Mel Tillis, Worried Man Blues

It takes a worried man to sing a worried song I'm worried now but I won't be worried long Well this train I ride is twenty one coaches long This train I ride is twenty one coaches long This train I ride is twenty one coaches long The one I love she's on that train and gone It takes a worried man to sing a worried song It takes a worried man to sing a worried song It takes a worried man to sing a worried song I'm worried now but I won't be worried long

I went across the river to lay me down to sleep I went across the river to lay me down to sleep I went across the river to lay me down to sleep When I woke up there were shackles on my feet Well it takes a worried man...

Well around my feet were twenty links of chains
Around my feet were twenty links of chains
Around my feet were twenty links of chains on each link was written my name
Well it takes a worried man...
[guitar]

I asked the judge what's gonna be my fine I asked the judge what's gonna be my fine I said old judge what's gonna be my fine twenty one days on the Rocky Island Line Well it takes a worried man...

I'm worried now but I won't be worried long I'm worried now but I won't be worried long