

## Sonny Boy Williamson

### "Insurance Man Blues"

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Insurance Man Blues Track 17 3:15  
Sonny Boy Williamson I (John Lee)  
(John Lee Williamson)  
Recorded June 17, 1938 - Aurora, Illinois  
With Speckled Red - piano and (probablys) Willie  
Hachett - mandolin  
And Willie Lee McCoy - gtr.  
Album: The Bluebird Recordings 1938 RCA #66796

Ev'ry Monday mo'nin  
People, the insurance man knockin' on my do'  
Ev'ry Monday mo'nin  
People, that insurance man knockin' on my do'  
Well now, tell him to come back on a Tuesday  
Because Sonny Boy hasn't made no money, you know

He said, 'Yeah, but you haven't paid yo' insurance  
In two or three week'  
Said, 'Sonny Boy, an your insurance have gon' down'  
He said, 'But you haven't paid yo' insurance  
In two or three week'  
He said, 'And your insurance have gone down'  
He said, If you don't pays by next Wednesday  
I reckon I'll have to let your insurance drop, now'

I said, 'Insurance man please don't turn me out'  
Lord, an I ain't got nobody to bury me  
'Now insurance man, please don't turn me out'  
I haven't got nobody to bury me'  
Well now an I say, 'If you won't bury me  
They'll throw my body in the deep blue sea'

I'll tell you, you know how times is now-a-day  
Can't no one man find no job  
I'll say, 'You know how times is now-a-day  
Can't no one man find no job'  
I'll say 'I can't even take care of my wife an baby  
An I might have to let my family starve

I said, 'Please give me two mo' weeks  
Insurance man please do that for me'

I said, 'Now please give me two mo' weeks  
Insurance man please do that for me'  
Well I say, 'I don't live up north  
My home is back down in Tennessee.'

(harmonica & instrumental to end)

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