

Merle Haggard, Waitin' For A Train

All around the water tank
Sleepin' in the rain
A thousand miles away from home
Waitin' for a train
I walked up to a brake-man
Just to give him a line of talk
He said if you've got money
I'll see that you don't walk.
Well I haven't got a nickel
Not a penny can I show
He said "Get off, you railroad bum"
And he slammed the boxcar door.

Well he put me off in Texas
A state I dearly love
With the wide open spaces
All around me
The moon and stars above
Nobody seems to want me
Or to lend a helping hand
I'm on my way from Frisco
Heading back to Dixieland
My pocketbook is empty
My heart is full of pain
I'm a thousand miles away from home
Waitin' for a train.