

Peetie Wheatstraw "The Break I'm Getting"

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Peetie Wheatstraw (William Bunch)
With Pretty Boy Walker
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Now, listen here people
Think I'm tired of bein' a bum
For the breaks I'm gettin' now
I done got to be nothin' but a crumb

I've got tired
Of these breaks they givin' me
I'm gon' pack my grip
An I'm going back to Tennessee

Now, I walk all day
Can't find no work at all
I'm broke an' hungry all the winter
And ragg'dy all the fall
I walked all day
My feet got wet n' damp
I've been sufferin' two, three days
From the miss meal cramp

I was barefooted, naked
I was in the ice an snow
With all my yas-yas, out
You could see my big toe
I was barefooted
Didn't have on no shoes
And the rocks, gravel and concrete
Is givin' my soles the blues
An 'fore I'd let winter in St. Louis
Get the best of me
I'd get on a freight train an walk
Back to Memphis, Tennessee

'Cause I've done got tired
Of these breaks they givin' me
I'm gon' pack my grip
An I'm going back to Tennessee

Now other day I woked up
To a big healthy garbage can
And drugs my stiff back on it
Back of a natural man
I says, 'Razzy ham bone
And skanky muffin
Get back all your coffee grounds
Cause you know I ain't bluffin'
An 'fore I'd let winter in let St. Louis
Take advantage of me
I'd go back down south
Where all chumps oughta be

'Cause I've done got tired
Of these breaks they givin' me
I'm gon' pack my grip
And I'm goin' back to Tennessee

Now, I'm 'onna sing this verse
Now, ain't gon' sing any mo'
'Cause I'm gettin' kind-a warm
An you know I've got to go
I love to clown for ya'all
An I love to act a monkey
But I don't wanna get too hot
'Cause I'm scared I'm liable to get a bad cold

'Cause I done got tired
Of these breaks they givin' me
I'm 'onna pack my grip
And I'm goin' back to Tennessee.

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