

Robert Johnson

"Tough Luck"

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Robert Lee McCoy (aka Ramblin' Bob & Robert Nighthawk)

(Robert McCoy)

Recorded: Aurora, Illinois - Leland Hotel Wed May 5th, 1937

Robert Lee McCoy - vocals and guitar

With Sonny Boy Williamson - harmonica and Joe Williams - guitar.

Album: Robert Lee McCoy Bluebird Recordings 1937-1939

1997 Bluebird RCA #67416-2

Now, got in tough luck
All my people they're dead an gone
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All my people they're dead an gone
An I haven't got any money
No place to call my home

When a man gets in tough luck
Nobody wants him 'round
When a man gets in tough luck
Nobody wants him 'round
If ya haven't got any money
There is no friend to be found

When a man got alots a-money
He'll have friends at ev'ry house
When a man got alots a-money
He'll have friends at ev'ry house
But if he haven't got any money
He'll be treated like a cat wit'out a mouse

'Ooh, step on it'

(guitar & harmonica)

'Play that thing, boy, play that'

'My fever's a hundred an sixty below zero'

Now when I got in tough luck
My pig meat didn't treat me right
When I got in tough luck
My pig meat didn't treat me right
But why should I worry about a pig meat?
Sleepin' with an old hog ev'ry night

So, when I get outta this tough luck
I'm goin' to leave your home
When I get outta this tough luck
I'm goin' to leave your home
Because you treats me mean
You know you done me wrong.

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