

The Highwaymen "Welfare Line"

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Well now, boys I've been to Bethlehem
Rode there on a big steam train
Lost two fenders in the steel wheels
And I ain't goin' back again

I fought for my country
Lord knows I did my best
Crawlin' cross some foreign field
They pinned a ribbon to my chest

So pass around the bottle boys
Let's talk about old times
Night's rollin' in, it's cold as sin
Here on the welfare line

Served on a Georgia road gang
Couldn't pay the debts I owed
'Cos I ain't made of silver
And I ain't ever seen no gold

I still remember Rachel
Soft as a velvet gown
They laid her in a pauper's grave
On the other side of town

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Now some folks are born to money
You know I wish 'em well
If the devil should ever want my soul
I swear I'd never sell

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