

I'M GOING BACK TO WHERE I CAME FROM (Jessie Mae Robinson)

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I'm goin' back to where I come from,

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Where the honeysuckle smells so sweet it durn near makes you sick

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I used to think my life was hum-drum

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But I sure have learned a lesson that is bound to stick

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There ain't no use of me pretendin'

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The city just ain't no place for a guy like me to end in

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Where the mockin' bird is singin' in the lilac bush

I used to go down to the station

Every evenin' just to watch the Pullman train come rollin' in

And then one night, that great temptation

Got too great, so I just up and left my kith and kin

I took my hat and fourteen dollars

And I went through all the troubles of the plight that always follows

When you're rich and huntin' romance

But my huntin' days are over, I can tell you that

I met a man in Kansas City

An' he winked and asked me if I'd like to step around

I said "Why, yes, why sure, that's what I'm here for, betcha life"

So he said he'd take me to the hottest spots in town

He mentioned things he'd have to fix up

So he took my fourteen dollars but there must have been a mix up

He's been gone since Monday evenin'

And I've gotta hunch I'll never see that guy no more

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When I get old and have a grandson,

I'll tell him 'bout my romance, and you watch his eyes pop out.

But chances are he won't believe me

So he'll do the same darn thing when he grows up, no doubt.

But he can't say I didn't warn him,

What will happen when he meets up with that city guy, gol darn him.

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