

Prine John

"Unwed Fathers"

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an apparition
Greyhound Station
she sits there waiting
in a family way

goodbye brother
tell mom I love her
tell all the others
I'll write some day

from a teenage lover
to an unwed mother
kept under covers
like some bad dream
while unwed fathers
they can't be bothered
they're running like water
through a mountain stream

in the cold and gray town
a nurse says lay down
this ain't no playground
and this ain't home

someone's children
out having children
in a gray stone building
all alone

from a teenage lover
to an unwed mother
kept under covers
like some bad dream
while unwed fathers
they can't be bothered
they're running like water
through a mountain stream

while somewhere else bound
Smokey Mountain Greyhound
she bows her head down

humming lullabies

your daddy never
meant to hurt you ever
he just don't live here
but you've got his eyes

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to an unwed mother
kept under covers
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