Sonny Boy Williamson I "Low Down Ways"

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Hotel

Album: The Bluebird Recordings 1938 RCA #66796 with Speckled Red (Rufus Perryman) - piano

probably Willie Hacher - mandolin and Robert Lee

McCoy - gtr

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Now listen here, baby

Do you think I'm gonna be yo' fool?

Do what you think, baby

You want Sonny Boy, to be yo' mule?

A-ev'rytime I meet you, baby Walkin' up an down the street

You walk by me, smilin'

Act like you don't wanna speak

But I, little girl

I've got tired of your low down, dirty ways Well, now drinkin' whiskey an runnin' round Little girl, that's all you crave

Well now, an I give you my money, baby N' you left me cold in hand You took my money, an you know you Started to raisin' sand You start to hittin' in bootleggers Drivin' 'em ev'ry whiskey hide she knows it Ridin' up an down the street An you know with Mr. So and So

But little girl
I'm tired of yo' low down, dirty ways
Well now, drinkin' whiskey an runnin' around
I just declare that's all you crave

Well now, I was gonna by you a Packard, baby I was gonna by you a *Packard 2 I was gonna by you a Cadillac, you know Just to try an get along wit'ch you I was goin' down to the jewelry sto' An I was gonna buy you diamonds ring But now you won't treat me nice An I ain't gonna buy you a doggone thing

But little girl I'm tired of yo' low down, dirty way Well now, drinkin' whiskey an runnin' around I just declare that's all you crave

(harmonica & instrumental)

Well now-a my mother told me one thing You know my father sayed the same You runnin' around with this little girl Sonny, that's gonna change yo' name But I won't pay 'em no mind A-I'll continue to drink I don't never said I want change You know an just sit and think

But I've got tired
Of this little girl's low down, dirty ways
Now an when I leave her this time
I swear I'm gonna away 'n stay.

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*Packard - 2 was a 4 door sedan.

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