

Tom T. Hall

"Week In A Country Jail"

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Too doop too too doo too

One time I spent a week inside a little country jail
And I don't guess I'll ever live it down
I was sittin' at red light when these two men came and
got me
And said that I was speedin' through their town

Well they said tomorrow morning you can see the
judge then go
They let me call one person on the phone
I thought I'd be there over night so I just called my boss
To tell him I'd be off but not for long

They motioned me inside a cell with seven other guys
One little barred-up window in the rear
My cellmate said if they had let me bring some money
in
We ought to send the jailer for some beer

Well I had to pay him double cause he was the man in
charge
And the jailer's job was not the best in town
Later on his wife brought hot bologna eggs and gravy
The first day I was there I turned it down

Next morning they just let us sleep but I was up real
early
Wondering when I get my release
Later on we got more hot bologna eggs and gravy
And by now I wasn't quite so hard to please

Two days later when I thought that I had been forgotten
The sheriff came in chewing on a straw
He said where is the guy who thinks that this is
Indianapolis
I'd like to talk to him about the law

Well I told him who I was and told him I was working
steady
And I really should be gettin' on my way

That part about me being who I was did not impress
him
He said the judge will be here any day

The jailer had a wife and let me tell you she was awful
But she brought that hot bologna every day
And after seven days she got to looking so much better
I asked her if she'd like to run away

The next morning that old judge took every nickel that I
have
And he said son let this teach you not to race
The jailer's wife was smiling from the window as I left
In thirty minutes I was out of state
Too doo too too doo hoo

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