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That Lonesome Train Took My Baby Away

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(Charlie McCoy)

Woke up this morning
Found something wrong
My lovin' babe had caught that
Train and gone
Now won't you starch my jumper
Iron my overalls
I'm gonna ride that train
That they call the Cannonball.

Mister Depot Agent
Close your depot down
The woman I'm lovin' she's fixin'a
Blow this town
Now that mean old fireman,
That cruel old engineer
Gon' take my baby
And leave me lonesome here

It ain't no tellin'
What that train won't do
It'll take your baby'n
Run right over you
Now that engineer man
Oughta be 'shamed of himself
Take women from their husbands
Babies from their mother's breast

I walked down the track
Where the stars refuse to shine
Look like every minute
I was going to lose my mind
Now my knees was weak,
My footsteps was all I heard
Look like every minute
I was steppn'in another world

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The girl I'm lovin'
She's fixin'a blow this town
Now that mean old fireman,

That cruel old engineer
Gon' take my baby
And leave me lonesome here

Charlie McCoy, a blues singer and mandolin
player from the Jackson, Mississippi area in the '30s
did this song. MO

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