

## **Follies**

### **"I'm Still Here"**

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Good times and bum times  
I've seen them all and my dear I'm still here  
Plush velvet sometimes  
Sometimes just pretzels and beer but I'm here

I've stuffed the dailies in my shoes  
Strummed ukuleles, sung the blues  
Seen all my dreams disappear but I'm here

I've slept in shanties  
Guest of the W.P.A. but I'm here  
Danced in my scanties  
Three bucks a night was the pay but I'm here

I've stood on bread lines  
With the best, watched while the headlines  
Did the rest in the depression was I depressed?

Nowhere near  
I met a big financier and I'm here  
I've been through Gandhi  
Windsor and Wally's affair and I'm here

Amos and Andy  
Mah jongg and platinum hair and I'm here  
I got through Abie's, Irish Rose, five Dionne babies  
Major Bowes had heebie jeebies for Beebe's  
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I lived through Brenda Frazier and I'm here  
I've gotten through Herbert and J. Edgar Hoover  
Gee, that was fun and a half  
When you've been through Herbert and J. Edgar Hoover  
Anything else is a laugh

I've been through Reno  
I've been through Beverly Hills and I'm here  
Reefers and vino, rest cures  
Religion and pills and I'm here

Been called a Pinko, commie tool  
Got through it stinko by my pool

I should have gone to an acting school  
That seems clear

Still, someone said, "She's sincere"  
So I'm here black sable one day  
Next day it goes into hock but I'm here  
Top billing Monday

Tuesday you're touring in stock but I'm here  
First you're another sloe-eyed vamp  
Then someone's mother, then you're camp  
Then you career from career to career

I'm almost through my memoirs and I'm here  
I've gotten through, hey, lady, aren't you whoozis?  
Wow, what a looker you were  
Or, better yet, sorry, I thought you were whoozis

Whatever happened to her, good times and bum times  
I've seen 'em all and, my dear, I'm still here  
Flush velvet sometimes  
Sometimes just pretzels and beer, but I'm here

I've run the gamut A to Z  
Three cheers and dammit, c'est la vie  
I got through all of last year and I'm here  
Lord knows, at least I was there, and I'm here  
Look who's here, I'm still here

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