The Long Blondes, You Could Have Both

I retire to bed early last night You follow me in or you don't

And either way, it's alright

You've been going with her now for seventeen weeks

But that doesn't make a blind bit of difference to me

Just when you're ready to take on the world

Some other girl had to get there first

And it's obvious that you're a man that's out to own her

But you know where I am

And you know that you could have both

She's away

And you get by without her very well

If I'm around

You get by without her even better

I don't kid myself about happy endings

I'm too old for that now

Out on my doorstep, your lip burst and bleeding

Well, that was a crash course for me

Acting the film star while you were still spoken for

It didn't look rosy for me

But I've considered the alternatives

A few degrees of separation can't be that bad

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So stop!

" I feel like C.C. Baxter in Wilder's 'Apartment',

That particular arrangement just came out of the blue

And who was it who sang 'I know that you love one

So why can't you love two?'

I was in full-time education when I got scared of the future

And I've only got a job so I don't disappoint my mother

It's like I've painted myself into a social corner

Well, that's what happens when you listen to

Saint Scott Walker

On headphones

On the bus.

What about us? What about us?

My friends come round and they ask me 'What about us?'

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You know I don't kid myself about happy endings

I'm too old for all that now

But you don't have to worry that much about the future

And it's not as if you ever did before

Because you'll always have everything just as you want it

And there'll always be a phone to ring at three in the morning

And you'll always have someone who'll drive you home

Yes, you'll always have someone, someone to drive you home.

Someone to drive you home."

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But you know where I am

And you know what I want

And I know I'll never have you completely alone

So I'm trying to draw up a contingency plan

And it's obvious that you're a man that's out to own her

But you know where I am

And you know that you could have both You could have both You could have both