

## John Williamson

### "Three River Hotel"

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From Townsville to Greenvale we're building a line  
Through the ranges and the gorges and the great  
nickel mine  
The long days are dusty and hotter than hell  
And that's why we all worship Three Rivers Hotel

There's Thiess Brothers camp on the banks of the Star  
Where men from all nations and walks of life are  
And it's funny to listen to the stories they tell  
Every night 'round the bar at Three Rivers Hotel

And we curse at the things that go wrong through the  
day  
And vow that we'll snatch it, and go far away  
But when day is done and we're soon feeling well  
The laughter rings out from Three Rivers Hotel

And the night after payday there's fun and romance  
It's a night for the fam'lies to sing and to dance  
You can let down your hair and come out of your shell  
You can do your own thing in Three Rivers Hotel

And if you listen to the bosses when the night's gettin'  
late  
On the progress they're makin' the best in the state  
They'd be finished this line and the maintenance as  
well  
If they worked like they bragged in Three Rivers Hotel

All together now  
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Through the ranges and the gorges and the great  
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