Mother, Sir, as I journey on my way My mother always tells me, Sir, I've nothing in the world to lose I'll get a place in Heaven, Sir, selling the "Gospel News"

I sell the morning paper, Sir, my name is Jimmy Brown Everybody knows that I'm the newsboy of the town

Whiskey In The Jar

As I was a goin' over the far famed Kerry mountains I met with captain Farrell and his money he was counting I first produced my pistol and I then produced my rapier Saying "Stand and deliver" for he were a bold deceiver

Chorus:

Mush-a ring dum-a do dum-a da Wack fall the daddy-o, wack fall the daddy-o There's whiskey in the jar

I counted out his money and it made a pretty penny I put it in me pocket and I took it home to Jenny She sighed and she swore that she never would deceive me But the devil take the women for they never can be easy

I went up to my chamber, all for to take a slumber I dreamt of gold and jewels and for sure 't was no wonder But Jenny blew me charges and she filled them up with water Then sent for captain Farrell to be ready for the slaughter

't was early in the morning, just before I rose to travel Up comes a band of footmen and likewise captain Farrell I first produced me pistol for she stole away me rapier I couldn't shoot the water, so a prisoner I was taken

Now there's some take delight in the carriages a rolling and others take delight in the hurling and the bowling but I take delight in the juice of the barley and courting pretty fair maids in the morning bright and early

If anyone can aid me 't is my brother in the army If I can find his station in Cork or in Killarney And if he'll go with me, we'll go rovin' through Kilkenny And I'm sure he'll treat me better than my own a-sporting Jenny

He Went To Sleep And The Hogs Eat 'Im

Chorus:

Oh! he went to sleep and the hogs eat 'im Hogs eat 'im, Hogs eat 'im
He went to sleep and the hogs eat 'im
Now pa's gone forever
Forever, Forever, Forever
Now pa's gone forever.

He never worked a day in his life Left that for his lovin' wife The way my paw did it was a shame At harvest time he'd stay in the shade Find a spot and down he laid But we all loved 'im just the same.

He loved to spin big tall yarns
Pa would tell 'em from dusk to dawn
He would only stop awhile to eat
About that civil war he'd tell
Then let out a rebel yell
Then pa'd get tired and go to sleep.

He watched us work from where he set He watched so hard he'd work up a sweat At this my pa was hard to beat He couldn't work, he got too fat He supervised from where he sat Then pa'd get tired and go to sleep.

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Oh beautiful star of Bethlehem
Shining afar through shadows dim
Giving the light for those who long have gone
Guiding the wise men on their way
Unto the place where Jesus lay
Oh beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on

Oh beautiful star (Beautiful, beautiful star)
Of Bethlehem (Star of Bethlehem)
Shine upon us until the glory dawns
Give us the light to light the way
Unto the land of perfect day
Oh beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on

Oh beautiful star, the hope of life Guiding the pilgrims through the night Over the mountains till the break of dawn Into the light Of perfect day It will give out a lovely ray Oh beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on

Oh beautiful star, the hope of rest For the redeemed, the good and the blest Yonder in glory when the crown is won Where Jesus is now the star divine Brighter and brighter he will shine Oh beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on

Carolina Star

Back in the hills, those slow rollin' hills Where North Carolina comes close to the stars There's livin' a lady who's shinin' so high They call her the "Carolina Star."

She works at the factory from Monday through Friday She's raisin' three daughters all alone Their daddy's away, he's a-chasing a dream They're waitin' for the day that he comes home

CHORUS:

Oh, Carolina
Even stars get lonesome now and then
Oh, Carolina
Don't you worry, he'll be comin' home again

He's playin' his songs down in Nashville He's pickin' for tips in a bar He's broke and all alone, but he ain't ready to come home He's gonna be a country singin' star

Sometimes she wakes up just thinking of him She remembers him beside her in the night While out across those hills that old moon is settled in And those Carolina stars are shining bright

CHORUS

Yes he loves you and he's comin' home again.

Church Street Blues

Norman Blake

Lord I been hangin' out of town in that low down rain Watchin' good time Charlie friend is drivin' me insane Down on shady Charlotte Street the green lights look red Wish I was back home on the farm in my feather bed.

Get myself a rockin' chair To see if I can lose Them thin dime hard times Hell on Church Street blues.

Found myself a picker friend who'd read yesterday's news Folded up page twenty-one and stuck it in my shoe Gave a nickel to the poor my good turn for the day Folded up my old billfold and threw it far away.

Lord I wish I had some guitar strings Old Black Diamond brand I'd string up this old Martin box and go and join some band But I guess I'll just stay right here just pick and sing a while Try to make me a little change and give them folks a smile.

Walls of Time

The wind is blowing 'cross the mountains And down on the valley way below. It sweeps the grave of my darling. When I die that's where I want to go.

Lord send the angels for my darling And take her to that home on high I'll wait my time out here on earth, love And come to you when I die.

I hear a voice out in the darkness, It moans and whispers through the pines. I know it's my sweetheart a-calling I hear her through the walls of time.

Our names are carved upon the tombstone. I promised you before you died Our love will bloom forever darling When we rest side by side.

Blue Ridge Cabin Home

There's a well beaten path on the old mountainside Where I wandered when I was a lad And I wandered alone to the place I call home In those Blue Ridge hills far away

Oh I love those hills of old Virginia From those Blue Ridge hills I did roam When I die won't you bury me on the mountain Far away near my Blue Ridge mountain home

Now my thoughts wander back to that ramshackle shack In those blue ridge hills far away Where my mother and dad were laid there to rest They are sleeping in peace together there

I return to that old cabin home with a sigh I've been longing for days gone by When I die won't you bury me on that old mountainside Make my resting place upon the hills so high

Cornbread and 'Lasses and Sassafras Tea

Come here girls and listen to my noise Don't you marry an Arkansas boy Marry a feller from Tennessee, eat Cornbread and 'lasses and sassafras tea Cornbread and 'lasses and sassafras tea

Traveled all over this whole wide world Eat a lotta cookin' from a lotta pretty girls But there's none like Tennessee With cornbread, and 'lasses and sassafras tea Cornbread. 'lasses and sassafras tea

Grandpa Snazzy lives on the hill He ain't never died and I guess he never will The neighbors all around say he's ninety three The old man's happy as he can be eatin' Cornbread, 'lasses and sassafras tea

Old Uncle Jim on his dyin' bed He called 'em all around and then he said My last request just let it be Cornbread, 'lasses and sassafras tea Cornbread, 'lasses and sassafras tea

Come here girls and listen to my noise Don't you marry an Arkansas boy Marry a feller from Tennessee eat Cornbread, and 'lasses and sassafras tea Cornbread, and 'lasses and sassafras tea

Wreck of the Old 97

Well, they gave him his orders in Monroe, Virginia Saying Steve you are way behind time This is not thirty eight, but it's old ninety seven You must put her into Spencer on time

He turned and said to his tired greasy fireman Shovel on a little more coal And when we cross the White Oak Mountain You can watch old Ninety-Seven roll

It's a mighty rough road from Lynchburg to Danville On a line on a three mile grade It was on this grade that he lost his leverage You can see what a jump he made

He was going down the grade making ninety miles an hour When his whistle broke into a scream They found him in the wreck with his hand on the throttle He was scalded to death by the steam

Now all you ladies you must take warning From this time now on learn Never speak harsh words to your true loving husband He may leave you and never return

Wabash Cannonball

From the great Atlantic ocean to the wide Pacific shore The green old flowing mountains to the south down by the moor

She's mighty tall and handsome she's known quite well by all She's a regular combination on the Wabash Cannonball

Listen to the jingle, the rumble and the roar As she glides along the woodland o'er the hills and by the shore Hear the mighty rush of the engine hear the lonesome hobo's call

As you travel across the country on the Wabash Cannonball

Oh the eastern states are dandy so the people always say From New York to St. Louis and Chicago by the way To the lakes of Minnesota where the rippling waters fall No chances can be taken on the Wabash Cannonball

Here's to Daddy Claxton may his name forever stand In the hills of Tennessee and in the courts throughout the land When his earthly race is over and them curtains round him fall We'll take him home to Dixie on the Wabash Cannonball

I went down from Birmingham one cold December day When she pulled into that station you could hear them people say

There's a fellow from Tennessee, boys, he's long and he's tall He came down from Alabama on the Wabash Cannonball

Colleen Malone

Tim O'Brien

It's been ten years and three since I first went to sea And I sailed from old Ireland and home And those hills lush and green were a part of my dreams When I dreamed of my Colleen Malone

On the day I returned to my sorrow I learned That the angels had called her away To a grave on a hill overlooking the mill There's the place where she's sleeping today

CHORUS

As the soft breezes blow through the meadow I go Past the mill with the moss covered stone Up the pathway I climb through the woods and the vines To be with my Colleen Malone

She was faithful each day while I sailed far away There was no one but me that she loved I remember those eyes soft and blue as the skies And her heart was as pure as a dove

For the rest of my life I will not take a wife I will live in this valley alone Planting flowers around in the soft gentle ground That's holding my Colleen Malone

Wichita

CAPO 3

 $D_{\mbox{She}}$ went back to Wichita, She went back to her Ma and Pa.

^AReckon I saw her next to my truck,

Pumpin' gas with the Car packed up. We talked as neighbors will, That're waiting for their tanks to fill.

^AWe talked about nothing—how it might snow,

How far she had to D go.

CHORUS

Going G back D where the Em grass D grows A tall, And the Bm fields burn in the G fall. You can G still D hear the Em night D birds A call, Back in D Wichita.

She came in '85,
She came here as a July bride.
But it never got easy—she never got rich,
Ain't got much but what she came here with.
Good times have all been spent,
She ain't broken but she's badly bent.
There's nothing she wants here—nothing that shines,
She's made up her mind.

(CHORUS)

BRIDGE

^AShe says for all my time
Well I^G ain't got much to I^D show.

 A You can tell that man of mine

And G anyone who A wants to know.

(CHORUS)

Roseville Fair

by Bill Staines

Oh, the night was clear,
And the stars were a-shinin'.
The moon came up so quiet in the sky.
All the people gathered 'round,
And the band was a-tunin'.
I can hear them now,
Playin' "Comin' Through The Rye."

CHORUS

And we danced all night
To the fiddle and the banjo.
Their drifting tunes seemed to fill the air.
So long ago, but I can still remember
How we fell in love at the Roseville Fair.

You were dressed in blue and you looked so lovely, Just a gentle flower of a small-town girl. You took my hand and we stepped to the music, And with a single smile, you became my world.

Now we courted well, and we courted dearly, And we'd rock for hours on your front porch chair. Then a year went by from the time that I met you, And I made you mine at the Roseville Fair.

So here's a song for all the lovers, And here's a tune that they can share. May they dance all night To the fiddle and the banjo The way we did at the Roseville Fair.

Love of the Mountains

Larry Sparks

Two trees on a hillside of the mountain Always looking up towards the sky Remind me of my papa and my mama Who lived there eighty years before they died

> Now a bright moon is shining in the valley An old wagon leans against a stack of hay Two graves on a hillside by the cabin My mom and dad are resting there today

The burning of the green wood on the fireplace The fallen snow around the red bud trees The branches of the laurel by the creek bed And the rippling waters of the gentle stream

Papa used to talk about the young days When he and mama first were settled there He spoke about the love of the mountains That he and mama shared together there

You'll Never Leave Harlan Alive

Am
In the F deep, dark C hills of G eastern Am Kentucky That's the F place where I C trace my F bloodline And it's there I C read on a G hillside Am gravestone You will F never leave E7 Harlan Am alive

Oh, my granddad's dad walked down Katahrins Mountain And he asked Tillie Helton to be his bride Said, won't you walk with me out of the mouth of this holler

Or we'll never leave Harlan alive

Where the sun comes
C
up about F ten in the C morning

And the sun goes Am down about G three in the F day

And you fill your C cup with whatever F bitter brew you're C drinkin',

And you spend your Am life just thinkin' of B how to get Am away

No one ever knew there was coal in them mountains 'Til a man from the Northeast arrived Waving hundred dollar bills said, I'll pay you for your minerals

But he never left Harlan alive

Granny sold out cheap and they moved out west of Pineville

To a farm where big Richland River winds I bet they danced them a jig, laughed and sang a new song Who said we'd never leave Harlan alive

But the times they got hard and tobacco wasn't selling And ole granddad knew what he'd do to survive He went and dug for Harlan coal and sent the money back to granny

But he never left Harlan alive

Where the sun comes up about ten in the morning And the sun goes down about three in the day And you fill your cup with whatever bitter brew you're drinkin'

And you spend your life digging coal from the bottom of your grave

The Engineers Don't Wave From The Trains Anymore By Tom T. Hall (BMI)

Bridge:

The Engineers don't wave from the trains anymore Not like they did back in nineteen fifty four They got computers and diesels and things The engineers don't wave from the trains anymore The engineers don't wave from the trains

When I was a little boy I'd hang around the tracks Watching them trains goin' to Louisville and back I had my dreams and I had my plans I was gonna be an engineer man

Bridge

Them big old trains used to chug a chug and spew They were my heroes and they knew that I knew No matter how far they snaked down the track They'd go some where and turn around and come back

Bridge

There's more important things that changed in the world The engineers forgot all us little boys and girls I still get a far away look in my eye When I hear an old train in the night

Tag:

The engineers don't wave from the trains anymore The engineers don't wave from the trains

Ol' Slewfoot

High on the mountain tell me what you see Bear tracks bear tracks looking back at me Better get your rifle boys before it's too late The bear's got a little pig and he's headed through the gate

CHORUS

He's big around the middle and he's broad across the rump

Running ninety miles an hour taking thirty feet a jump He ain't never been caught he ain't never been treed Some folks say he looks a lot like me

I saved up my money and I bought me some bees And they started making honey way up in the trees I cut down the trees but my honey's all gone Ol' Slewfoot done made himself at home

The winter's coming on and it's twenty below The river's froze over, so where can he go We'll chase him up the gully, then we run him in the well And we shoot him in the bottom just to listen to him yell

Montana Cowboy

For many long years I played the lone hand I rode my horse in many strange lands Until one day I stopped for awhile For two blue eyes and sunny smile

CHORUS

So howl away you old coyote I hear your sad and lonesome song Calling me back to old Montana Back to those hills where I belong

One day I rode away from home I'm a traveling back but it won't be long I'll see you again in a little while You're my darling sweet my sunny smile

CHORUS

Tiny Town of Fossil

by Molly Adkins

Tiny town of Fossil, lived there all my life. One tiny mercantile far away from city strife. Nestled in a valley with the blue skies above. Tiny town of Fossil that I love.

CHORUS

I never thought the day would come that I'd have to go. Summer's here but my heart's cold as snow We never will have everything no matter where we roam The tiny town of Fossil is our home

... got a baby on the way I lost my job this winter that's why we have to move away. Our family is growing, we'll need some room to grow. Tiny town of Fossil, I don't want to go

CHORUS

I got a better job that gets better pay My daughter sure is growing she'll be one in a couple days. Figured out just one thing, that no matter where we roam: The tiny town of Fossil is our home.

CHORUS

Hard Times

Let us pause in life's pleasures and count its many tears While we all sup sorrow with the poor. There's a song that will linger forever in our ears: "Oh, hard times, come again no more."

CHORUS:

'Tis the song, the sigh of the weary:
"Hard times, hard times, come again no more.
Many days you have lingered around my cabin door.
Oh. hard times, come again no more."

While we seek mirth and beauty and music light and gay There are frail forms fainting at the door. Though their voices are silent, their pleading looks will say: "Oh, hard times, come again no more."

There's a pale drooping maiden who toils her life away With a worn heart whose better days are o'er. Though her voice would be merry, 'tis sighing all the day: "Oh, hard times, come again no more."

Tis a sigh that is wafted across the troubled wave; Tis a wail that is heard upon the shore. Tis a dirge that is murmured around the lowly grave: "Oh, hard times, come again no more."

When I Get Home

When I meet my savior over yonder I'll have me a mansion on the other side Gonna tell my friends how glad I am to see them When I get home I'm going be satisfied

I'll have me a harp of gold just like David's When i get over on the other side Gonna sing and play with a band of a million angels When I get home I'm gonna be satisfied

I'll have a little talk with Ruth and with Naomi Have a little talk with Peter, James, and Paul Gonna sit down and have a little talk with dad and mother But I'll sing my song with the angels first of all

Now when I meet my savior over yonder I'll have me a mansion on the other side Gonna leave my worldly troubles here behind me When I get home I'm gonna be satisfied

Unclouded Day

Oh they tell me of a land far beyond the skies Oh they tell me of a home far away Oh they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise Oh they tell me of an unclouded day

Oh the land of cloudless day
Oh the land of an unclouded sky
Oh they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise
Oh they tell me of an unclouded day

Oh they tell me of a home where my friends have gone Oh they tell me of that land far away Where the tree of life in eternal bloom Sheds its fragrance through the unclouded day

Oh they tell me of the King in his beauty there And they tell me that mine eyes shall behold Where He sits on the throne that is whiter than snow In that city that is made of gold

Oh they tell me that He smiles on his children there And His smile drives their sorrows all away And they tell me that no tears ever come again In that lovely land of unclouded day.

Will The Circle Be Unbroken

I was standing by the window On a cold and cloudy day When I saw the hearse come rolling To carry my mother away

> Will the circle be unbroken Bye and bye Lord bye and bye There's a better home a waiting In the sky Lord in the sky

I said to the undertaker Undertaker please drive slow For that body you are carrying Lord I hate to see her go

Well I followed close behind her Tried to hold up and be brave But I could not hide my sorrow When they laid her in that grave

I went back home Lord that home was lonesome Since my mother, she was gone All my brothers and sisters crying What a home so sad and alone

I'll Fly Away

Some bright morning when this life is over I'll fly away To that home on God's celestial shore I'll fly away

I'll fly away oh glory I'll fly away (in the morning) When I die hallelujah by and by I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have gone I'll fly away Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly I'll fly away

Oh how glad and happy when we meet I'll fly away No more cold iron shackles on my feet I'll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then I'll fly away To a land where joys will never end I'll fly away

Billy Gray

Norman Blake

Billy Gray rode into Gantry back in '83 There he did meet young Sarah McCray The wild rose of morning that pale flower of dawning Herald of springtime in his young life that day

Sarah, she could not see the daylight of reality In her young eyes, Billy bore not a flaw Knowing not her chosen one was a hired gun Wanted back in Kansas City by the law

Then one day a tall man came riding o'er the badlands Lyin' to the north of New Mexico He was overheard to say he was lookin' for Bill Gray A ruthless man and a dangerous outlaw

Well, the deadly news came creepin' to Billy, fast sleepin' There in the Clarendon Bar and Hotel He fled towards the old church on the outskirts Thinking he'd climb up to that old steeple bell

But a rifle ball came flying face down he lay dying There in the dust of the road where he fell Sarah, she ran to him cursing the lawman Accepting no reason knowing that he was killed

Sarah lives in that same old white frame house Where she first met Billy some forty years ago And the wild rose of morning has faded with the dawning Of every day of sorrow that the long years have sown

And written on a stone where the dusty winds have long blown Eighteen words to a passing world say:
"True love knows no season, no rhyme nor no reason Justice is cold as the Granger County clay"

Railroading on the Great Divide

by Sara Carter

D_{Nineteen} and sixteen I G_{started to} D_{roam}
Out in the West, no money, no Ahome.
D_I went drifting a Glong with the D_{tide}.
I landed on the A_{Great Di}D_{vide}.

CHORUS

Railroading on the Great Divide. Nothing around me but Rockies and skies. There you'll find me as years go by, Railroading on the Great Divide.

Ask any old timer from old Cheyenne, Railroading Wyoming the best in the land. The long steel rails, the short cross ties I laid across the Great Divide.

As I looked out across the breeze Number 3 coming, the fastest on wheels Through old Laramie she glides with pride And rolls across the Great Divide.

Lamplighting Time In The Valley

There's a lamp shining bright in a cabin In the window it's shining for me And I know that my mother is praying For the boy she is longing to see

When it's lamp lighting time in the valley Still in dreams I go back to my home I can see that old lamp in the window It will guide me wherever I roam.

In the lamplight tonight I can see her As she rocks in her chair to and fro Though she prays that I'll come back to see her Still I know that I never can go.

So she lights up the lamp and sits waiting For she knows not the crime i have done So I've changed all my ways and I'll meet her Up in heaven when life's race is run.

Western Skies [A]

Written by: Tim O'Brien, Nicholas Forster Performed by: Hot Rize

The cold and grey just wears me down Day after day in this hard luck town Can't keep a dollar; can't make a frown I don't believe I'll be content again

CHORUS

['Til / When / And] I see those western skies Sunshine on the open plain Blue sky across the mountain range When I'm free that's where I'll be

There's a girl who's been on my mind A precious jewel so hard to find I said some things that I take back now Maybe I'll get a second chance somehow

CHORUS

INTERLUDE:

[E]I fight my way through an [B] other day

[E]Road blocks at every [B]turn

[D]Nobody even [B]looks my way

[D]Don't know how to make my [E]get away

A heavy load weighing on my back As I walk along these rusty tracks I sit alone out on the pier Marking time 'til I get out of here

CHORUS

When I'm free that's where I'll be.