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"Ruby Don't Take Your Love To Town"

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(The First Edition)

You've painted up your lips and rolled and curled your
tinted hair,
Ruby, are you contemplating going out somewhere?
The shadows on the wall tell me the sun is going down,
Oh Ruby, don't take your love to town.

It wasn't me that started that old crazy Asian war,
But I was proud to go and do my patriotic chore,
And yes, it's true that I'm not the man I used to be,
Oh Ruby, I still need some company.

It's hard to love a man whose legs are bent and
paralyzed,
And the wants and needs of a woman your age, Ruby, I
realize,
But it won't be long, I've heard them say, until I'm not
around,
Oh Ruby, don't take your love to town.

She's leaving now 'cause I just heard the slamming of
the door,
The way I know I heard it slam one hundred times
before,
And if I could move I'd get my gun and put her in the
ground,
Oh Ruby, please don't take your love to town.

Oh Ruby, for God's sake, turn around

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