

(I Heard That) Lonesome Whistle

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I was ridin' Number Nine, heading south from Caroline
I heard that lonesome whistle blow
Got in trouble, had to roam, left my gal and left my home
I heard that lonesome whistle blow Just a kid acting smart, I went and broke my darling's heart
I guess I was too young to know
They took me off to Georgia Main, locked me to a ball and chain
I heard that lonesome whistle blow All alone I bear the shame, I'm a number not a name
I heard that lonesome whistle blow
All I do is sit and cry when the evening train goes by
I heard that lonesome whistle blow I'll be locked here in this cell till my body's just a shell
And my hair turns whiter than snow
I'll never see that gal of mine, Lord, I'm in Georgia doing time
I heard that lonesome whistle blow

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